

Churches of Christ Upcoming Events 2019

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

Couples Retreat

March 29—31 District Heights Church of Christ ;Bro. Willie Hubbard
NDWORD1@gmail.com or 301 568 1071;
Location Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites
Alexandria Old Town 625 Frist Street
Alexandria VA; **COST PER COUPLE** \$200
please read flyer

Sep. 28—Oct. 3 East Baltimore COC
Cruise to Bermuda; enjoy seminars on
Family, Christian Singles and Marriage
enrichment; Please read flyer for more
information and cost.

Lectureships/Gospel Meeting/ Anniversary/Fellowship

April 6-10 District Heights Church of
Christ celebrating 30 years; **(April 6th
banquet location at Beltway Church
of Christ) RSVP BY March 25th;**
(Gospel Revival April 7th—10th);
Bro. Willie Hubbard
NDWORD1@gmail.com or 301 568 1071

April 6-7 Fairfax Church of Christ 50th
Anniversary www.fxcc.org

April 21-25 Church of Christ National
Lectureship; please read flyer

June 22—27 Crusade for Christ 2019
Forth Worth TX
www.churchofchristcrusade.org

June 27-30 Churches of Christ Mid-
Atlantic Lectureship; 410 670 9696 or
MAL2019 LECTURESHIP@gmail.com ;
Host congregation Edgewood Church of
Christ

Men's Conference

June 1 District Heights Church of Christ
"Stand and Prove Yourself a Man
Conference" at District Heights COC;
Bro. Willie Hubbard
NDWORD1@gmail.com or 301 568 1071

Sisters Events

March 29-30 Fairfax church of Christ
"FXCC Women's Retreat 2019" Cost\$20;
registration: FXCC.org; **Friday** 6pm-9pm
and **Saturday** 830am-3pm; please read flyer

March 30 9am-1pm Catoctin Church of
Christ Thurmont MD "Diamonds in the
Rough" **RSVP** CatoctinCOC@gmail.com or
301 271 2069

April 6 9am-1pm St. Mary's Church of
Christ California MD **(event is at the
hotel); COST and RSVP** \$23 pay by
March 17th; **Hotel Hilton Garden Inn
Solomon, Calvert Ballroom Dowell MD**
please read flyer for more information

April 6 8am—12n Laurel Church of Christ
Ladies Day Laurel MD ; Theme "My sisters'
Keeper;" **Register:**
[laurelchurchmd.elexiochms.com/external/
form](http://laurelchurchmd.elexiochms.com/external/form); **RSVP** 3/23/19

April 18-21 34th Annual Church of Christ
Ladies Lectureship Retreat San Antonio TX;
www.ladieslectureshipretreat.org

Youth events

April 26—28 Silver Springs COC Teen
Present Camp WaMaVA 1042 Oregon Hollow
Road Linden VA 22642; Mid-Atlantic Youth
Forum; **Theme** "Challenges Teens Face
Today!" Titus 2:11-12; **Various** guest speak-
ers **Cost** \$20 per participants (teens and
chaperones); **check in** Fri, 6p-7p; additional
info call (301) 585-8727 or
www.silverspringchurchofchrist.org or
office@silverspringcoco.org

Beltway Church of Christ

6000 Davis Blvd Camp Springs, MD 20746 301.423.2320/423.4666 fax

The Messenger

Sunday, March 24, 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
704.641.9246

Nigel McPherson,
Associate Minister
202.674.6952

Mickey Walker,
Associate Minister
757.272.7669

Charles Mattocks,
Deacon
240.723.1799

Clinton Williams,
Deacon
317.525.3917

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Zone 2 (H-L)
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Anthony Person
Zone 3 (M-R)
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Mickey Walker
Zone 4 (S-Z)
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"Seeing All Things From God's Point of View"
Colossians 1:9-10
2019

The Responsibilities of Elders

By Ron Boatwright

The duties and responsibilities of elders are awesome and very serious. An elder has a greater responsibility than even the president of the United States. The president is responsible for the physical welfare of people, but an elder is responsible for the spiritual welfare of the eternal souls entrusted to him. Whether a person spends eternity in Heaven or in the burning fires of a real Hell can depend on what an elder has done or failed to do.

Paul told the Ephesian elders, "I am innocent of the blood of all men." Why Paul, why? "For I have not shunned to declare to you the whole counsel of God" (Acts 20:26-27). As overseers of "God's heritage" (I Pet 5:3), elders must see that "the whole counsel of God" is taught or they will be held accountable. In many congregations the whole counsel of God is not being taught which is going to cause many to be lost. *(next page)*

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Paul in exhorting the Ephesian elders to be diligent in their duties says, "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to **all** the flock, over which the Holy Ghost has made you overseers, to **feed** the church of God, which He has purchased with His own blood" (Acts 20:28). Elders are to take heed to their own lives and to the lives of the entire congregation, to make sure they are living a godly life. No one is to be ignored or overlooked. Elders in spiritually feeding the congregation are to see that they are being properly taught the "whole counsel of God" to prepare them for eternity so that none will be lost. But this is one of the problems facing the Lord's church today. Many elders have failed in their responsibility of seeing that the church is being properly taught the word of God. Many congregations are only being fed "fluff", and have "turned to fables" (II Tim 4:4). They are teaching only what is "politically correct". What is being taught and preached in some congregations would be acceptable in any denomination. Much of the teaching is feel good stories for the purpose of entertaining the congregation. This is the reason we are in the present apostasy today. God says, "My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge" (Hosea 4:6).

Elders are watchmen. In Hebrews 13:17 we read concerning elders, "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit, for they **watch** for your souls, as they **must** give account, that they may do it with joy and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you." Elders have the grave responsibility to be on guard and to watch out for the souls of everyone in their congregation. When elders stand before the Lord on Judgment Day, they **will** give an account for what they have done or failed to do in protecting the souls of those under their oversight. For some elders this will be a joyful occasion, with the Lord saying, "Well done good and faithful servant" (Matt 25:21). But for other elders it will be a time of horrible grief when the Lord says to them, "You wicked and lazy servant", and then He will say, "Cast the unprofitable servant into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth" (Matt 25:26; 30).

Notice that elders are to "watch out for your souls" (Heb 13:17). This is the responsibility that God has place on them. Elders are watchmen just as God told Ezekiel that he was a watchman, and what would happen to him if he didn't properly perform his duty. God said to Ezekiel, "Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel, therefore hear a word from My mouth, and give them warning from Me: When I say to the wicked, you shall surely die, and you give him no warning, or speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life, the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at your hand" (Ezekiel 3:17). Elders today as watchmen have the same grave responsibility, which is not to be taken lightly. If elders fail in their duty to watch and warn those under their oversight, then God will require the blood of those who are lost at the hands of the elders. The Judgment will be a sad day for elders who have been derelict in their duty as watchmen. But for those who have faithfully fed, watched, and warned, it will be a glorious and wonderful day (1 Pet 5:4).

NOTES..... website: www.beltwaychurchofchrist.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.

See Live Beltway Sunday Morning Sermons You are able to view the services directly off our website <https://www.beltwaycoc.org/watch-live-sermons.html>

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."

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

Children's Church 2019

Parents we need volunteers for Children's church (ages 2yrs to 4 years old) the sheet is on the gray podium in the foyer area. The months available (**July**)

Communion Preparation by zones

Zone 1	1st quarter (Jan. thru March)
Zone 2	2nd quarter (April thru June)
Zone 3	3rd quarter (July thru Sept.)
Zone 4	4th quarter (Oct. thru Dec.)

Senior Saints Birthday Celebration

Cake and Ice Cream for all Senior Saints birthday for January, February and March on **March 24th** and all Senior Saints are invited.

Pantry Items

March pantry item SOUP (chicken, tomato, vegetables)
Jiffy cornbread mix Thank you!

March 2019 Worship Assignment					
Sunday Morning Worship Assignment					
Date	3	10	17	24	31
Preacher	Markus Martin	Nigel McPherson	Markus Martin	Markus Martin	Markus Martin
Opening	Theodore Jordan	Andrew Johnson	Clinton Williams	Don Allen	Nigel McPherson
Scripture/Prayer	Don Allen	Roosevelt White	Frank Williams	Charles Griffin	Theodore Jordan
Song Leaders	Mickey Walker Charles Mattocks	Clinton Williams Kevin Taylor	Robert Garrett Walt Gorham	Charles Mattocks Clinton Williams	Robert Garrett Mickey Walker
Prayer	John Spriggs	Don Moore	Edward Jefferies	Tyrone Williams	Clinton Williams
Lord's Supper & Contribution					
Podium	Michael Titre	A. McFarland	Rufus Broidy	Andrew Johnson	John Spriggs
Table	Kevin Fuller Alex Williams Roosevelt White Charles Griffin Nigel McPherson Curtis Brooks	Curtis Brooks Ryan Jefferies Eddy Davis Anthony Person Kishiro Easterling Henry Abel	Michael Titre Charles Griffin Kevin Fuller Alex Williams Henry Abel Curtis Brooks	Gerald Ford Eddy Davis Don Moore J. D. King Nigel McPherson Kishiro Easterling	Henry Abel Anthony Person Kevin Fuller Roosevelt White Ryan Jefferies A. McFarland
Benediction	J. D. King	William Snoddy	Roosevelt White	Ryan Jefferies	Michael Titre
Ushers	Anthony Person	Michael Titre	A. McFarland	Gerald Ford	Nigel McPherson
Visitor's Table	Melba Ford Janice Tillery	Melba Ford Janice Tillery	Melba Ford Janice Tillery	Melba Ford Janice Tillery	Melba Ford Janice Tillery
Sunday Evening Worship Assignment					
Song Leader	Mickey Walker	Clinton Williams	Walt Gorham	Clinton Williams	Mickey Walker
Scripture/Prayer	John Spriggs	Don Allen	Roosevelt White	Theodore Jordan	Michael Titre
Lord's Supper & Contribution	Nigel McPherson	Michael Titre	Theodore Jordan	Don Allen	Roosevelt White
Preacher	Markus Martin	Clinton Williams	Markus Martin	Markus Martin	Markus Martin
Benediction	Roosevelt White	Theodore Jordan	Don Allen	Michael Titre	John Spriggs
Lock Up Duty	Michael Titre	Nigel McPherson	Markus Martin	Nigel McPherson	Michael Titre
Children's church	Zakiya and Naja Bates	Zakiya and Naja Bates	Zakiya and Naja Bates	Zakiya and Naja Bates	Zakiya and Naja Bates
Nurse	Bernice Jordan	Bernice Jordan	Bernice Jordan	Bernice Jordan	Bernice Jordan

Meetings.... No scheduled meetings

Beltway Events.....

March 19,26 11am Ladies Bible class

March 30 TBA Church Bldg Spring Cleaning

March 31 Youth Sunday more info forthcoming

April 2,9,16,23,30 1130am Ladies Bible Class

April 6 Evangelism Ministry mail out

April 6 10am Safety and Security Mtg

April 7and 21 Bloodpressure screening room 31

April 14 Senior Saints and Youth Social event after morning worship

April 20 10am Men's Training for worship

April 20 10am Healthcare meeting

April 27 10am Teacher's meeting

April 28 Brother's Fellowship

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 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

Wednesday night Bible Class
Lesson 17 is available in room 28

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

Beltway Gift Fund

Are you a High School Senior?
Please contact: Bro. Walt Gorham or Sister Melba Ford or Brother Clinton Williams for information regarding the Beltway Gift Fund.



Prayer List

Sick and Shut-In

Grady Bradford

Jerriel Ford

Elaine Floyd

Sherman Hicks

Rachel K Jefferies

Giffred Johnson

Helen Mitchell

Elliott Steele

India West

Willa Williams

Prayer Requests

Sunday, March 24, 2019

Called to Serve

Sunday Morning

Opening	Nigel McPherson
Scripture and Prayer	Theodore Jordan
Song Leaders	Robert Garrett Mickey Walker
Prayer	Clinton Williams
Sermon	Markus Martin
Lord's Table and Contribution	
Podium	John Spriggs
Table	H. Abel, A. Person K. Fuller, R. White R. Jefferies, A. McFarland
Benediction	Michael Titre
Announcements	Edward Jefferies
Greeters	
Ushers	Nigel McPherson
Children's Church	Zakiya and Naja Bates
Visitor's table	Melba Ford Janice Tillery
Nurse	Bernice Jordan
Evening Worship	
Song Leaders	Mickey Walker
Scripture and Prayer	Michael Titre
Lord's Supper and Contribution	Roosevelt White
Sermon	Markus Martin
Benediction	John Spriggs
Building Lock Up	Michael Titre

God's Might vs. Man's Might
Matthew 1:18-23

Introduction

"Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. ¹⁹ Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. ²⁰ But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of the Holy Ghost. ²¹ And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. ²² Now all this was done, that it **might** be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, ²³ Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."

Sermon

I. God Fulfills All Things According To His Might

II. Man Desires To Diminish Jesus Through Human Might

III. God Ultimately Wants to Save Man According To His Might

Conclusion

1. God fulfills all things according to HIS might...
2. Man desires to diminish Jesus through human might...
3. God ultimately wants to save man according to HIS might...

Date	Questions
March 24th	"Should Christians sue righteous people or Christians if ever in a bad situation?"
March 31st	"What is the serenity prayer?"
April 7th	"Should Christians use the term 'Trinity' to refer to the Godhead?"
April 14th	"What are the different names for God and their meanings?"
April 21st	"Are there modern-day Pharisees and Sadducees?"



"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!

Youth Sunday

Dear parents, Sunday 3/31 is Youth Sunday. During Youth Sunday, we are asking you to commit to having your children at Bible class at **9:00 am** sharp. In addition, all of our youth will be encouraged to bring a friend(s) with them to service that morning.

Youth Sunday is to truly convict young people with the love of Jesus Christ to the extent that they begin asking Bible questions of their parents, teachers, and ministers related to Christianity and baptism as a result of seeing other youth serving during worship.

It also goes without saying that the sermon for that morning will be specifically tailored to the youth. Over the next day or so, I look forward to speaking with each of you relative to your child's commitment during Youth Sunday.

In Christian Love, *Markus Martin*

Attention Secret Sisters!

March is "**National Nutrition Month**" and the Secret Sisters are celebrating with our get-to-know one another March Madness Luncheon. It will be held on Sunday, **March 31st** after morning worship. Please sign up in the foyer on the Secret Sisters table to bring your special nutritional dish. Bring your dish already prepared in a disposable container. **Please no seafood.** Rachel L. Jefferies and Janice Tillery

Healthcare Information

Did You Know Lack of sleep is such a universal problem that the National Sleep Foundation has proclaimed the week of March 10th as Sleep Awareness Week. How do you assess your bedroom habits and optimize your nighttime routine for better sleep? Studies show that sleep quality is directly related to sleep hygiene. So could it be that your nighttime habits are causing you to lose out on the benefits of quality sleep? To find out more, go to: <http://www.lawndalenews.com/2019/03/sleeping-tips-for-sleep-awareness-week/>