

Churches of Christ Upcoming Events 2019/2020

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

Mid-Atlantic Churches of Christ

Dec. 21 630pm Easternnaires 50th Anniversary Concert Newark COC

June 25-28, 2020 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

Sisters Events

March 5-8, 2020 Ladies of Virtue; hotel Marriott (on the campus of University of MD Hyattsville) register on line: www.virtue.2020/com

April 9-12, 2020 35th Annual Church of Christ Ladies Lectureship Retreat; **hotel** Galt House 140 North Fourth St., Louisville KY.

Acts 7:48-50

However, the Most High does not dwell in temples made with hands, as the prophet says: "Heaven is My throne, and earth is My footstool. What house will you build for Me? says the LORD, or what is the place of My rest? Has My hand not made all these things?"

Beltway Church of Christ

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Camp Springs, MD 20746

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The Messenger

Sunday, December 8, 2019

Welcome Visitors

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

Please stop by our visitor table in the foyer.

Markus Martin,
Minister
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Associate Minister
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Charles Mattocks,
Zone 1 (A-G)
240.723.1799

Edward Jefferies,
(interim)
Zone 2 (H-L)
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Zone 4 (S-Z)
(info forthcoming)



"Seeing All Things From God's Point of View"
Colossians 1:9-10
2019

Electronic Church
by Wayne Jackson

In recent months numerous articles have focused attention upon the phenomenal value of the World-Wide Web as an evangelistic tool. A recent issue of the popular denominational journal, **Christianity Today**, was devoted entirely to this medium of communication as it relates to religious information. Twenty percent of those who use the Internet do so for religious purposes. During the final quarter of last year, twenty million people accessed various web sites seeking metaphysical data. Two million Americans visit the Web every day for spiritual guidance. Surely Christians should see the value in teaching the gospel of Christ via this increasingly popular medium.

At the same time, there are dangerous pitfalls associated with the Web.

An Avenue for Error

There is a vast range of false teaching that clutters the World-Wide Web. Everything from Eastern mysticism, to religious agnosticism, to sectarianized "Christianity" is available. They can be invited right into your home – with but the click of a "mouse." (next page)

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Some sites are very professionally done and therefore, are slick avenues for promoting error to the unsuspecting.

The Web also accommodates a wide variety of “church nuts,” providing them with an opportunity to peddle their wares, when they could never secure an audience otherwise. Anyone with the right kind of technical skill can get a web site going, whether or not they know anything at all about the Bible. In the minds of some, their very presence, via such a sophisticated medium, legitimizes their endeavor. This is a part of the “price tag” for “freedom of the press.”

Unfortunately, some Christians, unwittingly or otherwise, assist with the propagation of error by their “links” network. Some web sites, operated by members of the church, have elaborate link connections to other sites. And yet, virtually every link directs the viewer to a...false teaching source. Apparently, there is not a solitary Christian web site worthy of their recommendation. What message does that convey? A revealing one for those who consider the matter thoughtfully.

A Substitute for Corporate Worship

A news service recently quoted Brenda E. Brasher, a theology-philosophy professor, and author of the book, **Give Me That Online Religion**, who says that, “One of the best-kept secrets of cyberspace is the surprising amount of religious practice that takes place there.” Brasher has found more than a million religion-oriented web sites, with many of them virtually functioning as temples and churches.

For many people, sitting in front of a computer and accessing a religious web site, has become a spiritual exercise that fulfills their need for a worshipping experience. A new study by the Barna Research Group suggests that “by the end of the decade, we will have in excess of 10 percent of our population who rely upon the Internet for their entire spiritual experience” (emp. added).

For a long time anemic Christians have rationalized their slothful religious devotion by appealing to the use of various media or electronic devices. Some churches, for example, broadcast their Sunday morning services; a few perfectly-healthy, though lazy, members rationalize remaining at home on the ground that “we can tune-in the services on the radio.” Many a preacher has heard this line during a gospel meeting: “We can’t be at the meeting on Friday evening; we’re having a family outing. But we’ll get the tape!”

As wonderful as the new tools for electronic evangelism are, they can never function as a substitute for assembling with the people of God at the prescribed times for engaging in corporate worship. There are Bible commands and principles that obligate us to “come together” (Heb 10:23-25) when we are able to do so, and no “flip of a switch” can satisfy those demands upon able-bodied people.

*** Text not originally provided by the author ***

NOTES..... website: www.beltwaycoc.org **email:** 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.

Attendance card —Please fill out an attendance card on Sundays and Wednesdays and turn the cards into the **brothers** or drop the card in the collection plate.

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) or through your bank's Bill Pay option. Please see Bro. Mickey Walker if you have any questions."

Wednesday night Bible Class
Lesson 21 is available

Communion Preparation by zones
Zone 4 4th quarter (Oct. thru Dec.)

Healthcare Information

Did You Know..... According to the **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**, washing with soap and water is the best way to reduce the number of microbes on your hands. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol. Proper technique is just as important as using the right product. When using hand sanitizers, remember to use the adequate quantity of the product to ensure the sanitizer lasts on hands for 20-30 seconds. When using soap and water, the entire hand washing procedure should last 40-60 seconds to ensure clean hands. National Handwashing Awareness Week only lasts until December 10, but handwashing should always be a habit we never want to quit! (Source: <http://blog.debmed.com/blog/december-4-10-is-national-handwashing-awareness-week>)

“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!

The BCOB Healthcare Ministry has volunteered to sponsor two families for the Christmas holidays; one family is from Princeton Elementary and the second is from Crossland High School. We are asking members of the congregation to please help put some smiles on these families’ faces. Provided below are the sizes for each family member of each family. We are accepting items as listed below as well as monetary contributions. Should you have any questions, please feel to reach out to one of the following Healthcare Ministry members: Kathy Fultz, Debra Spear or Roz McCloud.
Family at Princeton: Mom coat size: medium, **Dad** coat size: large, **Child #1** Gender: Male, Age: 8 years old, Shoe size: 3 1/2, Clothes: youth size 8/10; **Child #2** Gender: Male, Age: 6 years old, Shoe Size: 2 1/2, Clothes size: youth size 7/8; **Child #3**, Gender: Female, Age: 5 years old Shoe size: 2 Clothes size: youth 7/8

Family at Crossland: Child #1, Gender Male, Age:16, shoe size 11, Shirt size Men’s large, 34/36; pants, **Child #2**, Gender Male, Age: 15, shoe size 7 1/2, shirt size Men’s small/medium, pants size 16; **Child #3**, Gender female: Age: 14, shoe size 7, shirt size girl’s 16, pants size girl’s 16.; **Child #4**, Gender female, Age: 11, shoe size 7, shirt size girl’s 15, pants size 15; **MOM**, shoe size 5 1/2, shirt size, women’s medium, women’s medium

***If you so choose, for the high schoolers, may we suggest gift cards verse clothing.

Building Fund Corner

“... offered willingly. And gave for the service of the house of God...”
(1 Chronicles 29:6-7)

Please remember to give weekly towards the Building Fund.

plan
pray
give
build

Meetings....No scheduled meetings

- Dec. 8** Sunday School review
- Dec. 8** Family and Friends Day **zone 1 and 2**
- Dec. 8** Second collection Gift Fund
- Dec. 10,17 1130am** Ladies Bible Class
- Dec. 14** Secret Sister event
- Dec. 15** Blood pressure screening room 31
- Dec. 21 10am** Men's training
- Dec. 21 10am** Healthcare meeting
- Dec. 21** Young family event
- Dec. 29** Youth Sunday

Red and White Committee Fundraiser
"Double Good"
Gourmet Popcorn
 Variety of Sizes & Delicious Flavors
 Ordering available from Nov. 3-Dec. 8
 Room 28
 (All orders must be pre-paid)

SAVE THE DATE
God's Family and Friends Day
& New Members fellowship
Date: Dec. 8th (date change)
Join us for a day of Worship and Fellowship, visitors are our honored guest
Let's end the year together as one family in Christ
Host Zone 1 and 2

Holiday Luncheon "The Big Reveal"
Date: Saturday, Dec. 14th
Location: Holiday Inn College Park MD
Cost: \$31.00 pp; Payment plan available
 All sisters and friends are invited.
POCs: Rachel L Jefferies and Janice Tillery

SAVE THE DATE
Date: Dec. 14th **Time:** 7pm
Allen's Fellowship /Holiday Celebration
 1509 Aragona Boulevard
 Ft. Washington MD 20744
 (301) 292-5448
 Sign-up sheet is on the gray podium in the foyer area

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.
 If you have questions or concerns, please see the Leadership.



Prayer List
Sick and Shut-In

- Grady Bradford
- Jerriel Ford
- Willie Mae Flenbaugh
- Elaine Floyd
- Leslie Heath
- Sherman Hicks
- Helen Mitchell
- Janice Tillery
- 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, December 8, 2019
Called to Serve

Sunday Morning

Opening	Theodore Jordan
Scripture and Prayer	Michael Titre
Song Leaders	Robert Garrett Walt Gorham
Prayer	Frank Williams
Sermon	Markus Martin
Lord's Table and Contribution	
Podium	Kevin Bates
Table	C. Brooks, R. White K. Fuller, R. Jefferies H. Abel, N. McPherson
Benediction	Rufus Broidy
Announcements	Edward Jefferies
Greeters	
Ushers	Anthony McFarland
Children's Church	Paula and Sheree Trent
Visitor's table	Nora Cash Kathy Fultz
Nurse	Bernice Jordan

No Evening Worship
Have a Beautiful Afternoon

Building Lock Up Michael Titre

Sunday Morning Worship

Seeing All Things From God's Point of View

December 8, 2019

God's view of God

The Omnipresence of God

Introduction

- A. Consider how awesome one must be that he can be in every place all at the same time.
- B. God, according to HIS word, has HIS existence in heaven and in the earth, and HE exists in all places in between.
- C. Our text is one of many passages that affirm *The Omnipresence of God*, "Howbeit the most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands; as saith the prophet, 49 Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool: what house will ye build me? saith the Lord: or what is the place of my rest? ⁵⁰ Hath not my hand made all these things?" (Acts 7:48-50)

Sermon

I. God Is Everywhere

II. God Is In The Secret Places

III. God Is Never Far From Away

Conclusion

1. God is everywhere...
2. God is in the secret places...
3. God in never far from away...

Sunday Evening

Questions & Answers

The black box for Q/A is on the white desk in the foyer area

Date	Questions
Dec. 15th	"Can a married Christian couple be "unequally yoked" in the commitment to the Lord's work?"
Dec. 22nd	"How did the Europeans receive the Bible?"
Dec. 29th	"Several characters were used to fulfill scripture. How would Pontius Pilate and Judas Isacariot have a chance to ask for forgiveness?"

Date	1	8	15	22	29
Preacher	Markus Martin	Markus Martin	Markus Martin	Markus Martin	Markus Martin
Opening	Andrew Johnson	Theodore Jordan	Don Allen	Roosevelt White	Nigel McPherson
Scripture Reading and Prayer	Don Allen	Michael Titre	William Snoddy	Anthony McFarland	Don Moore
Song Leaders	Charles Mattocks Nigel McPherson	Robert Garrett Walt Gorham	Charles Mattocks Robert Garrett	Walt Gorham Nigel McPherson	Robert Garrett Walt Gorham
Prayer	Henry Abel	Frank Williams	Anthony Person	Tyrone Williams	Andrew Johnson
Lord's Supper & Contribution					
Podium	Ted Jordan	Kevin Bates	Roosevelt White	Henry Jenkins	Anthony Person
Table Assistants	Anthony McFarland Alex Williams Kishiro Easterling Don Moore J. D. King Kevin Fuller	Curtis Brooks Roosevelt White Kevin Fuller Ryan Jefferies Henry Abel Nigel McPherson	Eddy Davis Kevin Fuller Michael Titre Josh Fuller Ryan Jefferies Noah McFarland	Kevin Fuller Alex Williams Don Moore Eddy Davis Curtis Brooks J. D. King Henry Abel	Roosevelt White Kishiro Easterling Kevin Fuller Michael Titre Anthony McFarland Tyrone Williams Ryan Jefferies
Benediction	Tyrone Williams	Rufus Broidy	J. D. King	Ryan Jefferies	Frank Williams
Announcement	Edward Jefferies	Edward Jefferies	Edward Jefferies	Edward Jefferies	Edward Jefferies
Ushers	Anthony Person	Anthony McFarland	Michael Titre	Gerald Ford	Nigel McPherson
Visitor's Table	Nora Cash Kathy Fultz	Nora Cash Kathy Fultz	Nora Cash Kathy Fultz	Nora Cash Kathy Fultz	Nora Cash Kathy Fultz
Sunday Evening Worship Assignment					
Song Leader	Walt Gorham	No Evening Worship	Walt Gorham	Michael Titre	Nigel McPherson
Scripture/Prayer	Don Allen		Andrew Johnson	John Spriggs	Michael Titre
Preacher	Markus Martin		Markus Martin	Markus Martin	Markus Martin
Lord's Supper/Contribution	Michael Titre		Theodore Jordan	Don Allen	Roosevelt White
Benediction	Theodore Jordan		Don Allen	Nigel McPherson	Andrew Johnson
Lock Up Duty	Nigel McPherson		Markus Martin	Theodore Jordan	Nigel McPherson
Nurse	Bernice Jordan		Bernice Jordan	Bernice Jordan	Bernice Jordan
Children's Church	Paula and Sheree Trent		Paula and Sheree Trent	Paula and Sheree Trent	Paula and Sheree Trent