

**Churches of Christ Upcoming Events 2021**

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

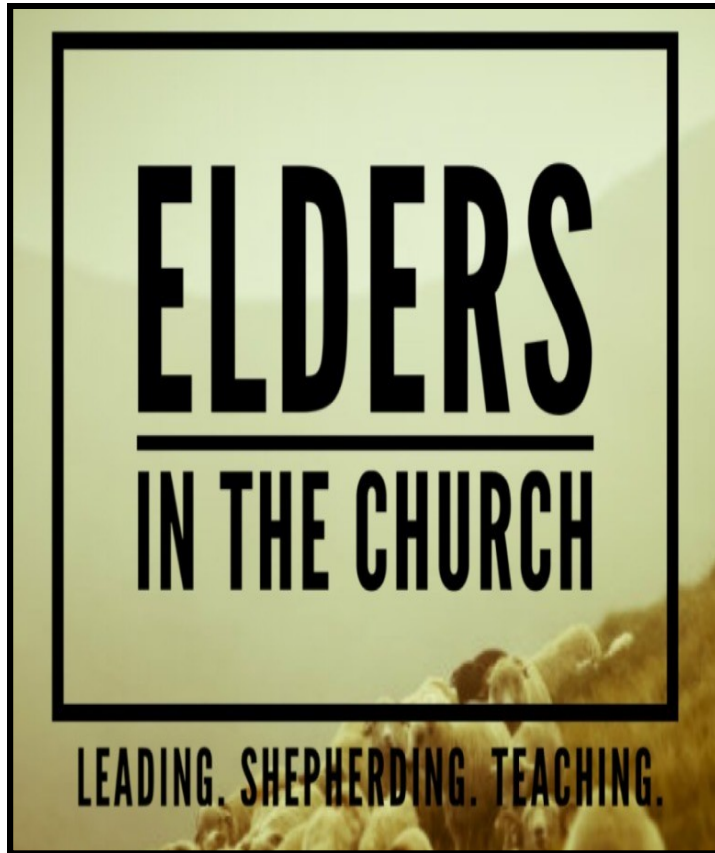
*Beltway Church of Christ*

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Camp Springs, MD 20746

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# The Messenger



**Sunday, March 28, 2021**  
**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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***Nothing Shall Separate Us From  
the Love of God***  
Romans 8:33-39

## The Term “Elder”

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by James Cox

In the Bible, elders are also called bishops, overseers, pastors, presbyters, and shepherds. All of these are descriptive terms and are not titles. We should not call a person "Elder Smith" because this gives credence to a "title" situation which is not intended in the scriptures. We should not write "John Q. Smith, Elder" with a capital "E" because this is also giving him a title. If we write "John Q. Smith, elder," this is a descriptive term and is being used as God intended.

One weakness in general practice nowadays is in our almost exclusive use of the term "elder." Even some elders have come to believe that the eldership is simply a group of older men and all they have to do is to wait for something to turn up and then make a decision on it...or, wait for something to happen, then go behind closed doors and make a secret decision without proper communication to the people involved in the problem. If we would describe them as "shepherd" more often it would help teach the congregation (and the elders themselves) that these men are eager to help with spiritual counseling of the members. If we would refer to them as "pastors" more often, perhaps they (the elders) would be reminded to pastor the flock as they should, rather than farming this work out to the preacher. We object vigorously to the *title* of "pastor" for the preacher and even object to him being *described* as a pastor, but we hire him and delegate all the pastoral responsibilities to him and seem to think this is just what the Lord wanted us to do.

Perhaps the reason we use the term "elder" almost exclusively is because some of the other terms would become confused with denominational usage. For example, it would be nice if they could be bishops. "Bishop" is the Greek form of the Hebrew term "elder." When I go to visit a person in one of the local hospitals, I sometimes tell the nurse on duty that I am one of the pastors of the church (they will give a person from the church more latitude concerning visiting hours and special privileges connected with visiting). The term "pastor" is correct from my point-of-view and almost correct as far as their connotation and usage is concerned. But to tell the hospital that I am a "bishop" of the church would give them the wrong idea altogether, even though it would be truth to me.

**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 contact Henry Abel or Theodore Jordan 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..."  
(1 Chronicles 29:6-7)

Please remember to give weekly towards the Building Fund.

**plan**  
**pray**  
**give**  
**build**

## Ladies Weekly Devotion and Prayer Fellowship

- Every Tuesday **12:00pm –12:30pm (ZOOM)**
  - First and Third Tuesday—Devotion and Prayer
  - Second and Fourth Tuesday—Prayer
- Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8211549199pwd=eWVVEV1I3eVNncUd2a2dDY25rdVp0QT09>
- **Meeting ID:** 8211549199 **Password:** 079566
  - Call in 301-715 8592 —**meeting ID and Password**

## ~ Top 80 Health Foods ~

Start Eating Healthy Today!

### Veggies

Asparagus  
Carrots  
Celery  
Kale  
Onions  
Spinach  
Squash  
Sweet Potatoes  
Yams  
Tomatoes

### Fruits

Apples  
Cranberries  
Blueberries  
Grapefruit  
Oranges  
Pears  
Plums  
Raspberries  
Watermelon  
Strawberries

### Grains

Barley  
Brown Rice  
Buckwheat  
Corn  
Millet  
Oats  
Quinoa  
Rye  
Spelt  
Whole Wheat

### Spices

Basil  
Cilantro  
Ginger  
Oregano  
Parsley  
Peppermint  
Rosemary  
Sage  
Thyme  
Turmeric

### Beans

Black Beans  
Garbanzo Beans  
Kidney Beans  
Lima Beans  
Miso  
Pinto Beans  
Navy Beans  
Soy Beans  
Tofu  
Tempeh

### Seafood

Cod  
Halibut  
Mackerel  
Oysters  
Salmons  
Sardines  
Scallops  
Shrimp  
Talapia  
Tuna

### Nuts

Almonds  
Cashews  
Flaxseed  
Macadamia Nuts  
Peanuts  
Pistachios  
Pumpkin Seeds  
Sunflower Seeds  
Sesame Seeds  
Walnuts

### Drinks

Cranberry Juice  
Fat Free Milk  
Fruit Smoothie  
Green Tea  
Mint Tea  
Orange Juice  
Soy Milk  
Tomato Juice  
Vegetable Juice  
Water

## Meetings.... No scheduled meeting

### Beltway Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting

**Topic:** BCOC Prayer Call and Mid-Week Bible Study

**Time:** This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

**Join Zoom Meeting (copy or click here)** Please mute yourself to minimize background noise

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88277780555>

**Call in from a phone** (Please mute yourself to minimize background noise) (\*6 mute or press mute on cell phones)

**(open 10 mins before 10am/close exactly 10am)**

Phone Number: **1-301-715-8592** Meeting ID: **882 7778 0555**

One tap mobile

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+19294362866,,88277780555# US (New York)

Dial by your location

+1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown)

+1 929 436 2866 US (New York)

+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

+1 346 248 7799 US (Houston)

+1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)

+1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Meeting ID: 882 7778 0555 Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kbJ3rIKt78>

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

**Facebook:** Beltway Church of Christ at Camp Springs MD,

**Streaming church website** [www.beltwaycoc.org](http://www.beltwaycoc.org)

**ZOOM phone calls only** 301 715 8592 meeting ID 882 7778 0555

**(please mute your phone to minimize the background noise)**

### Announcements for the Bulletin and Sunday morning

Members,

- To ensure that all announcements are in the bulletin and announced on Sunday mornings, please take the following steps:
- **Deadline:** submit by Thursday each week
- **Time:** 12:00 noon
- **Where:** Please send all announcements to the church's email – [info@beltwaycoc.org](mailto:info@beltwaycoc.org)



## Prayer List

### Sick and Shut-In

Grady Bradford

Velina Christian

Jerriel Ford

Elaine Floyd

Sherman Hicks

Patsy Maxwell

Carmen Mitchell

Helen Mitchell

Bettie Sobers

Janice Tillery

Lillie Vernon

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, March 28, 2021**

**Called to Serve**

**Sunday Morning**

### Welcome

- Welcome – Kevin Bates
- Restoration Song – Walt Gorham
- Restoration Prayer – Kevin Bates

### Opening Song

- Walt Gorham

### Scripture

- Scripture Reading – David Hemsley
- Scriptural Prayer – Rufus Broidy

### Inspirational Song

- Walt Gorham

### Sermon

- Markus Martin

### Invitational

- Invitational Song – Walt Gorham
- Invitational Prayer – Rufus Broidy
- The Lord's Table – Rufus Broidy

### Closing

- Closing Song – Walt Gorham
- Closing Prayer – Rufus Broidy

### Announcements

- Kevin Bates

### Audio/Visual

- Anthony Person

### Greeters

- Temperature Check – Deborah Spear
- Communion Dispersed – Doris McCray
- Ushers—Donte Hemsley and Michael Titre

### Nurse

- Lena Allen (**back up**) Bernice Jordan

**Sunday school**

**TIME: 2:00 pm**

**Question & Answers (Q/A)**

**TIME: 6pm**

**JOIN US ON ZOOM**

**Sunday Morning Worship**

**March 28, 2021**

The BCOC 2021 Theme

Romans 8:33-39

Nothing Shall Separate Us From the Love of God

**The Qualifications of Elders, Lesson IV**

I Timothy 3:2-3

**Introduction**

- A. Every Christian in their private studies should read the primary passages which give the qualifications of elders in the New Testament church – I Tim 3:1-7 and Tit 1:6-9.
- B. And at the same time, every Christian in their private studies should read the many scriptural passages which focuses on the qualifications of Christians in the New Testament church – Eph 5:22-6:1-4; I Cor 14:35; Tit 2:1-10.
- C. If such is undertaken, one realizes the qualifications of Christians and the qualification of elders are mutually inclusive with the exception of two – (1) being married and (2) being a novice.
- D. Thus, a **Christian elder** must be **apt to teach, not given to wine, and no striker!**

**Sermon**

I. Apt To Teach – I Tim 3:2

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II. Not Given To Wine – I Tim 3:3

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III. No Striker – I Tim 3:3

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**Conclusion**

- 1. A bishop must apt to teach!
- 2. A bishop must not be given to wine!
- 3. A bishop must no striker!

**Sunday Evening**



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

Date	Q/A
March 28th	Did Jesus Encounter Women Who Desired To Marry Him?
April 4th	No Evening worship; "Have a great family gathering"
April 11th	Must An Elder Step Down If His Wife Dies AND Can A Brother Be Eligible For The Eldership Whose Wife Has Previously Passed?
April 18th	Explain The Veil That Was In The Temple.
April 25th	What Is Living and Praying In Vain?
May 2nd	Please Explain "bless God" or "bless the Lord" from the Old and New Testaments
May 9th	Provide Strategies For Teaching People Who Are Un-churched.

**Zoom meeting invitation -  
Sunday School Bible weekly 2pm**

Saints,

We will have our first class for our children on this coming Sunday, at 2:00 PM. We will review 3 lessons. Please have your children attend. All teachers are asked to support the call. Our Theme requires the children to wear their masks.

If you have any questions regarding Zoom please contact Sis. Alicia on 240-416-6974.

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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**"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!