

# Laurel Church of Christ

## Family Focus

July 11, 2021

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### SOLOMON ON THE BILLBOARD HOT 100

By David Bragg

On December 4, 1965 King Solomon of Old Testament fame, the successor of David (the man after God's own heart; Acts 13:22) and the wisest man who ever lived had the number one song on the Billboard Hot 100 chart. His song, *Turn! Turn! Turn! (To Everything There is a Season)*, can be found in Ecclesiastes 3:1-8.

Solomon, who received no royalties for his composition, has folk singer/songwriter and anti-war activist Pete Seeger to thank for his long delayed success. Seeger contributed only 6 words at the end of the song, seven if you count the title: Turn! Turn! Turn! It was first recorded by Seeger in 1959, then in 1962 by the Limelites, and most successfully by the Byrds in 1965 when it became an international hit which holds the record for the oldest lyrics of any number one song

In Ecclesiastes 3 Solomon writes of the ever changing phases of life as we face, by chance, various emotions and circumstances (a time to every purpose under the heavens). Seeger's song, an anti-war anthem, emphasized that there was a time for war, and a time for peace. But consider this observation: there is a time to laugh, a time to mourn. What an appropriate snapshot of daily life mixed with happy moments and crushingly sad ones. Isn't it great that, in Christ, we can weather these constantly shifting emotions with a deeply rooted joy? Persecuted, tempted, tried. Christians can rejoice in all those times because of the joy in Christ that enables us to rejoice in the Lord, always. Again I will say rejoice!

## Being like Christ John 15:4-5

## Pray for the sick:

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

Dave Newberry; MRI showed a possible tumor in the brain and possible new abscess. The steroid did not work to shrink anything.

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

Kay Murphy, difficulty breathing

Thankfulness for the relief from COVID we are experiencing and that it will continue.

Those of our number who are traveling.



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

**LADIES' SUMMER ZOOM CLASS** is studying I, II, and III John Tuesday evenings at 7:00.

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

**FELLOWSHIP MEAL** July 25th.

**August 1-4** Temperanceville Gospel Meeting with Carey Terry.

**August 28 Tentative** date for clothing giveaway.

## Pray for our country and those that are serving!

### 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.

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).