

Deer Park United Methodist Church

Weekly Update

April 27, 2015

On Sunday, Kim Moore and Ken Carpenter helped us all out as liturgist and usher, and Kim so led the kids through Children's Time with a message about letting the light shine through our hearts in giving love. Beth Moore sang beautifully for our time of Special Music and the Contemporary Word moved on to the theme of forgiveness as we near the end of our sermon series on the Lord's Prayer.

Thanks to each who came together in worship, and I hope you have a very safe and blessed week!

In God's Love,
Rev. Laura H.

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SERVICE SNAPSHOTS

Attendance this week was 29 total, with 6 children and 1 youth present. Our offering was \$815

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Linda Zimmerman expressed her joy at having Beth Moore with us, and her contribution to our Special Music for the service.

Kim Moore sadly reports that Jim Hazelwood, the Moore's family friend who has been battling leukemia for quite some time, passed away on Thursday.

Randy Marsh asks for prayers for the friends and family of a prominent member of the community who passed away this week.

Beth Moore reported that her twin daughters celebrated their tenth birthdays on Friday. She also was happy to let us know that her mother will finally be able to pursue the cancer treatment she's been seeking now that the insurance company has approved it.

Doug Jenner let us know that his neighbor Arnie, who was injured in a skiing accident recently, has been back to the hospital with a mini-stroke, but is doing well and will probably be returning home soon.

Donna expressed the feelings of the whole congregation in that we're all happy to have Laura back.

Pastor Laura is happy to report that her cousin just moved to the area from New Jersey. She also asked us to keep the people of Nepal, India, Tibet, and Bangladesh after the earthquake that struck the region on Saturday.

Jean Carpenter expressed joy that her son-in-law, Brandon, has returned safely from a deployment in Afghanistan.

BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK: Per the lectionary, the Bible verses for next week, May 3, are:

Acts 8:26-40

Psalm 22:25-31

1 John 4:7-21

John 15:1-8. This Sunday is the Fifth Sunday of Easter.

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COMING EVENTS

Our **Worship Committee Meeting** will be held Sunday, May 3rd.

OUTREACH GROUP continues to meet on Tuesday nights at 7 pm. They're currently working on events for this summer and fall, including our church retreat and another community pig roast. They are looking for feedback for the dates for the retreat. The current dates available are August 7-9 and August 14-16. Please let someone on Outreach know your preference between these two dates, or send an email to the office at office@deerparkumc.org. We are also talking about bringing back some of the activities we used to have on a weekly/monthly basis at Deer Park. Anyone is welcome to these meetings, so please drop in and add your voice to the discussion.

Bible Study meets at 8:45 am, before services.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: At the last Outreach meeting, the committee decided to set up a special offering to help Pastor Laura and Ky out with the financial burdens related to medical bills over the past couple of weeks. Adding insult to injury, their bank account was hacked this past week, as well. Outreach will have an offering plate upstairs by the coffee pots. Cash as well as checks made out to Pastor Laura or Ky Hehner will go directly to them. If you prefer a tax-deductible gift, make the check out to

DPUMC and add “Pastor Laura” on the memo line. If there are any questions, please contact any member of the Outreach Group.

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 help the Uthalls as needed during Wade’s recovery. 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 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.

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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 this Sunday, May 3, we have the following:

Liturgist—Ken Carpenter

Usher—Pete Von Vett

Sunday School—Dave Bauer

Children’s Time—Lucy Bauer, Bells

Fellowship—Fellowship Potluck

Choir/Orchestra Practice—No Limits Choir, 8:45 am

Our next Fellowship Potluck will be Sunday, May 3. Worship Committee Meeting will also be held on May 3. Our next Church Council and committee meetings will be as follows: Church Council and Committee Meetings—Sunday, May 10.

We are in need of volunteers for May and June. 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

God said, "Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice...? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house?"—Isaiah 58:6-7 (NRSV)

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.—1 Peter 4:10 (NIV)

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