

# Laurel Church of Christ

## Family Focus

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### ***Can I Please Have Your Attention?***

You would think that most people know how to buckle and unbuckle their seat-belt, yet flight attendants still need to grab our attention to explain it to us. It's certainly helpful to learn where the exits are, the location of life vests, and how oxygen masks will deploy if cabin pressure drops. But despite these crucial instructions, why do so many people choose not to pay attention? Why don't they stop what they're doing and listen? Perhaps it's because we've heard it all before. More likely, it's because we don't believe that anything will actually go wrong.

In Hosea 4:6, we read, *"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because you have rejected knowledge, I reject you from being a priest to me"* (ESV). This was a warning to the children of Israel, explaining why they were about to face severe destruction and captivity. Like many passengers on a plane who ignore safety instructions, they chose not to pay attention to God's guidance, and the consequences were dire.

Why do you think many people ignore the Word of God? Do we assume we've heard it all before, becoming indifferent? Do we truly believe we'll never need it? I pray that we never become as complacent as the Israelites, forgetting the value of God's instructions. His Word deserves our full attention today and every day. Put aside what you're doing, eliminate distractions, and listen to what He says. You'll be blessed because you did.

By Joe Wells

## Pray for the sick:

CONTINUING CONCERNS: Terry Hastings, Myra's sister, Connie; Norma Hudson, Ruth Banks, Michelle Tucker, Charles Fooks, Goldie Weldon, Pat Tucker, Donna Sponseller On-going personal Bible studies World turmoil; people of Russia, Ukraine, Israel, Ga- za, Cameroon

### "Celebrate Recovery"

AIM missionaries, Carolina Aguilar, Miguel Javier

Dale and Maddy

Latin American Missions

Our Country and world leaders

Thea's brother, Leland Vickers-loss of eyesight due to macular degeneration

Eleanor; recovering from broken bones

Cheyenne Mathis; headaches caused by a cyst

Wildfire disaster in California

Rhonda Cipolla recovering from surgery

Pat Tucker; bronchitis

Joseph and Dawn Gray in the loss of their lodge to a fire in TN (Jean's daughter)

Jenny Womersley; upcoming surgeries

Families of aviation disaster victims

**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 Zoom at 7:00pm.

**KID'S GAME NIGHT will be Feb 11th at 5:30**

**TITUS 2 DISCIPLESHIP** for adult women, third Thursdays, Feb. 20th from 6-8. See Maria, Taylor, or Courtney if you have questions.

**FIRST PRINCIPLES CLASS** is held each Sunday morning in the FLC

**WALL CALANDAR** for 2025 is up in the office.

**SAVE THE DATE LADIES** March 29 Women to Women workshop 9-12 in the FLC

**SAVE THE DATE MEN** April 26

### **MEN TO SERVE;**

Welcome/Scripture;

Prayer;

Table;

Song Leader;

Announcements/Closing prayer;

## Opportunities for study and worship

Sunday: (In person and virtually at:  
[www.laurelcoc.org](http://www.laurelcoc.org))

Bible Classes 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday:

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

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

## 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).