Deer Park United Methodist Church

Weekly Update

July 20, 2015, 2015

On Sunday, Diane and Bruce Quantic helped us all out as liturgist and usher, and Connie led the kids through Children's Time with a message about God's protection and love. Our No Limits Choir also sang of the presence of this care in our lives, and our Contemporary Word focused on Mark 6:30-44, and the feeding of the five thousand, reminding us of the ways the tiniest of actions spread God's love far and wide to touch the whole of the world in miraculous ways.

Thanks for 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 6 children and 0 youth present. Our offering was \$696.50.

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

With many congregants traveling for the summer, please offer traveling prayers for those venturing away from home.

Diane Quantic announced Bruce's birthday on the 7/23

Doug Jenner asked for prayers for his friend Frank who has been battling cancer for 3 years and is now receiving meds through hospice care. He is enjoying the life he has left.

Beth Moore asked for prayers for families of the military members who were injured or killed in Chattanooga.

Diane Quantic asked for prayers for the families of the theater shooting victims as the trial ends.

Bruce Quantic wanted people to know that Baker College, a very small school, sent a group of nursing students to help people in Kenya.

Connie Hannah reminded us that all life matters and reminded us to consider community and love for one another.

Jean Carpenter asked for prayers for Randy Marsh who is going through personal difficulties.

BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK: Per the lectionary, the Bible verses for next week, July 26, are:

2 Samuel 11:1-15
Psalm 14 (UMH 746)
Ephesians 3:14-21
John 6:1-21
Next Sunday is the ninth Sunday after Pentecost.

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COMING EVENTS

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Tuesday, July 21. Outreach Group meeting

Tuesday, July 28. No Outreach Group meeting or Bible Study.

Tuesday, August, 4. Outreach Group meeting

Tuesday, August 11. Bible Study Group

Tuesday, August 18. Outreach Group meeting

Tuesday, August 25. Bible Study Group

Vacation Bible School will be held July 27-31. We're in need of volunteers to help out. For additional information or to volunteer, contact any member of the Outreach Committee. Meetings to discuss the curriculum and logistics will be held on Monday nights for the next few weeks.

Fifth Annual Hidden Valley Music Festival will be held on Saturday August 1, 2015. Contact Doug Becvar for more info

August 2, **VBS Celebration Service and Barbecue**. Please bring side dishes as this will take the place of potluck this month (You can check with Beth for details.)

Saturday, August 22, afternoon and evening. The date for the retreat has been changed. We will be having a mini-retreat with devotions led by Pastor Laura, a campfire with hotdogs and s'mores, and good fellowship. Watch for more details.

August 9, **Blessing of the Backpacks**. It's almost time for school to begin and we will celebrate the new school year with the blessing of students' backpacks. This will be done during worship on August 9th. Students of all ages are invited to bring a

backpack, briefcase or something representing school for prayer and blessing on that Sunday.

Mark your calendars for the Pig Roast on September 19th. More information will be forthcoming.

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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.

We are also looking for a new **Church Administrator** to take over the position by the end of July. If you're interested in a part-time job (about 5-10 hours/week), please contact the church office. We need someone with a good knowledge of Microsoft Office and basic computer knowledge. Training will be provided.

Our questionnaire/survey for **Reconciling Ministries** have 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. 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, July 26, we have the following:

Liturgist—Bruce Quantic
Usher—NEED VOLUNTEER
Sunday School—NEED VOLUNTEER
Children's Time—NEED VOLUNTEER
Fellowship—Ken & Jean Carpenter

Our next Fellowship Potluck will be Sunday, August 2...

We are in need of volunteers for Sundays in July/August. 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

Jesus said, "My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me."—John 10:27 (NRSV)

The Holy Spirit helps us to hear Christ's voice —Thought For The Day (TUR)

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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. Everyone is welcome! No exceptions!

Jean C.

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