



Words of Faith

Faith United Presbyterian Church

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The way it looks from here...

Pastor Terry McLellan

Dear Friends,

Last month, I wrote in this same space about the culture of violence which pervades our American society, made most horribly visible in the recent mass shootings. Gun violence is an almost daily element of our local news, with no sign of a let-up.

I continue to pray that our national and local leaders will move from talking to action in efforts to work toward policy changes which will achieve a lessening of our propensity to shoot one another in vast numbers. More people die on our city streets and in our homes from gunshot wounds each year than have been killed in Afghanistan and Iraq combined over all the years of those wars.

There are many sides to the issue of gun violence, or person-on-person violence, in general. Reasonable people can disagree about what makes for responsible policy. But, the reasonableness gets swamped by those who have a vested financial interest in the manufacture and distribution of firearms and those who "worship" their guns.



During the month of February, we will again experience the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday, February 13. As you no doubt know, Lent is the six-week period leading up to the celebration of Easter. Easter is when we remember the crucifixion of Jesus and celebrate his resurrection. Crucifixion was a most cruel form of violence, which Jesus suffered in response to his living a life utterly obedient to God's call. The church has

traditionally taught that Jesus died taking on the sins of the world, offering those who follow him the grace of forgiveness and freedom from our own sin. And in Jesus' resurrection, we are given eternal life. We are redeemed and raised up in new life by the work of the Holy Spirit in us. Not only are the redeemed called to live lives worthy of this gift, we are called to share that redemption with the whole world. I do not know how we

can remain silent about the violence which surrounds us, if we truly are resurrection people.

We give voice to the fact that God's purpose is to bring about a remade heaven and earth. I believe that the new earth does not include violence. Granted the new world order is not complete yet. But, those of us who follow Jesus are called to live as if it is here, even now. For me that includes doing what we can to eradicate the disease of violence where we can. I

urge you to support measures which can do that. No law is perfect, no policy completely successful.

But, if we can stop a single instance of violence through better control of weapons availability; through improved mental healthcare for the deranged; and through our own actions as Christians showing God's love in the world, we will be at least one step closer to "Thy Kingdom come."

Blessings and peace,
Pastor Terry

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The next newsletter is March 2013.

The deadline for articles is Friday, Feb. 15.



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Presbyterian Women

The Starboard Stickers will meet on Tuesday, February 5, at 1:00 p.m., continuing their stuffed animal project for the clinic at North Dallas Shared Ministries. The Stickers were featured in the Neighbors Go section of the Dallas Morning News on January 18 (see pictures below). Come stitch or stuff and enjoy the fellowship.



Tuesday Morning Circle-will meet at 10:30 a.m. on February 12. Lorna Acker and Jeanne Sawyer will be hostesses and Marilyn Rose will lead the lesson. The Tuesday & Thursday Morning Circles both meet at FUPC.

Thursday Morning Circle-will meet at 9:30 a.m. on February 14. Hostesses will be Ann Walden and Patsy



Craig. Study leader will be Mary Marxer.

Thursday Evening Circle-will meet at 7:00 p.m. on February 21, Ann Kirchmeyer will host at her home.

The PW coordinating team will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 5. The annual retreat will be Saturday, February 23 (see below for more details).

Photos taken by Caitlin Harrison,
Dallas Morning News
charrison@neighborsgo.com



A New House



Presbyterian Children's
Homes & Services

Presbyterian Children's Home and Services

(PCHAS) is building a new home on their Itasca campus

and the women of Faith United want to give them a bathroom shower. Since this will be a boy's home, the colors throughout are earth tones so they want browns, tans and cream tones in their 5 bath-

rooms. We would love help from the congregation in decorating this home whether you are in a circle or not. Check the foyer and sign up for your contribution. If you cannot get out to shop you can write a check to FUPC with "PWV house" on the memo line.

Our gifts will be presented at our annual Retreat, 23 February in the Fellowship Hall. The retreat begins at 10:00 Saturday morning with a light breakfast and fellowship. Itasca is bringing the 8 boys as well as the parents, relief parents and

Ann Walden

the campus director who will accept our gifts. After the program we will have a picnic lunch. Each one brings their own sandwich but the drinks, chips and cookies will be provided.

The final event will be a blessing of our hands by Jennifer Tiemann. She is excited to bring us the blessing and to be included in Faith United women's retreat.

Please mark your calendar and make a special effort to attend on February 23.

Health Saturday

Kay McLellan, R.N. & Dottie Cogar, R.N.

Lindsey Bolden, R.D., will discuss healthy food selections and preparation during our program to be held on February 9th in Fellowship Hall. We will begin at 9 a.m. for snacks and fellowship, followed by the program that will continue till 11 a.m. There will be plenty of time for discussion and questions.



This will be a great opportunity to get some good ideas about how to select healthy and delicious foods at the market and prepare them in appetizing and safe ways.

At the end of this presentation, we will also discuss the results of our Health Needs Survey and listen to your suggestions for additional programs during the upcoming year. So, if health topics are of interest to you, please come and join

From the editor

Brenda Swindle

It seems we just partied in the new year and now February 2013 is upon us. There is a hustle and bustle around FUPC with many activities in February. We are proud of the Starboard Stitchers group for making the news recently.

Thank you for submitting articles to the newsletter. No matter how big or small the event, send the information so that it can be included

in the next issue of **Words of Faith**. You may submit articles in writing to the church office or via email to

Brenda@FaithUnited-pc.com

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**Deadline for articles,
Friday, 2/15/13.**

**Contact church office
or Brenda Swindle via
email to submit
articles.**

Lenten Study

Pastor Terry McLellan

"The Way" was the first name given to the Jesus movement that became the Christian Church. The name reminds us that we are people on a journey, from fear to faith, from self-satisfaction to mission. What, though, are the signposts that guide us on this journey? During the coming season of Lent, we will be checking out the map for the journey ahead using the book *Way Words*, by John Indermark. *Way Words* has a brief meditation



for each day of Lent beginning with Ash Wednesday. We will gather each Wednesday of Lent (beginning 2/20) at 6:00 p.m. at the church to share what we have discovered on this journey. *Way Words* is available for \$7.00 from the church office. Or you may order on your own from Cokesbury or Amazon.com. Amazon also offers a Kindle edition. Please join us.



Session & Such

The Session has a Called Meeting once a month for the purpose of meeting and receiving prospective new members. This month's Called Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 10 at 10:15 a.m. They meet in the Library/Resource Room

across from the coffee/fellowship area.

The next stated session meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 10 after worship.

From the Finance Committee—
Contribution envelopes for 2013 are

located on the table near the office. Pledge cards for 2013 are also available if you wish to complete one and return to the office. Please contact the church office if you are unable to pick up your box and we will arrange delivery.

Notes & News from the Pews



Thank you!

Thank you so much for the money—Bailey Reno

Thank you for the money—Tristan Reno

Thank you very much for the kids Christmas money. They were so excited. Bailey, Tristan and Hunter went to the mall and each were able to pick them up some clothes they had been wanting. Thanks again for thinking of our family during the holidays.

Blessings to you all, SFC Adam Reno & family

Directory updates

Please remember to notify the church office if your contact information changes so it can be published in the next newsletter.

New Members

Jane Herold

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Dallas, TX 75230
(home & cell) 214-724-7942

Geraldine "Gerry" Shotswell

3939 Rosser Square
Dallas, TX 75244
(home & cell) 972-900-0434



Library Wish list

The library shelves at Cabell Elementary are practically bare. If working with children isn't your "thing" would you like to donate a book to the school? This is a Dallas ISD school and they do not supply their schools like CFB does. I got this email from the Cabell librarian. If you can buy a book(s) it would be a huge help in promoting reading for the disadvantaged. Most of these children do not have books at home nor do they get read to except in their classroom. Please read this list and see if you can help.

Cabell Elementary Library Wish list

The titles listed are books we hope to add to our collection. The first list are books suggested for reluctant readers that we currently do not have in our collection. The second list include titles by our younger readers' favorite authors. Any book from this list would be a huge blessing! Of course, we would be happy to add a copy of YOUR favorite children's book as well. A book plate will be placed in the book if you wish to donate the book in honor of someone.

Ann Walden

Chapter Books for Reluctant Readers

- *Double Fudge* by Judy Blume
- *Fudge-a-Mania* by Judy Blume
- *The Tale of Despereaux* by Kate DiCamillo
- *The Twits* by Roald Dahl
- *With the Might of Angels: The Diary of Dawnie Rae Johnson* by Andrea Davis Pinkney

Favorite Authors—

Cynthia Rylant

- *Puppy Mudge Wants to Play*
- *Henry and Mudge and the tall tree house*
- *Henry and Mudge and the tumbling trip*
- *Henry and Mudge and the wild goose chase*

Favorite Authors—

Norman Bridwell

- *Clifford's Class Trip*
- *Clifford Makes the Team*
- *Clifford's Field Day*
- *Clifford's Halloween*
- *Clifford Sees America*



Austin Street Meal—The February meal day will be Monday, February 4. Looking ahead, the March meal will be March 4. Plan ahead for your food donation. Refrigerator for cold food storage is down the hall from the Fellowship Hall.

Call for Volunteers

Judy Rorrie, NDSM

The untiring efforts of over 500 volunteers are the reason we are able to meet some of the needs of the less fortunate who live among us. We could not operate without our volunteers and are eternally grateful for the time and talent they bring to our mission.

As we begin a new year, we are seeking more volunteers to help us continue and to expand our capacity and capabilities. For many of the tasks we perform, we provide a learn-by-watching-and-doing orientation to get a willing volunteer up to speed quickly - there are no lengthy "training sessions." You come in, see what we do, pick an area of interest and someone will help you become productive. It's that simple.

Here are a few current needs that require no specific background or training:

English-as-a-second Language Teachers

Mornings 9:30-11:30 - Monday-Thursday

Contact: trishhouck@aol.com

Evenings 6:30-8:00 - Tuesday and Thursday

Contact: hjdtennis@aol.com

Job Counselors

Tuesday morning, Thursday morning, Friday afternoon

Contact: twogoodfridays@yahoo.com

Clothes Closet Volunteers

Tuesday and Thursday 9:30-2:00

Contact: jebbie@swbell.net



Data Entry Volunteers

Monday - especially needed and any other day
Tuesday-Friday

Contact: admin@ndsm.org

Pantry Workers and Interviewers

Contact: admin@ndsm.org

Tax Preparers

Monday-Friday - 3:00-7:00 during tax season

Contact: eishan@sbcglobal.net

As we expand, we would benefit from volunteers who bring some special skills with them.

Medical Clinic

- Dentists
- Dental hygienists
- Dental technicians
- Primary care physicians
- Gynecologists
- RNs
- Translators

Day and evening—Contact: clinicaldirector@ndsm.org

Photographers

Photo Librarian/archivist

Contact: admin@ndsm.org

Social Media

Contact: admin@ndsm.org

Please help us to spread the word about these opportunities if you cannot volunteer yourself. And best wishes for a wonderful new year.

FUPC & North Dallas Shared Ministries

Lois Duell

February is FUPC's month to spotlight NDSM. Items I noticed we really need are: canned peaches, pears, pineapple, salmon and saltine crackers. All items are accepted at any time, but this is our month to help supply items or furnish funds to help purchase things. Why not pick up a few of these items and put them in the wood NDSM box.

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Happy Birthday!

February 1

- * Keith Bechly

February 3

- * Sergio Hernandez
- * Angela Penfold

February 5

- * Lorna Acker
- * Meagan Bower

February 7

- * Marianne Petersen

February 8

- * Karen Turnbow
- * Jack Walden

February 12

- * Whit Whitaker

February 14

- * Bob Whitnell

February 15

- * Chuck Acker
- * Dick Smith

February 16

- * Kurt Booth

February 17

- * Rebecca Bell
- * Joann Schiebout

February 18

- * Cosette Greer

February 19

- * Jeremy Ketzal

February 22

- * Mary Joiner

February 24

- * Mindy Lewis

February 25

- * Betty Van



February 27

- * Ann Walden

February 28

- * Hubert Laney
- * John Marxer
- * Jacob West

Prayer Concerns

Prayers for:

- ♥ John & Pam Bates
- ♥ Mary Ann Jones
- ♥ Margaret Jones
- ♥ Kathë Kaschung
- ♥ Alan Swope
- ♥ Carol West



*Give ear, O Lord, to my
prayer; listen to my cry
of supplication. In the
day of my trouble I call
on you, for you will
answer me.*

Psalm 86:6-7

Homebound/Rehab:

- ♥ Phil & Marilyn Beaubien
- ♥ David Daly
- ♥ Lois Davenport
- ♥ Harvey & Marian Garoutte
- ♥ Ruth Innes
- ♥ Henry & Dena Knight
- ♥ Earle & Marge Krause
- ♥ Roc & Clarice Mitchell
- ♥ Ken Quevreaux
- ♥ Don Spiegel
- ♥ Bennie Tillack
- ♥ Hugh McWhorter

Service Personnel:

- ♥ Logan Burkham
- ♥ SPC Albert Campos
- ♥ David Crossley
- ♥ SGT Kevin B. Cuiksa
- ♥ Marshall Dobbs
- ♥ MAJ Brian Gaddis
- ♥ LT Ben Garoutte
- ♥ Sr A Jaron Garoutte
- ♥ SPC Jason Jackson
- ♥ Billie Jones
- ♥ SPC Ryan Liggett
- ♥ SPC Chad Manis
- ♥ CPT Joshua Montero
- ♥ Andrew Moore
- ♥ LT COL Thomas Pentecost
- ♥ SFC George Pittman
- ♥ SFC Adam Reno
- ♥ Ronnie Rogers
- ♥ USAF CPT Andre Silva
- ♥ SPC David Wheat

**Know of someone who is homebound & not on
our list? Let us know, contact the church office.**

February 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Calendar Legend G-21=Community Youth Group GA=Gamblers Anonymous ABA=Anorexic & Bulimics Anonymous OA=Overeaters Anonymous LTCDS = Little Treasures School PWCT=Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team CSID=Church of South India Dallas					1	2 11:00 GA-Double Classroom 11:00 OA-Fellowship Rm 2:30 CSID Choir-Sanctuary
3 9:00 CSID Worship 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 11:00 CSID Sunday School 11:00 FUPC Worship 11:00 Good Shepherd	4 6:00 Shelter	5 1:00 Starboard Stitches 7:00 PWCT 7:00 GA-Choir Room 7:30 OA-Fellowship Rm	6 7:00 FUPC Choir	7 6:30 GA-Choir Room 7:30 ABA Group-Rm4	8	9 9:30 Health Program-FH 11:00 GA-Double Classroom 11:00 OA-Choir Room 2:30 CSID Choir-Sanctuary
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Please contact the church office with meetings, classes or events for the calendar to prevent conflicts.

Winter Break?

Lois Duell

Now is the time to sign up for NTPP#34. There are some brochures near the flower chart or go on-line to <NTPP.org>. It will be at Lake Lavon Christian Camp in Princeton from February 28-March 3. If you work, you only need to take Friday off, since it begins at 5pm on Thursday. The next dates won't be till October, so take advantage of this opportunity.

**North Texas
Presbyterian
Pilgrimage**



February 28—March 3, 2013



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