

Deer Park United Methodist Church

Weekly Update

January 6, 2014

This Sunday, Jean Thomas and Mike Moore helped us all out as liturgist and usher, and Lucy Bauer led us through Children's Time with bells. We shared together in Holy Communion, and our Contemporary Word focused on the ways we walk into future days down the path of God's leading, each moment illuminated by a holy light bringing friendship, company, and peace as we experience success and failure, strain and ease.

Thanks to all who joined together in worship, and I hope you have a safe and wonderful week. See you soon, and God bless!

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

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SERVICE SNAPSHOTS

Our attendance this Sunday was 20 total, with 1 child and 1 youth present. Our offering totaled \$125.

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Ron and Lois Hathaway are happy to have their granddaughter with them, and four more grandchildren arriving yesterday.

Charles Wall expressed his joy at belonging to this church and seeing how our congregation came together to show the community that we are an active, outreaching church. He also asks for prayers for Janie, who has an infection in her shoulder and will be undergoing antibiotic treatment. As for Charles, his eye doctor says his vision is excellent, so thanks for all your prayers!

Jean Thomas asks for prayers for her son as he continues to struggle through a contentious divorce. She also asks for prayers for her doctors as they continue to search for the cause of her chronic knee pain. She also passed along a big thank you to everyone who helped take down all the Christmas decorations last week after church.

Please also keep Pastor Laura's father in your prayers. He is in the hospital with internal bleeding that has not yet been diagnosed.

Please also send prayers to Lesa Bannon McGary and her family. Her husband, Douglas McGary, passed away just before Christmas.

BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK: Per the lectionary, the Bible verses for next week, January 12th, are: Isaiah 42:1–9, Psalm 29 (UMH 761), Acts 10:34-43, Matthew 3:13-17. Next Sunday's designation is the Baptism of the Lord/First Sunday after the Epiphany

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Attached is an information sheet regarding UMCMarket. You can use UMCMarket to do your regular shopping and have an automatic donation sent to our church based on what you purchase. All you have to do is sign up and visit whatever store you wish to buy from through the UMCMarket portal.

Outreach Group meetings will be resume tomorrow night at 7 pm. Please come with all your ideas and thoughts for outreach in the new year.

The Outreach Group is also sponsoring a raffle. If you donate any item to the food bank, you'll receive an entry to win an NIV Study Bible. Raffle tickets are available on the piano, upstairs in Fellowship Hall.

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. If you bring a non-perishable item to donate for the Food Bank, you can enter a drawing for a beautiful NIV Study Bible provided by the Outreach Group. Let's fill up our raffle box with tickets! (See above for more details.)

Outreach Goals are posted on the bulletin boards in Fellowship Hall. We'll be keeping track of our goals and how well we're progressing with these reports. Stop by and take a look to see where you can help out! The Outreach Group will be adding new goals for next year when they resume meetings in mid-January.

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.

The Newsletter will be moving to a quarterly format starting January 1st.

For next week, January 12, we have the following:

Liturgist—Lucy Bauer1
Usher—Mike Moore
Sunday School—Dave Bauer
Children’s Time—Jean Thomas
Fellowship—Potluck
Choir/Orchestra Practice—Psalm 150 Orchestra 9:00 a.m.

Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help with services! Signup sheets for January and February are now 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/>

Watchwords

The psalmist wrote, “Even if my father and mother left me all alone, the Lord would take me in.”—Psalms 27:10 (CEB)

If God is for us, who is against us?—Romans 8:31 (NRSV)

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