

# Family Life

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## Tune's Notes

The wickedness of the ancient city of Nineveh got God's attention – so much so that He determined to destroy it and everything that breathed within her walls. What she needed was forgiveness – salvation. But God did not offer her that. Instead, if she repented, He offered her a stay of

execution. Nineveh was not the community of God. Salvation was not a blessing open to her.

The idea of salvation involves three things: First, the forgiveness of sins that are past. Second, citizenship in the community where God's forgiveness, protection, guidance and strength are provided in the present. Third, salvation involves hope for the future. All three blessings become ours at once when we are "saved."

Salvation comes by God's grace. We could never be worthy of rescue in the eyes of God. Nor is there any way we could pay the price for our own sinfulness. So in Christ, God became human, and offered Himself as the sacrifice for our sins once for all.

When we trust that what Jesus has done for us provides that salvation, we move toward Him, turning from the past life of sin that separated us from God in the first place, entering his death that provides the payment price, and clothing ourselves with his life so that when people look at us they see Jesus. This response is called "faith" and it is expressed in repentance and baptism and a different way of living.

The result of this move is that God forgives us of our sins and places us in Christ, making us a part of His body, His family, the community of the redeemed, the Church. Here, we have hope for the future, an inheritance from God reserved by Him for us in heaven.

Can we lose our salvation? Certainly not the forgiveness of sins that are past – God no longer remembers those sins. Certainly not our place in the family of God. But the future inheritance? Yes. Behaving badly is cause for loss of inheritance.

Can we regain our inheritance? Yes. When a wayward child of God returns in penitence and requests forgiveness, God's love does not bear a grudge. Forgiveness is assured, and the inheritance is restored.

Love you all.  
Mike



## Youth Ministry Family Hayride!

On the surface a hayride doesn't sound like much fun. You sit in a cart full of hay as it is pulled around by a tractor. You may be pulled into a haunted forest or just dragged around in a field.

BUT

Hayrides are so much more. Last Saturday many families did sit in a cart full of hay but we were sitting with about 30 great people - laughing, talking and sharing stories as we were pulled through a field and into a "haunted forest."

When the ride was over there was a large fire waiting for us. After a quick safety briefing we roasted hot dogs! In my personal opinion the best way to cook a hotdog is over an open fire!

You can't have a camp fire without roasting some marshmallows and possibly making s'mores. Of course we did that too.

While the parents hung out to talk and share, the kids, students and teens ran free in the dark field. They played tag, threw light up frisbees and generally made up games as they went along.

Mobile phones were only used to take pictures and share those pictures on social media.

All in all it was a simple and fun night!

If you were unable to join us this Fall be sure to sign up early next Fall.

You should also sign up for the Youth Ministry's Family Camp Out in the Summer too.



GRACE + PEACE  
A.H.B.

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## Adult Education Committee to Meet Nov. 23 After Morning Service

All teachers of adult classes are requested to attend the **Adult Education Committee** meeting next Sunday, Nov. 23, R. 120 (Elders' Conference Room) after the morning assembly, according to **John Waterston**, Deacon for the Adult Education Ministry.

John adds, "Please prayerfully consider your active participation in this important activity in our church, and bring ideas to develop and strengthen our family."

Luncheon will be provided, but John requests that everyone RSVP so that he will have sufficient food available.



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## Upcoming Excursion to Italy

**Mike and Monica Tune** cordially invite Falls Church members to accompany them on their next grand excursion which will depart from Washington, DC, on **May 28, 2015**.

Italy is the destination for this trip, with three days each in Florence, Venice and Rome.

*If you are interested in joining this tour*, see Monica for a brochure which will include the costs and important details.

PLEASE NOTE: The deadline for RESERVATIONS has been extended. Anyone who is interested should talk to Monica soon or just go online and register.

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.

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## Preview of Coming Attractions



Although Thanksgiving hasn't taken place yet, it IS time to make sure you are up to date on all the holiday happenings starting in December.

- Dec. 6      **Breakfast with Santa** (to benefit Camp WaMaVa), building @ 9 am
- Dec. 13    **Breakfast for Ladies** from the Bailey's Shelter, building @ 9:30 am
- Open House** at Ford Residence @ 5:30 pm
- Dec. 20    **\*\*Ladies Brunch**, building @ 10 am

**\*\*Kelly Shumate** is organizing this annual event. Further details will come as the event date approaches.

### Congregational Prayer Request for the week of November 16:

*Prayer of praise and thanksgivings for the ability and the opportunity to give to those who are in need of their daily food.*

## 24th Annual Harvest Festival Set for November 23 During the Evening Assembly

Food figures prominently in any harvest or fall event, and that's to be expected since it is the traditional time of gathering in the crops.

However, even in this country, there are many people who lack the abundance that so many of us enjoy.

Here at Falls Church, we are located among many such people, and as such have a unique opportunity to serve and share.

**And that is where our "Harvest Festival" comes in.**

Under the direction of the C.A.R.E. (formerly Benevolence) Committee, this Festival provides an opportunity for all of the Falls Church community to help stock the shelves of the food pantry so that those in need can be served. And this isn't just for the holidays, but for all year long!

**So, next Sunday, Nov. 23, we will celebrate by bringing in bags (note the plural not single use of that word) of food items according to the list below.**

We bring said bags to the fellowship hall where our younger members unload all the goodies.

Then ALL of us will form a human "chain" to transfer each can or jar or box or bag from the fellowship hall to R. 121 where the food pantry is located.

There, volunteers accept and sort the items, such as green beans with other cans of green beans.



These two photos are from "yesteryear." Above are the bags of food unpacked by the children, while below is the aftermath in R. 121.



**Please make your selections ONLY from this list!  
Please take this list with you as you shop.**

### DRINKS:

- Juices (LOW SUGAR) - large OR individual boxes
- coffee
- hot cocoa
- milk - the kind that does NOT require refrigeration - individual boxes OR large boxes
- powdered milk
- tea mix
- lemonade mix

### COOKING SUPPLIES OR BASICS:

- flour - 2 lb bag
- corn meal - 2 lb bag
- MASA (type of corn meal)
- crackers - all types
- cooking oil - 1 qt size
- instant potatoes - box
- rice - 1 OR 2 lb, cooked OR instant
- peanut butter
- jelly - all types

### CEREAL:

- oatmeal - large OR individual packages
- instant oatmeal - box
- cold cereal - LOW SUGAR - large OR individual servings

### SOUP:

- all kinds (chicken noodle, vegetable, etc.)

### CANNED VEGETABLES:

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|------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| corn             | green peas     | green beans     |
| carrots          | peas & carrots | canned potatoes |
| mixed vegetables |                |                 |

### CANNED MEATS:

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|------------|---------|----------------|
| chicken    | stew    | beef/macaroni  |
| ham        | ravioli | chili          |
| roast beef | salmon  | beans & franks |
| tuna       | turkey  | corned beef    |

### VIENNA SAUSAGE

### CANNED BEANS:

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|---------------|-------------|
| Pork 'n Beans | Baked Beans |
| Navy Beans    | Black Beans |
| Pinto Beans   |             |

### DRIED BEANS:

- 1 LB. BAGS - ANY KIND

### PASTA:

- Macaroni 'n Cheese COMPLETE MEAL SET (no butter or margarine required)
- Spaghetti (pasta in 1 lb box)
- Spaghetti Sauce (in cans preferably!)

## 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

November 16, 2014

### Morning

Marsha De La Cruz  
Calanthia Tucker

### Evening

Janice McDaniel

November 23, 2014

### Morning

Abby Collins  
Melissa Collins

### Evening

Janice McDaniel

## Children's Worship

November 16, 2014

2/3 A. Smith, J. Estes, S. Zemech  
P/K Wendy Ward, TBA

November 23, 2014

2/3 H. Musser, J. Hayes, TBS  
P/K TBA

## Worship Today, November 16, 2014

Hymn #689

*Be Still, My Soul*

Hymn #700

*More Love to Thee, O Christ*

Prayer

Jonah Shumate

Hymn #350

*When My Love to Christ Grows Weak*

Communion/Collection

Matt Bensky

Hymn #139

*In Heavenly Love Abiding*

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

Bible Reading (John 3:1-6)

Dave Miller

Bible Lesson

Mike Tune

Hymn #932

*O Heart Bowed Down with Sorrow*

Announcements

Steve Dasher

Introduction of Visitors

Hal Swetnam

Closing Prayer

Joe Bohannon

Song Leader

Bill Kincaid

Ushers

Brian Collins, John Waterston



Clark Richardson will lead singing this evening;  
Caleb Mayfield and Wayne Doran will lead the prayers.

November servers: Jun Amores, Chantha Chea,  
Greg Citizen, Grant Smith, Daniel Williams, Dave Wilson

## 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  
John Reagan Saul Reyes  
Wilfredo Reyes Hal Swetnam  
Jonah Shumate Kevin Thie  
John Waterston Ken Yeatman  
Habu 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, Cuernavaca, MX  
Don & Esther Roarabaugh, Torrington, CT  
Mike Tune, Amazing Grace International  
Jay & Piera Young, Italy & Ukraine  
Habu Zemech, My Neighbors, Ethiopia

## Staff

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

## Statistics

Sunday, November 9, 2014

Bible Study 229  
Morning Assembly 323  
Evening Assembly No Service  
Contribution \$15,520  
YTD Average \$11,975  
Budget Goal \$12,709

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

Classes & Online 75

Wednesday, November 19, 2014

Prayer - Jonah Shumate

Song Leader - Clark Richardson