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## Gender Justice and Churches of Christ

### Our Purpose

The purpose of this site is to promote gender justice in the Church of Christ by...

1. facilitating communication and mutual support and edification among Churches of Christ that practice or strive toward gender justice.
2. offering resources for those seeking insight into the scriptural, theological, and experiential warrants for gender justice in the church.

### A Definition of Gender Justice

In general, gender justice means recognizing that men and women are created by God, redeemed by Christ, and gifted by the Spirit truly without distinction or partiality. In Christian community, gender justice means encouraging both men and women to exercise their Spirit-given gifts in the church's work, worship, and leadership, and celebrating the truth that the Spirit grants such gifts without respect to gender. Concretely, gender justice in the Church of Christ includes opening traditionally masculine leadership roles and activities (deacon, elder, minister, worship leader, preacher, teacher, etc.) to women, and encouraging men to discover and cultivate their gifts for activities traditionally performed by women.

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["Jesus, Lord of the Sabbath"](#) Paul Casner

["Seven Questions"](#) Dale Pauls

["Men, Women and Biblical Equality"](#) scholars of Christians for Biblical Equality

["In Our Lifetime?"](#) Katie Hays

["Who Do You Say That I Am?"](#) Katie Hays

["FRO \(Frequently Raised Objections\)"](#) Lance Pape

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## ***Voices of Experience***

["Why I Left the Church of Christ and Why I Returned"](#) Ann Evankovich

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["Why Am I Afraid?"](#) D'Esta Love

["Behold, I Show You a Parable"](#) Floyd E. Rose

## ***Studies on Individual Texts***

["Man and Woman in Genesis 1-3"](#) Lance Pape

["Martha's Choice: A Pastorally Sensitive Reading of Luke 10:38-42"](#) Chris Hutson

["The First Female Gospel Preacher: A Fresh Perspective on John 4"](#) Lance Pape

["The Hardest Questions Never Go Away: Reading Acts 15 in a New Context"](#) Robert Montgomery

["Laborers in the Lord: Romans 16 and the Women in Pauline Churches"](#) Christopher R. Hutson

["A Study Guide to 1 Timothy 2:8-15"](#) Christopher R. Hutson

## ***Congregational Study Documents & Statements***

["About Brookline: Women in Public Worship"](#) Brookline Church of Christ (Brookline, MA)

["Two Churches, Two Journeys"](#) Cahaba Valley Church (Birmingham, AL) Brookline Church of Christ (Brookline, MA)

["A Community Without Barriers"](#) Thomas Robinson, Manhattan Church of Christ (New York, NY)

["Faith and Gender"](#) Dale Pauls, Stamford Church of Christ (Stamford, CT)

["Neither Male Nor Female"](#) Dale Pauls, Stamford Church of Christ (Stamford, CT)

["One in Christ"](#) Dale Pauls, Stamford Church of Christ (Stamford, CT)

["Sons and Daughters: Hearing Women's Voices at Stamford Church of Christ"](#)

Dale Pauls, Stamford Church of Christ (Stamford, CT)

["Worship Program Statement"](#) Stamford Church of Christ (Stamford, CT)

## ***Links to Additional Congregational Resources***

["A Community Without Barriers Study Guide"](#) A lengthy document (PDF download) that expands on the textual treatment in Thomas Robinson's sermon of the same name.

["A Study Document on the Role of Women"](#) A summary of the textual study done at Cahaba Valley Church in 1988-9.