



# Words of Faith

Faith United Presbyterian Church

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The way it looks from here...

Pastor Terry McLellan

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The next newsletter  
is April 2015

The deadline for  
articles is  
Friday, March 13.



Dear Friends,  
By the time you read this, the initial 6 meeting series of New Beginnings will

have been completed. I sincerely hope that you have been rewarded for your diligence in attending and opening yourselves to the movement of the Holy Spirit in you and through you. Thanks to all who have so willingly attended the meetings and to those who have led.

This is just the beginning of responding to the changes we are facing, as a church. We will continue to seek out God's guidance in working out the details of FUPC's mission and vision. We can become even stronger partners for God's project of reconciling all Creation.

In recent weeks we have been challenged by the facts that the demographics of the neighborhood have changed and that the characteristics of the culture in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century are different from those of the mid-

20<sup>th</sup> Century, when the two predecessor churches of FUPC were formed. In the 1950's and 1960's, it was expected that one of the things people would do when they moved into a new area was to find a church home. Many of us who grew up in those years are very accustomed to asking a new acquaintance, "What church do you attend?" It is increasingly common that such a question will be met by a blank stare. People often never consider attending

a church on a regular basis. Many of the younger generations never attend a church unless for a wedding or a funeral. Thus, instead of the "build it and they will come" attitude of our childhood and young adulthood, the culture says, "Why would I want to spend my Sunday in a stuffy old church, when I could spend the time relaxing with my family or having fun?"

In order to thrive at fulfilling God's purposes for the church,

we must get away from the need to have people to come to church and cultivate the ability to take the church to the people. This is not easy to do – a 180 degree change of direction. Instead of expecting people outside the church to come to and conform to our well-established old patterns of programs and practices, we must seek out new ways of encountering people. We are called to make disciples of Jesus

by first getting to know people we encounter and then building a friendship with them that allows us to care for them in ways they need. It is so

important to build trust-based friendships with people before we try to teach them how to be disciples.

As we journey through Lent, I hope we will make our prayer, "Lord, show us how to go to others."

Grace and peace,

Pastor Terry  
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### Presbyterian Women

Patti Sloey, moderator

#### **Tuesday Morning Circle-**

2nd Tuesday, 10:30 am at the church, March meeting, Tuesday, 3/10.

#### **Thursday Morning Circle-**

2nd Thursday, 9:30 am at the church, March meeting, Thursday, 3/12.



**Thursday Evening Circle**-will meet at 7:00 p.m. on March 19 in a FUPC member home. Contact the church office if you need Betty's address.

The Starboard Stitchers will meet on Tuesday, March 3, at 1:00 p.m.

continuing their stuffed animal project

for the clinic at North Dallas Shared Ministries. Come to stitch or stuff and enjoy the fellowship.

The Annual Women's Retreat was on Saturday, February 21. Over 50 FUPC women were in attendance. Another success for the FUPC women.

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### Word on the Street

Ann Walden



It will soon be spring which means baseball caps are needed at Austin Street. The caps are needed to protect residents from the sun. If you have any old caps that you no longer use consider sharing.

Our new partnership with First United Methodist Church of Carrollton went smoothly for the February meal. Shelter management has found a way to serve twice as many residents at the same time so we finished by 8:00 as opposed to 9 something. CSI furnished bananas in February but cannot in March so we need your help. Since FUMC supplies a hot meal every month, we need people to supply:

- ◆ 10 Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwiches (PB&J) - 24 each/ 2 loaves - each in a baggie
- ◆ 7 Pimento Cheese Sandwiches - 24 each/ 2 loaves - each in a baggie
- ◆ 25 Cookies -48 each - 3 to a baggie
- ◆ 11 Green Bananas - 20 each

You are doing the Lord's work when you feed those who cannot care for themselves. God Bless your faithfulness.

## FUPC Birthday & New Member Reception!

Faith United will celebrate their fourth birthday in March. Hard to believe it has been four years already! We will have a birthday and new member reception following worship on Sunday, March 1 to celebrate. Mark your calendar so you will not miss the celebration!

Brenda Burkham



## FUPC Work Day!

Joe Kastendieck



The quarterly work day will be Saturday, March 21 at 9 a.m. There will be a light breakfast at 9am prepared by the Church Life committee. Both indoor and outdoor (weather permitting) projects are being planned. Many hands make for lighter work! Come for the food and fellowship, stay to work alongside your church family.



## 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, March 8 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, March 8 after worship. Brenda Burkham will lead the devotional.

## Notes & News from the Pews



### Thank you!

I was privileged to be invited to the Valentine's Tea at the Farmers Branch Senior Center on Friday, February 13. It was a wonderful event enjoyed by many FUPC women. Thank you to Jeanne Sawyer and other FUPC women for including me. ~ Brenda Swindle



### From the editor



We escaped the heavy ice, sleet and snow this year with the exception of the cold, icy, snowy last week of February. But, it is Texas and I am sure things will begin to bud and grow soon. And with winter behind us, Lent has begun, the season of Repentance, Grace & Renewal. Easter is just around the corner.

Thank you for submitting articles to the news-

### Brenda Swindle

letter. 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](mailto:Brenda@FaithUnited-pc.com)

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Friday, 3/13/15  
Contact church  
office or Brenda  
Swindle via email to  
submit articles.**

## Outreach & Evangelism

Lois Duell



Please consider helping at NDSM. We really need someone to help in the pantry on Thursday afternoon at least once a month and to

fill in when Lorna or I am not there. While my husband and I were gone recently, Lorna was left to fill all the orders due to our other worker needing unexpected surgery. I am sure other days need help and other areas. This organization depends on volunteers in order to fully serve others.

### Community Pancake Breakfast—

The next breakfast will be March 14 from 8 - 10 am. Free pancakes, sausage, fruit, yogurt, juice and coffee is offered. We can always use help in serving and members to mingle with others who come.



The Outreach and Evangelism Committee would love to have more members. If you have ideas or a desire to help in reaching out to our community, contact me - Lois Duell at 972/241-4669. We will meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm.



**Austin Street Meal**—The March meal day will be Monday, March 2. Looking ahead, the April meal will be April 6. Plan ahead for your food donation. Refrigerator for cold food storage is down the hall from the Fellowship Hall.

## Cabell Elementary

Ann Walden

**Cabell Library Needs Chapter Books**—The librarian told me she is desperate for chapter books, about 100 pages, with few words per page, large print and pictures. The 4th and 5th graders want a book with a story-line. These books usually come as a series with each book having the same main character but involved in something different from the preceding book. The children learn how to develop a character and add personality, something they are encouraged to do in their own writing.

You can help these kids by going to Half Priced Books. They have a wonderful children's section. There will be a box to collect your donations.



On a different topic altogether. When you go through the paper to clip your food coupons for the week, please keep these families in mind and clip some for them too. Put them in an envelope and indicate from which store they came. These can go in the Cabell box and I will deliver them weekly. Let's help these families make their money go farther, just like we do. God bless you and your faithfulness.



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## Happy Birthday!

### March 4

- \* Genevieve Bratton

### March 5

- \* Kevin Miller

### March 8

- \* Susan Saiter

### March 9

- \* Chris West

### March 10

- \* Pete Cross

### March 12

- \* Erin West

### March 13

- \* Joshua Newton

- \* Brenda Swindle

### March 14

- \* Patrick Hefner

### March 22

- \* Art Beach

- \* Lois Davenport

### March 25

- \* Wayne Saunders

### March 26

- \* Glenn Craig

### March 30

- \* Scott Sloey

### March 31

- \* Roc Mitchell



## Prayer Concerns

### Prayers for:

- ♥ Oscar Bennedsen
- ♥ Keith Daniels
- ♥ Greg Haben
- ♥ Käthe & Eberhard Kaschung
- ♥ Ray Kirchmeyer (David's brother)
- ♥ Lilas Kinch
- ♥ Til Rathbun
- ♥ Mary Sewell
- ♥ Alan Swope
- ♥ Lynda Taylor
- ♥ Carol West
- ♥ Roberta Welther
- ♥ Dr. Byrne Williamson



***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:

- ♥ Earl Blackney
- ♥ David Daly
- ♥ Lois Davenport
- ♥ J.R. & Bobbie Jones
- ♥ Henry & Dena Knight
- ♥ Joanne McKnight
- ♥ Hugh McWhorter
- ♥ Anne Mobley
- ♥ Wanda Mosher
- ♥ Roc & Clarice Mitchell
- ♥ Emroy Quevreaux
- ♥ Freddie Simmons
- ♥ Don Spiegel
- ♥ Jerry Swope
- ♥ Martha Watson
- ♥ Martha Worrell

### Service Personnel:

- ♥ Logan Burkham
- ♥ SPC Albert Campos
- ♥ David Crossley
- ♥ SGT Kevin B. Cuiksa
- ♥ Marshall Dobbs
- ♥ Maj. Brian Gaddis
- ♥ CPT Ben Garoutte
- ♥ SSGT Jaron Garoutte
- ♥ SPC Jason Jackson
- ♥ SPC Ryan Liggett
- ♥ SPC Chad Manis
- ♥ CPT Joshua Montero
- ♥ Andrew Moore
- ♥ COL Thomas Pentecost
- ♥ SFC George Pittman
- ♥ SFC Adam Reno
- ♥ USAF CPT Andre Silva

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

# March 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1 2nd Lent</b> 9:00 CSID Worship 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 11:00 CSID Sunday School 11:00 Good Shepherd 11:00 Communion Worship 12:00 FUPC Reception	<b>2</b> 6:00 Shelter 6:30 New Beginnings Leaders #4	<b>3</b> 1:00 Starboard Stitches 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1 7:00 Outreach #4	<b>4</b> 5:30 New Beginnings Leaders #4 7:00 FUPC Choir #9	<b>5</b> 3:30 LTCDS #1 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 7:30 ABA-Rm #4	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 11:00 GA-Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 3:30 CSID #9 & Sanctuary 6:00 CSID Fellowship #1
<b>8 3rd Lent</b> 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	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 10:30 PW Circle #4 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	<b>11</b> 7:00 FUPC Choir #9	<b>12</b> 3:30 LTCDS #1 9:30 PW Circle #2 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 7:30 ABA-Rm #4	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 11:00 GA-Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 3:30 CSID #9 & Sanctuary
<b>15 4th Lent</b> 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 3:00 RYLA group #4	<b>16</b> 6:15 LTCDS Staff Double Rm #4	<b>17</b> 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	<b>18</b> 7:00 FUPC Choir #9	<b>19</b> 3:30 LTCDS #1 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 7:00 PW Circle 7:30 ABA-Rm #4	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 9:00 FUPC Work Day 11:00 GA-Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 3:30 CSID #9 & Sanctuary
<b>22 5th Lent</b> 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	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	<b>25</b> 7:00 FUPC Choir #9	<b>26</b> 10:00 LTCDS #1 3:30 LTCDS #1 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 7:30 ABA-Rm #4	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 11:00 GA-Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 3:30 CSID #9 & Sanctuary
<b>29 Palm Sunday</b> 9:00 CSID Worship 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 11:00 CSID Sunday School 11:00 Good Shepherd	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 1:00 Starboard Stitches 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	<b>1</b> 7:00 FUPC Choir #9	<b>2</b> 3:30 LTCDS #1 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 7:30 ABA-Rm #4 Maundy Thursday Worship 7 pm	<b>3</b> Good Friday Worship 7 pm	<b>4</b> 11:00 GA-Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 3:30 CSID #9 & Sanctuary

## Calendar Legend

GA=Gamblers Anonymous

ABA=Anorexic &amp; Bulimics Anonymous

OA=Overeaters Anonymous

LTCDS = Little Treasures School

PWCT=Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team

CSID=Church of South India Dallas

RYLA=Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

**Please contact the church office with meetings, classes or events for the calendar to prevent conflicts. This will also assure that the space is heated/cooled for your event.**



## Journey Through Lent with FUPC

**Sunday Worship in Lent at 11 a.m.**  
2/22, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22

### **Holy Week 2015**

Palm Sunday Worship at 11 a.m. 3/29 at Faith United

**Maundy Thursday Worship** at 7 p.m. 4/2  
at John Calvin Presbyterian Church

**Good Friday Worship** at 7 p.m. 4/3 at Faith United



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