

Deer Park United Methodist Church

Weekly Update

August 3, 2015, 2015

On Sunday, Beth and Mike Moore (of separate Moore clans) helped us all out as liturgist and usher, and Lucy led Children's Time with bells. Our No Limits Choir sang beautifully for our time of special music, and Diane Quantic led us through the Contemporary Word with a message about what it means to be the church in a changing society.

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 31 total, with 6 children and 1 youth present. Our offering was \$1036.

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

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

Jennifer Monroe expressed joy that she can now see with both eyes. She welcomed her honorary niece and nephew and asked for prayers for their family members and living situations.

Lucy Bauer asked for prayers for a family member who had a stroke.

Diane Quantic asked for prayers for dear friends, Bob & Sharon, who just moved into assisted living, with health issues. They also have 2 cats that need new homes.

Connie Hannah asked for travel mercies for her friend Carol.

Pastor Laura asked for prayers for her 103 year old grandmother for her peace, rest and comfort.

Continued prayers for Randy Marsh

BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK: Per the lectionary, the Bible verses for next week, August 9, are:

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Psalm 130 (UMH 848)

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

John 6:35, 41-51

Next Sunday is the eleventh Sunday after Pentecost.

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COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, August, 4. **Outreach Group meeting**

Tuesday, August 11. **Bible Study Group**

Tuesday, August 18. **Outreach Group meeting**

Tuesday, August 25. **Bible Study Group**

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.

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.

Saturday, September 19th, **Pig Roast**. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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, August 2, we have the following:

Liturgist—Donna Bastien

Usher—NEED VOLUNTEER

Sunday School—NEED VOLUNTEER
Children's Time—Julie Miller
Fellowship—Julie Miller

Our next Fellowship Potluck will be Sunday, September 6...

We are in need of volunteers for Sundays in 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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd—Matthew 9:36 (NRSV)

I want to see the world through God's eyes of compassion.—Thought for the Day (TUR)

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