

# Laurel Church of Christ

## Family Focus

August 15, 2021

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### BECOMING MORE LIKE JESUS continued

#### Luke 6:40

*"A disciple is not above his teacher; but everyone, after he has been fully trained, will be like his teacher." KJV*

(Previously) **Jesus...**

1. **Obedied His parents**—Luke 2:51
2. **Grew up in a well rounded sort of way**—Luke 2:52
3. **Was baptized**—Matthew 3:13-15
4. **Was compassionate toward the less fortunate**—Lk 7:11-17; Mt 20:29-34
5. **Knew when to keep silent**—Mt. 27:11-14
6. **Regarded doing His Father's will as supreme**—Jn. 6:38; 8:29; Mt. 26:3-39 Even when in the greatest of distress...the Father's will be done! My desire has to come second—ALWAYS! Jesus said to deny self, but He also lived it Himself. WWJD demands I never, ever compromise what God wants, to have, or do, what I want. Doing the Father's will will have to become like food to you. Jn 4:27-34
7. **Went to "church" regularly**—Lk. 4:16 It was called synagogue to the Jews of His day, but was His custom every week. We need to make attending church gatherings a custom, a habit. Not a weekly decision.
8. **Loved everyone**—Jn. 13:1, 34-35; 11:1-5, 36; Mark 10:21 I mean He loved EVERYONE. No exceptions...enemies too. We must not be selective when it comes to loving people. We must always be acting in the best interest of others...for their good...always. If we love those who love us, what do we do more than most folks? How have we risen above the common sinner?
9. **Graciously allowed deeds of kindness**—Lk. 8:1-3; Jn. 12:3, 7-8 I think it takes more grace to receive than to give. Maybe too proud? Maybe you feel you don't deserve it? (To be cont.)

## Being like Christ John 15:4-5

## Pray for the sick:

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

Dave Newberry; continued health concerns

Gloria Hurley (Pat Tucker's friend) Crohn's

Terry Hastings; Cathy's brother-in-law

Pat Tucker, eye issues.

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

Kay Murphy, difficulty breathing.

Daniel, Christine and birth of baby.

Nip Hudson, Eleanor Roulis, Doris Mathis under the weather.

Butch and Jenny Womersley requested prayers; also daughters Robin Anderson and Kristy Brady

David Hudson's back and melanoma removal

Those of our number who are traveling.

Duane and Phyllis Morgan (missionaries to Indonesia, Malaysia); he has st. 4 prostate cancer

Joel Wharton in loss of nephew, Kyler Carmine

Kristina, Ruby, Abigail Akers, stomach problems

Rob English, loss of his father



**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.

**CLOTHING GIVEAWAY rescheduled for Sept. 4.** Donations may be brought now.

**WELCOME GUEST SPEAKER SHAWN JUDGE** and special contribution for Ganderbrook Christian Camp today.

**CHALLENGE:** Memorize 100 Bible verses by Dec. 31.

**BACK TO SCHOOL COOKOUT AUG. 22.** There will be a Sign-up sheet for picnic style foods to accompany hamburgers and hotdogs.

**VBS 2021** Saturday, August 21 from 9-1 with a cookout at 1:00. The theme is "Champions". There are jobs available. To volunteer, see Troy M.

## Those serving our country

### 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

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).