



Words of Faith

Faith United Presbyterian Church

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From the Pastor's Desk

Rev. Dr. Jim Johns

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The next newsletter is July 2016

The deadline for articles is Friday, June 17.



Dear Friends of Faith United, Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Jim

Johns and I have been called by God and this congregation to be your new interim minister. I am not from Texas but I've always wondered what life would be like beyond the Mississippi and look forward to meeting everyone at Faith United. Since I haven't had the opportunity to meet you, I thought I would share a little bit about my history.

I was born a cradle Presbyterian in the town of Front Royal, Virginia. My father was an elder and clerk of session in a small Presbyterian church and my mother was a homemaker who supported her husband and took care of the children. Upon graduating from high school I attended Madison College, now James Madison University, where I attained my Bachelor Degree in Business Administration. Prior to attending seminary, I had careers in retail management, sales, and construction.

In the summer of 1995, I began my studies at Union Theological Seminary and the Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond Virginia where I received my Master of Divinity Degree. In July, 1998 I was ordained in the Coastal Carolina Presbytery where my first call was to Montpelier Presbyterian Church, in Wagram, North Carolina. To date, all of the churches I have served have been in North Carolina. In 2008 I began work on my Doctor of Ministry degree at Union Presbyterian Seminary and was awarded this degree in 2011.

In recent years I completed both parts of the Interim Training courses offered by the Presbyterian Church USA and have most recently served as the Interim Pastor of Carolina Beach Presbyterian Church, just finishing up my work in May of this year. I have been married to my wonderful wife, Terry, for 36 years. We have three children,

three grandchildren and one on the way. I enjoy hiking, swimming, reading, and watching professional football. I own a set of golf clubs but find it difficult to call myself a golfer, though I confess to loving the game.



"That's my story and I'm sticking to it" and look forward to hearing yours. For the first couple of months of my

ministry at Faith United you should expect me to do a lot of listening, observing, and asking questions. I do not believe in change for change sake but research informs us that the time between ministers is one of the most productive opportunities to make meaningful change. The prophet Isaiah said, "I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" (Isaiah 43:19). Together, and with God's help, I hope to vision, dream, and discern the "new thing" God has in mind for Faith United Presbyterian Church.

Shalom, *Jim*
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Presbyterian Women

The PW circles will take a short summer break. They will begin again in September.

Tuesday Morning Circle-
2nd Tuesday, 10:30 am. Next meeting, 9/13. Circle moderator, Linnie Hinkle.



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

Tuesday Evening Circle-3rd
Tuesday, 7:00 pm in members homes. Next meeting, 9/20. Co-moderators, Nadine Moser and Dottie Cogar.

The Starboard Stitchers will next meet on Tuesday, August 2 at 1:00 pm at the church. All are invited to come help them stuff fabric animals. These animals go to toddlers when they get their shots at the North Dallas Shared Ministries clinic.

Notes & News from the Pews



Thank you!

Thank you to everyone at FUPC for all the prayers for my newborn granddaughter, Layla. She and family are all doing well. I am getting settled in my new home in the Houston area. I will certainly miss all of my friends at FUPC.

Susie Wing

Directory updates

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



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Outreach & Evangelism

The Outreach Committee will hold the next Community Breakfast on June 11 from 8 to 10am. All are invited to stop by and share some pancakes and sausage plus great fellowship with not only your fellow members, but new friends from our community.





Welcome to Texas Y'all!
Sunday, June 5
Rev. Dr. Jim Johns begins his leadership at FUPC

The day as finally come and FUPC will welcome Jim and his wife, Terry to Texas and to Faith United. There will be a short reception immediately following 11 a.m. worship. Join us as we give them a BIG Texas welcome!



Good Shepherd (during the 11 a.m. worship hour), ages 3-5 years and **Following Jesus**, (during the 9:30 Sunday School

hour), ages 6-8 years. They are led by Katie Miller and Brenda Burkham. After 5/29, **Good Shepherd** and **Following Jesus** will take a summer break. Both classes will resume Sunday, September 11.

Session & Such



Session has a Called Meeting once a month for the purpose of meeting and receiving prospective new members. This month's meeting is Sunday, June 12 at 10:15 a.m.

The next stated session meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 12 with Scarlett Silva leading devotional. The meeting will be at FUPC in double room #4 after worship.

Happy Birthday!

June 2

- * Dalia Menendez

June 4

- * Hasten Penfold

June 5

- * Ralph Moser
- * Samuel Sparks

June 11

- * Mozelle Mills

June 12

- * Kathleen Ferguson

June 18

- * Logan Burkham

June 19

- * Katherine Grimm
- * Rich Lewis

June 21

- * Susie Wing
- * Claire Stottlemeyer

June 22

- * Dave Sloey

June 23

- * Mary Silva

June 27

- * Alex Shepard

June 29

- * Freddy Simmons
- * Patti Sloey



Prayer Concerns

Prayers for:

- ♥ Oscar Bennedsen
- ♥ Keith Daniels
- ♥ Dale Durcholz
- ♥ Roger Jones
- ♥ Ray Kirchmeyer (David's brother)
- ♥ Lilas Kinch
- ♥ Sugie Maxfield
- ♥ Dorthea Sooby
- ♥ Alan Swope
- ♥ Dr. Byrne Williamson



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:


- ♥ Earl Blackney
- ♥ Lois Davenport
- ♥ Bobbie & J.R. Jones
- ♥ Henry Knight
- ♥ Joanne McKnight
- ♥ Anne Mobley
- ♥ Wanda Mosher
- ♥ Clarice Mitchell
- ♥ Freddie Simmons

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Mei-En Chou (Mabel-left)
David Pierce (middle)
Yi-Jan (Rachel-right)

FUPC Concert Series
Piano & Marimba Duet Recital
 Sunday, June 5, 2016 –2:00 PM
 12717 Marsh Lane
 Farmers Branch, TX 75234

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 9:00 CSID Worship 9:00 FUPC Prayer Time 9:30 FUPC Sunday School 11:00 CSID Sunday School 11:00 FUPC Worship	30  MEMORIAL DAY Church Offices Closed 7:30 GA-Rm #2	31 7:00 GA-Rm #2 7:00 OA-Fellowship #1	1 7 pm FUPC Choir	2 6:30 ABA-Rm #4 7:00 GA-Room #2	3 11:00 LTCDS #1	4 11:00 GA Double Rm #4 11:00 OA-Fellowship #1 3:30 CSID Choir Sanctuary
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Complete calendar of events may be found on the website—www.FaithUnited-pc.com						
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