

# Laurel Church of Christ

## Family Focus

February 13, 2022

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### TICKS AND SIN

By Amon White

Ever had a tick on you? Ticks are small blood sucking mites. They spend a good bit of time just waiting in bushes, grass and woods for a victim—you! Once you happen by, they jump on and attempt to quickly crawl to a protected spot on your body. Then they sink their mouth parts into your flesh and begin to feed on life blood. If undetected, the tick will fill itself and then drop off, often leaving its host with some debilitating disease such as spotted fever, relapsing fever, Lyme disease, tularemia, encephalitis, or rickets. The tick is a lot like many kinds of sin.

- It may get on you when it's small and almost undetectable.
- It doesn't demand much sacrifice but causes some irritation.
- Once embedded, it's hard to get off.
- It gets bigger the longer it stays on you.
- It leaves you very seriously ill.

Some advice for dealing with ticks and sins:

**Don't walk in places that are infested. Eph. 5:15** See that you walk circumspectly, not as fools.

**Examine yourself daily. 2 Cor. 13:5** Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith,

**Have others examine you and help examine them too. Heb. 3:13** But exhort one another daily lest any of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

**If one gets on you, get it off immediately. James 5:16** Confess your trespasses to one another and pray for one another.

**If you realize you are getting sick, see the doctor. Mark 2:17** Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

## Being like Christ John 15:4-5

**Pray for the sick:** We have many on our prayer list. You may not know some of them, but God knows them and their needs, so let's lift them up.

Faith Fooks, Dave Newberry, Gloria Hurley, Terry Hastings, Kay Murphy, Kristy Brady, Robin Anderson, Natalie Anderson, Pat Tucker, Michelle Tucker, Sandi Holt, Michael Roulis, Rhonda Cipolla, Cindy and Dwight, all with continuing health concerns. On-going personal Bible studies.

Kerri and family—(Dad 's return of brain cancer) Marissa (Robin Anderson's niece; shock trauma James McCartney; prostate cancer.

Doris Mathis; shoulder surgery.

Carol (Sandi's friend) tongue cancer. Can't talk or eat, in pain, on Hospice.

Lauren Hudson; sick all week (not COVID)

Bobby Phillips; successful procedure. No results yet Claire Rossiter; surgery Feb. 10. Doctors very pleased with results.

All those with COVID—we have many of our own Jean's granddaughter's family with COVID.

## 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.

Thursday:

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

Bible Study at building	6:30 p.m.
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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

**CROWN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CLASS** begins Friday, Feb. 25. The first session is a Meet and Greet and receive materials. The class will meet every Fri. at 7:00 for 10 weeks. Cost is \$40. See John Justice or Troy Mathis.

**2022 WALL CALENDAR** Get your dates on the wall calendar by giving them to Diane.

**WOMEN TO WOMEN WORKSHOP** April 9th in FLC.

**TRIP TO SIGHT AND SOUND:** The bus is full! Payment for tickets was due to Ginger on Feb. 1.

**SACK SHOWER FOR LAUREN** Dale and Maddie's Lauren is getting her own apartment and we have been collecting household items to help her. If you still have items you would like to share, you can still bring them and place them in the FLC.

**MEN TO SERVE:**

Welcome/Scripture: Danny-13th; David-20th.

Prayer: John-13th; Christian-20th.

Table: Dale-13th; Troy M.-20th.

Announcements/closing prayer: Dave-Feb.

Song leader: David-13th; Daniel-20th.

## 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).