



October 14, 2018

Sunday:

Worship: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 6 pm
Bible Classes: 9:30 am

Wednesday:

Bible Classes: 7 pm

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You're Doing A Great Job!

It's 4 AM and your family is standing in line to check your bags at the airport. For over an hour you wait. This line could have dwarfed even the longest lines at Six Flags. The sheer magnitude of the line makes everyone seriously worried about missing their flight. As you progress, there is a young couple. The wife is probably 8 months pregnant and they are holding a small child around 2 years old. In addition to everything they had already endured that morning, the child chose that very moment to let the entire airport know that she had reached her limit. She began an epic wailing. The parents' consoling wasn't working. They couldn't leave the line since they were moments from the check-in desk. There was very little that this couple could do but hope the crying wouldn't break any nearby glass.

Without a doubt, it's a moment of horror for these parents. Jen and I have been in their shoes before. You feel very helpless for them, so you just offered what small measure of encouragement you can: "Hang in there, guys, you're doing a great job."

I've encountered moments like this with my own family. I've encountered them in the grocery store, in theaters, in malls. I've encountered them at my friends' homes. But perhaps more than any other, I've encountered them in the pew during worship.

It can be quite the challenge. We feel embarrassed. We have wondered if judging eyes have fallen upon our family. We've wondered if disapproving eyes are critiquing our parenting. And more than anything else, we've had doubts if we're doing things right as a parent. And then one of the most encouraging things happens — a sweet member will come up and say, "Hang in there, you guys are doing a great job."

I know I'm not alone. Nearly every young parent wrestle with these very thoughts. So, for all the parents out there, please hang in there. You're doing a great job! Children are a tremendous blessing from the Lord (Psalm 127:3-5), and you're bringing your children to worship the Lord. You're doing what you can to train up your children in the Lord (Proverbs 22:6; Ephesians 6:4). So, keep at it!

And for the rest of the members, please keep doing what you can to encourage us parents (Hebrews 3:13). Keep showing us love and smiles as we try to train up the next generation of leaders in the church. Keep helping us with our children when we've reached those overwhelming moments. Above all, keep praying for us. We need it more than we will ever admit.

Tim Wood

Order of Worship

Welcome to Worship

8:00 AM:

Song Leader: Carl Wamble

842 A Common Love (PFL)
703 I Love You with the Love of the Lord

Call to Worship: Paul Wharton

704 Bind Us Together
725 Let Us Break Bread Together

Assistant 1: Reggie White
Giving: Jody Venkatesan
Bread: Steve Brosey
Fruit of the Vine: Will Evans
Assistant 2: Shaun Holt
Assistant 3: Steve Jones

709 How Sweet, How Heavenly

Scripture Reading: Gen. 13:1-11
Ben Anglin

719 Love One Another

Sermon: Ricky Cook

915 Trust and Obey

Prayer Requests/Announcements

711 Blest Be the Tie that Binds

Closing Prayer: Farin Crone

Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise and Praise for the Lord.

10:30 AM:

Song Leader: Bruce Robins

36 My Tribute
410 He Leadeth Me

Call to Worship: Alan Bobo

664 Take My Life, and Let It Be
725 Let Us Break Bread Together

Assistant 1: Kweku Asiedu
Assistant 2: Curtis Madeley
Giving: Kwesi Asiedu
Bread: Wayne Dellinger
Fruit of the Vine: Demetrius Morris
Assistant 3: Teddy Williams
Assistant 4: Jason Kane
Assistant 5: Ricky Cook II

442 I Will Sing of the Mercies of the Lord

Scripture Reading: Gen. 13:1-11
Samuel Snowden

609 I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord

Sermon: Ricky Cook

552 Have Thine Own Way

Prayer Requests/Announcements

570 A Beautiful Life

Closing Prayer: Floyd Fowler

Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise.

Guest Guide:

- Nursery and Training room are upstairs.
- Children's classes are downstairs.
- Looking for a church home? We'd love to tell you about this congregation.
- Please fill out a guest card and drop it in the collection basket.
- Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in all classes and services in the auditorium. Stop by the sound booth to get one.

Leaders	Location	Time
Demetrius Morris	Church Building	1:30 PM
Ricky Cook	Church Building	12:30 PM
Farin Crone	Lorien Nursing Home	2:30 PM
DuBois Murphy & Tim Wood (Teens)	Church Building	2 PM
Curtis Madeley	Madeley 1036 Meandering Way Odenton, 21113	1 PM
Carl Wamble	Lorien Nursing Home	2:30 PM
Calvin Hunt	Hunt 7242 Albion Way Hanover, 21076	4 PM
Bren White	Gregg 103 Sanderling Ct. Glen Burnie, 21060	2 PM
Brent Smith	Paugh 7921 Rustling Bark Ct. Ellicott City, 21043	6 PM
Mike Wilson	Lorien Nursing Home	2:30 PM

Others Serving this morning:

Ushers: (1) Calvin Mitchell,
 (2) Jack Birus

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Ushers: (1) Khari Gardner,
 (2) Darius Alexis

Wednesday, October 17th

Devotional	Calvin Hunt
Singing	John Landrum
Closing Prayer:	Calvin Mitchell



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Where Faith Meets Life!