

# Deer Park United Methodist Church

## Weekly Update

August 12, 2014

On Sunday, Ken Carpenter (despite the perils of large looming spider overhead!) and our most wonderful friend, Mike Moore, helped us all out as liturgist and usher. Lucy Bauer kindly led us through bells for Children's Time and brought with her an amazing group of friends and family with the most absolutely stunning combined vocals I've ever heard ring so loudly through the pews! If you weren't here, you definitely missed out on a beautifully soul-shaking doxology. Sorry, friends---ya snooze ya lose! The Psalm 150 Orchestra played beautifully for our time of Special Music with a piece inadvertently (and blessedly) matching so well the theme of our Contemporary Word, which began a two-part sermon on Matthew 14:22-33 about the way Peter's walk of faith over stormy waters reflects the struggle, hope, and perseverance of God's church in an often hostile world.

Thanks so much to Marieke and Alex for moving us with your song. And thanks to Carolyn again and again for the words and music you bring to our time of worship.

It was wonderful seeing you all as we gathered together in God, and I hope you each have a very safe and blessed week.

In God's Love,  
Rev. Laura H.

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### **SERVICE SNAPSHOTS**

Our attendance this Sunday was 28 total, with 3 children and 1 youth present. Our offering was \$540.

### **JOYS AND CONCERNS:**

Jean Thomas asks for prayers for a friend's 28-year-old son, Joey, who has been diagnosed with T-cell lymphoma.

The Quantics were happy to welcome their grandchildren, Harry and Hazel, to Sunday's service.

Please also send prayers to the Keith-Zamoras. Sharon's brother-in-law Tom Weissenfluh died a week ago Saturday after two weeks in ICU.

**BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK:** Per the lectionary, the Bible verses for next week, August 17, are:

- Genesis 45:1–15
- Psalm 133 (UMH 850)
- Romans 11:1–2a, 29–32
- Matthew 15: (10–20) 21–28
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Next Sunday is the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

**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.

**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.

**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](http://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 in the display case 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 Outreach Group** let us know that we’ll be sending a \$400 donation to the Mountain Resource Center’s Crisis Fund. This fund helps people in the local community who have immediate needs such as rent or mortgage payments or utility bills.

**We are looking for volunteers on August 17** to help assemble school supply kits for low-income children attending Fitzsimmons Middle School in Bailey. We will make school kits for 15 children, five for each grade. The school supply lists for each grade are very specific and include items like thumb drives and calculators, in addition to

normal pens and pencils, so all of the supplies will be purchased prior to the assembly date. We are in need of Kleenex boxes to fill out these kits. Please contact Joyce or Pete Von Vett if you can donate tissues. We're still collecting our "Noisy Offering" to help pay for the school kits.

Stay after fellowship on Sunday, August 17 to assemble kits and help our community students feel more confident and motivated to learn.

**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.

## COMING EVENTS

**Our Summer Retreat** is coming up on August 22-24. We'll need a variety of volunteers, though specific tasks have not yet been nailed down. We'll probably need people to cook, organize, and lead workshops during the retreat. If you are interested in attending or volunteering in any capacity, please sign up on the purple sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. We'll be working on both firestarters and heart pillows to contribute to our church outreach. Please sign up on the sheet in Fellowship Hall if you are interested in attending the retreat. The full program and a proposed menu is now available.

**The Outreach Team** is also planning a community pig roast for early September. We'll be delivering invitations to the surrounding area. More information will be available in the near future.

**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, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, we have the following:

Liturgist—Jean Thomas

Usher—Pete Von Vett

Sunday School—**NEED VOLUNTEER**

Children's Time—Connie Hannah

Fellowship—Ken & Jean Carpenter

Choir/Orchestra Practice—Psalm 150 Orchestra, 9 am

**We still have slots open in August. Please drop by 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! Signup sheets for July and August are now available on the table in Fellowship Hall or drop me an email at [office@deerparkumc.org](mailto:office@deerparkumc.org) if you're able to fill one of these positions. Thanks to all of you!

**PLEASE NOTE:** *Sign-up slots for Sunday School and Children's Time are now on the same sheet. Ushers now have their own sign-up sheet.*

## **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**

**Do not consider his appearance... The Lord does not look at the things people look at.... The Lord looks at the heart.—1 Samuel 16:7 (NIV)**

**Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.—Ephesians 4:32 (NRSV)**

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