



# Focus

June 2016

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## A Message from Pastor Roger

### Dale Heights Staff

**Pastor:**  
Reverend Roger Roberts

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### Dale Heights Session

**Moderator**  
Reverend Roger Roberts

**Clerk**  
Sandy Weigt

Roy Lembcke  
Gale Oakes  
Caroline Pope  
Rick Shannon  
Wendy Weber

### The Best Publicity

I think all of us at Dale Heights are concerned about our attendance numbers and are interested in the most effective way(s) we can attract others to our worship services. Occasionally someone will suggest utilizing commercial or free advertising services that might attract newcomers to our church. Having served a large church that spent thousands of dollars annually on weekly TV ads, as well as newspaper and other media, I learned that even the most professionally produced and creative ads had limited results in our attendance. The best publicity proved to be personal invitations by our church members to their friends and even casual acquaintances.

Church growth expert Win Arn promotes what he calls “the friendship factor.” More than 50,000 people over a ten-year period were asked why they came to church, and between 75 and 90 percent of respondents said, “I began attending because someone invited me.” One study queried about how visitors came to church, which revealed that 2% came by advertisement, 6% by pastor’s invitation, 6% by an organized outreach campaign, and 86% by an invitation from friends or relatives. But sadly, only 2% of church people ever invite an unchurched person to their church.

Understanding this isn’t enough. We have to act on it and begin inviting friends and acquaintances to Dale Heights. To be motivated, we need to be convinced that Dale Heights has something to offer. And we do! We’re definitely a warm, friendly, and accepting people. I’m always impressed by the way you people reach out to and engage visitors, from before worship begins, during the “passing of the peace” and after the service during our fellowship time in the Concourse.

We also offer an opportunity to participate in meaningful, biblical, and authentic worship through music, Scripture, liturgy, prayer, and preaching. We have to be “sold on our product” before we can sell it to others. I believe we can invite others to experience worship that has been meaningful to us and we know will be meaningful, perhaps even life-changing, to them. We have good news to share, and the love of Christ should motivate us to invite others to receive what is meaningful to us and might transform them.

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We have attractive and informative brochures about Dale Heights that are available in the Concourse and are useful to give to visitors, along with your personal invitation. It would also enhance your invitation if you offer to meet them before worship and sit with them during the service. Better yet, you might offer to bring them to church with you and then take them to lunch afterwards, either at your home, a restaurant, or one of our famous Dale Heights potluck lunches that always feature an interesting and informative program with excellent food.

The best publicity is free and effective—sharing with our friends and acquaintances the good news about Dale Heights Presbyterian Church!

Yours in his love and service,

—*Pastor Roger*



<b>June 5</b>	Third Sunday after Pentecost
<b>Liturgist:</b> Edi Chan	<b>Ushers:</b> Roy Lembcke, Gale Oakes, Wendy Weber
<b>June 12</b>	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost; Annual Hymn Festival
<b>Liturgist:</b> Marcia Holman	<b>Ushers:</b> Bonnie Savonne, Otty Schaefer
<b>June 19</b>	Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
<b>Liturgist:</b> Melanie Klump	<b>Ushers:</b> Janice Krall, Rick Shannon, Vreni Straubhaar
<b>June 26</b>	Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
<b>Liturgist:</b> Vreni Straubhaar	<b>Ushers:</b> Mike Holland, Elizabeth Ndafooka, Nathan Tripp

### June New Beginnings

The June New Beginnings Lunch will be Tuesday, June 21 at 11:30 at Craftsman Table & Tap, 6712 Frank Lloyd Wright Ave in Middleton. Please call or e-mail Mary Towne at 692-3885 or marytowne45@gmail.com for reservations.

### Home Communion

Communion is served in the sanctuary on the first Sunday of the month. Those who are homebound and wish to have Communion brought to them either Communion Sunday afternoon or the Wednesday following Communion Sunday should call the church office by the Thursday before.

Highlights from the May 10 Property & Finance meeting will be available in the July issue of the Focus.

### June Birthdays

June 1            Mike Holland  
                      June Zeeh  
June 7            Kim Chan  
June 11           Edi Chan  
June 15           Joan Hicks  
June 21           Lucille Miller

### June Anniversaries

June 13           Janice Krall & Rick Shannon  
June 29           Jennifer Jones & Jack Rose

### *In Sympathy*

Dale Heights expresses our sympathies to the family of Carl Metzloff upon his passing on May 19, 2016. A memorial service was held on May 28.





# Outreach & Mission

June *Outreach* News

## Looking back on May...

You were very generous in your participation and giving to our One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. Our grand total this year was \$1543.23! Just a reminder that your gifts went to four important and specific outreach programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Relief, Self-Development of People, and the West Africa Initiative. Please stop to think of the fact that you indeed make a difference in the lives of people around the world! You are blessed to be a blessing to others. By the way, it's not too late to turn in those fish boxes that are sitting on your counter! Thank you very much.

## Upcoming Outreach for World Hope Potluck...

Dale Heights will warmly welcome Kim Tews, founder of Outreach for World Hope, on June 5th at 11:30am. Come hear about the amazing work this non-denominational Christian organization is doing to improve the quality of life for the world's poor in Guatemala. The goal of OWH is to "provide humanitarian aid, hope and compassion without regard to race, color, nationality, or religious affiliation." Kim will speak about current projects in Guatemala, the Sponsor Child program, and upcoming mission trip opportunities. Bring a dish to pass or just come to enjoy worship at 10am and then the potluck at 11:30!

## Looking ahead...

- We are discussing a Grill Out Potluck to include our neighborhood either in July or August. Think about bringing a neighbor of yours as well! Please listen and watch for more information.
- We are always looking for more hands and hearts to help host The Road Home at St. Luke's in Middleton. Upcoming dates are: Friday, July 29 and Friday, November 25.

## Thank you for all you do!

—Pastor Roger Roberts (*ex officio*), Kate Dooley, Barb Fleishman (*chairperson*), Jamie Klump, Ruby Meyer, Gale Oakes, Aundrea Price, and Wendy Weber

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### Sunday Schedule

9:00-10:00am

Adult Christian Education

10:00am

Worship

11:00am

Fellowship

### **Dale Heights**

#### **Mission Statement:**

*Our open-minded congregation affirms and celebrates God's gifts of love and grace. We seek to share God's love by inviting others to join us in following Jesus and by serving those in need in our community and world.*

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