

## Churches of Christ Upcoming Events 2020

(Please see the yellow book for additional information and out of the area churches events)

### Mid-Atlantic Churches of Christ

**April 17-18** Ohio Valley University Presents NEW DAY Northeast; NO COST; register today! Please read flyer

**June 25-28** Mid-Atlantic Lectureship of the Churches of Christ; **Location:** College Park Marriott Hotel and Conference Center College Park MD; 301.985.7300; **Register online:** capitalchurchofchrist.net or by mail: PO box 6473 Annapolis MD 21401; **Cost: registration:** Adult \$50, Youth \$35; **Banquet:** Adult \$52, Youth \$37; **Minister's appreciation:** Minister \$29, Youth \$19

**April 12,19,26** Central COC Spring Gospel Explosion! **Guest speakers:** William Jones, Jack Evans, Jr., Wesley Leonard, Christopher Bradley; **Sunday School** 9am; **Morning Worship** 10:30am

### Sisters Events

**April 18** Laurel COC Ladies Day 2020 "Rising with Power of the Lord"; contact ladiesday@laurelchurch.net

**April 25 9am** North Clinton Ave. COC 2020 Ladies Day Trenton NJ "Break Every Chain"; Please read flyer

### Youth Events

**April 17-19** Silver Spring Church of Christ Teens Present Mid-Atlantic Youth Camp WaMaVa Road Linden VA Forum; \$20 per participants (teens and chaperones) Please read flyer for additional info; [www.silverspringchurchofchrist.org/](http://www.silverspringchurchofchrist.org/) [office@silverspringcofc.org](mailto:office@silverspringcofc.org)

**May 1-2** Silver Spring Church of Christ, Silver Spring MD; Lads to Leaders L2L Express Mid-Atlantic; for more information and a free workshop: [roy.lads2leaders.com](http://roy.lads2leaders.com) ; 334.215.0251 or 205.410.0298; [ww.lads2leaders.com](http://ww.lads2leaders.com)

### Psalm 116:1-2

I love the LORD, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. 2Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live.

*Beltway Church of Christ*  
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# The Messenger

Sunday, April 5, 2020

### Welcome Visitors

*We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us today.*

*Please stop by our visitor table in the foyer.*

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Zone 4 (S-Z)  
(info forthcoming)



**"BUILDING UP A SPIRITUAL HOUSE"**  
**"CHOSEN PRECIOUS"**  
1 PETER 2:5

I HAVE  
DECIDED  
TO  
FOLLOW  
JESUS

© Jesus Christ's God

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## Follow The Leader

by James McCaleb

Karuizawa is a summer resort in Japan. It was founded by missionaries before the turn of the century, and has become one of the oldest vacation spots of that country. It was my good fortune to spend several summers in Karuizawa as a child, and there are still many happy memories. Other children were there too. You know how many things children can find to do together. There was never any lack of fun and excitement.

One of our favorite games was "follow the leader." A daring member was chosen as leader and the rest of us were compelled to follow. The trail was long, circuitous, and at times dangerous. The mountains of Japan are numerous, and fast water runs in many places. Trees and rocks are abundant. The trails wind around and split in many directions.

There were certain individuals who liked to play tricks. The one just back of the leader would turn off as some sharp fork and let the front man wander off by himself. Those in the rear would then be following the wrong man. Others would get the same idea and lead more unsuspecting followers up blind alleys. Soon, they would be many little groups wandering around by themselves, with each group following a false leader. I have been a false leader myself.

All of this reminds me of some of our Christian efforts. We start off by following Christ. Getting careless, we follow off after some other leader. Soon we find Christ marching on steadfastly alone, with the groups in behind all following someone else. The whole affair becomes a groping around in the darkness of human opinion and prejudice.

We need to follow Christ individually. Then we will all stay together.

**NOTES..... website:** [www.beltwaycoc.org](http://www.beltwaycoc.org) **email:** [info@beltwaycoc.org](mailto:info@beltwaycoc.org)

**Assisted listening devices** ..Assisted listening devices are available during service. Please bring your earbuds from your phone, ipod or tape recorder. Earbuds can be provided; if necessary.

**God Loves a Cheerful Giver** —In order to introduce the importance of giving to our youth, we are asking that **ALL YOUTH** come prepared every Sunday to donate a can good during worship service.

**FACEBOOK**—"Beltway Church of Christ at Camp Springs MD" We encourage ever member to like our new page, and to "check-in" on Sunday mornings at the new page.

**To ensure that funds** are available to meet the church's financial obligations, members are requested to leave their offerings prior to travel. **Please put cash contributions in brown envelope. CONTRIBUTION** via PayPal... if you are having trouble getting a check or money order for your contribution, there are other alternatives. You can submit your contribution via PayPal (send the money to [lay\\_by@beltwaycoc.org](mailto:lay_by@beltwaycoc.org)) or through your bank's Bill Pay option. Please see Henry Abel if you have any questions."

### Auditorium ...

**Please no food or drinks**

**(water only) in the**

**auditorium.** Please remove your trash when you leave and return song books, fans, and bibles to their proper place.

### Building Fund Corner

"... offered willingly. And gave for the service of the house of God..."  
(I Chronicles 29:6-7)

Please remember to give weekly towards the Building Fund.

plan  
pray  
give  
build

### Communion Preparation by zones

Each zone is responsible quarterly for preparation of communion: putting the items on the communion table and preparing for the next Sunday

**Zone 2 2nd quarter (April, May, June)**

**Zone 3 3rd quarter (July, Aug., Sept.)**

**Zone 4 4th quarter (Oct., Nov., Dec.)**

### Did You Know...HELP SLOW THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

Follow these steps to help keep you and others safe: **Stay home** if you can and avoid any non-essential travel. Avoid social gatherings of more than 10 people. **Practice social distancing** by keeping at least 6 feet — about two arm lengths — away from others if you must go out in public. Stay connected with loved ones through video and phone calls, texts and social media. Avoid close contact with people who are sick. **Wash your hands often** with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after being in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing. If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. **Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth** with unwashed hands. **Clean and disinfect household surfaces** daily and high-touch surfaces frequently throughout the day. High-touch surfaces include phones, remote controls, counters, tabletops, doorknobs, bathroom fixtures, toilets, keyboards, tablets and bedside tables. Follow [CDC guidance](#). **Cover your coughs and sneezes.** Use a tissue to cover your nose and mouth, and throw used tissues in a lined trash can. If a tissue isn't available, cough or sneeze into your elbow — not your hands. Wash your hands immediately.

### "YES"....Youth Empowered Servants

We have a **"YES"....Youth Empowered Servants** for our youth in 2019 and beyond that attend Beltway to assist our Homebound members and strengthen our youth's foundation at Beltway. This will include a youth empowerment forum with our youth coordinators. The Program will take place twice a month on the respective Saturdays. We are asking parents and youth (ages 8 years old to 18 years old) to sign-up and volunteer your time to this program. This program is to build our youth's faith in the Lord. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Bro. Markus. Thank you!

## Meetings.... No scheduled meeting

**April 4** Spring Bldg cleaning **POC:** Michael Titre

**April 5 and 19** Blood pressure screening room 31

**April 7,14,21,28 1130am** Ladies Bible Class

**April 11 10am** Men's Devotion

**April 18 10am** Healthcare meeting

**April 18 TBA (G2G)** Generation 2 Generation Social  
**POC** Carla Smith or Penelope Richardson

**April 26 Secret Sisters!** fun-filled event after morning worship. More details to follow

**June 2,9, 16,23,30 1130am** Ladies Bible class room 28

**June 7 and 21** Blood pressure screening room 31

**Jun 7 9am** Sunday School Review

**June 7** Family and Friends Day host zone 3 and 4

**June 17 and 24** Wednesday Evening Summer Series

**June 20 10am** Men's Devotion

**June 20 10am** Healthcare meeting

**June 28** Senior Saints Birthday celebration room 28

**May 3 and 17** Blood pressure screening room 31

**May 5,12,19,26 1130am** Ladies Bible Class room 28

**May 16 10am** Men's Devotion

**May 16 10am** Healthcare meeting

**July 1 and 8** Wednesday Evening Summer Series

**July 5 and 19** Blood pressure screening

**July 7,14,21,28 1130am** Ladies Bible class

**July 13-24** Summer Camp

**July 18 10am** Men's Devotion

**July 18 10 am** Healthcare meeting

### Wednesday evening Bible Class

Our regular Wednesday Evening Bible class will be conducted via conference call ( **6054754049, access code 30052** ). Our study will be the Book of Genesis; chapter 22 following at 7:00-8:00 pm. We would love to have you as a part of our class discussion.

### The Senior Saints Ministry hosting a bus trip (Adults only)

#### Sight and Sounds Theatre Presents: Queen Esther

**Date:** Aug. 18th

**Departure time:** 7am

**Cost:** \$125 per person

**Payment info:** non-refundable \$31 deposit due now/deposits will be accepted until the bus is full!

**Payments of \$23.50 due as follows:**

April 5th, May 5th, June 5th, July 5th.

**Final payment** must be received by July 5th.

#### POCs:

**Carla Smith** (240) 505-1044  
carlasmith0123@gmail.com

**Penelope Richardson** (240) 480-3469  
allbrandnew1@hotmail.com



## Prayer List

### Sick and Shut-In

Don Allen  
Grady Bradford  
Jerriel Ford  
Elaine Floyd  
Karen Fuller  
Sherman Hicks  
Theodore Jordan  
Helen Mitchell  
Anthony Person  
Janice Tillery  
Chris Ward  
Camille Wharton  
Willa Williams

### Schedule of Services

#### Sunday

Sunday School 9:00 A.M.

Worship 10:00 A.M.

Worship 6:00 P.M.

#### Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00P.M.

### Plan of Salvation

Hear the Gospel—Romans 10:17  
Believe in Christ—Mark 16:16  
Repent of Sins—Acts 2:38  
Confess Faith—Matthew 10:32-33  
Be Baptized—1 Peter 3:21

**Sunday, April 5, 2020**

**Called to Serve**

### Sunday Morning

Opening

Scripture and Prayer

Song Leaders

Prayer

Sermon

Markus Martin

Lord's Table and Contribution

Podium

Table

Benediction

Announcements

Edward Jefferies

Greeters

Ushers

Children's Church

Zakiya and Naja Bates

Visitor's table

Roslyn McCloud  
Gwen Phillips

Nurse

Deborah Spear

**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL  
and  
NO EVENING WORSHIP  
and  
Questions and Answers  
Until further notice**

Date	Questions
<b>New dates coming soon</b>	Why Did God change Polygamist Marriages to Monogamist Marriages in the New Testament?
	God was silent for 400 years “toward Israel.” During the silent years did God still have a hand in guiding Israel?

Members,

We are trying to stay in contact with each member during this pandemic. However; if we cannot reach you, we need an emergency contact person(s). Two to three name and numbers.

Please provide an emergency contact name and number through the church email.



**Sunday Morning Worship**

**April 5, 2020**

*The BCOC 2020 Theme*

I Peter 2:5

*Building Up A Spiritual House*

**The Cloud That Covered The Camp**

Numbers 9:15-23

**Introduction**

- A. There appears to be an “**ominous cloud**” that is hovering over much of the world at this time.
- B. With the present pandemic, many feel like something bad or unpleasant is happening to our world.
- C. Often, humanity associates “**clouds**” with *darkness, dread*, and even *calamity!*
- D. There was once a cloud that covered the camp of Israel. Did Israel associate “**The Cloud That Covered The Camp**” as *darkness, dread*, or even *calamity?*
- E. The Biblical use for “cloud” is more glorious than it is ominous! “**The Cloud That Covered the Camp...**”

**Sermon**

I. Manifested God’s Presence – Num 9:15

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II. Regulated Israel’s Wilderness Journeys – Num 9:16-18

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III. Was Accepted As The Commandment of the Lord – Num 9:19-23

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**Conclusion**

- 1. The cloud that covered the camp manifested God’s presence...
- 2. The cloud that covered the camp regulated Israel’s wilderness journeys...
- 3. The cloud that covered the camp was accepted as the commandment of the Lord...