

# Family Life

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September 13, 2015

## . . . a new beginning

EACH YEAR about this time, our area experiences a new beginning. Everyone has returned from summer activities, schools restart, activities are focused along new paths, and a new season looms. Our family here at Falls Church would do well to remember anew the good advice we read in the book of Hebrews, Chapter 10:

*Let us draw near to God.*

*Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess.*

*Let us spur one another on toward love and good deeds.*

*Let us not give up meeting together.*

*Let us encourage one another - and all the more as we see the Day approaching.*

A new beginning! May God's blessings be with all of us.

*The Elders*

**Congregational Prayer Request for September 13, 2015 – Pray for courage for all of our students who are starting a new year of studies - that they will have a successful year and be good examples for their fellow students.**

## **2nd Sunday Fellowship Luncheon Today September 13 Will Be Catered and Will Be a “Farewell Dinner”**

Our **2nd Sunday Fellowship for September** will be a **CATERED Luncheon** set for today, **September 13**, immediately following the morning worship assembly.

This will also be our last opportunity to bid “God speed” to our sister who has retired and is moving to the great state of Colorado. [See article on p. 2]

There is a photo located on a table in the lobby.

It is intended for Dorothy and will be presented to her at the dinner today.

**PLEASE MAKE THE TIME  
TO SIGN THAT PHOTO!**

As to the luncheon, since it is catered and will include dessert - namely a cake in Dorothy's honor - members do not need to bring anything except yourselves.

Cleanup Crew #4 is “on duty” for this event, and that consists of Ruth Amores, Val Jean DeLong, Oliver

McDaniel, Kelly Shumate and Roberto Alvarez.

Needless to say, any additional help - from clearing your table or taking up salt and pepper shakers to running the vacuum - will be, well, **HELPFUL!**

**NOTE:** The **Missions Committee** will meet after the luncheon.

**ALSO,** keep in mind that it is our habit, after a fellowship luncheon, to cancel services that evening. **As such, there will be NO SERVICE THIS EVENING.**

## **FELLOWSHIP**



## **DINNER**

The **CARE Committee** [Christian Assistance and Resources for Everyone, formerly Benevolence] will meet next Sunday, September 20, at 12:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be served and this is open to **EVERYONE** who would like to learn about or join the work of this committee.

Two of our Elders are available in R. 221 on the main level after the morning assembly to meet with anyone who would like prayer for special concerns. Prayer requests also may be submitted to the Elders at: [prayerrequestfc@gmail.com](mailto:prayerrequestfc@gmail.com)

## **Ladies Bible Class Resumes on Tuesday, September 15, Followed by Potluck Luncheon**

The **Ladies Bible Class** will be studying 1st & 2nd Timothy and Titus beginning September 15, 2015. **Class will start promptly at 10:15 am.**

Our textbook will be Life Lessons on 1st & 2nd Timothy and Titus by Max Lucado. We will be looking at the importance of a mentor in our spiritual lives, someone to guide us through the ups and downs of life, decision making, and someone to whom we turn with questions and doubts. The apostle Paul knew the importance of mentoring. He mentored Timothy and Titus, who became important delegates in helping to shape the early church. Paul's letters to these leaders are packed with instruction, guidelines, principles and encouragement - words of wisdom and valuable keys to discipleship for our lives today.

Please see **Diana Kuhn** to pick up your book. NOTE: The position of babysitter has been filled!

Below is the class schedule through this year

Class 1: September 15, 2015 - Potluck Lunch to follow in Fellowship Hall

Class 2: September 22, 2015

Class 3: September 29, 2015

Class 4: October 6, 2015

Class 5: October 12, 2015

Class 6: October 20, 2015

Class 7: October 27, 2015 - Potluck Lunch, FH

NO CLASS - November 3, 2015 -

Fairfax County Schools Student Holiday

Class 8: November 10, 2015

Class 9: November 17, 2015

NO CLASS - November 24, 2015 - Thanksgiving

Class 10: December 1, 2015

Class 11: December 8, 2015

Class 12: December 15, 2015 - Potluck Lunch, FH

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## Coffee Can of Controversy



On Sunday night September 27, the Upper Room Teen Ministry will begin to explore and answer the questions placed in the Coffee Can of Controversy. As I wrote a few weeks ago, all these questions were submitted by our teens and students during our Sunday and Wednesday meetings/classes. We will do our best to explore the Bible and answer the questions as best as possible.

You may be wondering what questions are our students and teens asking? Here are some of the questions that have been submitted so far.

Why does God love humanity (other than the fact we are like Him) more than anything else?

Why does God kill some people with a snap and then give some people more chances?

If God created us, where did God come from?

Are dinosaurs part of atheism or were they with Adam and Eve?

How long ago was the earth and humanity created?

Was Jesus mentioned in the Old Testament?

Is there a problem with ear-rings for men as a Christian?

If we are just going to heaven then why are we here?

Do you think God thinks chocolate is a good idea?

As you can see, these are some good questions. Some are easier to answer than others, but as I wrote earlier we will do our best. Some of these answers will also be shared here in the Family Life.

GRACE + PEACE  
*John Bell*

## 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

### September 13, 2015

<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
Melissa Collins	Janice McDaniel
Patricia Woods	

### September 20, 2015

<b>Morning</b>	<b>Evening</b>
Fern Musteen	Janice McDaniel
Marshall Collins	

## Children's Worship

### September 13, 2015

2/3s Dana Hatcher, Deja Hatcher
P/K C. Waterston, A. Venkatesan

### September 20, 2015

2/3s Jennifer Estes, Joy Hayes
P/K Lisa Byrd, Jackie Arevalo

## Worship Today, September 13, 2015

<i>Hymn #457</i>	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i>
<i>Hymn #825</i>	<i>My God, My Father, Though I Stray</i>
Prayer	Jonah Shumate
<i>Hymn #366</i>	<i>By Christ Redeemed</i>
Communion/Collection	Brian Collins
<i>Hymn #139</i>	<i>In Heavenly Love Abiding</i>
<i>(Children ages 2 through Pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship)</i>	
Bible Reading (2 Peter 1:1-4)	Joe Bohannon
Bible Lesson	Mike Tune
<i>Hymn #909</i>	<i>There's a Fountain Free</i>
Announcements	Steve Dasher
Introduction of Visitors	Rick Schneider
Closing Prayer	Greg Spraker
Song Leader	Bill Kincaid
Ushers	Jose Arevalo, Hal Swetnam



**THERE WILL BE NO SERVICE THIS EVENING.**

September Servers: Jun Amores, Chantha Chea, Mark Dawson, Brian Ellis, Frank Estes, Dave Miller

## 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
<i>(October through April)</i>	

### 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*

## Statistics

### Sunday, September 6, 2015

Bible Study	171
Morning Assembly	250
Evening Assembly	86
Contribution	\$12,241
YTD Average	\$12,101
Budget Goal	\$12,725

### Wednesday, September 9, 2015

Classes & Online	55
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**Wednesday, September 16**

**Prayer - Kevin Thie**

**Song Leader - Mike Tune**