

Laurel Church of Christ

Family Focus

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DOERS OF THE WORD

Alan Smith

Three men went deer hunting and, as they crossed the field going to the woods, a huge buck jumped in their path. All three fired at the same time. The buck dropped, and as they came up on the buck, they realized they had a problem. Which one of them shot the deer?

As they discussed the problem, a game warden came along to check for hunting licenses. He offered to sort out the problem, examined the deer, and said, "One of you guys is a preacher, right?" And sure enough, one of them was.

"Well, preacher, your shot is the one that got the buck".

Amazed, the guys asked how he knew one of them was a preacher and that the preacher's shot was the one that scored.

"Simple," the game warden said. "It went in one ear and out the other."

As a preacher, it does feel that way sometimes. But it's difficult to be too harsh on those who listen to my sermons because I know that sometimes, as a reader of God's word, I tend to do the same thing. I read what God says, I even understand what God says (though I wish sometimes that I didn't!) It's just that I don't allow what I'm reading to make any real difference in my life. It goes in one ear and out the other.

James wrote, "Do what God says. Don't merely listen to it, or you will fool yourselves. If someone listens to God's word but doesn't do what it says, he is like a person that looks at his face in a mirror, and immediately forgets what he looks like. However, the person who continues to study God's perfect teachings that make people free and who remains committed to them will be blessed. People like that don't merely listen and forget; they actually do what God's teachings say." James 1:22-25

May God's word go in one ear, stay there, and then demonstrate itself in how you live this day. Have a great day!

Being like Christ John 15:4-5

Pray for the sick:

Faith Fooks (Jean's niece); receiving chemo.

Dave Newberry receiving more therapy.

Gloria Hurley (Pat Tucker's friend) Crohn's and may need a liver transplant.

Terry Hastings; Cathy's brother-in-law

Robin Anderson and Kristy Brady (Womersley's Daughters)

Pat Tucker, eye issues.

Alexander Asher (Cassie's son); cont. prayers

Rhonda Cipolla; ongoing health issues

Fred Sponseller; recuperating from heart valve replacement

Kay Murphy, difficulty breathing

Chucky Hull, home from Qatar but with torn calf muscle

Robin Matthews; recent surgery

Eleanor Roulis; traveling today



STAY INFORMED by signing up for the informational blasts on the website.

LADIES' SUMMER ZOOM CLASS will study I, II, and III John and be led by Dorothea. Begins June 1, 7:00 on Tuesday evenings.

CURRENT 5TH GRADERS welcomed to Teen devos. Lads2Leaders "Pearls" begins in June.

SAVE THE DATES: July 23-24-25. Don and Ron Williams will return for a dementia and cancer workshop.

August 1-4 Temperanceville Gospel Meeting with Carey Terry.

FELLOWSHIP MEALS resume on June 27th. More details to follow soon.

Pray for our country and those that are serving!

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.

Teen Devo 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday:

Men's Bible Study 8:30 a.m.

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

Wednesday

Bible Study at building 6:30 p.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

About us

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).