

# Family Life

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## “One Another: Love, Serve, Teach, Encourage.”

Fellowship is a difficult concept. We want, even crave, a sense of belonging. We know that God designed His church in such a way that we must have fellowship with each other, that we must offer AND receive love, service, education and encouragement.

But often, we just don't feel that happening for us.

Our lives are - to cite the obvious - hectic. We run from one demand to another - job, home, school, children's sports, medical appointments, volunteer events. Too often, church activities, even the ones we like, slip into that same list of competing demands.

Even as we wish we **could** feel a sense of camaraderie with other Christians, that sense of community eludes us. We feel deprived, that we just can't seem to make those connections, or worse, we feel like outsiders, that we just aren't "spiritual enough" to be a part of the church.

And, if we've reached out before but didn't succeed, then we really feel like failures, and we are reluctant to try again.

So the question for the church is this: how do we DO that part about loving, serving, teaching, etc., with each other?

And that is the goal and the theme of the **2nd Annual Congregational Retreat** scheduled Sept. 19-21 at the Williamsburg Retreat Center.

Some of you are thinking, "Great. Just what I need - a bunch of people sitting in a circle, holding hands and singing "Kumbaya." *Au contraire!*

In fact, since the emphasis is on THIS congregation, there is no outside guest speaker. The group leaders are fellow members.

Further, this isn't a series of sessions of passively taking notes. Rather, the sessions will be interactive, which is a fancy word for you doing the real work. This is "on the job" training, a "how to" camp for achieving the relationships that God knew we would need to grow and develop and advance His Kingdom. More importantly, to develop the means to reach out to those who are hurting and alone and really outside the fold.

**DON'T FORGET: YOUR REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT ARE DUE TODAY TO GUARANTEE YOUR LODGING PREFERENCES.**



weeks!

## One More Week

August 10 is the last Sunday for **Caleb and Carolyn**, our two Summer interns. They have been a great blessing to our teens and students. They have also learned a great deal from us as well. Be sure to thank them for their hard work and ministry over the last 10

## Authority Over Dark Spiritual Powers

Mark 1.21 - .28

As Mark's gospel begins, he wants to be sure his readers understand that Jesus has power and authority. We have seen Jesus' power and authority to call disciples. We have also seen Jesus' power and authority to teach and in His teaching. Now Mark wants to show us that Jesus has power and authority over the evil dark spiritual powers of the world.

Mark shows us this power first in 1.12 - .15. This is Mark's short account of Jesus' temptation by Satan. Jesus overcomes these temptations and then bursts on the scene teaching "The time has come, The Kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!" It is obvious that Jesus overcame the temptations and that Satan has no power to tempt Him.

Then in verses 23 - 26 Jesus encounters an evil spirit. This evil spirit knows who Jesus is and cries out. Jesus instantly quiets the spirit and calls it out of the man. The people see this and are amazed! Jesus has shown He has power over evil spirits. We continue to see this power and authority throughout Mark's gospel. We even see Jesus giving this authority to the 12 and His disciples.

What does this mean for us? It means that the evil spirits and Satan have no power over Jesus and Jesus' people. We are protected from evil spirits and Satan in a way those outside of Jesus are not. The dark spiritual powers of the world tempt us and work against us but have no power over us.

GRACE + PEACE  
John B. L.

# New Baby



## Ice Cream Social is the 2nd Sunday Fellowship for August, Coming Up Next Weekend After Evening Assembly



The **2nd Sunday Fellowship for August** is our annual Ice Cream Social, coming up next weekend, Aug. 10, after the evening assembly.

**Fellowship Crew #3** is the duty group for this event. That includes **Lisa Swetnam, leader;** and **Genia Deibler, Dorothy Eckert, Jenni Madeley, Wilfredo Reyes, Robert Spiess, Staci & Mark Shannon & Joseph Tucker.**

Please bring homemade ice cream IF POSSIBLE. Make it Sunday afternoon and bring it just before the service, packed so that the contents will remain cold. Please label it clearly, and come back to the fellowship hall to dip it out for others.

But, if homemade isn't your thing, you may bring all the "fixings," such as - but not limited to - strawberries, blueberries, peaches; chocolate, hot fudge, marshmallow, caramel, butterscotch or strawberry syrup; toppings like nuts, sprinkles or chocolate chips; whipped cream.

Last but not least, we need cookies!

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.

## Vacation Bible School Is Almost Here! Lots of Things Left to Do

Vacation Bible School is coming up NEXT WEEK-END. The theme for 2014 is "Jungle Safari - Where Kids Explore the Nature of God."

But there are still several things to emphasize or do before the big event.

**VBS Still Needs the Following:**

A **safari vest**, men's, XL (could be a camera or hiking/camping vest also)

More **LAND animals** and **BIRDS**

More **sleeping bags/pillows**

They don't need any more plants, and they have the desserts for dinner on Friday night.

### SPECIAL THINGS TO REMEMBER:

◆ There is plenty of room for more children and more adults. Children ages 6 months through 6th grade are welcome, and the more the merrier. Please take the postcards to distribute to neighbors and friends, and **please register them as soon as possible.**

◆ In addition, we have wonderful guest speakers for adults, who do not have to have children in VBS. **Josh**

### Times & Dates for VBS

**Friday, August 8**  
**Dinner @ 5:15 pm**  
**Program: 6-8:15 p.m.**

**Saturday, August 9**  
**Breakfast @ 8 am**  
**Program: 9-11:30 a.m.**  
**Times & Dates for VBS**

**Ray** of the Springfield congregation will speak Friday night about God as Creator, while **Dorn Muscar** of the University Park congregation will speak Saturday about Daniel. **Mike Tune** and **Clayton Tune** will lead a singing group later on

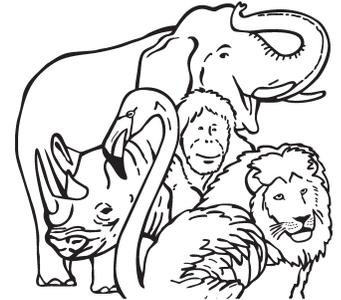
Saturday. This is a great occasion for fellowship!

◆ Don't forget the dinner on Friday night and the breakfast on Saturday morning. This is free, but to make sure there is enough food, it is REALLY IMPORTANT TO SIGN UP ON THE SHEET ON THE BULLETIN BOARD!

**Really!**

**Children's Worship is on break during August.**

**It will resume September 7.**  
**To learn more about this program or to volunteer your service, contact Gayla Keller.**



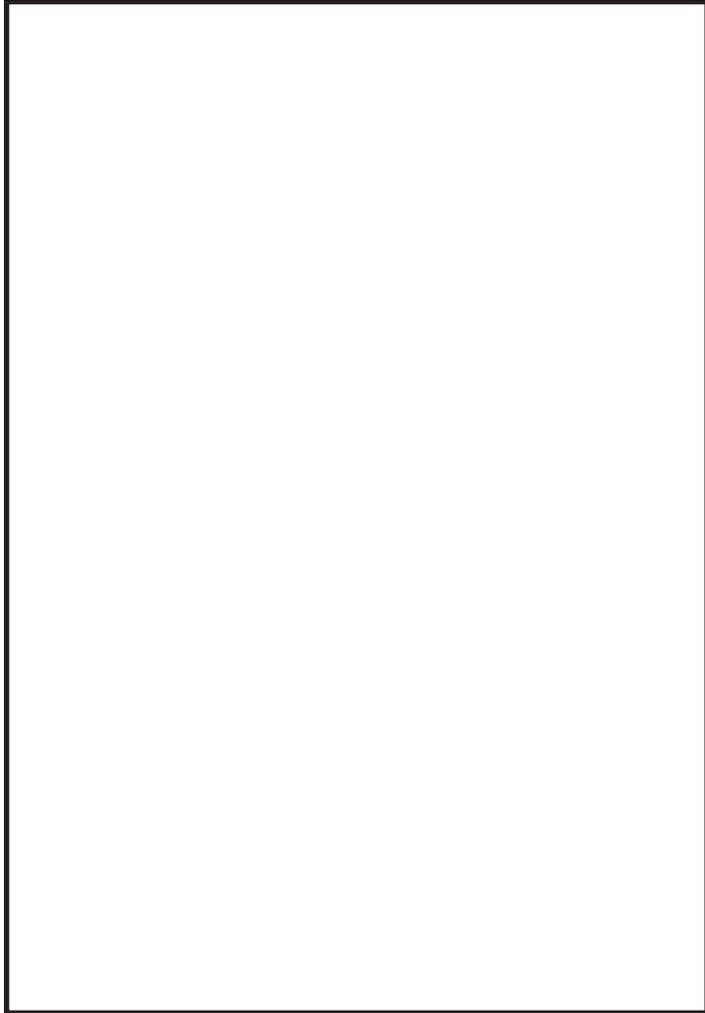


*Ladies,*

*you are invited to a wedding shower for*

*on August 3rd from 4:00 to 6:00 pm.*

*Hostesses for this event are*



*Thank You Notes*

**Congregational Prayer Request  
for the week of August 3:**

*Pray that the vacation bible school will be successful  
in teaching children about the love that  
God has for everyone."*

## 4th Annual School Supplies Collection Continues

Our **4th Annual School Supplies Collection** for children who attend Bailey's Elementary School for the Arts & Sciences, located just a few blocks from our church building, began July 27 and will be completed on Sunday, Aug. 24. The supplies will be delivered to the school during the week of Aug. 25.

**Remember that THIS weekend, Aug. 1-3, is a tax-free weekend.** You can shop AND SAVE at the same time!

According to the school's website, the elementary magnet school has over 1,200 students representing 40+ countries of origin with nearly 20 languages spoken at home. For the 2013-14 school year, 950 students (nearly 70%) qualified for the free or reduced-fee lunch program.

If you would like to contribute money to buy school supplies, please see **Lynda Eubank** to give her your cash or check. **Please make out checks to the Church of Christ in Falls Church.**

The school supplies we collect for the children attending Bailey's make a HUGE difference to the students and teachers, and they are very grateful for our support. There are collection boxes outside the fellowship hall and in the lobby, and copies of the list below.

There are also children in our congregation who need assistance buying school supplies. To donate supplies or money to buy needed supplies, **please contact Sandra Espinoza.**



SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST: Please take this with you when you do your shopping.

- ◆ large glue sticks
- ◆ Elmer's liquid glue
- ◆ Large pink erasers
- ◆ Box of 10 or 12 Black "Papermate" flair finepoint felt tip pens (no ball point)
- ◆ Box of "Crayola" classic markers, 8 ct. washable broad tip
- ◆ Box of "Crayola" classic markers, 8 ct. washable thin tip
- ◆ yellow highlighters
- ◆ Expo dry erase markers
- ◆ "Crayola" crayons, 24 count
- ◆ "Crayola" color pencils, 12 count
- ◆ #2 pencils - **presharpened**
- ◆ Pencil sharpener, hand held
- ◆ Fiskars scissors 5" blunt cut
- ◆ Fiskars scissors 5" pointed tip
- ◆ black and white marble composition book - wide-ruled
- ◆ multi-colored 3x3 Post It notes
- ◆ 3-prong folders -green, red, yellow, blue, purple, orange
- ◆ Pocket folders - solid colors
- ◆ leaf notebook paper - wide-rule
- ◆ 3x5 index cards (100 count)
- ◆ 5x7 index cards, lined
- ◆ set of headphones or ear buds - any type
- ◆ watercolor set - 8 colors
- ◆ Play-Doh, any color/size
- ◆ box of tissue
- ◆ hand sanitizer
- ◆ baby wipes
- ◆ disinfectant wipes
- ◆ box of 20 count heavy duty gallon size Ziploc bags
- ◆ box of 50 count snack size Ziploc bags
- ◆ Reusable water bottle (12 to 16 oz size)

### Trip to the Nationals Faith Day, Sept. 6

The **Washington Nationals'** annual Faith Day is set for Sept. 6, and the team is offering specially discounted tickets for Christians. A FREE postgame concert featuring Lincoln Brewster and testimonials by Nationals player Adam LaRoche will be a special highlight.

The game will feature the Phillies against the Nats, and will start at 4:05 pm.

See the flyer on the bulletin board and/or contact **Mary Ann Kincaid** if you'd like to join a group of Falls Church members.



### Interesting Fact About August 2014

The first three days in August are Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and each of those repeats five times in one month.

There are 5 Fridays, 5 Saturdays and 5 Sundays in this month.

It is interesting, but it isn't all that rare. Contrary to the myth that this only happens once in 853 years, actually it will happen again next year, 2015, in May.

However, you have to admit that any month with five weekends is a pretty good month!

The Wednesday night guest speaker for August 6 is Adam Tune. His topic is "Jesus and Those on the Margins."

## 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.

### 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

**August 3, 2014**

### Morning

Kristine Spraker  
Vickie Writt

### Evening

Levenie Hughes

**August 10, 2014**

### Morning

Lisa Swetnam  
Meaza Zemech

### Evening

Levenie Hughes

## Children's Worship

**August 3, 2014**

2/3 CHILDREN'S WORSHIP IS ON  
P-K BREAK DURING AUGUST

**August 10, 2014**

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## Worship Today, August 3, 2014

*Hymn #548*

*The Lily of the Valley*

*Hymn #564*

*I Must Tell Jesus*

Prayer

Kelvin Hatcher

*Hymn #586*

*My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

*Hymn #364*

*Come, Share the Lord*

Communion/Collection

Mark Dawson

*Hymn #570*

*A Beautiful Life*

*Children ages 2 through Pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship*

Bible Reading (*Ephesians 6:5-9*)

Frank Estes

Bible Lesson

Mike Tune

*Hymn #567*

*Restore My Soul*

Announcements

Jim Lane

Introduction of Visitors

Joshua McKay

Closing Prayer

Joshua McKay

Song Leader

Joseph Tucker

Ushers

Jose Arevalo, Grant Smith



Caleb Dillinger will be our speaker this evening;  
John Waterston will lead singing; Caleb Mayfield and  
Ken Yeatman will lead prayers.

August servers: Joe Bohannon, Bill Furr, Calvin Lockhart,  
Clark Richardson, Mark Shannon, Hal Swetnam

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Classes 9:30 am  
Morning Assembly 10:30 am  
Evening Assembly 6:00 pm

### Tuesday

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

### Wednesday

7:15 pm

### Office Hours

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

## Contact Information

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## Elders

Steve Dasher Wayne Doran  
Bill Kincaid Jim Lane  
Oliver McDaniel Joseph Tucker

## Deacons

Roberto Alvarez Jose Arevalo  
Ben Bohannon Brian Collins  
Ignacio Espinoza Perry May  
Joshua McKay 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  
Mike Tune, Amazing Grace International  
Jay & Piera Young, Italy & Ukraine  
Habtu Zemech, My Neighbors, Ethiopia

## Staff

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

## Statistics

### Sunday, July 27, 2014

Bible Study 215  
Morning Assembly 304  
Evening Assembly 78  
Contribution \$ 9,347  
YTD Average \$12,238  
Budget Goal \$12,709

### Wednesday, July 30, 2014

Classes & Online 83

**Wednesday, August 6, 2014**

**Prayer - Jose Arevalo**

**Song Leader - Mike Tune**