# Laurel Church of Christ Family Focus

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### THE CHANGING SEASONS

By Bill Brandstatter

One of the times of year I like best is fall. The leaves begin to change colors. The weather becomes cooler. It reminds me of what the Psalmist wrote: "The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork." (Ps. 19:1)

God indirectly speaks to us through nature. When we think of nature we should be able to see God's beauty. We should be able to witness and feel God's power. Nature shows us how changes can come rapidly. Perhaps this is why Paul wrote: "For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse." (Rom. 1:20) Let us think about God and all His attributes as we see the changing seasons, but let us always remember that God never changes (Mal. 3:6; Heb. 13:8)



Being like Christ John 15:4-5

### Pray for the sick:

Faith Fooks, Dave Newberry, Gloria Hurley, Terry Hastings, Kay Murphy, Kristy Brady—continuing health concerns.

Pat Tucker, eye issues; Michelle Tucker, heel issues.

Vinnie Odo; injured in a fall in his shop, recovering. Sandi Holt; liver biopsy in Baltimore on Nov. 15. Schools, students and teachers as they try to carry on amidst COVID.

Penni's bro-in-law Donald Morris fractured his hip and had surgery.

Thea's friend Cindy's brother Dwight; back surg. On-going personal Bible studies.

Robin Anderson; wound infection after surgery and her daughter, Natalie will have cardiac surgery. Joel Wharton awaiting test results.

Kerri and family—(Dad 's return of brain cancer) friend of Dale and Maddy

Our country, her leaders, those 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



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

#### ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FELLOWSHIP FEAST

Out Potluck meal on Nov. 28 will be our Thanksgiving Meal. There is a sign-up sheet for traditional foods on the bulletin board.

**Bus Trip:** Ginger is getting together a bus trip to *Sight and Sound* to see *David.* If there is enough interest the trip will be Mar. 19, 3:00 show. The cost is \$115 per person, plus cost of stopping for dinner. Let Ginger know ASAP if interested. The bus will leave from the FLC at 10:00

### **CHANGE OF DATE:**

Ladies mark your calendars for the Christmas Tea that will be held in the FLC on **Dec. 18th** at 12:00. Bring a wrapped ornament to exchange. RSVP to Julie by Dec. 8th. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board.

Christmas caroling will be Sunday the 19th. Meet at the FLC at 4:00.

### 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).