



Words of Faith

Faith United Presbyterian Church

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The way it looks from here...



Dear Friends,
As I write this article for *Words of Faith*, we are less

than two weeks away from January 31, 2016, my last Sunday with FUPC as pastor. My, My, ain't it funny how time has slipped by? It seems like only yesterday. "Ain't it funny, how time slips away?" Sounds like a Willy Nelson song doesn't it?

It is with both sadness and great joy that Kay and I say our farewells. Sadness that we will not be able to continue week-in-week-out seeing one another and enjoying one another's company in our lives. But, profound great joy, in the work that God has begun in us together and the faith to say that God's purposes will be worked out.

And, we have nothing but thanksgiving for what you have meant to us in these years going back to 2004. You welcomed us then. You send

us off to this new phase of our lives with your best wishes. We wish the same for you. It is time for this change to come for FUPC. You have good leadership in the Session. You belong to a great Presbytery that will walk alongside you. There is no doubt in my mind that you are in great position to grow and deepen your commitment to the Kingdom of



God and be God's partners in this place. May you be fruitful in the work God has given you.

A moment for the mundane: I want you to know how grateful I am for the opportunity to be involved with you at important times; births, deaths, baptisms, crises of faith, crises of conscience; all sacred times. One downside to the act of retiring is that I will no longer be able to perform those pastoral duties for you, as I

Pastor Terry McLellan

have in the past. I know that sometime some day someone will call me up and say "Pastor Terry, my husband has died. He thought so much of you. Can you come and do his memorial service at the church?" My response will be something along the lines of, "I'm sorry, Jane. I just cannot do it. I'm glad Fred liked me. I liked him too. But, I just cannot do it. You need to call your

interim pastor and ask her about the service." Or it may be a wedding, or a baptism. Sorry, my answer will be about the same. But, when I say "no", please know that my love for you continues and that my prayers are with you.

Thank you again for all that you have meant to Kay and I. We will always be a part of you and you will be a part of us.

Blessings and peace,
Pastor Terry

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The next newsletter is **March 2016**

The deadline for articles is **Friday, 2/12/16**

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Presbyterian Women

The Faith United Presbyterian Women’s circles are in full swing of their monthly circle meetings with Bible study and fellowship. If you are interested in joining a circle or need more information, feel free to contact Patti Sloey or the circle moderator.

Tuesday Morning Circle-2nd Tuesday, 10:30 am at the church, January meeting, Tuesday, 2/9. Circle moderator, Linnie Hinkle.

Thursday Morning Circle-2nd Thursday, 9:30 am at the church, January meeting, Thursday, 2/11. Circle moderator, Susie Wing.



Thursday Evening Circle-3rd Thursday, 7:00 pm in members homes. January meeting, Thursday, 2/18. Circle moderators, Nadine Moser and Dottie Cogar.

The Starboard Stitchers continue to meet on the first Tuesday of the month. They meet next on February 2 at 1:00 pm at the church.

All are invited to come help them stuff fabric animals. These animals go to toddlers when they get their shots at the North Dallas Shared Ministries clinic.

From the editor

Brenda Swindle



“I thought I had more time!” How many times have you said this phrase? I have thought this to myself many times this week (the last week that Pastor Terry will be in the church office).

When I joined the FUPC staff almost five years ago I had no clue what a terrific employer and friend Terry McLellan would become. You’ve heard people say, “It was a God thing.” It certainly was a God thing that brought me to FUPC at one the most difficult times of my life. Little did I know what a friend, listener, confidant, and great boss Terry would become. I also developed quite a friendship with Kay. It is with sadness that I say farewell (for



now) to my friends. Blessings on you both in whatever the future holds.

Please think about your upcoming events in the new year. Tell everyone about them by submitting an article for the next issue of **Words of Faith**.

Remember, no matter how big or small the event, we are happy to include it 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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Concert on February 14, 2 pm!

David Pierce

About *Jeux d'eau (Playing Waters)*

Come experience a musical journey, beginning with a river's trickling origin, following its path high and low, through twists and turns, until it finally joins the endless expanse of the sea. Join us in exploring the beautiful world of water as represented in music. This is one water feature that doesn't get you wet!

Ms. Mei-En Chou, (Mabel) Piano

A native of Taiwan, Mei-En began her piano studies at the age of four. After graduating from National Taiwan Normal University she relocated to the United States to pursue a degree at the University of North Texas. During her years in Denton, Mabel accompanied the Denton Bach Choir, Music Theatre of Denton, and served as the church pianist and interim choir director for the North Texas Chinese Church. Ms. Chou is currently the Artist in Residence and Assistant Professor at Louisiana College. On this upcoming recital tour, she will collaborate with Pianist Chiao-Ju Hung as *MusiC²*.

Ms. Hung, Chiao-Ju, (Cherry) Piano

Also from Taiwan, Ms. Hung started piano lessons at the age of six, and attained the highest level of proficiency from the Royal Schools of Music by age eleven. Cherry studied in Duisburg, Germany with Prof. Wambach, and earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from National Taiwan Normal University. Her love of contemporary music is fueled by the challenges of interpretation new music offers the performer. She is a music instructor in Taipei and currently teaches piano at several studios.



Mei-En Chou (Mabel) & Hung, Chiao-Ju (Cherry)

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 14 at 10:15 a.m. They meet in the Pastor's Study in the office area. The next stated session meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 14 after worship. Susie Wing will lead the devotional.



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Notes & News from the Pews



Thank you!

Thanks to all for the phone calls, cards, prayers, reception and attendance at the memorial service held for my son, Jeff. Your expressions of sympathy were greatly appreciated.

Marilyn Rose & Family

A belated but very sincere "Thank You" to each one of you for your love, notes, and prayers for me and my family on behalf of Roc's passing. The Covenant Church has been such a special part of our lives for over 60 years! As I am writing I realize than I am the last surviving person whose name is on the Charter which was signed in November of 1955. Wow! So, thanks again for always being there and loving us, "warts and all." I really do miss being able to attend in person but assure you that I am there in spirit and feel and appreciate your love and support.

Much Love Always,

Clarice Mitchell & "Roc" and Clan



For those of you who have prayed for Morgan & Joey.... or are just interested in my family....the 16 month foster is now legal. On 18 December a trial was held in Travis County Family Court giving Morgan legal custody of this precious 40 pound, 16 month old toddler. Needless to say we are thrilled ! She got Joseph-Joey-Joe when he was 6 days old. CPS removed him due to a fractured skull. Now his cognitive skills are considered above average.

Joey knew he was the main attraction and ran all over the court room including sitting in the Judges lap who showed him how to use a gavel. Joseph is a real clown and enjoyed every minute. The court was packed with Morgan's family and friends who came back to her house for food & frolic.

Thanks to all with love,

Nanny (Ann Walden)



The **Weekly Bible Study** taught by Rich Lewis, is back in the swing with the study of the Minor Prophets.

The Searchers class, taught by Irene Simpson continues to meet each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Resource room.

Outreach & Evangelism

Wayne Saunders

FUPC Community Breakfast will be February 13 from 8-10am.

It is a great time to feed the body and the soul. Good food and fellowship. Join us and meet your neighbors and friends.



North Dallas Shared Ministries

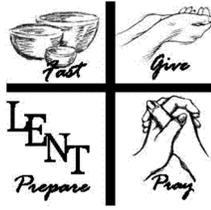
Food and clothing are always needed. Particular food needs are listed below

Canned Peaches, Canned Pears, Canned Pineapple, Canned Mixed Fruit, Canned Applesauce, Peanut Butter (Please, no glass containers), Macaroni and Cheese, Cereal, Saltine Crackers, Canned Soup, Ramen Noodles, Toilet Tissue

What to do with those old T-shirts? Bring them to FUPC for the Starboard Stitchers. They will transform them into a sturdy grocery bag so bus riders and walkers will have a secure place to put their groceries from North Dallas Shared Ministries. So gather up your T-shirts and bring them to FUPC. They can be placed in the box next to the NDSM box.

**Lenten
Journey
begins**

2/10/16, 7 p.m. Worship





**Journey
through
Lent with
FUPC**

Sunday Worship in Lent at 11 a.m.

2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/6, 3/13

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Happy Birthday!

February 3

- * Angela Penfold

February 5

- * Lorna Acker

February 7

- * Marianne Petersen

February 8

- * Jack Walden

February 12

- * Whit Whitaker

February 14

- * Bob Whitnell

February 15

- * Chuck Acker

- * Dick Smith

February 16

- * Kurt Booth

February 17

- * Rebecca Bell

February 25

- * Betty Van

February 27

- * Ann Walden

February 28

- * Hubert Laney

- * John Marxer

- * Jacob West



Prayer Concerns

Prayers for:

- ♥ Oscar Bennedsen
- ♥ Keith Daniels
- ♥ Roger Jones
- ♥ Ray Kirchmeyer (David's brother)
- ♥ Lilas Kinch
- ♥ Shirley Kretchmar
- ♥ Sugie Maxfield
- ♥ Dorthea Sooby
- ♥ Alan Swope
- ♥ Dr. Byrne Williamson

In the Hospital:

- ♥ Martha Watson



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

Rehab/At Home:

- ♥ Jimmie Beach
- ♥ Earl Blackney
- ♥ David Daly
- ♥ Lois Davenport
- ♥ Bobbie & J.R. Jones
- ♥ Henry Knight
- ♥ Joanne McKnight
- ♥ Anne Mobley
- ♥ Wanda Mosher
- ♥ Clarice Mitchell
- ♥ Freddie Simmons

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

February 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 9:00 CSID Worship 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 11:00 CSID Sunday School 11:00 FUPC Worship 12:30 FUPC Reception	1	2 1:00 Starboard Stitches 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	3 7:00 FUPC Choir	4 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 6:30 ABA-Rm #4	5 11:00 LTCDS #1	6 11:00 GA-Double Rm #2 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 3:30 CSID Choir-Sanctuary
7 9:00 CSID Worship 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 11:00 CSID Sunday School 11:00 Communion Worship 11:00 Good Shepherd 5:00 CSID-Fellowship #1	8	9 10:30 PW Circle #4 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	10  7:00 Worship 8:00 FUPC Choir	11 9:30 PW Circle #2 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 6:30 ABA-Rm #4	12 11:00 LTCDS #1	13 8:00 FUPC Breakfast 11:00 GA-Double Rm #2 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 3:30 CSID Choir-Sanctuary
14  9:00 CSID Worship 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 10:15 FUPC Session 11:00 CSID Sunday School 11:00 FUPC Worship 11:00 Good Shepherd 12:30 FUPC Session 2:00 FUPC Concert	15	16 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	17 7:00 FUPC Choir	18 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 6:30 ABA-Rm #4 7:00 PW Circle	19 11:00 LTCDS #1	20 11:00 GA-Room #3 11:00 OA-Fellowship #2 3:30 CSID Choir-Sanctuary
21 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 2:30 RYLA group #4	22	23 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	24 7:00 FUPC Choir	25 11:00 LTCDS #1 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 6:30 ABA-Rm #4	26 11:00 LTCDS #1	27 11:00 GA-Double Rm #2 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 3:30 CSID Choir-Sanctuary
28 9:00 CSID Worship 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 11:00 CSID Sunday School 11:00 Communion Worship 11:00 Good Shepherd	29	1 1:00 Starboard Stitches 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	2 7:00 FUPC Choir	3 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 6:30 ABA-Rm #4	Calendar Legend GA=Gamblers Anonymous ABA=Anorexic & Bulimics Anonymous OA=Overeaters Anonymous LTCDS = Little Treasures School PW=Presbyterian Women CSID=Church of South India Dallas RYLA=Rotary Youth Leadership	

Please contact the church office with meetings, classes or events for the calendar to prevent conflicts.

Much Loved Recipe!

Mary Marxer

Several people have expressed interest in the recipe for the soup the Presbyterian Women served at a recent Minister's Fellowship meeting at FUPC. Here it is. Enjoy!

Easy Taco Soup

1 pound ground meat, browned and drained
1 onion, chopped and sautéed
2 cans pinto beans, one with jalapenos
2 cans red kidney beans
2 cans corn
2 cans stewed tomatoes
1 can Ro-Tel diced tomatoes with green chilies
1 can water
1 envelope Taco seasoning
1 envelope Hidden Valley Ranch Dressing mix (dry)



Mix all ingredients in a big soup pot and heat until simmering.

This recipe works well with a lot of improvisation. For vegetarian soup, leave out the meat. You'll never miss it. Try substituting hominy for the corn. Add your favorite hot sauce, or leave out the jalapenos to make a spicier or milder soup. If you like, top with shredded cheese or sour cream. Make it your own!

This is a huge pot of soup. It will probably overflow your crock-pot. It can easily be halved for a smaller result.



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