

Family Life

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Tune's Notes

Some of you, though probably very few, will remember recording artist Sandy Posey. She started out as a pop singer (moved later to country) and had her first million selling single when she was 21 (1966) – but it never charted higher than #12 nationally.

I remember her (and don't ask me why because I don't know) for a another song that sounds more country than pop (also didn't get higher than #12). It had these lyrics:

I take it back, I didn't mean it
Please forget what I just said.
I take it back, I'm sorry
I must have been out of my head.

In fact, every time my mind tells my tongue to be still, and my tongue doesn't listen, that song comes to mind. Every. Time.

The song came to mind for another reason recently. WTOP was interviewing the creator of a new "smart phone" app (android only) that allows you to unsend/recall text messages.

"Interesting," I thought, as Posey's song came to mind again. Interesting that is until we got to the "how it works" section of the interview. You have to set a timer for your messages. The longest you get is 60 seconds. So . . . if you text someone, and it takes longer than a minute for you to have sender's remorse, you're still out of luck.

Perhaps it might be better simply to wait 60 seconds before actually writing – or at least sending – that angry, sarcastic, caustic, or embarrassingly romantic text in the first place.

All this brings to mind some other words – from the Bible this time: First, Proverbs 10:19 – "When words are many, sin is not absent, but he who holds his tongue is wise." Second, from James in the New Testament: "My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires" (1:19-20). In 21st century language, we might add everyone should be "slow to text" or even "comment on Facebook."

We all know who we are.

Check out Sandy's song on YouTube.

Love you all

Mike

Winterfest 2015 - The Way: WATCH

W - Watch
A - Available
T - Trials
C - Community
H - Hand off



Last weekend's Winterfest trip was amazing! If your teen or student wasn't able to come this year you should definitely make room on your calendar today for next year's trip. It was a weekend that caused us to grow spiritually and closer together in fellowship.

Over the next few weeks I am going to highlight some of the themes from this year's trip. I can only scratch the surface, but if you want to know more be sure to ask one of our teens or students who were there.

The theme of "WATCH" was woven throughout all the presentation and stories. First we explored the idea of watching and paying attention to Jesus in order to imitate him with our lives. Then we looked at the idea of being available to those around us who need us to be Jesus in their lives. Next we focused on the trials that we will face as we live this different life Jesus' calls us too. Then we learned about the importance of being part of a community or the church - how we need community and the community needs us. Finally we ended with talking about the hand off. We are Handing off or passing the baton of the good news about Jesus to those around us who need to hear the message.

As you can see we covered a lot of material in a short amount of time!

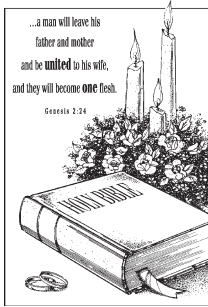
I want to thank all my adult chaperons who came and made this weekend a success. I also want to thank the teens and students who came, learned and had a good time.

Finally I want to thank our church family supporting this trip and making a deep impact on our teens and students each and every week.

GRACE + PEACE
Ah Bjl

Wedding Shower for

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Congregational Prayer Request for the week of March 1, 2015 –

Pray that the Spirit of God will infest us

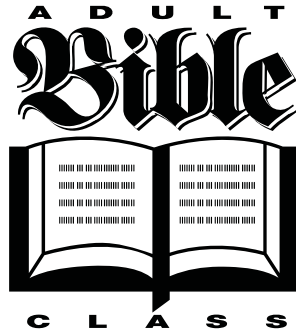
so that we will become all that God has planned for us to be.

The Elders will NOT hold their weekly prayer request session this morning, March 1, due to their plans to meet with our newer members after the service this morning.

Adult Education Committee Will Meet Today After Morning Assembly

The Adult Education Ministry Committee will have a luncheon meeting in R. 120 today after the morning assembly, according to **John Waterston**, the deacon for that ministry.

The purpose of this meeting is to finalize the second quarter classes for 2015.



2nd Sunday Fellowship Potluck Luncheon Set for March 8 After the Morning Assembly; No Evening Service on That Date

Our next 2nd Sunday Fellowship will be a Potluck Luncheon next Sunday, March 8, after the morning worship service.

As is our custom, after the luncheon we will dismiss for the day. **There will be no evening assembly on March 8.**



Fellowship Crew #3 is the “duty group” for this event. Crew #3 includes Rachel Bowles, Ida Goetzinger, Joy Hayes, Agnes Jones, Dennis Musteen, Mulloy Robertson, Cherry Washington & Peggy Williams.

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 (no description necessary)

Western Agape Group Plans Luncheon on March 15 After Morning Service

The Western Agape Group will hold a luncheon next on March 15 in the fellowship hall after the morning assembly. **Ann Ford** is the leader for this group.

Each family is requested to bring a main dish and one additional dish - salad, dessert or vegetable. Drinks and rolls will be furnished.



We see these bulletin boards and think, “Wow, that’s great work.” But do you know WHO does them? These are the latest editions of the collective art work of **Peggy Williams**. And they aren’t JUST artistic - they embody considerable wisdom along with a delight in the beautiful world that God has given us.

So read them, reflect and then thank Peggy for her diligent work.



Thanks to Mike Tune for taking these photos!

Henry Gutierrez, Nicaragua

Henry Gutierrez has preached for the congregation in Juigalpa, Nicaragua (about 100 miles east of Managua) since 1989. In addition to his ministerial duties, he conducts evangelistic campaigns, and works with various other congregations in the area of Juigalpa. He and his wife, Rosa, have been married since 1991 and have three daughters Kimberly, Eunice & Aurisol.



The members of the Juigalpa congregation who brought medicine to prisoners in a local jail (above) and (below) Henry Gutierrez with the guard who accepted the donation

The pictures here display the benevolence ministry work of the congregation in Juigalpa, Nicaragua. Falls Church contributes some funds for this work.

The two photos to the right show Christians before and after a visit to a local jail. Photos are not allowed inside the facility, so they took one outside. One purpose of this visit was to bring a donation of medicines for the prisoners, and Henry is shown with the guard who accepted the medicine.

The other three photos show a group of members from Juigalpa as they prepared and distributed food to the elderly members of the congregation. Many of these members suffer from chronic illness and can't take proper care of themselves.



(left) Juigalpa members prepare and pack meals for the elderly or chronically ill. (below left and below) The group as they prepared to distribute the supplies. This concern for the poor and strong desire to serve always has been a characteristic of this congregation.



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

March 1, 2015

Morning

Amy Saxton
Lisa Swetnam

Evening

Janice McDaniel

March 8, 2015

Morning

Angela E-Hayes
Wendy Ward

Evening

Janice McDaniel

Children's Worship

March 1, 2015

2/3s A. McKay, D. Hatcher, D. Hatcher
P/K Misty Marshall, S. Wilson

March 8, 2015

2/3s TBA
P/K TBA

Worship Today, March 1, 2015

Hymn #140

Love Divine

Hymn #684

Nearer, My God, to Thee

Prayer

Joseph Tucker

Hymn #350

When My Love to Christ Grows Weak

Communion/Collection

Rick Schneider

Hymn #92

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

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

Bible Reading (1 Peter 1:13-16)

Jeff Grimm

Bible Lesson

Mike Tune

Hymn #681

More Holiness Give Me

Announcements

Oliver McDaniel

Introduction of Visitors

Jonah Shumate

Closing Prayer

Grant Smith

Song Leader

Bill Kincaid

Ushers

Brian Collins, John Reagan



Robert Spiess will lead singing this evening, while Caleb Mayfield & Wayne Doran will lead the prayers.

March servers: Gary Allmond, Matt Bensusky, Mark Dawson, Dave Miller, Robert Spiess, 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

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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
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, February 22, 2015

Bible Study	No Class
Morning Assembly	141
Evening Assembly	101 (SWA)
Contribution	\$ 8,102
YTD Average	\$11,164
Budget Goal	\$12,725

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

Classes & Online 74

Wednesday, March 4

Prayer - Kevin Thie

Song Leader - Clark Richardson