

Deer Park United Methodist Church

Weekly Update

September 29, 2014

On Sunday, Diane Quantic and Jean Thomas helped us all out as liturgist and usher, and Diane led Children's Time with a message about the value of missions work. Carolyn played for our time of special music on her last Sunday with us for the summer, and the Contemporary Word picked back up with the Exodus story, reflecting on our experience of God quenching our spiritual thirst as we wander over the dirt in seek of God's promise.

Thank you, thank you, thank you to all who helped organize our service and our sanctuary, and I hope you each have a very safe and blessed week.

In God's Love,
Rev. Laura Hehner

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SERVICE SNAPSHOTS

Our attendance this Sunday was 25 total, with 1 child and 0 youth present. Our offering was \$731.

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Rita Effler is joyful to announce that her son got the job he was seeking. Best of luck in the new position!

Kim Moore reports that their family friend Jim will be receiving a bone marrow transplant. A donor was finally located who is 100% compatible. Please continue prayers for his healing.

Jean Thomas asked for prayers for all those participating in Emily's Ride yesterday, as well as all those affected by the original events at Columbine and Platte Canyon High Schools.

Charles Wall expressed thanks for the Worship Committee, who decorated our sanctuary for the fall season.

Pierre Bastian reports that Donna's mother is doing better.

Carolyn Shockey shared her joy in sharing music with us this summer. We have been thankful for her accompaniment skills and the hymn stories she's shared with us.

Doug Becvar asks for prayers for safe travel for Lucy Bauer, who will be leaving for England to spend five weeks with her family.

BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK: Per the lectionary, the Bible verses for next week, October 5, are:

- Exodus 20:1–4, 7–9, 12–20
- Psalm 19
- Philippians 3:4b-14
- Matthew 21:33–46

Next Sunday is the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost.

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COMING EVENTS

The schedule for our Committee and Church Council meetings is going to change starting in October. This will also include our schedule for our monthly Fellowship Potluck. Individual committees will meet immediately after the service on the second Sunday of the month, followed by the Church Council. Our Fellowship Potluck will move to the first Sunday of the month. So we'll be Potlucking this coming Sunday, October 5.

Our new **Bible Study** continues Tuesday nights at 5:30, led by Diane Quantic, to discuss the book *God and the Gay Christian*. A few copies of the book are available for \$13 each for those who would like to participate. Please stay for our **Outreach Committee** meeting after the study. This week, we'll be discussing our **Halloween event**.

The **men's group** continues to meet at 8 am at the Cutthroat Café for coffee, breakfast, and conversation.

In November, on our usual Fellowship Sunday (November 9), we'll be having a turkey "dinner." There'll be a signup sheet available for people to sign up to bring various side dishes. Turkey will be provided.

9Cares Colorado Shares will be holding their yearly event at King Soopers in Conifer on November 15. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please sign up if you can help with a two-hour shift to collect food. Food collected will go to help our local community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

King Soopers cards are available from Rita Effler. For \$5 you can get a card that you can then refill as needed. The church receives a donation based on your purchase amounts. Cards can be used for groceries or gas.

You've heard the saying, "Every time a bell rings an angel gets his wings." Well, bells are ringing at the Mount **Evans Home Health Care & Hospice** offices in Evergreen (3081 Bergen Peak Dr.) as a unique group of volunteers known as the "Angel-Makers" gather to create this year's batch of decorative holiday angel ornaments. This 20-year-old mountain tradition blends crafting and socializing in a way that resembles the quilting bees of yesteryear. Whether you are a crafter, a socializer, or both—consider joining the Angel-Makers this year. Angel-making sessions will be held on Mondays from 1-4pm and Fridays from 9am-12pm starting Friday, Sept. 5 through Monday, Nov. 10. To volunteer, call 303-674-6400 or email LCarpenter@MountEvans.org.

Colorado Flood Recovery efforts continue. The Rocky Mountain Conference has put together a Facebook page and are in the initial stages of building our audience. With your help, we can continue to build awareness for the RMC's flood recovery program. Please go to www.facebook.com/umcorcoloradofloods and "like" our page. You can also search for the page by typing "Colorado Flood Recovery UMCOR" in the search box. Please also pass on the page to your colleagues and friends so they can like it too. Thank you for your help.

Bountiful Baskets is a program that provides fresh produce packaged for local pickup. Baskets are \$15. They can be purchased for individual use, and/or to donate to the Interfaith Food Pantry. The pantry is in need of fresh produce, so this would be an inexpensive way to help fill that need. Please see Rita Effler for more information. Basket pick-up is at Mountain Resource Center.

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.

We have T-shirts available again! Shirts are on the table by the office in Fellowship Hall. Cost this time around is \$11 per shirt. Please see Katriena after services or shoot an email to the office to let us know you'd like to pick one up on Sunday.

The Food Pantry is in need of dairy products: butter, cheese, milk, & eggs. If you'd like to make a donation, please bring it along on Sunday morning or Tuesday evening (for Outreach) so we can store it in the refrigerator. Alternately, Katriena 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.

Small Wonders is a conference aimed specifically at churches with a small average attendance. It will be held in Salina Kansas (at Kansas Wesleyan) on October 10-11. We're looking for a few people to attend and bring back ideas to help us grow our church. Please see Diane of Bruce Quantic for more information.

The Outreach Team will be meeting every Tuesday at 7 through the summer. If you can't make the meetings and would like to make some suggestions for outreach, drop a note to the church office and I'll pass it along to Charles.

Joyce Snapp, who has attended our church in the past, is offering personal spiritual retreats at her home. Please contact Pastor Laura if you are interested.

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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.

Food donations to the pantry are also welcome. Drop off your donations at the church office, and we'll make sure they get where they need to go.

Adult Bible Study: Bible study continues to meet at 8:45, before services, focusing on the readings for the day. If you'd like to participate, feel free to drop in any time. Bible verses for the upcoming week are posted in the Monday Update so you can take a look at them ahead of time.

For next week, October 5, we have the following:

Liturgist—Charles Wall

Usher—Mike Moore

Sunday School—**NEED VOLUNTEER**

Children's Time—Bells

Fellowship—**FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK BEGINS NEW SCHEDULE**

Choir/Orchestra Practice—No Limits Choir

Our next Worship Committee meeting will be October 12

Our next Church Council meeting will be October 12

Our next Fellowship Potluck will be October 5

We need volunteers for the month of October. 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

**You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.—
Isaiah 26:3 (NIV)**

**We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him.—Romans 8:28
(NIV)**

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