

Deer Park United Methodist Church

Weekly Update

September 2, 2014

On Sunday, Jean Thomas and Bruce Quantic helped us all out as liturgist and usher, and Nikki and Danielle quite awesomely performed a bible camp song for Children's Time. The Contemporary Word focused on Exodus 3:1-15, and the ways God tears us apart, tosses the pieces of our lives high, then makes us whole again into something new and striking to be seen.

Thanks to all who came together in worship, 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 23 total, with 3 children and 0 youth present. Our offering was \$365, plus another \$9.89 from last week's Noisy Offering.

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

We were happy to see Bruce Quantic back from his trip to Washington, DC, where he visited his grandchildren.

Jean Thomas asks for prayers for all those who have difficulties with the transition in seasons. She also asks for continued prayers for a safe and healthy pregnancy for her daughter-in-law Amber. Jean also requests prayers for all those fighting cancer.

Rita and Dave Effler are happy that Dave's kids are visiting this week for Rita's birthday.

Steve Hoffman asks for prayers for his family after the loss of his cousin, who committed suicide. He also asks for prayers for his friend Leslie, who has been diagnosed with cancer. He also reports that he was able to spend Saturday with his great-great grandsons at the zoo.

Donna Bastien has been happy to welcome family, visiting for an extended family reunion over the last two weeks. She also asks for prayers for her mother, whose lung cancer has spread into her ribs.

Diane Quantic asks for prayers for a friend in Derby, who was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer. She also asks for prayers for a family friend in Sweden, who was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. In addition, Bruce's cousin has been moved from assisted living to a nursing home.

Kim Moore reports that the Moores' friend Jim is now in Seattle awaiting a bone marrow transplant or other treatment. He might be there as long as 12 to 18 months, but his prognosis has changed from a 10% survival rate to 80%.

Linda Zimmerman asks for prayers for Karen Alexander and her husband Gene. Karen is a former member of our church, and her husband is now an invalid. They are moving to Texas to be closer to family.

Sharron Tuell, also a former member of Deer Park, is in a nursing home struggling with Alzheimer's. Jean Thomas and Janet Mizelle will be visiting her next week. Jean asks that we bring cards for her next Sunday to let her know we're thinking of her.

BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK: Per the lectionary, the Bible verses for next week, September 7, are:

- Exodus 12:1–14
- Romans 13:8–14
- Matthew 18:15–20

Next Sunday is the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost.

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COMING EVENTS

The Outreach Team's Community Pig Roast is coming up on September 20. We'll be delivering invitations to the surrounding area. Flyers are available in the back of the sanctuary. Please feel free to take as many as you'd like to distribute to your friends and neighbors. Our Noisy Offering has been repurposed to help cover the costs of the pig roast.

This Saturday, September 6, meet at the church for our **Woodpile Work Day** from 8-12. In addition to adding to our woodpile, we'll also be preparing the church parking lot for the pig roast.

Our new **Bible Study** starts tonight at 5:30, led by Diane Quantic, to discuss the book *God and the Gay Christian*. Copies of the book will be available shortly for \$13 each for those who would like to participate.

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

On **Tuesday, September 23**, we will be decorating the church for the fall season. Please drop by between 10 and 11 am to help out.

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:

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, September 7, we have the following:

Liturgist—Bruce Quantic
Usher—Pete Von Vett
Sunday School—Dave Bauer
Children's Time—Lucy Bauer, Bells
Fellowship—Diane Quantic
Choir/Orchestra Practice—No Limits Choir, 8:45 am.

Sign-up sheets are now available for September and October. 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! 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

Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.—1 Chronicles 16:11 43:19 (NIV)

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.—2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 (NIV)

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