



Words of Faith

Faith United Presbyterian Church

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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Friends of FUPC,



As always, the days around Easter are busy as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior

Jesus Christ. Holy Week begins Sunday, March 25, with our Palm/ Passion Service. Every attendee in the church will receive a palm leaf at the beginning of the service.

Following the scripture reading of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem from Mark's Gospel, those who can, will be asked to bring their palm leaf to the front of the church during the singing of "All Glory Laud and Honor." We do this to remember Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem as he rode into the city on a colt, the foal of a donkey. After worship, we'll gather up the palm leaves and save them for the following year when they will be burned to produce the ashes for next year's Ash Wednesday Service. The remainder of the worship service on March 25 will be devoted to the Passion of Jesus which includes his trial before the religious Sanhedrin, his trial before Pilate, and his suffering death upon the cross.

On Thursday, we will come back to the church in observance of

Maundy Thursday. During this service we remember and celebrate the final supper Jesus shared with his disciples in the context of Passover. The term "Maundy Thursday" is derived through the Old French *mand'e* from the Latin *mandatum novum*, "a new commandment" associated with John 13:34. Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

On Saturday, March 31, the day before Easter Sunday, we have a special treat just for Children living in the Farmers Branch / Dallas area. Members of our Christian Education Committee will host our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Anyone who asks the question, "What does hunting for eggs have to do with the Easter celebration," has never attended our Easter Egg Hunt at the church. Hunting for eggs only takes about 15 minutes of our 2-hour presentation. Through snacks, story, and art, children ages 2-12 will hear the Easter story. The children will also enjoy the games we have planned for this event.

Rev. Dr. Jim Johns

Finally, our congregation will gather on Sunday, April 1, for our Easter Worship Service to remember and celebrate the resurrection of our Lord. The Easter season however doesn't end with Easter Sunday but continues for fifty days. It concludes on Pentecost Sunday allowing us plenty of opportunities to consider the significance of what God has done for us through the life, death, resurrection and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Indeed, we have a lot planned as we approach Easter Sunday and beyond. We hope that you will avail yourself of the opportunity to worship and participate in many of these services and activities. It's been said that we celebrate Easter every Sunday morning in worship.

Whether it's Sundays through the season of Lent in February and March or during the season of Easter in April and May, I look forward to worshipping with you on Sunday mornings as we seek to worship our risen Lord.

See you in Church, *Jim*
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Next newsletter is

April 2018.

Deadline for articles, Friday, 3/16/18.

Contact church office or Brenda Swindle via email to submit articles.

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Presbyterian Women

FUPC Presbyterian Women Bible studies/ Circles meet monthly. Feel free to contact Mary Marxer if you need more information or contact a circle leader. The 2017-2018 Bible study is *Cloud of Witness*, books are available for purchase at \$11 each.



Tuesday Morning Circle-2nd Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. Next meeting, 3/13. Circle moderator, Linnie Hinkle.

Thursday Morning Circle-2nd Thursday, *NEW TIME*, 10 am at the church, Next meeting, 3/8. Co-Moderators, Patsy Craig and Sharon Meurer.

Mary Marxer

Tuesday Evening Circle-3rd Tuesday, 7:00 pm in members homes. Next meeting, 3/20, Circle moderator, Irene Simpson.

The Starboard Stitchers no longer meet on a monthly basis. You have the opportunity to help with the animal project. They have placed patterns and items needed for finishing the animals in the credenza in the front of the Adult Sunday School room (Double Room #4). They encourage you to help by sewing or stuffing the items as they are much appreciated by the nurses and children. Return finished animals to bottom of credenza and they'll be sure to get them down to the clinic. Lois Duell or Lorna Acker can help if you have any questions.

Outreach & Evangelism



Monthly Pancake Community Breakfast will be March 10 from 8-10am. Join us as we meet our neighbors and make new friends.

Box Tops for Education—This is a reminder that we have container in the Narthex for the box tops that you clip from the products you use. They help to supply the needs of the children at Cabell Elementary. For a list of the participating products go to www.BTFE.com.



Lenten Bible Study
Thursdays at 10am
2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/8*, 3/15



Lent
Sundays in Lent
Sunday School
at 9:30 & 11am
Worship at 11am
Childcare available starting at 10am
2/18, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18

* Meets at 11am on 3/8 only

Directory Updates

Please remember to notify the church office if your information changes.

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FUPC's 7th Birthday Celebration!

The birthday celebration is Sunday, March 4. All are invited to the punch and cake reception in the Narthex after 11 am worship.



Work Day, 3/17, 9am

The Work Day on 3/17, from 9 am to 12 pm will be to paint the hallway outside of Fellowship Hall. **Got paint brushes?** We need them and you! Come enjoy the fellowship while accomplishing this important project for FUPC.



Happy Birthday!

March 4

* Genevieve Bratton

March 5

* Kevin Miller

March 8

* Susan Saiter

March 9

* Chris West

March 12

* Erin West

March 13

* Brenda Swindle

March 17

* Jim Johns

March 25

* Wayne Saunders

March 26

* Glenn Craig

March 30

* Scott Sloey



Prayer Concerns



Prayers for:

- ♥ Dale Durcholz
- ♥ Elizabeth Hendricks
- ♥ Roger Jones
- ♥ Ray Kirchmeyer (David's brother)
- ♥ Lilas Kinch
- ♥ Sugie Maxfield
- ♥ Cleo Sherrard
- ♥ Glen Sparks
- ♥ Alan Swope
- ♥ Dennis Van Deventer
- ♥ Margaret Plunkett

Rehab/At Home:

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

Notes & News from the Pews



Dear FUPC,

Dear Friends at Faith United Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for your many expressions of sympathy to me and to my family at the death of my husband Bob Ingebritson. We have received many beautiful cards, phone calls, and many attended the Memorial on February 10. We were members of Covenant and then Faith for many years, and the congregation means a great deal to our family. Your many kindnesses and thoughtfulness have made this difficult time much easier. I am doing fine; I miss Bob very much and keep wanting to tell or ask him something. Your love and notes and attendance have helped me and our daughters very much. He was very ill for a long time, and knowing that he is now forever well is also a blessing. Thank you, Thank you.

Blessings & Much Love, Jane Ingebritson


Christian Education Planning Egg Hunt!

FUPC will once again host a Community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31, from 2 to 4 p.m. Please help us by donating plastic eggs as well as individually wrapped candy and non-candy items to fill the eggs. PLEASE no items containing nuts! We need donations by **Friday, March 9** as we will stuff eggs after the Community Breakfast on Saturday, March 10. Donations will be collected in the Narthex/Coffee area each Sunday.

We also need volunteers for the various planned activities at the event. If you would like to help us, please contact Jessie Reyes, Scarlett Silva, or Pastor Jim.

Jessie Reyes & Scarlett Silva



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 Lent 3 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 10:30 Coffee/Fellowship 11:00 Communion Worship 11:00 Good Shepherd & Following Jesus	5 7:30 GA-Room #2	6 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	7 6 pm PNC #4 7 pm FUPC Choir	8 10:00 PW Circle #2 11:00 Lenten Bible Study Rm #4 7:00 GA-Fellowship #1	9	10 8:00 FUPC Breakfast 11:00 GA Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1
11 Lent 4 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 10:30 Coffee/Fellowship 11:00 Worship 11:00 Good Shepherd & Following Jesus 12:30 FUPC Session 2:30 RYLA Group #1	12 7:30 GA-Room #2	13 10:30 PW Circle #4 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	14 6 pm PNC #4 7 pm FUPC Choir	15 10:00 Lenten Bible Study Rm #4 7:00 GA-Fellowship #1	16	17 9:00 FUPC Work Day 11:00 GA-Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1
Complete calendar of events may be found on the website—www.FaithUnited-pc.com						
18 Lent 5 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 10:30 Coffee/Fellowship 11:00 Worship 11:00 Good Shepherd & Following Jesus	19 7:30 GA-Room #2	20 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1 7:00 PW Circle	21 6 pm PNC #4 7 pm FUPC Choir	22 10:00 LTCDS #1 7:00 GA-Fellowship #1	23	24 11:00 GA Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1
25 Palm Sunday 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 10:30 Coffee/Fellowship 11:00 Worship 11:00 Good Shepherd & Following Jesus	26 7:30 GA-Room #2	27 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	28 6 pm PNC #4 7 pm FUPC Choir	29 10:00 Lenten Bible Study Rm #4 7:00 GA-Fellowship #1 Maunder Thursday Worship at 7 pm	30	31 11:00 GA Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 



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