



# 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 August 2014

The deadline for  
articles is  
Friday, July 18.



Dear Friends,

Summer is here with family vacations; the desire for more air conditioning than

we've needed before; and a little ice cream after dinner. I want you to know that, though vacations and ice cream will be worked in to the schedule, your Session is hard at work thinking and dreaming and praying over the future of Faith United. Several projects are in work. I want to let you in on some of the forward-thinking work that is happening.

At a special meeting in April and the regular May meeting of Presbytery, a new initiative was announced that your Session has decided to participate in. It is called "New Beginnings." New Beginnings is about taking a look at ourselves as a church. Taking stock of both our strengths and weaknesses and identifying our opportunities for growth and ministry. New Beginnings takes place in steps. First, a general assessment of the church will be conducted. This assessment, among other things, looks at the leadership, finances, facilities and programs of Faith United. It also will look at the demographics of the area in which the church

resides, asking several questions. Is the neighborhood growing? What are the categories of people who reside in the neighborhood, such as age, ethnicity, economic status, etc? What are the likely needs of the neighborhood residents? There will also be a time when the members of the congregation will be asked to participate in the assessment process to gauge what the needs and goals of you, the members, are.

Finally, using the assessment report, the training of leaders, and small group meetings with the congregation, all conducted with much prayer a new sense of direction for the church will be sought. We will have a chance to decide "Who it is that God wants us to do and be?"

I am excited about the chance this offers us to look at new possibilities for the future of Faith United. I hope that you will participate when the opportunities presents itself.

Also, I want you to know that Little Treasures has approached us about the possibility of building additional space for growth of the pre-school operation. We are actively in discussions with the

Yost's about what this might mean for their relationship with Faith United and our ministry and to better utilize the property with which we are blessed.

In addition, the Vision Team which was formed consisting of members of CSID and Faith United is actively engaged in dreaming about how the two churches, working together, can meet its space needs going forward. In the

near future we hope to be interviewing architects for the purpose of developing plans for expansion.

Of course, all of the above things always take longer to accomplish than any of us would like. But, careful thought should be given to these key decisions. Look and listen for more information as to these developing efforts and how you might participate in them.

I remain excited about the future of Faith United. I look forward to our praying and working together. Let us listen for God's word for us, as to what we are to do and who we are to be as followers of Jesus.

Blessings and peace,  
Pastor Terry  
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## Have you heard of the Honor Flight?

Ann Walden



Cody Sherrard is home from his trip to Washington, D.C. on the **Honor Flight**. It took place May 30-31, 2014. There are several internet sites that explain what the **Honor Flight** is and how it identifies and honors WW II Veterans. These Veterans are flown to Washington D.C., all expenses paid. Their every need is taken care of and a volunteer accompanies them everywhere. When they return, there will be a reunion several weeks later where they will receive a book/photo album with pictures of all they saw and did while in D.C. as many never received acknowledgment for their service.

Read more about Honor Flight DFW at [www.HonorFlightDFW.org](http://www.HonorFlightDFW.org). Honor Flight™ is a network of volunteers established for the express purpose of getting as many WWII Veterans as possible to Washington, D.C. to view the World War II Memorial. If you know of anyone who served in WW II you may want to pass along their name to this worthwhile organization. After these volunteers finish working with WW II, they will honor Vets from the Korean and Vietnam Wars with more current war recognition to follow.

More photos of the 2014 Honor Flight DFW can be found on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/HonorFlightDFW](https://www.facebook.com/HonorFlightDFW)



## Starboard Stickers

Lois Duell

The Starboard Stickers are asking for your help on several Outreach projects.

- ♥ The months of July and August bring a lot of children to NDSM for immunizations. We can use help stuffing our little animals that are given to young children receiving shots. Unstuffed animals are available in the narthex. We ask you to take some home, stuff them with polyester fiberfill, sew them closed and return them to the table in the narthex. We really appreciate any help since we are not meeting during the summer months and the need is ongoing.
- ♥ Gift of Heart School Kits: Church World Services has extended a plea for School Kits which are given to children in impoverished schools, refugee camps, or other difficult settings needing some of the basic tools for learning. Starboard Stickers will make the cloth bags, but could use help in filling the bags with school supplies. Cards with items needed will be in the narthex.



## Spotlight on Marilyn Rose!

"If you learn at an early age to entertain yourself, you always know how to have fun."

This quote came from a woman who learned at a young age how to entertain herself on her grandfather's farm in Indiana. He built a trapeze for her in his barn and she flew through the air, hung upside down, and landed in fresh hay. She knew how to have fun! Raised just after the Great Depression, she was born in Boston, Indiana where she lived with her parents and a brother, Charles, and sister, Flora Jane Marie. Her family moved to Ohio while she was still a young child. She describes her early family as close, and they still are in touch quite often.

Marilyn Rose's family moved back to Evansville, Indiana when her father was transferred due to his work. She finished the rest of her schooling and graduated from high school there. During this time, she played piano and string bass and became accomplished enough to win a music scholarship to Evansville College. After one year at Evansville College, her father was notified of a transfer to San Antonio, TX. He gave her the opportunity to continue her studies at Evansville, or transfer to The University of Texas. Since practicing her instruments was a tremendous burden due to the requirements of her scholarship, she told me she jumped at the chance to transfer.

While at UT, she studied radio and TV, a new program at the school, and a growing industry in the US. She was in the first graduating class that earned degrees in radio and TV. She told me that was back in the days when "women were not supposed to do things in the world". At the invitation of one of her professors, she joined him to work in Lubbock, TX at the local TV station. This entry level position provided her with a broad base of administrative learning experiences. Among her other duties, she also did live commercials "just like Betty Furness".

Her television career continued after moving back to Evansville where she took a job at a new TV station that was just getting started. There she was a "jack of all trades" who wrote copy, did commercials, directed other people, and became Program Director of the station. All that trapeze flying was good training for the high flying work she was doing in a brand new industry.

She also met her future husband, Jim Rose, in Evansville. Actually, they met in high school when he tripped her while she was



## Kay McLellan, R.N.

looking for a seat in class. She said, "I literally fell for him at first sight." It was not love at first sight for them, however. She told me that he followed her around and tried to get her attention, but she considered him "just a friend", no one to be serious about. That all changed when she went back to Evansville to work. They reunited at that time and fell in love and married. He was in the army and part of the occupation of Germany following WWII, and had to be away during the first year of their married life. She continued to work, saved all her money, and bought furniture for the home they would establish together when he returned.

Marilyn and Jim, who is now deceased, have four children: Sheryl, Rhonda, Jeff, and Denise. Her son, Jeff, lives with her in her comfortable home in Carrollton, and they have family gatherings with the other siblings who live in this area. She is the proud grandmother to 13, and great-grandmother to 4.

She and Jim raised their children in the Christian faith as Presbyterians. She has taught them to put God first in their lives, and when dealing with other people to "never judge a book by its cover." She tries to practice patience and give others time to show her who they really are inside. She appreciates sincerity in others, and says that with patience, she can see through people who pretend to be what they are not. She values empathy and tries to practice it by smiling when she meets someone to put away their fears. She practices introducing herself first and listens to others as they talk. She values the church as a haven from the outside world and a place to worship God with other believers.

She has been active in the community in Carrollton Women's Club, where she was president of that organization for 3 years. She also served on the Carrollton Library Board and worked in the local school system. She enjoys playing bridge, reading, and attending movies, plays and concerts with friends and family.

Marilyn serves now as the vice moderator of Presbyterian Women at FUPC. She used her well-honed organizing skills this year to put together the successful women's retreat that was held at the former Covenant Presbyterian Church building in Carrollton, TX. Presbyterian Women in our church are still talking about how this gathering brought together a large number of women that included present and former members...a contribution to our community of which Marilyn can be proud.



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## Notes & News from the Pews



### Congratulations to the Penfold family!

Hasten Louise Penfold was born on June 4, 2014. She weighed in at 8 lbs. 2 oz. Proud parents, Clark & Angela Penfold.



### Directory updates

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



Please note that information for **Sharon Meurer** is incorrect in the Pictorial Directory. The alternate number and Sharon's cell is 214-755-1058 not 214-978-8530.

## Word on the Street

Ann Walden



The July meal day will be Monday, July 7. Looking ahead, the August meal will be August 4. Plan ahead for your food donation. Refrigerator for cold food storage is down the hall from the Fellowship Hall.

This is the time of the year when the residents of Austin Street Centre need baseball caps - new or used. The drugs they take for various mental illnesses are negatively effected by the sun's ultra violet rays. If you have any caps you can spare, please put them in the plastic container marked "Austin Street" and we will deliver them in July.

We are always looking for luggage. Again, this can be new or used. The residents need something in which to keep their possessions. There is a covered area provided for them to keep their things during the day. If you do not have any luggage to spare, maybe you can get a box of the huge, thick black bags for them to use for this purpose.

Summer is always a tough time to get the food we need to feed our 400 homeless brothers and sisters. Many of us are on vacations or have company visiting us. Please be extra vigilant in helping to feed our neighbors during this time. God Bless your Faithfulness

## Session & Such

The June meeting was held on June 8th. The following are some current items:

- **GOOD SHEPHERD Teachers and Helpers NEEDED!** The Good Shepherd program needs more volunteers to teach and/or help. Please prayerfully consider this wonderful rewarding opportunity to work with children.
- **Utility Bill REDUCTIONS!** An energy study of the FUPC facilities has been completed. An outcome of this resulted in the replacement of all thermostats with automatic programmable ones. Each week they are individually programmed according to SCHEDULED usage. All groups using any part of the facility must contact the church office (Brenda Swindle) to insure room availability and a COMFORTABLE TEMPERATURE. Thank you for helping to REDUCE energy COSTS!
- **The SANCTUARY now has a NEW ROOF!!!**



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, July 13 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, July 13 after worship with Rich Lewis leading devotional.

## Give Your Family a Break...Consider the Conversation

Kay McLellan, R.N.

"Consider The Conversation, a documentary on a taboo subject" is an award winning film that addresses several important life issues that most people have trouble talking about. It focuses on that troublesome time that comes to all of us sooner or later, the end of life here on earth.



The producers of this documentary conducted more than 100 interviews over the course of 14 months, with patients, family members, doctors, nurses, social workers, clergy and end of life care experts from around the county. Their aim was to provide an all inclusive perspective on what it means to die in 21<sup>st</sup> century America.

The goals of those who brought us "Consider the Conversation" are straightforward. .. to change the commonly held American attitude that views end-of-life as a "failed medical event" to one that sees it as a normal process with opportunity for human development, to inspire conversations between patient and doctor, husband and wife, parent and child, minister and parishioner... and to change behavior by encouraging professionals to take the lead in counseling others during this critical time.

Faith United Presbyterian Church is very fortunate to be able to bring this thoughtful 60-minute film to our church. We will pre-

sent it on July 17<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 7 p.m. The film will be followed by a discussion period led by Valerie Sanchez from Faith Hospice. She is the Director of Bereavement and Integrated Therapies for Faith Hospice and has much experience in the field.

We will follow this first session with another on July 31<sup>st</sup> at 5 p.m. to discuss living wills, power of attorney, and last wishes for funeral arrangements. If desired, participants will have the opportunity to fill out the forms for these important documents with guidance from professionals.

This will be an excellent time for you to think about how you want to influence the end of your life. No one relishes this thought, but dying comes to all of us and leaving documents with your wishes for your own death are a blessing to those left behind who are grieving at losing you.

We request that you register online for Session 1, 7/17 or Session 2, 7/31 so we will have enough snacks and drinks for all. Visit our website and go to Event Registration and follow instructions for each session. [www.FaithUnited-pc.com](http://www.FaithUnited-pc.com)

You may contact the FUPC parish nurses if you have any questions about registration or you require more information.

## Cabell Elementary

The school library is desperately in need of Chapter Books. The books need to be part of a series with short chapters for the younger children and longer chapters for children reading at a higher level. Half Price Books may very well be able to help you in your selection. Reading is especially important to this Recognized School of almost 600 children 93% of whom were on free lunch. However, it is not so important at home. The school received a shipment of gently used books to send home with each child for the summer in hopes parents will realize the importance reading to and with their child.

Faith United will begin our reading program in September, giving the teachers time to get their classrooms

organized and identify those who would benefit the most from being read to. I will have a place for you to sign up, indicate the day and grade you prefer as well as how often you can read.

Outreach has discussed a fall family movie night with food and music. Dr. Hughes, principal, thinks that would be a lot of fun for her families but we won't be able to put fliers in their home packets. We will have to depend on posters. Fliers will go on a table for parents to pick up.

These are our neighbors that Pastor Terry refers to often. Help if you can. If you don't shop anymore, I will be glad to do that for you.

## Ann Walden



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## Happy Birthday!

### July 1

- \* Carey Newton
- \* Amanda Norman
- \* Cameron Rodriguez

### July 2

- \* Jane Bower

### July 5

- \* Gerry Shotswell

### July 7

- \* Jeri Bechly
- \* Andrew West

### July 10

- \* George Walker

### July 15

- \* Mark Saiter

### July 16

- \* Joy Williams

### July 17

- \* Samantha Burkham
- \* Dale Durcholtz
- \* Irene Simpson

### July 25

- \* Nancy Bond
- \* Doris Newton

### July 28

- \* Robin Laclede



### July 30

- \* Dennis Simpson

### July 31

- \* Ted Hill

## Prayer Concerns

### Prayers for:

- ♥ Greg Haben
- ♥ Käthe & Eberhard Kaschung
- ♥ Ray Kirchmeyer (David's brother)
- ♥ Liz Hendricks
- ♥ Lilas Kinch
- ♥ Til Rathbun
- ♥ Thelma Rinehart
- ♥ Mary Sewell
- ♥ Alan Swope
- ♥ Carol West
- ♥ Roberta Welther
- ♥ Debbie Winters
- ♥ Family of Ann Bogle



*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:

- ♥ Phil & Marilyn Beaubien
- ♥ Earl Blackney
- ♥ David Daly
- ♥ Lois Davenport
- ♥ Henry Knight
- ♥ Earle Krause
- ♥ Joanne McKnight
- ♥ Hugh McWhorter
- ♥ Anne Mobley
- ♥ Wanda Mosher
- ♥ Roc & Clarice Mitchell
- ♥ Ken & 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
- ♥ LT Ben Garoutte
- ♥ Sr A 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

## North Dallas Shared Ministries

Lois Duell

Volunteers are needed to help with the distribution of school uniforms the week of August 18-22. Call Sherrie at 214-358-8767 or email her at [admin@ndsm.org](mailto:admin@ndsm.org) to volunteer. Thanks to all who contributed to our annual benefit. Over \$40,000 was raised to help toward our mission.

An exciting new ministry has started as of June 11-July 18 for the summer session. The expanded Dental Clinic will be open from 10AM – 6PM, Monday – Friday. Services will include extractions, simple fillings, front teeth prostheses and cleaning. 24 patients will be seen each day. I invite you all to check out the website [ndsm.org](http://ndsm.org) to learn about this tremendous Outreach program in which our church is involved.



## The Ministry of Listening

Nancy Smith



Listening is one of the most powerful ministry tools at your disposal. It demonstrates that you care about the other person. In Stephen Ministry, a great deal of time is spent in teaching and practicing listening skills because of its importance as a caregiving tool. You too can become a more caring listener by understanding and applying these six listening concepts from Stephen Ministry training:

- 1) **Listening is active.** Focus your attention on what the other person has to say instead of thinking of what you'll say next. Look at him or her while you listen, and nod along from time to time so the person knows you're tuned in.
- 2) **Listening takes patience.** Often you need to build trust before someone will open up to you. Constant, patient listening is a key.
- 3) **Listening involves more than just words.** Pay attention not only to what is said, but to what is not said. Pay attention to body language, too.
- 4) **Good listeners aren't completely silent.** They restate key thoughts or ideas to be sure they understood correctly or ask focused questions to encourage the person to reach a little deeper.
- 5) **Listening happens over time.** One conversation might build upon an earlier one. Themes or patterns may occur leading to deeper conversations.
- 6) **Listening is confidential.** A great way to build trust and to show the person you really care is to maintain confidentiality and not to share with others what was told to you in private conversation.

We all want Faith United to be a caring place where members and guests truly feel people care about who they are and how they feel. Just as our Stephen Ministers use good listening skills to communicate how much they care, so can you. Follow and practice these listening principles and make a concentrated effort toward becoming a better listener. Listening is a great gift we can give to one another, and one we can all use in order to make Faith United a more caring place.

## From the editor

Brenda Swindle



Wow, July is upon us! I enjoy living closer to the church office. I never realized just how much driving I was doing with my old commute. I hope that your summer plans and vacations are going well. Remember, if you take

pictures in your travels or at church events don't forget to forward them to us so we can include them as space permits.

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

The deadline for articles is Friday, 7/18. Do not hesitate to contact the church office if you or your group has information to share.

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**Contact church office**


**or Brenda Swindle via**

**email to submit**

**articles.**



The Fire House production of "Hello Dolly" will run for 3 weekends starting July 11th with matinees on Saturdays and Sundays. This production runs through July 26 and is at the Plaza Arts Center, 1115 Fourth Ave. in Carrollton. The cost of tickets is \$18 for adults, \$16 for seniors, and \$14 for students. Discounts for groups of 20+, contact the box office at 972-620-3747.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Calendar Legend</b> GA = Gamblers Anonymous ABA = Anorexic & Bulimics Anonymous OA = Overeaters Anonymous LTCDS = Little Treasures School CSID = Church of South India Dallas		<b>1</b> 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 6:30 GA-Fellowship #1 7:30 ABA-Rm #4	<b>4</b> <b>Offices Closed</b> 	<b>5</b> 11:00 GA-Double-Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 3:30 CSID Choir-Sanctuary
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