

July 2018



# Words of Faith

Faith United Presbyterian Church

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## From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends of FUPC,



One of the reasons I have so enjoyed my tenure at Faith United Presbyterian Church

has been the willingness this congregation has shown towards the acceptance of people of other races and other nationalities. When I first arrived at Faith United, our church was hosting the Church of South India – Dallas (CSID). I quickly made friends with Pastors Ninan and Sherwin and many of their parishioners and found that our core belief in God's saving grace in Jesus Christ far outweighed any minor differences we had theologically. I particularly enjoyed eavesdropping in on their worship service on Sunday mornings and listening to their music. I was somewhat surprised and pleased that they sang many of the same hymns that we do, only with different instrumentation.

It was with some sadness that we bid CSID goodbye in August of 2017, but I felt good that Faith United was able to provide them with the space

they needed to grow and prosper to the point that they were able to purchase their own facility. Last week, Good Shepherd Korean Presbyterian Church conducted their first service in our facility and I felt like you welcomed them with open arms. Our church life committee hosted a reception in their honor and I was pleased with how many of you intentionally spoke to everyone you met. There may have been a language barrier separating the two churches but your generous words of welcome and your smiles transcended any walls that could have prevented your demonstration of good old-fashioned Faith United hospitality.

Our country is currently going through a difficult process of determining and enforcing immigration laws. It is a complicated and divisive issue and whenever government gets involved, you can pretty much expect that politics are going to play into any scenario. Every week in worship we pray that those in positions of authority will seek God's counsel in the

Rev. Dr. Jim Johns

work they have been called to perform. It doesn't matter if they are Democrats or Republicans, national leaders or local, politicians or law enforcement personnel, we pray that they will look to God and God's Word for seeking justice with compassion in today's world.

The author of Leviticus writes, "The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the citizen among you; you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt; I am the Lord your God." (Leviticus 19:34). We are Faith United, and we are united in our faith in Jesus Christ, our belief in God's saving grace, and our mission to love God and neighbor. We need to keep welcoming our brothers and sisters in Christ and caring for their needs. I pray that Faith United continues its tradition of welcoming all who enter into God's House.

Joy in Christ,  
*Pastor Jim*

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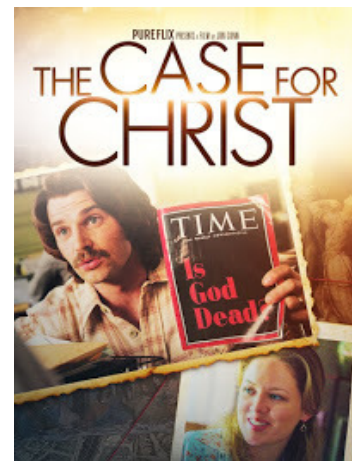
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## Church Life—Movie Matinée

Terrie Russell

The Church Life Committee will present a Movie Matinée on Saturday, July 28, 2018 at 2 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The movie will be **The Case for Christ**. Admission is a donation of school supplies from the Cabell Elementary School (now Chapel Hill Preparatory School) supplies list. Lists will be available in the Narthex. A sign-up board will be available in the coming weeks. Please let us know how many in your party. We want to have enough popcorn, ice cream, candy, water & cokes for all. Maybe even invite a neighbor or friend!



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## Outreach & Evangelism

Gail Crumpler

**Sack Summer Hunger**—Many children receive free meals at school during the school year because the parents of these children are not able to provide healthy meals at home. Metrocrest Services has a program called Sack Summer Hunger which provides meals to these kids during the summer months. We have given \$500 to help feed these children.



**Chapel Hill Preparatory School** (formerly Cabell School, name change will occur on July 1)—It's almost time to start collecting school supplies for the next school year. We start in July so the teachers will not have to purchase them during the summer. When you're out shopping, how about picking up some things from the supply list that will be available in the Narthex.

**Monthly Pancake Community Breakfast**—If you haven't been to the monthly breakfast, you don't know what you're missing. We really do have a good time, bonding with members and neighbors in the community, not to mention the wonderful FREE food!! Our committee works very hard to make sure you have a good experience. Our next breakfast is on July 14th. Mark your calendars and join us.



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## Sunday School at FUPC

The **Searchers** class continues to meet at 9:30 in the Library/Resource Room. Led by Alison Meier, the class is currently using the PC(USA) curriculum for 2018: *Feasting on the Word*.

The **Weekly Bible Study**, led by Rich Lewis. They are currently doing a study of the Book of Acts. This study will continue through the summer with the exceptions of July 15 and 22 when Rich Lewis will be out of town. Meets in Double Classroom #4 at 9:30.



The Children's classes, **Good Shepherd** and **Following Jesus** are on break for the summer season and resume on Sunday, Sept. 9.

### Happy Birthday!

#### July 1

- \* Amanda Norman
- \* Cameron Rodriguez

#### July 5

- \* Gerry Shotswell

#### July 6

- \* Alison Meier

#### July 7

- \* Andrew West

#### July 10

- \* George Walker

#### July 15

- \* Mark Saiter

#### July 17

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

#### July 22

- \* Josias Reyes

#### July 24

- \* Sabrina Hinely

#### July 25

- \* Nancy Bond
- \* Doris Newton

#### July 26

- \* Barbara Stein

#### July 28

- \* Robin Laclede



### Prayer Concerns



#### Prayers for:

- ♥ Dale Durcholz
- ♥ Elizabeth Hendricks
- ♥ Ray Kirchmeyer (David's brother)
- ♥ Sugie Maxfield
- ♥ Betty Runkel
- ♥ Glen Sparks
- ♥ Alan Swope
- ♥ Dennis Van Deventer
- ♥ Margaret Plunkett

#### Rehab/At Home:

- ♥ Bobbie Jones
- ♥ Margaret Jones
- ♥ Anne Mobley
- ♥ Wanda Mosher
- ♥ Freddie Simmons

**Next newsletter is August 2018.**  
**Deadline for articles, Friday, July 20.**  
**Contact church office or Brenda Swindle via email to submit articles.**

### New Members (5/20/18)



**Frank Fehmel**  
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 Dallas, TX 75229  
 Phone: 214-789-6108

**Helen McKemie**  
 5830 Preston Valley Drive  
 Dallas, TX 75240  
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### Greeters Needed!



We need people to be greeters for the last half of the year. We are asking people to sign up for a month - if you cannot be there one


week, arrange for a substitute. We ask that you be at the greeters stand from 10:30 'til 11:00 am or until relieved by Terry Stottlemeyer or Dave Sloey. The only experience needed is to be able to smile and welcome people as they come in the door. A sign-up sheet is at the back of the greeter book.

### Notes & News from the Pews



We want to give an update on Sugie Maxfield. She moved to Wesleyan Assisted Living in Georgetown, TX shortly after the new year. Her new address is: 109 Estrella Crossing, #224, Georgetown, TX 78628-6984. Her email address & phone number are unchanged, 512-868-1808, [sugiemax@verizon.net](mailto:sugiemax@verizon.net). The assisted living is next door to the Independent Living community where she has lived since 2008. Her eyesight is very limited but she would love to hear from you anytime with a call or card. Thank you for keeping her in your thoughts and prayers.

*Love from Sugie and her daughters*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Coffee/Fellowship 10:30 GSKPC-Rm #2 11:00 Communion Worship 11:00 GSKPC Bible Study #4 12:15 to 5 pm GSKPC Worship/Study/Fellowship	<b>2</b> 7:30 GA-Room #2	<b>3</b> 7:00 GA-Rm #4 7:30 OA-Fellowship #1	 <b>July 4th            Holiday</b> <b>Offices            Closed</b>	<b>5</b> 7:00 GA-Fellowship #1 7:00 GSKPC-Rm #4	<b>6</b> 9:00 LTCDS Fellowship Hall #1	<b>7</b> 11:00 GA Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1
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<b>Complete calendar of events may be found on the website—www.FaithUnited-pc.com</b>						
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