Deer Park United Methodist Church

Monday Update

September 2, 2013

This Sunday, Charles Wall and Al Graham helped us all out as liturgist and usher, and Connie with the choir sang, "We Shall Overcome," for our time of Special Music. They did an amazing job and captured so much spirit in the moment! Dave Bauer led us through bells for Children's Time, and our Contemporary Word focused on Jeremiah 2, and trusting in God to guide us as we go, living our lives doing our best to feel that comfort which always surrounds us in the heart of the holy.

Thanks so much to all who came together in worship. It was some wonderful time spent with God and each other, and I hope you each have a safe and blessed week!

In God's Holy Love and Peace, Rev. Laura H.

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SUNDAY'S SNAPSHOT

Our attendance this Sunday was 30 total, with no children and 2 youth present. Our offering was \$1002.

JOYS AND CONCERNS: We all commiserated about the widespread power outage on Saturday night, especially Mel Schulman, who found himself without oxygen. Mel also expressed joy at his older son's birthday and his grandson's first birthday. Mel will be visiting them, and it will be the first time he's seen his grandson since the baby was six months old.

Mel also expressed thanks for the choir's performance.

Dave Effler mentioned that Sunday was Rita's birthday. Happy birthday!

Rita also mentioned that her grandson Theo's birthday is today, and the family will be visiting.

Yet another birthday joy—Jean Thomas' grandson turned three.

Dan McCafferty expressed joy and thanks for our prayers for Maggie. It was wonderful to see them among our congregation again yesterday! In addition, Dan asks for prayers for his brother, who starts chemo on Friday for lung cancer.

Connie Hannah asks for prayers for Cindy Grace and her friends and family. Cindy passed away recently and will be greatly missed. Connie also mentioned the loss of her

best friend from high school, with whom she performed music on many occasions. Prayers for Connie as she grieves these losses.

Connie also had a joy—she recently spoke to her goddaughter Vanessa Johnson. Barbara Johnson, Vanessa's mother, was a long-time member of our church until they moved to Washington State. Vanessa, who was practically a baby last we saw her, has somehow turned 14, while Miranda is 18 and Rosalie is 19.

Ron Hathaway asked for prayers for a friend who recently moved to the area to retire. He suffered a heart attack shortly after the move and is recovering.

Debbie Gadomski asks for prayers for her parents, who just departed after a month-long visit. Both are dealing with health concerns.

Chris Chase asked for prayers for all the children and teachers returning to fall routines as the end of summer approaches.

Katriena asks for prayers for her friend Marilyn, a fellow author, who will be undergoing a biopsy to evaluate a spot found on her lung.

BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK: Jeremiah 18:1-11, Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18, Philemon 1-21, Luke 14:25-33

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Apologies to those who have not received the Monday Update for the last couple of weeks. I've been having some technical difficulties with the new computer, and I thought I'd found a good workaround, but apparently it didn't work as well as I'd hoped. This week should be more successful. Fingers crossed...

The Newsletter should be out this week—a bit late, but again, there have been some technical issues. Keep an eye on your inbox for this important missive.

An outreach committee meeting will be held on Tuesday September 3rd @7:00 pm at the church. At the next Church Council meeting a list of all of the active committees and their leaders will be addressed. All committee leaders and members are requested to be present.

Church Council: Church Council meetings will now be held on the fourth Sunday of the month instead of the second Sunday during the potluck.

The Wichita Work Team will be visiting our church on September 13-15. Please contact Bruce Quantic if you have any input regarding helping out with the work team or tasks the work team could look at while they are here.

We will be holding a picnic at the pavilion at Pine Valley Ranch (on Rt. 126 between Pine Junction and Pine) at 5:00 on Saturday, September 14th to show our appreciation for the work team. Please RSVP to Rita Effler so we'll be sure to have enough food available.

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 8, we have the following:

Liturgist—Debbie Gadomski
Usher—Mike Moore
Sunday School—NEED VOLUNTEER
Children's Time—NEED VOLUNTEER
Fellowship—Fellowship Potluck
Choir/Orchestra Practice—Psalm 150 Orchestra, 9 a.m.

Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help with services! September and October signup sheets are available 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! 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 and group 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

Facebook group: http://www.facebook.com/groups/378878865244/

Twitter: https://twitter.com/deerparkumc Blog: http://deerparkumc.org/blog/

AROUND THE COMMUNITY:

The Third Annual Hidden Valley Music Festival will be held on Saturday, September 21, at 482 Road D, Hidden Valley Ranch, Pine. The festival will kick off with a performance by our own Alex Bauer. Please RSVP by September 1 to Doug Becvar at b80470@yahoo.com so the hosts can be sure sufficient food and beverages will be available. Invitations have been distributed to the church pigeonholes in the sanctuary.

FREE CAR SEAT CHECKS by Certified Technicians, September 29, 2013 11:00am-3:00pm, Evergreen Fire Department 1802 Bergen Pkwy, Evergreen, CO 80439. Call (303)674.9683 or visit www.drive-smart.org

Watchwords

A tithe of everything from the land, whether grain from the soil or fruit from the trees, belongs to the Lord; it is holy to the Lord.—Leviticus 27:30 (NIV)

The king will answer them... "Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."—Matthew 25:40 (NRSV)

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Contact information: Drive to 966 Rim Rock Road in the 285 Community. Send mail to P.O. Box 578 Pine, CO 80470. Call the church office at 303-838-6759. Pastor Laura Hehner pastor@deerparkumc.org. Deer Park United Methodist Church – Where everyone is welcome! No Exceptions!

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