



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 February 2015.

The deadline for articles is Friday, Jan. 16.



Dear Friends,
I think I write this every year at this time. But, My goodness, didn't 2014 run

out fast. I want to thank you all for the good year that we have enjoyed together at Faith United. It is a blessing, one of God's gifts that this community of faith continues to witness to the promises God has made and the light that Jesus brought into the world. And we get to do this together!

2015 is shaping up to be an important year in the history of Faith United. One of the most important parts of 2015 comes in the beginning months. Beginning on Sunday January 18 and continuing for six weeks, there will be a series of meetings in small group settings. The purpose of the meetings is to talk with one another about our identity as a church and where we see the ministry of Faith United being directed in the coming year and years.

Every church decides its future by its own actions. We will all have an opportunity to pray together and talk together about what is most important to us as individuals and as a community of faith.

Where do you sense God calling us? What are the most crying needs in the larger

community and what role can Faith United play in meeting those needs? Are we good church members or are we followers of Jesus? Are we fishers for people or are we simply keepers of the aquarium? Where does your passion lie? These are just some of the questions we will be asking ourselves as we consider where we are called to serve.

The series of meetings are collectively called "New Beginnings" and on January 18 following worship we will share in a light lunch and begin the quest to answer some of these questions. This meeting is not a meeting just for leaders. Nor is it

a meeting where you will be given directions as to what programs we should adopt or what worship style we should offer. But we will be asking ourselves some questions that get at the core of who we are as the people of God.



You will receive much more detail at the Sunday afternoon meeting about the format and schedule of the meetings to come. Even if you are not sure you want to participate in this process of discernment, please plan to attend the first meeting and see if you want to offer your gifts to this process. I and your session leaders hope that you will take on this work together and attend all the meetings for we believe that it is crucial to the future of this congregation. All who love Faith United and look forward to its ongoing ministry are invited.

Blessings and peace,
Pastor Terry
Terry@FaithUnited-pc.com

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Presbyterian Women

Patti Sloey

Thursday Morning Circle-
2nd Thursday, 9:30 am at the church, January meeting, Thursday, 1/8.

Tuesday Morning Circle-
2nd Tuesday, 10:30 am at the church, January meeting, Tuesday, 1/13.



Thursday Evening Circle-will meet at 7:00 p.m. on January 15. Contact the church office if you need the location.

The Starboard Stitchers will meet on Tuesday, January 6, 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.

Looking ahead, we are reminded of the Annual Women's Retreat on Saturday, February 21. Stay tuned for more details as we move into 2015.



Session & Such

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, January 11 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, January 11 with Terry McLellan leading devotional. The meeting will be at FUPC in double room #4 after worship.

From the Finance Committee—the Stewardship Season has come and gone. Thank you to all who have submitted their commitment to FUPC for 2015. Contribution envelopes for 2015 will soon be available on a table near the office and will be in Alpha/Numeric order for your convenience. Pledge cards for 2015 are also available if you wish to complete one and return to the office. Please contact the church office if you are unable to pick up your box and we will arrange delivery.

Notes & News from the Pews



Sympathy to . . .

We learned recently from her daughter, Maren Spence-Coolis that Nancy Spence died on December 11, 2014 in Colorado. Nancy was a long time member of the Ridgeview congregation and was very active in the women's activities. ~ Lorna Acker



Austin Street Meal

The January meal day will be Monday, January 5. Looking ahead, the February meal will be February 2. Plan ahead for your food donation.

Outreach & Evangelism

Lois Duell

The Outreach Committee will hold the next Community Breakfast on January 10 from 8 to 10am. All are invited to stop by and share some pancakes and sausage plus great fellowship with not only our fellow members, but new friends from our community.



Happy Birthday!

January 4

- * Joyce Kastendieck
- * Jim Laclede

January 6

- * David Kirchmeyer

January 7

- * Janet Marxer Rodriguez

January 9

- * Dick Nelson

January 10

- * Ralph Miller

January 11

- * Doris Rose
- * Debbie Winters

January 22

- * Quinn Moser

January 25

- * Henry Knight

January 27

- * Tracy Tiemann

January 30

- * Terry McLellan



Prayer Concerns

Prayers for:

- ♥ Käthe & Eberhard Kaschung
- ♥ Ray Kirchmeyer (David's brother)
- ♥ Lilas Kinch
- ♥ Greg Haben
- ♥ Til Rathbun
- ♥ Mary Sewell
- ♥ Mary Silva
- ♥ Linda Taylor
- ♥ Carol West
- ♥ Roberta Welther
- ♥ Debbie Winters

Sympathy to:

- ♥ Earle Krause family
- ♥ Joan Miller family



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:

- ♥ Ruth Barnes
- ♥ Earl Blackney
- ♥ David Daly
- ♥ Lois Davenport
- ♥ Henry & Dena Knight
- ♥ Joanne McKnight
- ♥ Anne Mobley
- ♥ Wanda Mosher
- ♥ Roc & Clarice Mitchell
- ♥ Emroy Quevreaux
- ♥ Freddie Simmons
- ♥ Don Speigel
- ♥ 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

From the editor

Brenda Swindle



Where does the time go? Hard to believe it is 2015. Happy New Year to you all! You will notice less pages in this issue of **Words of Faith**. We will hope for more news in February, we love to publicize your news and pictures. See the deadlines for the next issue.

Remember, 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

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