



Words of Faith

Faith United Presbyterian Church

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The way it looks from here...

Pastor Terry McLellan

Dear Friends,

I want to tell you about an important decision that your Session recently made. It is my sincere hope that with this decision, Faith United can move forward in new ways.

As you may be aware, when Faith United was created two years ago, the merger agreement included the provision that the new church would begin



its life at this property at 12717 Marsh Lane. And, that during the early days, the church would discern whether a new location would be chosen or if it would remain on Marsh Lane.

On March 10, at the March meeting of the Session, a recommendation was brought forward that Faith United decide to remain at the Marsh Lane location. This recommendation was formed into a resolution that was unanimously passed by the Session. Therefore, it is now the intention of the Session that Faith United make its

home at 12717 Marsh Lane for the foreseeable future. What this means for us as a church is that we can now focus on our ministry to Farmers Branch, Carrollton and Northwest Dallas, without the distraction that goes

with seeking a new home.

Of course, all of God's people are forever on journeys of mission and we can never say for certain that at some future time we will not be

called upon to make a move. But, we can now direct our efforts upon this area, not diluting our resources by also possibly planning to move. I am strongly in agreement with this strategy.

We now have a Visioning Team at work on dreaming about our future ministries and the resources needed to fulfill those ministries. It is composed of members of Faith United and members of CSI-Dallas. It is exciting to think about the two congregations working more and more in concert with one an-

other. Certainly, the impending sale of the Josey Lane property will also give us more resources to work with in planning mission and facility needs for the future. It now seems clear that with the combination of our two congregations; the presence of Little Treasures in our midst; and the outside groups that use our facilities on a regular basis there is a need to think about our physical plant and what the needs will be going forward. Your representatives on the Visioning Team are Kurt Booth, Clark Penfold and Ruth Yost. If you have any questions or concerns about the future for Faith United, feel free to contact me or one of the above persons.

"I am about to do a new thing; . . . do you not perceive it?" Isaiah 43:19. Watch what God can do through us, if we are ready. Keep your eyes peeled for God's new thing.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Terry

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The next newsletter is May 2013.

The deadline for articles is Friday, April 19.

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Presbyterian Women

Jeanne Sawyer

All women of the church are invited to attend our annual Birthday Celebration. This year we will have a Birthday Brunch, hosted by the Tuesday Morning Circle. We will gather in fellowship hall at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 18. In addition to good food and fellowship, the day will include election of officers for the coming year and collection of the Presbyterian Women's Birthday Offering.



The Starboard Stitchers will meet on Tuesday, April 2, 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.

Tuesday Morning Circle-will meet at 10:30 a.m. on April 9. Ila Post and Kathie Heffler will serve as hostesses and Nancy Bond will lead the Bible study.

The Tuesday & Thursday Morning Circles both meet at FUPC.

Thursday Morning Circle-will meet at 9:30 a.m. on April 11.

Thursday Evening Circle-will meet at 7:00 p.m. on April 18 at the home of Nadine Moser.

The PW coordinating team will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2.

Bear One Another's Burdens

Nancy Smith

In Galatians 6 Paul tells us to "carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." At Faith United our Stephen Ministers have been trained and organized to do just that. They provide one-to-



one care, prayer, and support to those who are going through a difficult time. If you would like more information on our Stephen Ministry, please call Lisa Laclede at 972-418-1464 or Nancy Smith at 972-418-0537.

From the editor

Brenda Swindle

March came in like a lion and went out like one too. Easter has come and gone. Now we are looking forward to warmer days of spring and summer.

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

The next issue will be May 2013. The deadline for articles is Friday, 4/19. Please do not hesitate to contact the church office if you or your group has information to share.

**Next newsletter is
May 2013.
Deadline for articles,
Friday, 4/19/13.
Contact church office
or Brenda Swindle via
email to submit
articles.**

Reception to honor David Pierce

Dottie Cogar



The congregation and guests are invited to a Special Reception to honor David for 20 years of beautiful music and dedicated service to our church. The reception will be in the Narthex immediately following worship on Sunday, April 7.

Sunday School



Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.

Our mission is to spread the word of God. One simple way to accomplish this task is by teaching our children. Faith United has an inspirational program in place designed to introduce children to the love God has for us and to some of the wonderful stories and parables of the Bible.

Katie Miller and Jan Cole have volunteered their time and talents, for the past three years, teaching Sunday School to our children. Angela Penfold has also devoted her time and talent the past year. Volunteers are desperately needed to keep this program running smoothly and to allow for the rotation of teachers, so all teachers will have an opportunity to attend

Susie Wing

church services. Please look into your heart to find ways you might help Faith United Presbyterian Church grow in this essential ministry and to attract young families to our loving church community.

Katie is conducting a teacher training session in May designed to equip volunteers to teach the lessons of the program. There will be a class for 3-5 year olds and another for ages 6-8. Together, we can make this program successful without placing too much responsibility on volunteers. After giving this matter prayerful consideration, I feel certain the loving men and women of this congregation will feel compelled to take this opportunity to serve. Please contact Jan Cole, Katie Miller, Angela Penfold, Nancy Smith or myself, Susie Wing to inquire about the possibilities to serve in this capacity.

Blessings and Peace, Susie Wing

PCHAS High School Seniors

When Itasca was here for the PW Retreat, Chad Patterson, director of the campus, planted a seed and I wanted to run it by the congregation. Itasca doesn't have any seniors but Waxahachie has several this year and for those going on to a Texas college, it would be wonderful if we could help them with a lap top computer. I have asked for names and colleges but the response is forth coming. I am writing to ask if anyone has connections where we could get a large enough discount to make this possible. Another church might help us if we can pull this off. Just planting some "Sr. seeds" to see what kind of soil is out there.

Ann Walden



Presbyterian Children's
Homes & Services



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, April 14 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, April 14 after worship.

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Notes & News from the Pews



Just a quick note!

Ken and Emroy Quevreaux are now sharing a room in Prestonwood Rehab, 2460 Marsh Lane, Plano, 75093. They are in room 605 and their phone number is 469-574-2423. They are

definitely up for visitors and/or phone calls.

Thank you!

I received the package that was sent recently from Faith United, thank you very much. I kept some items for myself and shared some items with others I work with.

Sgt. Kevin B. Cuiksa (Cheryl Sparks son-in-law)

Directory updates

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



Thank you!

My name is Emily Chadwick. I would like to thank my great Aunt Margaret and everyone at Faith United Presbyterian Church for buying Girl Scout cookies from me this year. This was my first year selling cookies as a Daisy Scout.

Save the date!

We are inviting our Waxahachie prayer partners to worship with us on Sunday, May 5. We will gift each child with a Bible, and have a picnic lunch and games on the lawn, following worship. More information to come. You will want to meet these amazing kids and hear about their inspiring plans for the future.

Word on the Street

Hopes Clothing & Consignment Store is now open in the Casa Linda Plaza at the corner of Garland Road and Buckner. The address is 9440 Garland Road and phone, 214-321-HOPE (4673). You can also find them on Facebook and Twitter at austinstreet.org. This is not your run of the mill thrift store. Hope is looking for high end merchandise: clothing, jewelry, furniture, etc. Your clothing should be dry cleaned and ready to wear. Jewelry should, likewise, be ready to wear, not needing repair. Large items can be picked up. Call 214-421-0912 to inquire about large item pick-up.

Ann Walden

The Shelter wish list includes: heavy black trash bags (used as a suite case), adult back packs, new underwear (men & women) and bath items.

Save the Date—Dallas Cowboy, DeMarcus Ware will be honored on June 10 at the 13th Humble Beginnings Award luncheon which will be held at Union Station in downtown Dallas. This award recognizes district members of the local sports community that have come from “humble beginnings” and are now giving back to the community. The luncheon proceeds will benefit the residents of Austin Street Center. Table sponsorships are available.

North Dallas Shared Ministries

NDSM served a record number of individuals and families this past year. In 2012, 67,327 people received assistance totaling \$2, 989,799. This is an 8.5% increase from 2011. The two areas showing the biggest increase are the Friday Food Basket program for seniors and disabled persons (a 17% increase) and the Tax Assistance program (a 46% increase). At the end of this February, our volunteers had already filed 1185 tax returns for clients, so this looks to be another record-breaking year in this area.

Donations are always appreciated, either food, clothing (particularly men and children's), or money (checks can be made out to Faith United with NDSM on memo line and put in the offering plate or made out to NDSM and sent directly in the envelopes available). Volunteers are always needed, I hope you will consider giving of your time for several hours every



other week. This organization is almost completely volunteer—only 2 ½ paid salaries, even the director refuses to take a salary.

North Dallas Shared Ministries Benefit

Friday, May 10, will be the date for our annual benefit. It will be held again at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church. Greek Isles Grille and Taverna will provide a “Taste of the Mediterranean” menu. Entertainment will be *Black Dirt Tango*, a full-grown Americana band that performs in the area. Rick Connor, of the old *CatDaddies*, and friends will also perform. There will not be a silent auction this year, but we will have an exciting raffle. Tickets will be \$40 and can be purchased on the NDSM website or by mail. Look for the signs at the church with full information. Hope to see you there.

Cabell Elementary

Thank You to those who responded to Cabell's need for books. The librarian is overwhelmed with your generosity as they are in desperate need of new books for the library. Gently used books go into the classrooms who are in need. Cabell has grades pre-K through 5th.

We are needing more volunteers to work with these children. If you haven't been, you should take a walking tour through the building. You will be im-

pressed with the children in the halls, their garden which has already produced vegetables, the art display on the walls, and the teachers who are glad to have you in the building.

Dr. JoAnne Hughes is the principal and sets the tone. Sandra Garcia is the counselor who coordinates the volunteers with the teachers.

Interested parties should contact Ann Walden if you have questions or want to get involved.

Ann Walden



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Happy Birthday!

April 1

- * Phil Beaubien

April 7

- * Phoebe Higginbotham

April 9

- * Earl Blackney
- * Dixie Howell
- * Phyllis Gaudet

April 10

- * Doug Sparks

April 11

- * Brenda Burkham

April 13

- * Scarlett Silva

April 14

- * Samuel Karp

April 16

- * Sierra Faust Carradine

April 19

- * Richard Davenport
- * David Bell

April 22

- * Ruth Decker
- * Roberta Welther
- * Floyd Coleman

April 24

- * Jerry Swope

April 26

- * Riley Toliver



Prayer Concerns

Prayers for:

- ♥ Ann Bogle
- ♥ Harry Gordon
- ♥ Margaret Jones
- ♥ Käthe Kaschung
- ♥ Alan Swope
- ♥ Carol West
- ♥ Debbie Winters



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 Knight
- ♥ Earle & Marge Krause
- ♥ Roc & Clarice Mitchell
- ♥ Ken & Emroy Quevreaux
- ♥ Don Speigel
- ♥ 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
- ♥ 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.

April 2013

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 31 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 | 1 Church Offices Closed for Easter Holiday 6:00 Shelter | 2 1:00 Starboard Stitches 7:00 GA-Choir Room 7:00 OA-Fellowship Rm 7:00 PWCT | 3 7:00 FUPC Choir | 4 6:30 GA-Choir Room 7:30 ABA Group-Rm 4 | 5 | 6 11:00 GA-Double Classroom 11:00 OA-Rm 4 2:30 CSID Choir-Sanctuary 6:00 CSID –Talent Night Fellowship & Sanctuary |
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Please contact the church office with meetings, classes or events for the calendar to prevent conflicts.



Austin Street Meal—The April meal day will be Monday, April 1. Looking ahead, the May meal will be May 6. Plan ahead for your food donation. Refrigerator for cold food storage is down the hall from the Fellowship Hall.



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