# Laurel Church of Christ Family Focus

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#### WHAT JESUS NEVER DID

By Samuel Porter Jones

In infancy, he startled a king (Matthew 2:1-3); in boyhood, He puzzled the doctors (Luke 2:41-50); in manhood, He ruled the seas (Mark 4:35-39). He healed the multitudes without medicine and made no charges for His services (Matthew 8:16-17; 12:14-15; Luke 6:16-18).

But, He never wrote a book, yet many thousands of books have been written about Him (cf. John 21:24-25). He never wrote a song, yet He has furnished more song themes than all the songwriters combined (cf. 2 Chronicles 20:21; Psalm 21:12-13).

He never founded a college, yet all the schools together cannot boast as many students as He has (Matthew 28:18-20); Acts 19:9-11; Romans 1:7-9). He never practiced medicine, yet He has healed more broken hearts than doctors have broken bodies (Psalm 147:2-4).

He never marshalled an army, drafted a soldier, or fired a gun, yet no leader ever commanded so great a multitude of volunteers (Mt. 11:28).

Great men have come and gone, yet He lives on (Hebrews 7:25). Herod could not kill Him (Matthew 2:13-16), Satan could not seduce Him (Matthew 4:1-11), and the grave could not hold Him (Matthew 28:6).

Many have faltered, failed, and faded away, but not Jesus. He is the friend of sinners (Matthew 11:19; Luke 7:34).

"He has done all things well." Mark 7:37

Encourage one another in love and good deeds. Hebrews 10:23-24

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.

Dave Newberry, Terry Hastings, Kay Murphy, Kristy Brady, Robin Anderson, Natalie Anderson, Pat Tucker, Bobby Phillips, Sandi Holt, Michelle Tucker, Eleanor Roulis, Amy Mathis, all with continuing health concerns.

On-going personal Bible studies.

Carol (Sandi's friend) tongue cancer, on Hospice. Mothers to be; Courtney, Cadence (Crone) Wright Ruth Banks (Jean's sister); eyes

World turmoil; people of Ukraine and Russia Shane (Joel & Tina's Son-in-law); COVID again Myra's sister Connie

Baby Anthony Cipolla for more weight gain Maddy Nelson, Clayton Hudson and Sandi's daughter, Shannon, have been sick this week.

Jenny Womersley and family Pete Hudson will see an ENT

## 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.

Thursday:

Men's Bible Study 8:30 a.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

SPRING CLEANUP will be months of May-June.

**CLOTHING GIVEAWAY** will be June 4th.

**LADIES' ZOOM** on Wednesdays is ending but there will be a Tuesday evening Zoom class studying the "Women of Faith: Encouraging One Another" book. Begins 1st Tuesday of June. Books are here.

**FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK MEAL** for May will be the <u>29th.</u> We will be honoring our graduates: Jaden Snyder, Jayla, and Taylor Cannon.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Emma and Noah, who were united in marriage yesterday. We pray they will enjoy long and happy lives together.

Joel and Tina's daughter, Jillian, graduated from Wilmington College. We are happy for her!

#### **MEN TO SERVE:**

Welcome/Scripture:

Prayer:

Table:

Announcements/closing prayer: Philip-May Song leader:

### 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).