

Deer Park United Methodist Church

Weekly Update

February 22, 2016

On Sunday, Connie Hannah and Pete Von Vett helped us all out as liturgist and usher, and Connie also led the kids through Children's Time with an awesome message about the bigness of God and the smallest of ways the All intimately connects in the tiniest aspects of creation. Our No Limits Choir sang for our time of Special Music, and the Contemporary Word started into our first week of looking into the Aramaic origins of the Beatitudes from Chapter 5 of the Gospel of Mattai (the Gospel of Matthew). We started this week with "blessed are the poor in spirit," and move next week into "blessed are those who mourn."

Thanks to all who came together in worship, and stayed longer for our church planning retreat! We had a wonderfully productive time of conversation and sharing (for the most part. We goofed around a little, too, of course). All in all it was a good day, and a peaceful time of togetherness in God.

In God's Love,
Rev. Laura H.

SERVICE SNAPSHOTS

Attendance on Sunday this week was 28 total, with 5 children and 0 youth present. Our offering was \$2015.

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Linda Zimmerman, joy that she and Stan are back. Prayers for her family, two of her aunts died. Also prayers for Stan, they came home a little early because he has glaucoma and will laser surgery on Tuesday.

Kim Moore prayers for a friend.

Lucy Bauer's mom is not doing well. She and her family need our prayers.

Doug Becvar, joy that he is back with us. Also joy that he was able to spend time with Al & Marty Gram in Arizona.

Katriena Knights, prayers for a friend of Alyssa's.

Doug Jenner saw the performance of the Evergreen Chorale and Marieke Bauer lit up the stage.

BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK: Per the lectionary, the Bible verses for next week, February 28, are:

Isaiah 55:1-9
Psalm 63:1-8 (UMH 788)
1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Luke 13:1-9

Next Sunday is the Third Sunday in Lent.

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COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, February 23. **Bible Study 7 PM.**

Tuesday, March 1. **Outreach Group Meeting.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

New Charity Drive

We are collecting new socks, gently used hats, mittens and gloves for delivery in the community. Please bring what you can to fill up the box.

Check out our webpage deerparkumc.org. It is being updated regularly.

We have reloadable **Gift Cards** for **King Soopers** and **Safeway**. They are a great way to donate to the church as we receive a percentage of the money spent on groceries. See Donna Bastien.

Deer Park UMC Mission Statement

Deer Park UMC is a diverse community welcoming visitors and members of all backgrounds. ***Everyone is welcome! No exceptions!*** is not only motto but our mission statement.

We extend the open hand of Christ's love to any who would pass through our doors, regardless of age, faith, creed, race, nationality, special needs, marital status, financial or social status, gender identity or sexual orientation. We rejoice in our differences while inviting all to join our faith journey toward greater understanding and sincere mutual respect.
No matter who you are, we're glad you're here!

We are still collecting shoes for Soles for Souls, so bring your used shoes and drop them off in the box by the office. Shoes in any condition, even heavily worn or chewed by your new puppy, will be repurposed to help those in need.

Our Noisy Offering is being repurposed to the church's general fund. Please drop your extra change in the bucket at the back of the sanctuary.

Please consider joining UMC Market—it's a super easy way to donate funds to the church without spending any extra money. Much like our Safeway and King Soopers cards, UMC Market allows you to do your regular shopping through a website portal. If you use the portal, you can shop where you'd normally shop, and a percentage of your purchase amount is donated back to the church. Visit umcmarket.org and follow the prompts to sign up. Then all you have to do is sign in to their website, click on the store where you want to shop (amazon.com, Kohl's, Staples, Barnes & Noble among many others), and make your purchases as usual. **The UMC Market app has updated so you have to go on their site and make a new account to continue to use it. People who already signed up for it should get an email letting them know they need a new account.**

The Food Pantry is in need of paper products, toilet paper, paper towels. Also feminine hygiene products are needed. Baking products, cake mixes, muffin, any small mixes. Also, juices in bottles; peanut butter, jelly, ramen noodle soup, macaroni and cheese, any gluten free items, also low or no sodium items. They also need empty egg cartons. Items can be brought to church on Sunday or Tuesday nights. Alternately, Jean C. is generally in the office on Monday morning from about 10-12 and on Fridays from about 10-12. Please call first to be sure someone is there.

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The Food Bank is in continuing need of donations. Please consider donating five dollars a month or \$60 to cover the year, to help meet the needs of our community.

For this Sunday, February 28, we have the following,

Liturgist— NEED VOLUNTEER

Usher— **NEED VOLUNTEER**
Sunday School— **NEED VOLUNTEER**
Children's Time— Kim Moore
Fellowship— **NEED VOLUNTEER**

Our next Fellowship Potluck will be Sunday March 6, 2016.....Everyone please bring a dish to share.

***We are in need of volunteers for Sundays in March Laura would particularly like to see some new faces trying out these positions, so if you haven't served as liturgist, usher, children's time presenter, or fellowship or Sunday school, consider giving it a shot and signing up. Sign-up sheets are available on the table in Fellowship Hall and see where you might be able to help out. Thanks!**

Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help with services! Sign up on the signup sheets on the table in Fellowship Hall or drop me an email at office@deerparkumc.org if you're able to fill one of these positions. Thanks to all of you!

SOCIAL MEDIA:

If you're on Facebook, stop by the church's page to share stories and news and items of interest. If you then also share links or items with your main friends list, you can easily help spread the word about our little mountain church. Our reach has been growing steadily thanks to everyone's participation. Please "Share" items on your own timeline if you enjoy them, or hit "Like" on the church's site to help continue this trend of reaching a wide portion of the community.

Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/dpumc>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/deerparkumc>

Blog: <http://deerparkumc.org/blog/>

Watchwords

Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."—John 4:10(NRSV)

Today when I drink water, I will remember the power of Christ's living water. (TUR)

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