

Family Life

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Tune's Notes

"I want to know the power of Christ's resurrection."

In Philippians chapter three, Paul describes what it means to be a Christian in four points. This is the second.

The resurrection is the most important event in Christian history:

more important than the birth of Jesus, more important than His death. It is the resurrection that gives both of those events their significance, gives Jesus ultimate authority, and gives us ultimate and certain hope. In the resurrection, Jesus was declared - with ultimate finality - to be the son of God.

But the resurrection did something else.

It changed Jesus.

It made him immortal.

The resurrection is the symbol for the changed life in the Christian. We are buried with Christ through baptism into his death that, like Christ, we might be raised to a new life, the old body of sin destroyed. This is accomplished through the power of God revealed in Christ's resurrection.

The resurrection power is the power that changed Saul the persecutor of Christians into Paul the proclaimer of Christ, and it is the power that makes change in our lives possible too.

Even Paul's life was in the state of constant change. After a lifetime of service to God, he still had not "arrived" (Philippians 3:12), but remained inching toward the goal, learning all the while the power of Christ's resurrection as his life was changing to resemble the Lord's.

What, so far, have you seen of the power of the resurrection in your life? Are you learning about it and experiencing more of it each day? This is part of what it means to be a follower of Jesus.

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!



Power House 2013: Turn It Up, Turn It Out - Act Justly

He has shown all you people what is good.

And what does the LORD require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God. -

Micah 6.8

During our weekend at PowerHouse, we were privileged to hear Rich Little open up the Word of God and bring us a powerful message with Micah 6.8 as the foundation. Over the weekend he pulled out the three requirements the LORD wants from His people as Micah lays them out.

1. Act Justly
2. Love Mercy
3. Walk Humbly

The people to whom Micah is prophesying have been doing all the right religious actions but for all the wrong reasons. We too can fall into this trap. We can look and do all the right religious activity and behavior but for the wrong reasons.

Micah first reminds us that the LORD wants us to "act justly." You should notice he doesn't say "like" justice or "promote" justice but to "perform" justice. How does one act justly or perform justice to those around?

Rich's message is that we act justly to correct wrongs. First and foremost we start with the wrongs we might commit to those around us. If we wrong our family members, co-workers, school mates and fellow church members, we are to right these wrongs first! Jesus tells us in what we call the Sermon on the Mount to stop what we are doing and make things right with a brother or sister even if that is in the middle of a church service. This is how important it is to make our personal wrongs right.

We were also challenged to try to right wrongs we see in our world at large. Help feed the hungry and thirsty. Help clothe those who are cold. These are just a few wrongs we can help right around us.

Next week we will talk about loving mercy.

GRACE + PEACE
Rich Little

Our Potluck Luncheon Fellowship is Set for Today; NO Evening Assembly

Our next **2nd Sunday Fellowship** will be a **Potluck Luncheon** after the morning worship service today. As is our custom, following the luncheon we will dismiss for the day. **There will be no evening assembly today.**

Agape Groups 2 & 5 are the “duty groups” for this event.

Group 2 is Potomac Heights under **Rachel and Richard Bowles**

and **Staci and Mark Shannon**. Group 5 is Burke Springs Lakes under **Becky and Jim Bates** and **Jennifer Krause**.

If you do not know your group assignment, please consult the list on the bulletin board or the email attachment with this bulletin.

Since this is a potluck, each family is asked to bring the following:

- ⌘ a main dish (usually a meat or casserole to feed your family and a few others)

PLUS two of the following three items:

- ⌘ a side dish (green beans, corn, potatoes...)
- ⌘ a salad (leafy green, gelatin, pasta, potato); maybe a fruit or veggie tray with/without dip

OR

- ⌘ a dessert



The Missions Committee will meet in R. 120 (library) November 17, after the morning assembly.

Agape Group Leaders to Meet Today

A meeting of all **AGAPE Group Leaders** is set for today after the Fellowship Luncheon, according to **Richard & Rachel Bowles**.

The groups - their structure, members and functions - have been discussed frequently this year, and this meeting will feature the decisions and changes to be implemented after January 1.

Richard assures leaders that the meeting will be as brief as possible.

11th Annual Orphan Sunday Collection Concludes Today

The **2013 Churches of Christ Orphan Sunday** concludes today. The Elders of Falls Church have recognized this special event since 2007, and are opening this to Falls Church members to contribute. **Please make out your check to the “Orphans Lifeline of Hope,” and give it to one of the elders today.**

This annual fundraising event is sponsored by the organization Orphan’s Lifeline of Hope, a Montana Non-Profit corporation (501 (c) 3 Non-profit) founded in 2000 and under the direction of a Christian board. Today it provides love and a Christian home plus food, shelter, clothing, education and medical care for 20,000 children in 8 countries around the world.

The numbers of “orphan children” (those who have lost at least one parent) are staggering - 143 MILLION! That is almost half of the population of the United States. While many of those children have one parent, often that parent is unable to cope with work and child care. And the total includes the estimated 18.5 MILLION who have neither parent.

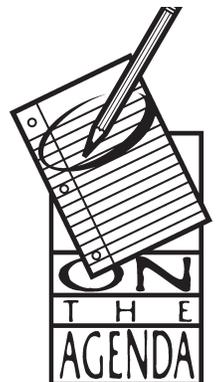
Today is the last Sunday to bring in clothing items for Ethiopia. Habtu Zemetch plans to leave Nov. 22 and is collecting clothes for children - all sizes and ages - and shirts/ties/jackets for the preaching students. Please bring clean items, folded and placed into heavy-duty black garbage bags for easier handling.

Adult Education Committee to Meet Next Sunday, Nov. 24

The **Adult Education Committee** will meet next Sunday, Nov. 24, in R. 120 (library) after the morning assembly, according to **John Waterston**, deacon for Adult Classes. Lunch will be served.

The purpose of this committee is to plan the schedule for next quarter and to consider proposals for future courses.

John asks, “Please prayerfully consider your participation and needed suggestions for the next year.”



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.

Prominent Guest Speaker Will Address the Topic, “Life That Resists the Storm” in Spanish Meeting Nov. 15-17 at Falls Church

Diomedes Damian, the Spanish minister for the Mt. Island *Iglesia de Cristo* of Charlotte, NC, will be the guest speaker for a three-day meeting of the *Iglesias de Cristo* of the greater metropolitan area. His theme will be “Life That Resists the Storm.”

The program will be held Nov. 15 through 17 here at Falls Church, with the following schedule:

Friday, November 16 - 7:15 to 8:15 pm

“The price to pay for living in sin”

Saturday, November 17 - 5:30 to 8:30 pm

“A cure for the unclean”

Sunday Bible School - “Two Builders”

Sunday Morning Worship - “Delivered from the dominion of darkness”



Sunday, November 18 - 6 to 7:30 pm - “How to pray for those we love.”

NOTE: There will be a potluck dinner Sunday night.

Brother Damian is a well-known guest lecturer who has spoken at Falls Church many times.

23rd Annual Harvest Festival Set for Nov. 24 During Evening Assembly

It’s hard to believe, but this congregation is about to hold its **23rd Annual Harvest Festival!** Goodness - 23 years!

For those who are new to Falls Church, this is the major event in which we re-stock the food pantry with the non-perishable items that are distributed during the year to those in need in this area. The food pantry operates under the CARE Committee/Benevolence Ministry.

To that end, each family is requested to bring at least one bag of groceries (It’s ok to bring more!) and other items to the **fellowship hall next Sunday evening, Nov. 24. PLEASE SELECT FROM THE FOLLOWING LIST!**

After the evening service begins, the children will unpack the bags, and then all members will form a chain from the fellowship hall to R. 121. We will pass along the cans and bottles and jars and boxes and bags to waiting hands at the destination. Workers there will sort the items - rice to the rice table, soup to the soup table, etc.

Cooking Supplies	Vegetables - 16 or 28 oz. CANS	*Cereal - hot or cold, all types, sizes
*flour (2 lb. bag)	corn carrots	
*sugar (2 lb. bag)	potatoes mixed veggies	<i>Non-Food Items</i>
*corn meal (2 lb. bag)		can openers (small, non-electric)
*cooking or olive oil (1 quart)	*Rice - 1 or 2 lb. uncooked OR instant OR in microwave packages	diapers (all sizes)
Macaroni & Cheese - prefer complete meal set; NO BUTTER OR MILK REQUIRED	***CRACKERS	personal or travel sizes of: soap/body wash
	Fruit - 14 or 16 oz. CANS or Pop-Top single servings	hand sanitizer
*Spaghetti Sauce & Spaghetti	fruit cocktail mandarin oranges	toothbrush (adult & children)
*All types of pasta/noodles	pineapple applesauce	toothpaste (travel or small size)
	peaches pears	dental floss
*All types of beans		dental floss
	Fruit juice - cans OR single serving plastic bottles	mouthwash
*Peanut Butter AND jelly or honey	Tea Mix - or single bottle	shampoo
	Lemonade Mix - or single bottle	deodorant
*Meats - 40 oz. OR 16 oz. cans	Coffee & filters OR instant	hand or body lotion
Stews Corned beef	Tea bags	pocket-sized tissue packs
Ravioli Beefaroni	BOXED MILK - the kind that does NOT require refrigeration before or after opening	shaving cream
Spaghetti Chili		disposable razors
Salmon Chicken		combs and brushes
turkey beans & franks		Socks - ALL sizes for men, women & children
		wash cloths/small towels
		gallon-size plastic bags with zipper-style closure

Christmas Events on the Horizon - Mark Your Calendars Now

Breakfast With Santa, Dec. 7, 9 - 11 am, Fellowship Hall

Enjoy a pancake breakfast while giving your children a visit with Santa Claus at the annual Breakfast with Santa. This event, to benefit Camp WaMaVa, is \$20/family.

Senior Saints Christmas Gala, Dec. 12, 11:30 am, F. H.

The Senior Saints will have their annual holiday luncheon and fellowship. Jim Shoenhard is in charge and details to come.

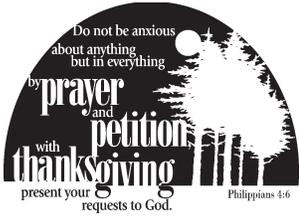
Breakfast With the Shelter Ladies, Dec. 14, 9 - 11 am, F. H.

All members are invited to this special event to meet the ladies from the Bailey's Shelter. This year, the **Men's Ministry will prepare and serve all the food. Men - see Jonah Shumate to get involved.**

Annual Christmas Open House, Dec. 14, 5 - 8 pm, at the home of **Ann Ford** - This annual tradition combines holiday fellowship and delicious food, and is open to all!

Meet Our Newest Members

Continuing Concerns:



**Congregational Prayer Request
for the week of November 10:**

Pray that we will not fall into temptation.

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

November 17, 2013

Morning
Marsha De La Cruz
Wendy Ward

Evening
NO SERVICE

November 24, 2013

Morning
Tek Chea
Kathie Truitt

Evening
Levenie Hughes

Children's Worship

November 17, 2013

2/3 Abby Smith, Lori Kobs
P-K Leah Durant, Kathie Truitt

November 24, 2013

2/3 Amanda Venkatesan, Joy Hayes
P-K Misty Marshall, Casey Waterston

Worship Today, November 17, 2013

Hymn #577	<i>We Bow Down</i>
Hymn #647	<i>Soldiers of Christ, Arise</i>
Hymn #242	<i>Sing Hallelujah to the Lord</i>
Prayer	John Reagan
Hymn #874	<i>Walking Alone at Eve</i>
Hymn #176	<i>Lamb of God</i>
Communion/Collection	Sam Gregory
Hymn #484	<i>You Are My All in All</i>
<i>(Children ages 2 through Pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship)</i>	
Bible Reading (Luke 10:25-29)	Gary Allmond
Bible Lesson	Mike Tune
Hymn #851	<i>I'll Fly Away</i>
Announcements	Jim Lane
Introduction of Visitors/Closing Prayer	Greg Spraker
Song Leader	Clark Richardson
Ushers	Brian Collins, Joshua McKay



THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE THIS EVENING.

November servers are: Jun Amores, Tre Berry, Kirk Crews,
Brandon Durant, Grant Smith, Dave Wilson

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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John Reagan Saul Reyes
Wilfredo Reyes Hal Swetnam
Jonah Shumate Kevin Thie
John Waterston Ken Yeatman
Habt Zemech

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Staff

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

Statistics

Sunday, November 10, 2013

Bible Study	218
Morning Assembly	317
Evening Assembly	No Count
Contribution	\$13,352
YTD Average	\$12,126
Budget Goal	\$12,587

Wednesday, November 13, 2013

Classes & Online 89

Wednesday, November 20, 2013

Prayer - Jonah Shumate
Song Leader - Bill Kincaid