

Family Life

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Tune's Notes

As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." At once they left their nets and followed

him. Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him." (Matthew 4:18-22).

How did that work exactly, the immediacy of their discipleship?

We're not told, but I have a hunch there was a lot of frantic activity going on in the background. Someone would have to take care of their wives and children. Someone would have to fill their spots with the nets and in the boat. Assurances and arrangements would have to be made. I believe in the immediacy of their response, but not that Jesus by his call sanctioned the shirking of responsibility. They simply took on something more, and gave it priority.

One thing is sure: Jesus' call to discipleship disrupted the lives of all who became his followers. The dead might have to bury their dead (Luke 9:57-62), but someone would have to make the arrangements for them to do so – all the while trying to follow Jesus.

These four left everything to follow him.

Why?

I think perhaps it was because they were smart enough to recognize a once in a lifetime opportunity. It might never come again. It might not be offered again. There would never be a convenient time to answer the call. So when it came, they answered.

Kinda like the blind man who, hearing Jesus' approach, cried out for healing. When Jesus called him, the man left everything behind (including some of his clothes) to get to Jesus and when healed, followed the Lord (Mark 10).

Being a Christian means disruption and if there isn't some in our lives because we are following the Lord (in addition to the normal disruptions), we aren't doing it right (or at all).

Love you all

Mike



Winterfest 2015 - The Way: WATCH

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

An important question that was answered on the last night of Winterfest 2015 was "Why do we need church anymore?"

I would say it is very very important for each and everyone of us to stop periodically and ask ourselves "Why do I need to be a part of a church?" or "Why do we need to be a part of the church?"

That night Jeff Walling pointed out two of the many reasons we need church!

1. We get to learn how to love others. In our church there are people who wouldn't usually be together within community. Like a family we don't get to choose who is part of the church but we do get to choose how we treat those people. Do we treat each other with mutual respect? Do we look out for each other? Do we listen to each other's guidance and wisdom? Do we mind our own business when something doesn't involve us? Do we all try to make peace? Are we open to the guidance and leadership of our elders?

2. The church is where we get strength and encouragement to make it in a wicked culture. Our culture is broken. The church is a place where we can come and find the kind of community the LORD wants. We forgive each other of our short fallings but we do not condone sinful behavior.

I realize this is an idealized view of the church. Many times we see the brokenness of the church herself. The church is made up of human beings. We need to overcome our own selfish pride and learn to live together the way the LORD has called us.



Thank you Jonathan Bohannon for being the Easter Bunny during last week's Easter Egg Hunt.

GRACE + PEACE
John Bgl

Ladies Lock-In Set for April 10-11 at Home of Ann Ford

“Prayer” is the theme for the annual **Ladies’ Lock-in** set for Friday evening and Saturday morning, April 10-11, at the home of **Ann Ford**.

Now, before you think, “I’ve studied that before,” you’ve never studied anything the way that the Ladies Lock-In does!

And you’ll never enjoy study that way you do at that event!



Women’s Fellowship

And that’s as much as anyone can tell you because all else at the Lock-In **STAYS AT THE LOCK-IN**.

In addition, there is a **SIGN UP SHEET ON THE BULLETIN BOARD**.

PLEASE USE IT. PRETTY PLEASE. REALLY!

After all, would YOU want to prepare meals for an unknown number of people? Of course not!

The Lock-In will begin at 6:30 pm with dinner. The “official part” will close down late that evening, to resume Saturday at 8:30 am with breakfast.

If you wish, you are welcome to “camp out” at Ann’s house overnight for a little late night bonding with your church sisters. Or you may head home, sleep in your own bed and get back in time on Saturday.

JUST REMEMBER TO SIGN UP!

Some lost and forlorn kitchen items are sitting on a table outside the kitchen - just waiting to be reclaimed by their rightful owners. Please look over the plates and carriers and other items and, if possible, reunite them to a happy home.

Greeter Ministry Seeks New Members; Greeter Luncheon Set for April 19

Hopefully, the first time you visited this congregation, you were met with a warm welcome and friendly smile, maybe even a hug.

Here at Falls Church, we want all our visitors to feel that same warm welcome, and to this end, we have a Greeter Ministry.

Right now, the ministry could use additional volunteers. If you are even moderately interested in this ministry, please attend the Luncheon Meeting on April 19 immediately following the morning assembly.

PLEASE ADD YOUR NAME TO THE SIGN UP SHEET IN THE LOBBY IF YOU WISH TO HAVE LUNCH.

For more information, please contact **Sally Dasher** (sdasher@cox.net, 703-865-5635) or **Marilyn McDermott** (glimpses@erols.com, 703-354-2772).



Food Pantry Needs Re-Supply



Canned Fruit - all kinds
Crackers - all kinds and LOTS OF THEM
Individual cereal boxes
Rice
Jelly - PREFERABLY NOT IN GLASS JARS

**Congregational Prayer Request for the week of April 5, 2015 –
Pray that our young people will dedicate themselves more and more
to the service of the Lord in this church.**

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. You may contact the Elders by email as well.

The email address is: prayerrequestfc@gmail.com

Any request sent via email will be designated for the Elders only unless otherwise specified.



A **Baby Shower** for _____ is planned for Sunday, June 28, from 4:30 to 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

If you wish to be included as a hostess for this event, please contact **Nikki Frank**, shower coordinator, at ordernjmf@aol.com or at 703-827-7387.

Directory Updates

Beltway Congregation Schedules Spring Revival April 26-29

Robert Brewington of the Eastside Church of Christ in Pontiac, MI, will be the Guest Evangelist for the Spring Revival at the Beltway Church of Christ April 26-29.

His theme is "Pursuing the Work of Christ with Excellence."

Services will be held Sunday, April 26, at 10 am and again at 3 pm. Lunch will be served at 1 pm, after the morning assembly.

The remaining services will be held each day, Monday through Wednesday, at 7:30 pm, with dinner served at 6:30 pm.

The Beltway congregation is located at 6000 Davis Blvd., Suitland, MD 20746. The phone is 301-423-2320. Take the Beltway to Auth Rd. in Camp Springs, and then turn right onto Medford Rd.

Saying Goodbye

Easter Egg Hunt Last Sunday Was Just Right!

The Easter Egg Hunt held last Sunday was a success as everything turned out just right.

The weather was lovely.

There were plenty of eggs thanks to the Easter Bunny and his helpers.

And about 20 children had a great time!

MANY, MANY THANKS to **Jonah & Kelly Shumate** for organizing the events, to **Jonathan Bohannon** who gave an excellent performance as the Easter Bunny, and to all of the “bunny’s helpers” who distributed the eggs and then served refreshments to the children. That list includes **John & Oliver Arevalo, Daniel Williams, Marshall & Abby Collins**. And of course, many thanks to our shutter-clicking photographer **Dorothy Eckert!**



(clockwise from above) The children work hard at the bountiful crop of eggs, including the very youngest participants. One lad has found the Golden Egg, while (left) the Easter Bunny rests from his labors by taking a photo with Joe Bohannon - who happens to be his uncle.



After a vigorous hunt, the children relax with refreshments. Above is the spread, with (left) a bowl of “carrots” that Bugs Bunny would love, while more bunnies grace the table.

(above) Hunting can be thirsty work, as one beautiful child drinks a juice. (below) The other beautiful and wonderful children enjoy the snacks and the crafts after the hunt is over.



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

April 5, 2015

Morning

Fern Musteen
Billie Bohannon

Evening

Janice McDaniel

April 12, 2015

Morning

Jackie Arevalo
John Arevalo

Evening

Janice McDaniel

Children's Worship

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2/3s A. Smith, J. Madeley, J. Arevalo
P/K Jackie Arevalo, Carolina Alvarez

April 12, 2015

2/3s J. Estes, J. Hayes, S & A Byrd
P/K Wendy Ward, Levenie Hughes

Worship Today, April 5, 2015

Hymn #773 Again the Lord of Light and Life

Hymn #457 How Firm a Foundation

Prayer John Reagan

Hymn #342 We Saw Thee Not

Communion/Collection Steve Dasher

Special Collection for Pearl Harbor Steve Dasher

Hymn #345 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

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

Bible Reading (Matthew 28) Curtis Madeley

Bible Lesson Mike Tune

Hymn #139 In Heavenly Love Abiding

Announcements Bill Kincaid

Introduction of Visitors Jonah Shumate

Closing Prayer Robert Spiess

Song Leader Bill Kincaid

Ushers Barry Smith, Hal Swetnam



Joseph Tucker will lead singing this evening, while Caleb Mayfield & Mark Dawson will lead the prayers.

April servers: Jose Arevalo, Greg Citizen,
Geosh Saxton, Grant Smith, Beni Venkatesan

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
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, March 29, 2015

Bible Study	204
Morning Assembly	305
Evening Assembly	88
Contribution	\$10,030
YTD Average	\$11,690
Budget Goal	\$12,725

Wednesday, April 1, 2015

Classes & Online	73
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Wednesday, April 8

Prayer - Joseph Tucker
Song Leader - Clark Richardson