

Family Life

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Tune's Notes

When Monica and I married, our lives forever changed. Some freedoms were lost or limited, but opportunities and blessings not open to us before as singles were gradually (and sometimes suddenly) open to us. Only one other event was more life-changing for us, and that event was

when we became Christians.

In Corinthians Paul describes our life-changing, life-defining, relationship with Christ like a marriage (1 Corinthians 6:15-17). Clustered in two chapters of Colossians (2-3 – and more there than any other book), Paul emphasizes it another way: we are “*with Christ.*” We died *with* him, have been buried *with* him, raised *with* him, made alive *with* him, and our lives are now hidden *with* him in God. Because of this, God’s sure promise is that when Christ appears again, we also will appear *with* him in glory.”

The result, of course, is that we cannot act without Christ. Where we go, he goes. We make him a party to all we do and say.

There is, of course, security here. We never walk alone, never have a need that will go unmet, and never face a challenge or failure that can destroy us. There is also responsibility. We are in no danger of leading Christ astray by our behavior. We may, however, hurt his reputation.

Our task is not to hurt, but to enhance – to magnify the life of Jesus by our own as we walk with Him.

I hope to see you tonight at our “fifth Sunday night” singing.

Love you all

Mike

To Our Visitors

Thanks for joining us today in worship!

Whether you are just visiting our area, recently moved here – or a settled resident visiting a new church – our goal and hope is that you will find a successful opportunity to worship God and be encouraged for the week ahead.

If you are looking for a church home, we’d like you to find it here. Our pulpit minister remains at the front of our assembly center after worship to especially meet with you. You can ask questions about the membership process or schedule a time to meet personally. From all God’s family here, welcome to our house!



Youth Ministry Family
Hayride
November 9, 2013
at Butler’s Orchard
(6:15 - 8:15)

Kids for Christ (3rd - 6th) and
Upper Room Teen Ministry (7th -
12th) students and families are invited.

Following the hayride we will roast marshmallows!

I love a good hayride thru the woods! For the last couple of years our Youth Ministry Hayride has become a Fall tradition. I don’t know why this is such a fun activity. It could be the hay/

straw that we get to sit in. It could be the novelty of riding in a trailer being pulled by a tractor. It could be the cold weather. It could be the roasted marshmallows at the end. I have a strong suspicion it is actually the time we get to spend together.

If I learned one thing last weekend during our church’s retreat, it is that there isn’t anything much better than spending time with your church family. Whether you are sitting around a table sharing life stories or bumping along in a trailer talking and sharing stories with your fellow believers is hard to bear.

So if you have a student or teen in the Youth Ministry be sure to sign up for our November Youth Ministry wide Hayride! Cost is \$5.00 per family member.



GRACE + PEACE
Josh Byrd

Attention to the Upper Room Teen Ministry (gr. 7-12):

Be sure to mark your calendar for Power House:

Turn It Up - Turn It Out (Nov. 1-3) at the Fairfax Church of Christ (www.fxcc.org/powerhouse). If you have not received registration information either by mail or email, please let **Josh Byrd** know! The deadline for registration is Oct. 20!!!



Agape Groups 2 & 3 Plan Joint Neighbor Luncheon Sept. 29

Agape Groups 2 and 3 will hold a joint Neighbor Luncheon on Sept. 29 following the morning assembly. Each family is requested to bring a main dish plus either a salad or a dessert.

Group 2 is Potomac Heights under **Rachel & Richard Bowles and Staci & Mark Shannon.**

Group 3 is Westfield Woods under **Ann Ford, Martha Ashley and Amanda & Beni Venkatesan.**



Prayer Sisters Drawing Is Today

The drawing for **Prayer Sisters** will take place today.

To participate, complete your personal information card and drop it into the box before the drawing.

If you can't attend, contact Monica Tune who will draw for you!



Ladies Bible Class Books Are Here

The **Ladies Bible Class** will resume Oct. 1 at the customary time of 10:15 am. A potluck luncheon will be held after the opening day class, and all women are invited. Babysitting will be available for infants and pre-school children.

Advance copies of the text for the fall term, *Alive in the Spirit: A Study of the Nature and Work of the Holy Spirit* by Jimmie Jividen, are available from **Lynda Eubank.**



Women's Bible Study



Updated Pocket-Size Directory Now Available

The long-awaited pocket-size directory of the Church of Christ in Falls Church is finally available. Pick up your copy(ies) on the table in the lobby just outside the auditorium doors. This one has a bright green cover!

Pick up as many as you need - one or two for home, or for your purse/briefcase/office/car. Make sure you know where it is whenever you need to call - such as to invite someone to dinner, etc.

Two of our Elders are available after the morning assembly, in Room 221 on the main level, to meet with anyone who would like prayer for special concerns.

International Dinner Set for October 26

A sign up sheet is on the board for the **International "Hometown" Dinner** planned for Oct. 26 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.



One sheet is for the name & country/town of origin of the tantalizing dish you plan to prepare.

The other sheet is for you to volunteer with the set up and clean up!

Blonnie Thomas is directing this event.

2nd Sunday Finger Food Fellowship Coming Up Next Sunday, October 6, After the Evening Assembly; Missions Committee Will Not Meet

Our **2nd Sunday Fellowship for October** will be a **Finger Food Dinner next Sunday, October 6**, after the evening assembly. The dinner was moved up a week to avoid conflict with the 3-day Columbus Day weekend the following week.

SPECIAL NOTICE: The Missions Committee, which usually meets after the fellowship, has moved its meeting to Sunday, Oct. 20, after the morning assembly.

Agape Groups 1 and 4 are the “duty groups” for this event. Group 1 is **Fairview Park Woods** under Ken & Lesya Yeatman and Brian & Melissa Collins. Group 4 is **River Town Mews** under Caleb & Jenna Mayfield, Genia

& Dick Deibler and Mulloy Robertson.

Each family is asked to bring the following:

- ◆ A tray of sandwiches
- AND
- ◆ A tray of *hors d'oeuvres* or fruit or veggie tray with or without dip or chips and dip
- OR
- ◆ bite-sized dessert with emphasis on bite-sized. The idea is that we won't need a plate and utensils!



Urgent Assistance Needed

The Catoctin Church of Christ in Thurmont, MD, recently completed a new building after raising approximately \$600,000.

Unexpected costs, however, leave them with an immediate need for additional cash beyond their ability to meet with their current membership of about 100 souls.

Your elders have decided to provide the opportunity for our members to contribute to their need.

Your check should be made out to the church here and marked for “Catoctin support.” You may give your check to any of the elders, but today is the final day.

“Healthy Eating Simplified” Is Theme of October 12 Seminar at Falls Church

Sue Becker will present her signature program “**Healthy Eating Simplified**” at a seminar scheduled at Falls Church on Oct. 12. The event is free and open to the public, but **reservations are required.**

Check-in and refreshments are at 8:30 am, followed by the main session from 9 am to noon.

A native of Canton, GA, Ms. Becker has a degree in Food Science from the University of Georgia. She also has a biblical perspective to reduce the risk of common diseases by returning to God's perfect provision for food and health. She asks, “How can this generation serve our Lord Jesus wholeheartedly if they are sick, drug dependent, or dying from the common diseases which plague this nation?”

She has made many presentations about bread-making and grains, which have revolutionized nutrition. She also shares personal testimonies of improved health. Those and her own life changing information serve to encourage all who attend. This is far more than just a cooking class.

Weddings

The Food Pantry Needs the Following:

- Peanut Butter
- Spaghetti Sauce (jar or can; NOT pasta)
- Milk (NOT powder but liquid form in a box & which does not require refrigeration)
- Crackers
- Cereal
- Vienna sausage
- Cans of fruit (+/- 15 oz. cans, not single serve)



4th Quarter Sunday Classes for Adults Are Announced

Class/Topic	Teacher	Room
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Wednesday Classes Start October 2

<p>The Book of Job: “Can’t eat by day, can’t sleep by night, and the woman I love don’t treat me right.” It might be the title to a country song if it weren’t so long, but it summarizes the plight of Job, whose patience is extolled in the Bible.</p>	<p>Mike Tune</p>	<p>FH</p>
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Sunday Classes Start October 6

<p>Hebrews (discussion class) The bulk of the New Testament is written by Christianity’s first generation leaders – those who were eyewitnesses of the message they taught. But what did the second generation say? How did they write? What was their message to the Church? How did they urge faithfulness in difficult days? This is the message of the book of Hebrews.</p>	<p>Mike Tune</p>	<p>FH</p>
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<p>Family of God - Batsell Barrett Baxter</p>	<p>Mark Dawson/Daniel Williams</p>	<p>121</p>
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“The Church: its Origin, Purpose, and Practice.” We will use Batsell Barrett Baxter’s book, *Family of God* as a classic, base text, and as a source of scriptures and topics. Discussion will be driven by questions and notes from the discussion leaders, and by the suggestions of attendees, with additional materials referenced as appropriate.

Ladies Bible Class Starts October 1

<p>Alive in the Spirit, Jimmy Jividen</p>	<p>Diana Kuhn/Lynda Eubank</p>	<p>123</p>
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This is a 12 chapter study on the nature and work of the Holy Spirit. Sections including studies on the nature of the Holy Spirit, terms relating to the Holy Spirit and the present work of the Holy Spirit in Christians and in the world.

Scenes From the Retreat of September 2013

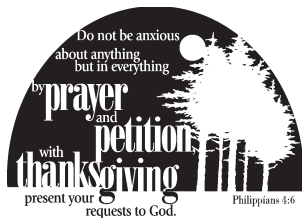
The entire 80-member Falls Church delegation to the Church Retreat last weekend near Williamsburg is shown at the right. They had a GREAT time - just ask them!

Other photos of the retreat are shown below, clockwise from upper right: meal time; one of the outdoor activities; trust building; problem solving; zip line; one of the indoor activities; the guest speaker and his wife, Glen & Nancy McDonald



Many thanks to Ken & Yesya Yeatman and Janet Lane and Dorothy Eckert for these photos.

Continuing Concerns:



Congregational Prayer Request for the week of September 29:

Prayer of thankfulness for the wonderful fellowship at the retreat and for all who attended, as well for those who stayed home and provided a great service for all who could not attend.

General Information

For Children:

- ❖ An attended nursery and a nursing mother's room - located adjacent to the Assembly Center - are available during our assembly.
- ❖ For ages 2 through Pre-Kindergarten, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 & 221. Children are dismissed following communion.

Recordings:

Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our website after about four days. Recordings also are available in CD format for \$5 and may be ordered by completing a CD order envelope located in the foyer.

Assistive Listening System:

Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in our Assembly Center. Our ushers will be happy to supply one of these aids for your convenience upon request.

Nursery Attendants

September 29, 2013

Morning

Billie Bohannon
Janice McDaniel

Evening

Levenie Hughes

October 6, 2013

Morning

Jackie Arevalo (John)
Kim Mills

Evening

Lynn Johanson

Children's Worship

September 29, 2013

2/3 Heather Musser, Anna Souza
P-K Leah Durant, Kathie Truitt

October 6, 2013

2/3 Heather Musser, Dana Hatcher
P-K Wendy Ward, Meaza Zemech

Worship Today, September 29, 2013

Hymn #139 *In Heavenly Love Abiding*

Hymn #825 *My God, My Father, Though I Stray*

Prayer Joseph Tucker

Hymn #318 *O Sacred Head*

Communion/Collection Scott Mills

Hymn #715 *The Church's One Foundation*

(Children ages 2 through Pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship.)

Bible Reading (*Proverbs 31:10-31*) Hal Swetnam

Bible Lesson Mike Tune

Hymn #932 *O Heart Bowed Down with Sorrow*

Announcements Wayne Doran

Introduction of Visitors/Closing Prayer Curtis Madeley

Song Leader Bill Kincaid

Ushers Perry May, Habtu Zemech



Tonight is our 5th Sunday Night Singing;

Bobby Wilkinson & Joshua McKay will lead prayers.

September servers are: Gary Allmond, Chantha Chea,
Dave Miller, Robert Spiess, Mark Ward, John Waterston

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Classes 9:30 am
Morning Assembly 10:30 am
Evening Assembly 6 pm

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class 10:15 am
(October through April)

Wednesday

7:15 pm

Office Hours

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

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Matt Benschky Ben Bohannon
Brian Collins Brandon Durant
Ignacio Espinoza Perry May
Joshua McKay Scott Mills
John Reagan Saul Reyes
Wilfredo Reyes Hal Swetnam
Jonah Shumate Kevin Thie
John Waterston Ken Yeatman
Habtu Zemech

Missionaries

Kevin & Deanna Amores, Concepción, Chile
Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI
Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua
Henry & Rosa Gutierrez, Nicaragua
Gene & Janice Luna, WBI/Guatemala
Recardo & Monica Reyes, Cuemavaca, MX
Don & Esther Roarabaugh, Torrington, CT

Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*
Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*
Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*

Statistics

Sunday, September 22, 2013

Bible Study 148
Morning Assembly 243
Evening Assembly No Count
Contribution \$12,254
YTD Average \$12,264
Budget Goal \$12,587

Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2013

Classes & Online 83

Wednesday, Oct 2, 2013

Prayer - Bobby Wilkinson

Song Leader - Bill Kincaid