Deer Park United Methodist Church

Weekly Update

September 8, 2015, 2015

On Sunday, Ken Carpenter and Pete Von Vett helped us all out as liturgist and usher, and Mr. Dave Bauer led us through bells for Children's Time. Our No Limits Choir sang beautifully for our time of Special Music and the Contemporary Word focused on the different and very meaningful ways God speaks in our lives, while opening our hearts to the joy of eternal life flowing through us all in connection with God's soul. 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.

SERVICE SNAPSHOTS

Attendance this week was 27 total, with 5 children and 0 youth present. Our offering was \$1926.33.

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Diane Quantic, joy that her son was here and they spent good time together.

Ken Carpenter, joy for meeting Pastor Laura's family and happy that they were able to mend their differences.

Beth and Orion Moore, joy for celebrating their 12th wedding anniversary.

Connie Hannah, prayers that the rift between her and her brother, Mike may someday be mended.

Doug Jenner, prayers for his college roommate who has advanced prostate cancer.

Donna Bastien, prayers for her cat that she just adopted.

BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK: Per the lectionary, the Bible verses for next week, September 13th, are:

Proverbs 1:20-33
Psalm 19
James 3:1-12
Mark 8:27-38
Next Sunday is the sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost.

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COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, September 8th. Bible Study Group

Saturday, September 12, we will have **Grounds clean up day. 8:00 am: Breakfast at the church; 9:00 am till: Clean up grounds. Need: bush hog, weed eaters, limb lobbers, clippers, bring these items if you can help with yard work.**Sort and price auction items; create silent auction baskets.

Tuesday, September 15. Outreach Group Meeting.

Friday, September 18: **Set up for Pig Roast.** 9am until whenever:

Saturday, September 19th, **Pig Roast**. 11:00am-5:00pm. Food served 1:00-4:30pm.

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

Sunday, October 4 we will have **Blessing of the Animals.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The American Red Cross is recruiting disaster services volunteers in Park County. Free training is being offered during September on how to open and operate an emergency shelter. Training takes 6-7 hours and can be done in one or two days. Both morning and afternoon sessions are required. The next training is scheduled for Sept. 12 from 9:00 to noon and 1:00-4:00. It will also be offered on our Pig Roast day, Sept. 19, and again on the 26th. Contact Doug Constance at 719-966-9732 or dougconstance@gmail.com. Indicate all of the time blocks that work for you and whether you can take the training in Bailey or Fairplay.

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.

Some of our committees are looking for some new faces. The SPPRC and Finance groups in particular would like another member. For information on what this group does and how you can help, please contact Doug Jenner.

Our questionnaire/survey for **Reconciling Ministries** has been sent out and we will have results soon.

We've had quite a few new faces join our congregation over the last several months, so it's time to **update our birthday and anniversary lists**. Please send your birthday and/or anniversary date to the office for inclusion so we can get back on track with recognizing special days in our congregation. (Don't worry—we won't ask you for the year you were born, just the date!)

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.

St Francis Center is in dire need of towels, hand towels and washcloths, new or used. We will have a box in the Fellowship Hall for contributions. Please continue to bring them in all summer. Pastor Laura will deliver them as we fill the box.

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 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 com.

For this Sunday, September 13th, we have the following:

Liturgist—Kim Moore
Usher—NEED VOLUNTEER
Sunday School—Dave Bauer
Children's Time—Diane Quantic

Fellowship—Diane Quantic

Our next Fellowship Potluck will be Sunday, October 4th....

We are in need of volunteers for Sundays in September/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: https://deerparkumc.org/blog/

Watchwords

Since you excel in everything--in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you--see that you also excel in this grace of giving.—

2Corinthians 8:7 (NRSV)

The best gift we'll ever give or receive is the love of Christ.—Thought for the Day (TUR)

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