

# Family Life

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## Baby Shower

### November 29, 2015 – Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving.

The Falls Church bulletin is sent to all members by email on Friday afternoon. If you are not receiving the bulletin electronically, please inform the church office so your name can be added to the list. It won't do to miss your bulletin!

### 5th Sunday Singing will be held on November 29

November 29 will be a "5th Sunday" this month.

As is our custom, that service will be devoted primarily to singing.

All our song leaders are requested to participate, with two or three songs each.

Bill Kincaid directs this program, and usually is willing to lead some songs at YOUR request!

So, select the song you've had your heart set on, and plan to be here next Sunday night, November 29.

Also, please note there will be no childrens' classes during this service.



## What on Earth is "Sports-mas"?



For the last few years the Youth Ministry's Family Christmas Party has had a special theme. We've had a luau/tropical theme, a western theme, a space theme and a snow theme. This year the teens and students in the Upper Room Teen Ministry voted one Sunday morning on the theme they wanted. There were a bunch of interesting themes (such as candy land jungle disco which we will use as a party soon) but the theme that won was SPORTS.



The teens and students also planned some Christmas themed sports during a Sunday Night Live to go along with the SPORTS-MAS theme. We will play volley ball, soccer, baseball and foosball all with a Christmasy twist!

Who can come you may wonder? If you have a teen or student in the 3rd - 12th grade this is for you and your family! We know the holidays are crazy so in order to help uncrazy things we make this an event for the entire family

When is Sports-mas? The evening (5:30 - 7:30) of Saturday, December 5th in the Fellowship Hall of our church's building.

What can my family bring? We are asking every family to bring one sports ball and either a drink or dessert. The sports ball will be given to kids who don't have one either at the nearby family shelter or to other children.

Finally this is the last big Youth Ministry event of the year and you don't want to miss all the fun we have planned!

GRACE+PEACE  
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# The Holiday Season is Approaching: Here are Events to Include in Your Plans

- **December 5 - Breakfast with Santa from 9 am to noon, in Fellowship Hall.**

Santa will be the special guest and will be available for photo ops with the children. There will be a craft for the children and a chance to "mail" their letters to the **Big Red One**.



Breakfast will include eggs, bacon/ sausage, fruit & drinks, and everyone is invited, so feel free to invite your friends and neighbors. There is no charge this year - since this is NOT a fund-raiser - but **you must sign up so the chef knows how much food to prepare**. Go to the sign up sheet on the board in the lobby or call the church office at 703-830-1346 OR email the church office at office@fallschurchcoc.org

**Kelly Shumate** and **Heather Roelke** are the organizers this year. They are looking for some helpers at the craft table and in the kitchen.

- **December 5 - "Merry Sports-Mas" - the Youth Ministry Family Christmas Party from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall**

The **Youth Ministry** includes youth between grades 3 and 12 and their families. You will get to play various Christmas-themed sports, and dress in the jersey/colors of your favorite sports team. Attendees are ask to bring a sports ball that will be donated to a child in need. **RSVP to Josh Byrd ASAP.**



- **December 12 - Breakfast for the Ladies from the Shelter, 9 to 11 am, Fellowship Hall - Erica Walker-Chenevert & Lynda Eubank are collecting for this.**

**Jonah Shumate** and Company will prepare the breakfast for this event in honor of the ladies at the Bailey's Crossroads Shelter. Collected funds will provide a Christmas gift for each lady, with **Lynn Barham** and **Joyce Grigsby** doing the shopping. In addition, **Santa Claus** will make a special guest appearance.



Donations are requested **NO LATER THAN Dec. 5** so there is enough time to purchase and wrap them. Donations qualify for tax-exemption, and you will receive a letter.

- **November 29 - December 13 - Rainbow Christian Christmas Card; Collectors are Martha Ashley & Melissa Collins; card will be published in Family Life of Dec. 20.**

- **Nov. 29 through Dec. 19 - Collection for families here at Falls Church - Collectors are Sandra Espinoza & Lynda Eubank.**

Last year we collected funds for Falls Church families who were experiencing difficult financial situations, and helped make the holidays a better time for 14 families. This year we plan to repeat that outreach which included both gifts and food cards. Sandra & Lynda did the shopping. Again, such donations are tax-deductible and you will receive written confirmation.



- **December 12 - Annual Christmas Open House at home of Ann Ford, 5:30-8:30 pm**

This well-loved annual event is open to all members and all ages, and baby sitting will be provided by some of the teenagers. Hostesses include Martha Ashley, Dashers, Deiblers, Ann & Jeff Ford, Nikii Frank, Hatchers, John Hilboldt, Kincaids, Lanes, Reagans, Ashley Shelton, Shumates, Candy Thie, Tuckers, Tunes, and Jerry & Peggy Williams.



- **December 15 - Ladies Bible Class to hold a potluck luncheon following the class. After this class, they will adjourn for the holidays, to resume in January.**

- **December 19 - Ladies Holiday Brunch, 9 to 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall**

This is an annual fellowship brunch - a time to slow down for a few minutes and savor the sweetness of friendship. Further details will be provided soon.



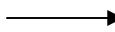


- **Gift Wrap to Benefit "My Neighbors," the fund administered by Habtu Zemech to benefit people in his home country of Ethiopia, December 13, 3 to 5:30 pm AND ALSO December 19, 2-4 and December 20, 3 to 5:30 pm, R. 121**

Bring your Christmas presents to the church building on the dates/times above and have them wrapped for you. Then contribute to "My Neighbors," a ministry that supports homes for orphans, a school for the hearing impaired, a school for preachers, the installation of wells, and the care and expense for children recovering from club foot surgery.



Special Note: Gifts for Falls Church family will be wrapped at these times.

# December 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> Eph. 1-3  <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 pm</i>	<b>2</b> Eph. 4-6	<b>3</b> Phil. 1-3	<b>4</b> Phil 4; Col 1-2	<b>5</b> Col 3-4; 1 Thess 1-2  <i>Breakfast with Santa, 9-12 am, FH</i>  <i>Youth Ministry Christmas Party, 5:30-7:30 pm, FH</i>  <i>Spanish Worship, 8:30 pm</i>
<b>6</b> 1 Thess 3-5; 2 Thess 1	<b>7</b> 2 Thess 2-3; 1 Tim 1	<b>8</b> 1 Tim 2-4  <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 pm</i>	<b>9</b> 1 Tim 5-6; 2 Tim 1	<b>10</b> 2 Tim 2-4	<b>11</b> Titus 1-3	<b>12</b> Philemon; Heb 1-3  <i>Breakfast For Ladies from Shelter, FH, 9-11:30 am</i>  <i>All Church Open House @ Ford Residence, 5:30-8:30 pm</i>  <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>13</b> Heb. 4-7  <i>***NOTE: Gift Wrap for "My Neighbors" program of Habtu Zemech in Ethiopia- 2 to 5:30 pm</i>	<b>14</b> Heb. 8-10	<b>15</b> Heb. 11-13  <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 pm with luncheon to follow</i>	<b>16</b> James 1-3	<b>17</b> James 4-5; 1 Peter 1	<b>18</b> 1 Peter 2-4  <i>***NOTE: Gift Wrap to benefit Habtu Zemech's "My Neighbors" program, Dec 19, 2-4</i>  	<b>19</b> 1 Peter 5; 2 Peter 1-3  <i>Ladies Holiday Brunch, 9-12, FH</i>  <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>20</b> 1 John 1-4  <i>***NOTE: Gift Wrap for Habtu Zemech's "My Neighbors" program 2 to 5:30 pm</i>	<b>21</b> I John 5; 2 & 3 John	<b>22</b> Jude; Rev 1-2  <i>No Ladies Bible Class</i>	<b>23</b> Rev. 3-5	<b>24</b> Rev. 6-8	<b>25</b> Rev. 7-9  <i>Christmas Day</i>  	<b>26</b> Rev 10-13  <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
<b>27</b> Rev 14-17  <i>Essentials Class after morning worship, Rm 120</i>	<b>28</b> Rev 18-20	<b>29</b> Rev 21-22  <i>No Ladies Bible Class</i>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>  New Year's Day  	

## 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 29, 2015

### Morning

Tek Lim Chea  
Lisa Swetnam

### Evening

Janice McDaniel

December 6, 2015

### Morning

Jackie Arevalo  
John Arevalo

### Evening

Janice McDaniel

## Children's Worship

This is now a combined class for all children between 2 and pre-k, and it meets in R. 220. Teachers today are Courtney Burch, Jennifer Ellis & Wendy Ward.

## Worship Today, November 29, 2015

Hymn #664

*Take My Life, and Let It Be*

Hymn #667

*Savior, Thy Dying Love*

Prayer

Jonah Shumate

Hymn #671

*Purer in Heart, O God*

Hymn #195

*Behold the Lamb*

Communion/Collection

Brian Collins

Hymn #676

*Living for Jesus*

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

Bible Reading (*Titus 3:3-7*)

Tom Griggs

Bible Lesson

Mike Tune

Hymn #695

*None of Self and All of Thee*

Announcements

Jim Lane

Hymn #704

*Bind Us Together*

Introduction of Visitors/Closing Prayer

Hal Swetnam

Song Leader

Joseph Tucker

Ushers

Daniel Williams, Ken Yeatman



This evening service is a 5th Sunday Night Singing, with Bill Kincaid directing. Mark Dawson & Caleb Mayfield will lead the prayers.

Nov. 29 Servers: Austin Byrd, Josh Byrd, Dave Miller, John Reagan, Geosh Saxton, Grant Smith

## 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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office@fallschurchcoc.org  
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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 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  
Don & Esther Roarabaugh, Lewistown, PA  
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*  
Kelly Shumate, *Secretary*

## Statistics

### Sunday, November 22, 2015

Bible Study 288  
Morning Assembly No count  
Evening Assembly Harvest Festival  
Contribution \$ 8,774  
YTD Average \$12,073  
Budget Goal \$12,725

### Wednesday, November 18, 2015

Classes & Online No count

### Wednesday, December 2

Prayer - Kevin Thie

Song Leader - Clark Richardson