



Words of Faith

Faith United Presbyterian Church

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The Way it Looks From Here

Pastor Terry McLellan

Dear Friends,

As we approach April, we move into the time of Passion

Week, the culmination and climax of the Lent and Easter

cycle of worship, study and discernment. I hope that this Lent has been a blessing for you. Lent is a time to take stock of our lives and to repent and turn once again to the Lord, who created and continues to create; sustained and still sustains; and saved and still is saving us.

As has been our pattern for some years, we will be once again worshipping with our sisters and brothers in Christ from CSI Dallas and John Calvin Presbyterian Church. On Maundy Thursday 4/5, we will be observing the Lord's Sup-

per at John Calvin Presbyterian Church (Royal Lane and Midway Road). Then on

Good Friday 4/6, we will all worship at Faith United/CSID. Both these services will com-

mence at 7 p.m. Then on Easter Sunday 4/8, worship will begin at 11 a.m., our usual time, at Faith United.

I trust that as we walk with Jesus toward the cross and beyond we will perceive his transforming presence.

During the weeks of Lent a few of us have been reflecting on how Christian values shape us and make us different from those who hold the values of the world. For me, it has been transformative to sit with friends praying together and talking together

about how the people of God are set apart "as a Holy people." It involves the everyday decisions we make and being mindful about the values taught by Jesus, like compassion; humility; satisfaction with what we have instead of always wanting more; and living with hope. Thank you to those who participated in this time together.

My wish for us all during this Easter is that we truly encounter Jesus

on the way, and follow him more closely, leaving behind the baggage which the world says we need.

Grace and peace,

Pastor Terry

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The next newsletter is May 2012.

The deadline for articles is Friday, April 20.

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Six Stephen Ministers Commission Soon!

Sunday, May 6 will be a special day in the congregation of Faith United when six new Stephen Ministers will be commissioned during the Sunday morning service. These six people will have completed the initial 50 hours of training which began in October, 2011. The group will continue to meet twice a month in Supervision and Continuing Education.

It is time for Faith United Members to consider how they want to utilize the skills that these caring new Stephen Ministers have learned. Each minister will be available for giving one-on-one listening care to others who are going through tough situations of life. If members are experiencing these times personally, or they know of someone in or out of the

congregation who may need help, a Stephen Minister can be requested to meet with the person on a weekly basis for as long as it takes to get through the difficulty. Anyone may request a care giver by asking a Stephen Leader, the Pastor, or by calling the church. The Stephen Leaders are Lisa Laclede and Nancy Smith. Jane Ingebritson is available on a consulting basis. Confidentiality will be honored at all times.

The Stephen Ministers who are completing the training are Nancy Bond, Lois Duell, Kathleen Ferguson, Cathy Marxer, Lois Norton, and Susie Wing. Others who are still active after Stephen Minister training are



Ray Butler, Linnie Hinkle, and Sharon Meurer.

Others in the congregation who have been trained in the past are Mary Blackney, Genevieve Bratton, Fiona Coughenour, George and Mozelle Mills, Roc and Clarice Mitchell, Terry and Kay McLellan, Chris Walker, Roberta Welther, and Dave Youngstrum.

During April the current trainees will study the modules "How to Make a First Caring Visit", "Follow Me," and "Ministering to Those Experiencing Losses Related to Aging." The class meets on Saturday mornings from 10:00 to 12:30. There will not be a class on April 7.

Presbyterian Women

The annual Women's Conferences at Mo-Ranch will be May 29-31 and June 1-3. These conferences provide women of faith an opportunity for worship, learning and fellowship in a beautiful setting in the Texas Hill Country. The Keynote Speaker will be Dr. Anna Carter Florence. Conference theme: "Reflecting the Light: From Mountaintop to Main Street."



Jeanne Sawyer, Publicity

The Starboard Stitchers will meet at the church on Tuesday, April 3, at 1:00 p.m. to continue making stuffed animals for North Dallas Shared Ministries. Come join them and choose to sew, stuff or stitch and enjoy the fellowship.

The 2nd Tuesday Morning Luncheon circle will meet on April 10 at 10:30 a.m. Nancy Bond will lead the Bible study.

The 2nd Thursday Morning circle will meet at 9:30 a.m. on April 12.

On April 19, the 3rd Thursday Evening circle will meet at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Patti Sloey.

The PW Coordinating Team will meet on Tuesday, April 3, at 7:00 p.m. Also, mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 15, for the PW Birthday Dinner, which will take place on that evening. Stay tuned for more details about this event.

Carrollton Police Department Names Officer of the Year!



Photo courtesy of Jon Stovall—From left to right: Officer Caleb West, Chief Rex Redden and Assistant Chief Michael Martin.

Officer Caleb West has been with the Carrollton Police Department for almost five years serving on the patrol and S.W.A.T units. Recently, the department named West as its police officer of the year.

West was one of many officers named in the 2011 Annual Police Awards, sponsored by the Carrollton Police Officers Association and local businesses and donors. However, he took home the top award.

"I was pretty surprised that I had won this award," West said. "There were a lot of other deserving officers; it is

an honor to receive this award."

There were around 12 officers nominated for officer of the year; however, West said his shift on the force is a special one and they have made some bigger arrests in the past year.

"When I received the award they told a story about how we were able to arrest some criminals who had been stealing items and then reselling them on the street," he said. "We were able to retrieve a lot of stolen property."

West said he grew up around the area, and after serving four years in the United States Marine Corps he decided to return to what he's always wanted to do. Currently West works the night shift in Carrollton.

"I really like where I am right now," he said. "Even though I won the award for officer of the year, it was a team effort. The things we do are a step ahead, and I am proud of the work we have done."

Officer West is the son of James and Carol West, and the grandson of Don Speigel. Along with 3-year-old son Aiden, Officer West and his wife Sarah are expecting their second child (another boy!) in August.



Session & Such

The Session will have a Called Meeting once a month for the purpose of meeting and receiving prospective new members. This month's

Called Meeting is scheduled for Easter Sunday, April 8 at 10:15 a.m. They will meet in the Library/ Resource Room across from the coffee/fellowship area.

Due to Easter falling on the second Sunday in April, the next stated session meeting has been re-scheduled for Sunday, April 15 after worship.

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Notes & News from the Pews



Thank you!

Thank you everyone for the cards, calls, and prayers. This has been a very difficult time for my family and appreciate the love, support, kindness, and caring from family and friends.

Doug, Gerry, and Rebecca Nichols

Lost!

Jeanne Sawyer is missing several glass flower vases from her collection. These were used in February for several events at the church. Please let her know if you have one or know where they may have been placed for safe keeping.

Austin Street Meal—May 7

The May meal day will be Monday, May 7. Please plan ahead for your food donation. The additional refrigerator for cold food storage is down the hall from the Fellowship Hall kitchen. Thank you for your faithfulness to the homeless.



From the editor

Thank you to the volunteers who help fold, label and mail the newsletter each month.

If you are wondering about your contribution envelopes for 2012, wonder no more. If you were not able to pick them up in January we now have them in the office area. Please call or come by the office during the week to pick them up.

Also, Membership Directories are here! They will be on tables near the office area. If you are unable to attend worship on Sundays you may come by the office during the

Brenda Swindle

week to pick yours up. Please call the office to make other arrangements if you are unable to get to the church building.

You may submit articles in writing to the church office or via email to

Brenda@FaithUnited-pc.com

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May 2012. Deadline
for articles,
Friday, 4/20.
Contact church
office or Brenda
Swindle via email to
submit articles.**

North Dallas Shared Ministries

April is again our month to spotlight NDSM. Please give serious consideration of a gift of goods, money and/or time. Every week, over 900 people receive food from NDSM. We go through a lot of groceries, about \$1.7million annually. Both food and money are appreciated. With \$1.00, we can buy what would cost \$11.62 at a grocery or warehouse store. Our buying power and special relationships allow us to stretch every dollar. There are some things we cannot obtain at a discount though. Your donations of these items help us provide more variety to our clients. Saltine crackers, Ramen noodles, canned pineapple, canned mixed vegetables and carrots, and toilet tissue are a few of the items we currently need. However you choose to give, it is appreciated.

The date for the Gala has been moved back one week to Friday, May 18. It will be held at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church on Hillcrest at Alpha. Besides the



Lois Duell

yummy Greek food, there will be the silent auction, performances by the Festival Greek Dancers and our own Cat Daddies (volunteers at NDSM who suggested the fund-raising Gala 10 years ago) and tours of the church whose architecture replicates Saint Sophia's Basilica in Istanbul. The cost for the evening will be \$35. The Silent Auction and tours begin at 6 pm and dinner and music at 7:15 pm. If you let me know you are interested, we will reserve tables so we can sit together (and you'll even get to meet my husband Tom).

Items for the annual Gala Silent Auction are needed. I will have forms to give to participating businesses soon. Suggested items are meals at local restaurants, movie passes, homemade items, anything you think someone might be interested in having – be creative. A new feature of the auction is you can view the items on NDSM's facebook page and even bid on them there.

Membership Directories are here!

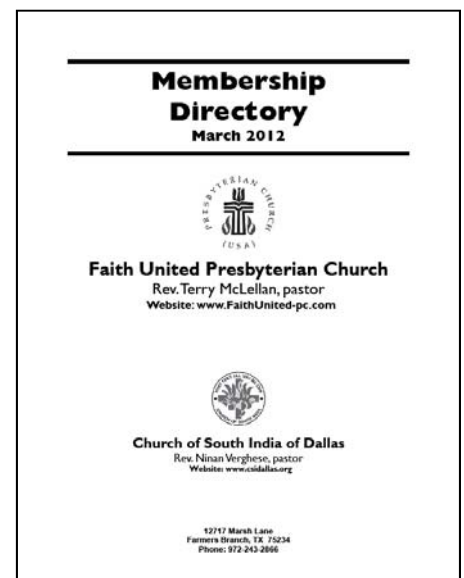
You have waited! You have been patient! You have filled out forms! You have called asking about the Membership Directory!

Good news! They are here! Even better news—each member's information is now in a database that can be updated with the click of the computer keyboard. If you notice that your information is incorrect, please call the church office so that we can update your file.

You will also notice many names in the directory of members that you may not have seen for awhile. Feel free to call them up and reconnect.

We want to include and welcome all members, past, present and future to Faith United Presbyterian Church.

Pick up your directory today from the tables set near the office area.



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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



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

Prayer Concerns

Prayers for:

- ♥ Eberhard & Kähte Kashuge
- ♥ Mike McGinnis
- ♥ Jeanne Moynagh
- ♥ Thomas Sullivan
- ♥ Jan Duell Gaby
- ♥ Connie Harvey
- ♥ Myra & Fred Nichols
- ♥ Joe Rainier
- ♥ The congregation of FUPC as we discover what God has planned for us.

Rehab/At Home:

- ♥ Phil & Marilyn Beaubien
- ♥ Earl Blackney
- ♥ Grethel Creech
- ♥ David Daly
- ♥ Betty Donoho
- ♥ Harvey & Marian Garoutte
- ♥ Kathie Heffler
- ♥ Ruth Innes
- ♥ Ken Quevreaux
- ♥ Don Spiegel
- ♥ Mary Steinmetz
- ♥ Bennie Tillack
- ♥ Hugh McWhorter
- ♥ Martha Watson

Service Personnel:

- ♥ SGT Kevin B. Cuiksa
- ♥ CPT Brian Gaddis
- ♥ LT Ben Garoutte
- ♥ Sr A Jaron Garoutte
- ♥ SPC Chad Manis
- ♥ 1st LT Joshua Montero
- ♥ LT COL Thomas Pentecost
- ♥ SFC Adam Reno
- ♥ Ronnie Rogers
- ♥ USAF 1st LT Andre Silva
- ♥ LCPL James C. Spencer
- ♥ SPC David Wheat
- ♥ Marshall Dobbs
- ♥ David Crossley
- ♥ Robert Hall
- ♥ Andrew Moore
- ♥ WO2 Chris West
- ♥ Logan Burkham

April 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Palm Sunday 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 5:00 FUPC Lenten Study	2 9:00 Ed's Helpers 6:00 Shelter	3 1:00 Starboard Stitches 7:00 GA-Choir Room 7:00 OA-Fellowship Rm 7:00 PWCT	4 7:00 FUPC Choir	5 Maundy Thursday 5:00 G-21-Sanctuary 6:30 GA-Choir Room 7:00 Worship @ John Calvin Pres. 7:30 ABA Group-Rm 4	6 Good Friday Worship 7 pm @ FUPC	7 11:00 GA-Double Classroom 11:00 OA-Rm 4 2:30 CSID Choir-Sanctuary
8 Easter Sunday 9:00 CSID Worship 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 10:15 FUPC Session 10:30 Easter Egg Hunt 11:00 CSID Sunday School 11:00 FUPC Worship 11:00 Good Shepherd	9 9:00 Ed's Helpers	10 10:30 PW Circle 7:00 GA-Choir Room 7:00 OA-Fellowship Rm	11 7:00 FUPC Choir	12 9:30 PW Circle 5:00 G-21-Sanctuary 6:30 GA-Choir Room 7:30 ABA Group-Rm4	13	14 10:00 Stephen Min.-Lounge 11:00 GA-Double Classroom 11:00 OA-Fellowship Rm 2:30 CSID Choir-Sanctuary
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Please contact the church office with meetings, classes or events for the calendar to prevent conflicts.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Dottie Cogar

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Easter Sunday, April 8th at 10:30 a.m. It will be on the front lawn near the south side entrance.

Bring your children and grandchildren with their Easter baskets as we celebrate Easter at FUPC!

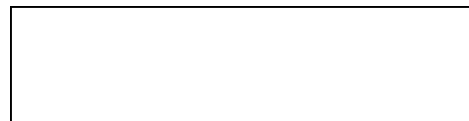


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