

# Laurel Church of Christ

## Family Focus

August 29, 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

(See previous bulletins for the first 13 ways we can be more like Jesus)

14. **Felt sorry for those spiritually lost-Matt. 9:36-38; Luke 9:51-56** We must never lose that feeling. It motivates us to reach out to them. We feel for their sin-sick condition and want to help. Jesus showed us how to feel about those wandering in sin...we are to feel sad.

15. **Ate with sinners-Matt. 9:10-13** Without endorsing their sin, He associated with them. He struck a balance and we must too, if we are walking in His footsteps. We must be careful of evil companionship but at the same time we mix with sinners, so as to let out light shine in the darkness.

16. **Forgave His enemies even without their having repented-Luke 23:33-34** When they come and repent we have a steadfast command...you will forgive them seven times 70. Endlessly. But what about when they do not? Stephen seemed to pick up on it...Lay not this sin to their charge. Just let the wrong go sometimes is the Christlike thing to do.

17. **Was not prejudiced-John 4:5-9** The Samaritan woman was no hurdle to Christ. He saw people, not a race, a nationality, a sex, a socio-economic background. And so ought we. He called both a zealot and a tax collector to be in His apostleship. He let women support His ministry. We have to rise above earthly prejudices too if we are going to be more like Jesus. (To be cont.)

## Being like Christ John 15:4-5

## Pray for the sick:

Faith Fooks, Dave Newberry, Gloria Hurley, Terry Hastings, Kay Murphy, Nip Hudson, Eleanor Roullis—continuing health concerns.

Pat Tucker, eye issues.

Alexander Asher (Cassie's son); burned by boiling water .

Rhonda Cipolla requests prayers.

Butch and Jenny Womersley requested prayers; also daughters Robin Anderson and Kristy Brady Duane and Phyllis Morgan (missionaries to Indonesia, Malaysia); he has st. 4 prostate cancer

Ardith Nelson, fell (Dale's grandmother)

People of Afghanistan

## 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



**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 from 10-12.** Donations may be brought now. It is Labor Day weekend. If You plan to be in town, we could use the help. We will plan to set up on Thursday, Sept. 2 and Friday, Sept. 3 (If needed).

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

**REJOICE WITH THE ANGELS IN HEAVEN** over Annabelle Hudson's baptism on Sunday, Aug. 15! We are also rejoicing with Daniel and Christine over the birth of Clayton Christopher Hudson, born Wednesday at 7:16 am and weighing 8 lbs, 14 oz.

**VBS HELPERS** are extended a heartfelt thank you from Troy Mathis for giving your time and effort to make it a great day for the children.

## 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).