Domestic violence IS an issue in our congregation!

1 in 3 women and 1 in 10 men will experience domestic violence at the hands of a husband, wife, boyfriend, or girlfriend.

Domestic violence can affect anyone!
In rural communities, it can be especially hard to get help.

Many faithful Americans turn to someone in their faith community for HOPE... and help. You can be that help!

- Listen with compassion and without judgment.
- Encourage the domestic violence survivor to think about her safety. Don’t talk to anyone else about the situation without her permission.
- Let the survivor know that he is not alone. Provide emotional, physical, and spiritual support.
- Refer the survivor to local domestic violence advocates for expert help, safety planning, and support.
- Couple’s counseling is dangerous and is NOT recommended.

For Immediate Help

Call the National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-7233/SAFE

The National Domestic Violence Hotline is free, confidential, and available 24/7. Language translation is available. Anyone can call. You do not have to give your name or identifying information to receive help.

Call your local police, sheriff, or Village Public Safety Officer
or
DIAL 911 (where available)

Add local service provider information.
If there is no local information here, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline (1-800-799-7233/SAFE) and ask for services in your area.