

# Family Life

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## New Baby

## Baby Shower



*All ladies of the Falls Church congregation  
are invited to a Baby Shower  
on Sunday April 30 at 4:30 pm  
in the fellowship hall in honor of*

*The lead hostess is Ann Ford, with  
Martha Ashley, Marilyn McDermett,  
Monica Tune and Linda Reagan*

*If you wish to contribute to the group gift,  
please give your donation to  
Sally Dasher, Ann Ford or Candace Thie.*

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**MAKE PLANS TO BE A PART OF ONE OF THE  
NEW ADULT BIBLE CLASSES THIS SUNDAY**

**“1st & 2nd Samuel” taught by Richard Bowles & Mark  
Dawson in the Fellowship Hall**

**“Discipleship” taught by Oliver McDaniel & Dave  
Miller in Room 121**

**“Life Principles” taught by Hal Swetnam & Jonah Shu-  
mate in Room 304**

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### **Next Wednesday Night Out Set for April 19**

The next **Wednesday Night Out** dinner is coming up  
next Wednesday, April 19, from 6-7 pm.

The dinner will feature meatball sandwiches, potato  
side, salad, dessert and drinks. The cost is the same - \$4  
per adult and \$2 per child, but no more  
than \$20 per family.

**THERE IS A SIGN UP SHEET  
IN THE LOBBY. THIS IS VERY  
IMPORTANT SO THAT THE CHEF  
KNOWS HOW MUCH FOOD TO  
PREPARE!!!!!!**



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### **Central Agape Group Plans to Attend Concert June 24 at Wolf Trap**

The **Central Agape Group** invites all Falls Church  
members to join them at a concert featuring musician and  
performing artist **Diana Krall**, at Wolf Trap on June 24.

The group members plan to buy lawn seats and have a  
picnic dinner before the concert. Individuals must purchase  
their own tickets and arrange their own transportation, but  
carpooling may be an option.

Tickets are on sale now, so purchase soon and let **Jan-  
ice McDaniel** know if you plan to join the group.

## SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION SET FOR APRIL 23

A special contribution to help a fellow congregation in **Barrio Centro, Catacamas, Honduras** is scheduled for **Sunday, April 23**.

This group of Christians was given a generous opportunity to purchase land for a building in 2014, and the congregation here in Falls Church assisted with this purchase in February 2015.

The congregation in Catacamas has about 85 members, with Sunday attendance usually about 100. Two of their members – Alejandro and Maria Martinez Euceda – are parents of our Saira Reyes and her brothers Jose Adalid, Nelson and Mario Euceda.

The members of the congregation there have been working diligently to complete their building, which is entering its final phase of construction. At right is a picture of some of the hard working members helping to construct the building.

We have an opportunity to help our fellow Christians in Barrio Centro once again. They need about \$12,000 to complete their place of worship. Please be in prayer for them as we prepare for our gift on April 23. **Any checks should be made out to the Church of Christ in Falls Church and marked “Barrio Centro.”**



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### DOUBT



Spoilers - Jesus didn't stay dead. On the evening of the first day of the week after His crucifixion and resurrection the LORD appeared to his disciples. They were afraid and had locked the doors and windows but he was there in their midst in spite of their fear. I should go without saying that they were amazed and astonished to see the man they had seen executed standing in their midst.

They should not have been so surprised Mary had told them earlier he was alive. Peter and John had both run to the empty tomb. Now here He was. First he tells them to be at peace. Then he shows them his wounds. Overjoyed they see and touch realizing that something more wonderful than they could have imagined has happened. Jesus is alive.

But one of them was missing. We aren't told why Thomas wasn't there. When he hears the news he is skeptical and doubtful. Thomas also wants to see and touch the body of Jesus. He is not going to simply take their word. He needs the same experience they had.

A week later Thomas gets his chance. Once again the disciples have locked themselves in and once again Jesus walks right in. Thomas experiences the resurrected Jesus and is the only person in the Gospel of John to correctly identify him as "My Lord and my God!"

To Thomas Jesus is not simply a lord or a god. Jesus is his lord and his God. He overcomes his uncertainty and doubt and believes!

We are challenged by this story to look closely at our doubts and seek truth to answer them. We are to move past doubt to faith and belief. Jesus tells them they are blessed because they see. He also declares that we who did not see but believe are also blessed.

The power and truth of many stories from the Biblical narrative is not that they happened long ago and far away but that they are happening in our lives today.

GRACE + PEACE  
J. B. L.

## **PHOTOS FROM THE EASTER EGG HUNT HELD ON APRIL 9**

*Thanks to Josh Byrd and Jonah Shumate for the photos and to Charly Euceda for playing the role of the Easter Bunny!*

## 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.

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### Nursery Attendants

#### Morning

Billie Bohannon

Vickie Writt

Jackie/John Arevalo

#### Evening

Janice McDaniel

#### Morning

Wendy Ward

Peggy Williams

Erica Walker-Chenevert

#### Evening

Janice McDaniel

### Children's Worship (Ages 2 through Pre-K, R. 222)

Lisa Byrd, Abby Smith

Jessica Arevalo, Jennifer Ellis

## Worship Today, April 16, 2017

Hymn #464

*Because He Lives*

Hymn #345

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

Prayer

John Reagan

Hymn #313

*The Old Rugged Cross*

Hymn #382

*Why Did My Savior Come to Earth?*

Communion/Collection

John Hilboldt

Hymn #344

*Low in the Grave He Lay*

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

Scripture Reading (*Colossian 3:1-10*)

Gordon Rampy

Bible Lesson

Mike Tune

Hymn #346

*He Lives*

Announcements

Steve Dasher

Introduction of Visitors/Closing Prayer

Jonah Shumate

Song Leader

Joseph Tucker

Ushers

Daniel Williams, Habtu Zemech

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Joseph Tucker will lead singing this evening.

Mark Dawson & Oliver McDaniel will lead the prayers.

Servers: Jun Amores, Jose Arevalo, Holder Dinerman, Brian Ellis, Tom Griggs, 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

Ignacio Espinoza

John Reagan

Saul Reyes

Wilfredo Reyes

Jonah Shumate

Hal Swetnam

Kevin Thie

John Waterston

Ken Yeatman

Habtu Zemech

## Missionaries

Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI

Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua

Henry & Rosa Gutierrez, Nicaragua

Gene & Janice Luna, WBI/Guatemala

Jesus & Abigail Sosa, Mexico City, MX

Mike Tune, Amazing Grace International

Deonté Watkins, Blacksburg, VA Tech

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, April 9, 2017

Bible Study 165

Morning Assembly 245

Evening Assembly 90

Contribution \$8,669

YTD Average \$12,702

Budget Goal \$12,758

### Wednesday, April 12, 2017

Classes & Online 81

**Wednesday, April 19**  
**Prayer - Joseph Tucker**  
**Song Leader - Clark Richardson**