

The Pastor's Corner

Dear Aldersgate Family,

Faith That Speaks: Passing the Story On

Faith was never meant to be silent.

During February, the sermonic theme was, “Faith that Builds Us.” In a recent sermon, we reflected on a powerful truth found in Deuteronomy 6 and Psalm 78: faith survives when it is spoken, remembered, and intentionally passed from one generation to the next. Scripture reminds us that belief does not endure by accident. It lives because someone is willing to tell the story again.

Moses instructed the people of Israel to teach God’s words diligently—to speak of them at home, along the road, in the morning, and at night. Faith was not designed to live only in sacred spaces, but in everyday moments. It is shaped around tables, through conversations, and in the way we live our lives before others.

Psalm 78 carries this message forward, urging God’s people not to hide the story of God’s faithfulness from the next generation. Remembering is not about nostalgia; it is about formation. When we tell the truth about where God has met us—through joy, struggle, loss, and hope—we give others permission to trust God for themselves.

During the sermon, we reflected on a meaningful illustration drawn from work with veterans: writing each veteran’s story on a brick—not just a name or number, but the context of their life, service, and faith. Those bricks became quiet testimonies, reminding us that every life carries a story worth remembering. For many, faith was not abstract; it was what sustained them day by day.

That reflection led us to an important question: What does your brick say? If your faith story were written down—not perfectly, but honestly—what would it tell? A story of endurance? Of prayer through uncertainty? Of trusting God one more day?

Faith that stays silent fades.

Faith that is spoken takes root.

Faith that is shared becomes legacy.

As a church, we are called to be people who remember, who speak, and who pass the story on. May we never underestimate how God can use our lived faith to encourage, strengthen, and inspire generations yet to come.

So again, I ask, what does your brick say?



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