

The Village Voice

Deer Park United Methodist Church August 14, 2017

From the Pastor:

My, oh my, what a weekend! It began on about Thursday for me, with getting out, cleaning and packing our trailer, packing a menagerie of clothes, toys, KIDS, and etc, and heading up to Doug Becvar's place – the site of the 2017 Hidden Valley Music Festival. It began for Doug and his neighbors and friends about seven years ago! What a tremendous labor of love!!! It is truly difficult to “get my head around” all the work that must be done to promote such an event. The logistics are bewildering. The effort, monumental. And all so perfectly executed that, I have to say, it was certainly one of the most fun, enjoyable, and safe events I have every been privileged to attend. And the music! Wow!!!

Beginning with a (very) young group of musicians and singers (sorry, I didn't get the name of their group) joining with the Prisoners of Jazz band to sing the National Anthem, and then proceeding to play an excellent set of popular songs by themselves, followed by sets played by Prisoners of Jazz, Kicked to the Curb, and the Hazel Miller Band, interspersed with more collaborative efforts by them all, and ending with the golden voice of Hazel Miller, it was a musically perfect day (and night.)

And the food! Good grief! A whole pig, roasted by a neighbor, tons of brisket - smoked by Doug, and more side dish perfections than you could count, along with all the “trimmings” and drink goodness anyone could ask for – this made for an unimaginably wonderful feast. My hat is off to Doug and the many, many volunteers who made this an event that is impossible to characterize without the use of superlatives. And I could go on...

Then came Sunday. Very early. I arrived exhausted. And then a techno glitch that sent me scrambling to the Sunday School room to find pictures of a Smiling Jesus to somehow form a bridge between the hundreds of smiling faces Linda Zimmerman so artistically “enhanced” to that of a loving Lord of the Church. In spite of the fact that many of us who came to worship the risen Lord arrived in a state of near exhaustion, we continued the fun and smiles. And more music! You folks are really beginning to sing with a beautiful gusto. I appreciate it greatly. And I know the Lord loves it.

We are just trying to sing our praise for a wonderful Lord, and express our joy for living. It's that simple. I'll end where I started: My, oh my, what a weekend!

May your joy abound,
Dick

On Sunday, Ken Carpenter and Mike Moore helped us all out as liturgist and usher. Joyce Von Vett accompanied the hymns. Pastor Dick gave a wonderful children's message and then gave a wonderful message to the rest of us.

SERVICE SNAPSHOTS

Attendance on Sunday this week was 24 total with 6 children and 0 youth present. Our offering was \$566.

JOYS AND CONCERNS:

Rita Effler prayers for Bret Forden and his family as he recovers from a bad accident.

Pete VonVett joy for the Music Festival on Saturday and safe travels for him and Joyce.

Diane Quantic prayers for many people who need healing.

Jean Thomas prayers for healing for son and joy for his upcoming wedding.

Beth Moore joy for the fun time looking at the meteors Saturday night with Girl Scouts. Prayers for all the people injured or killed and their families in Charlottesville.

Pastor Dick: While this past weekend was a quadruple whopper of joy for many of us, it was a definite "downer" for Brent Forden. Though he was "up" in Canada, a wonderful place to be, a chainsaw accident brought him down pretty fast. We are praying for an equally fast, and complete recovery for him, and for patience and peace for Lori and their daughters, Claire and Emma.

BIBLE VERSES FOR NEXT WEEK: Per the lectionary, the Bible verses for next week, August 20, are:

Genesis 45:1-15

Psalm 133 (UMH 850)

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28

Next Sunday is the Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

DPUMC has a new online photo directory. If Pastor Dick has not yet taken your photo, please stay after church for one this week. If you are not able to make it to church, please email a photo of yourself or your family (you may send more than one photo, as needed, to include everyone) to: Karen Gatlin at karenlougatlin@gmail.com? We'd also love any recent photos of the Choir or other DPUMC activities. This should help the Deer Park family to stay well connected. Note: As of August 8, you may go to instantchurchdirectory.com and sign in using your own email (listed in our directory) and the Password: DPUMC1984 Thanks! Please contact Karen if you have any trouble logging in. This may mean that we do not have your current email address.

Deer Park United Methodist Church Council Meeting Meeting Notes -August 13, 2017

The Church Council for the Deer Park United Methodist Church met on Sunday, August 13, 2017 after Worship Services. Pastor Dick opened the meeting with a prayer. Attending were Mike Moore, Pastor Dick, Pete and Joyce Von Vett, Ken and Jean Carpenter, Donna Bastien, Bruce and Diane Quantic.

Chairperson Mike Moore opened the meeting with revisit of State records and we do not need to update them.

Donna Bastien presented financial report for July and it ended with a positive.

Outreach: Mike will contact teachers and find out what supplies, etc. that they will need for this school year. We are looking into donating money for school lunches for the elementary and middle school.

Kim Moore will head plans for Trunk or Treat for Halloween this year. September 30 is a fifth Sunday so our work day will be Tuesday night (Halloween).

Bruce Quantic has been in touch with McCaffertys about coat drive for this winter.

Renovations of Parsonage will continue as use by the Food Pantry continues.

Joyce Von Vett and Karen Gatlin are working on food needed for the Kansas work team. They will have signup sheets and requests for energy bars, etc. as needed.

Needed now: people to work on yard, it has gotten overgrown and needs to be mowed are weed whacked.

The meeting was adjourned after a prayer by Mike Moore at 12:30 PM.

The Deer Park United Methodist Church Music Ministry and Outreach has been providing musical instruments to youth in our area for over ten years. Thirty instruments have been provided to youth and elementary schools in our area. These instruments are donated and reconditioned if needed. If you have an instrument that is in a closet or no longer needed, please consider donating it to us.

Anyone that is available to sing or play for Special Music any upcoming Sunday please let me know.

Deer Park UMC is now registered with Amazon Smile. Support your charitable organization by starting your shopping at smile.amazon.com

Charity Drive

We are collecting new socks, hats and gloves for delivery in the community. We are also collecting towels. Please bring what you can to fill up the box.

Check out our webpage deerparkumc.org.

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.

Deer Park UMC

Mission Statement

Deer Park UMC is a diverse community welcoming visitors and members of all backgrounds. ***Everyone is welcome! No exceptions!*** is not only motto but our mission statement.

We extend the open hand of Christ's love to any who would pass through our doors, regardless of age, faith, creed, race, nationality, special needs, marital status, financial or social status, gender identity or sexual orientation. We rejoice in our differences while inviting all to join our faith journey toward greater understanding and sincere mutual respect.

No matter who you are, we're glad you're here!

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.

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 UMC Market app has updated so you have to go on their site and make a new account to continue to use it. People who already signed up for it should get an email letting them know they need a new account.**

DPUMC is now one of the AmazonSmile charities, so if people select the church as their charity, we will get 0.5% of the purchase price from eligible AmazonSmile purchases. They need to go to smile.amazon.com and select the church as their charity, and then they should start their Amazon shopping at <http://smile.amazon.com> for it to count.

Note that Amazon is no longer one of the UMC market vendors so this is the best way for the church to benefit from Amazon purchases.

NEWS FROM THE INTERFAITH FOOD PANTRY

The Pantry has moved. We are now upstairs in the Parsonage and will begin renovating the downstairs as soon as we can coordinate with the Trustees at Deer Park UMC and the other Churches. In the meantime please keep us in your prayers.

The Food Pantry is in need of paper products, paper towels. They also need dish soap and laundry detergent. Also feminine hygiene products are needed. Baking products, cake mixes, muffin, any small mixes. 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 community.

For this Sunday, August 13, we have the following:

Liturgist— Nicole Moore

Usher— Bruce Quantic

Watching the kids-- NEED VOLUNTEER

Children's Time— NEED VOLUNTEER

Fellowship— Diane Quantic

***WE ARE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAYS IN AUGUST/SEPTEMBER. Sign-up sheets are available on the table in Fellowship Hall and see where you might be able to help out, or send an email to the office. 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

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you. – Psalm 32:8-11(NIV)

God has great plans for me. —(Thought for the Day)

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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.

Deer Park United Methodist Church. Everyone is welcome! No exceptions! Pastor Dick McPherson, dickmcperson@mac.com, 720-504-7646.

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