

Laurel Church of Christ

Family Focus

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THE DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME THAT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD

How many of you really enjoyed getting up an extra hour earlier today because of daylight saving time? I think it's safe to say that many people don't mind daylight saving time in general, but I think it's even more safe to say that many, many people don't like the day they go to daylight saving time, because it kind of messes up their world for a day or two. One doctor I heard on a radio show this weekend basically gave the very astute diagnosis that on the day that daylight starts, many people are...grumpy.

I pray that you aren't too grumpy today, but what would happen if in grumpiness you would say, "I am not changing my clock." That could really mess up your world right? It would really mess up our world if we didn't abide by what is the reality.

What about **The Daylight Saving Time That Makes All the Difference in the World?** John 3:16 tells us that God so loved the world, but it also tells us something else about the world in verse 19. **"This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil."** Jesus Christ is the light of the world. Our time that we live in this world truly is our daylight saving time—the time to come to faith in God's one and only Son. But many people don't want Jesus to mess up their world. Many people want to live in the darkness because they like what they are doing, and they don't believe that God has a better way—a daylight saving time way—that makes all the difference in the world without end—eternity.

**Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth! Psa. 46:10**

Pray for the sick: You may not know some of them but God knows them and their needs, so let's lift them up to Him!

CONTINUING CONCERNS: Terry Hastings, Sandi Holt, Pat Tucker, Myra's sister, Connie; Norma Hudson, Ruth Banks, Michelle Tucker
On-going personal Bible studies
World turmoil; people of Russia, Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Guyana, Cameroon
Cipolla family
"Celebrate Recovery"
AIM missionaries, Carolina Aguilar, Miguel Javier Dale and Maddy
Latin American Missions
Sue Banks (Jean's niece)
Brenda Pepper's continuing recovery
Butch and Jenny's daughter, Robin had successful brain surgery. Please continue to pray.
Julia's Dad, Haines; broken hip surgery went well
Charles Fooks (Jean's brother)
Noah Donahoe's niece, Lottie; doing better, stable.
Dave (Shane's friend); cancer
Expectant mothers to be: Lauren (Ellis) James-3/15; Elizabeth Hudson-June; Jess Hudson-July.

Opportunities for study and worship

Sunday: (In person and virtually at:
www.laurelcoc.org)

Bible Classes	9:00 a.m.
Worship	10:00 a.m.

Tuesday:

Women's Zoom Study	7:00 p.m.
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Wednesday

Men's prayer (Shawn's)	7:15 a.m.
Bible Study at building	6:30 p.m.
Friday ladies' Paul study	10:30 a.m.

We invite you to attend any of our service times, and we look forward to welcoming you, and pray that you might find a home here with us in Laurel and with God in heaven as His child.

If you need Media help — connections, addresses, or general questions contact: Don Trader or Julio Brennick

CELEBRATE RECOVERY each Monday evening from 6-8 in the FLC.

WOMEN'S STUDIES— "The Good News" study is at Cathy's each Fri. morning; coffee and fellowship 10:30, study at 11:00. Ladies' Tuesday evening Zoom study on Hebrews at 7:00 pm .

WOMEN TO WOMEN WORKSHOP Mar. 16 in FLC from 9-12. Breakfast served. Please bring notebooks. All ladies and teen girls encouraged to attend.

POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP MEAL is the 4th Sunday, March 24th.

EASTER EGG HUNT Mar. 31. Please bring wrapped candy. Eggs will be stuffed Wednesday Evening, Mar. 27th and help will be needed.

MEN TO SERVE;

Welcome/Scripture; 3/10-Vinny; 3/17-Julio
Prayer; 3/10-Julio; 3/17-Philip
Table; 3/10-Christian; 3/17Daniel
Song Leader; 3/10-Daniel; 3/17-Troy
Announcements/Closing prayer; 2/18-3/17-Shawn

WHO WE ARE

The body of Christ in Laurel, Delaware is a family of believers knit together in love (Colossians 2:2), striving to serve God in spirit and in truth (John 4:24) and carrying the gospel to the lost (Matthew 28:18). We are an autonomous body with Christ only as our head, and elders shepherding the flock of God (Acts 20:28).

We have been entrusted with the gospel (I Thessalonians 2:4) and so it is that we speak. The congregation seeks to uphold the doctrine and practice of the first century church using the only true standard, the Bible, as our guide (2 Peter 1:3). It is our prayer that all would come to a knowledge of the truth and partake in that divine fellowship in the body of Christ, being immersed for the remission of sins, and beginning life anew with Christ as Lord (Acts 2:38, Romans 6:1). Our plea is that we might be one in Christ, and serve the Lord faithfully unto death to receive our crown (Revelation 2:10).