

Deer Park United Methodist Church

Monday Update

February 18, 2013

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This Sunday, Jean Thomas and Charles Wall helped us all out as liturgist and usher; and Dave Bauer led the kids through Children's Time with a lesson about numbers (giving the kids an awesome visual display) and the significance of the number forty as it relates to the length of the Lenten fast. The No Limits Choir sang "On Eagles' Wings" for our time of Special Music; and the Contemporary Word connected with the larger church's message about the meaning of Lent and Jesus' experience of temptation in the desert.

Thanks so much to all who came to be with us in worship, and I hope your first week of Lent brings a lot of good conversation time with God between now and when we meet again. God bless!

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

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SUNDAY'S SNAPSHOT

Attendance for this Sunday: We had 30 total attendance, including 2 youth and 4 children. Three of the children were visitors—and smart ones, too, as demonstrated during the Children's Time!

Offering for this Sunday: Our Regular Giving this week was \$865. We also received \$550 toward the Building Fund.

PLEASE NOTE: Last week's report of money received from Safeway cards was inaccurate. The total reported was from December, 2012.

Our church budget is currently experiencing a shortfall due to various circumstances, not the least of which is the need for repairs to the building. Please consider increasing weekly giving if you can—it will help keep our little church afloat during these difficult times. Please continue using your Deer Park King Sooper's and Safeway cards whenever you can. This is an easy way to donate to the church by doing your normal, everyday shopping. Don't forget—they work at the gas pumps, too!

We're also taking a collection to help pay for new carpeting for the sanctuary. Thanks to everyone for all you do! We couldn't do it without you!

JOYS AND CONCERNS: Cindi Myers asks for continued prayers for her friend Jamie and her husband Tony. Tony was released from the hospital after having cardiac problems after surgery, but was rushed back this week for additional treatment.

Jean Thomas is joyful that she has attended (read “endured”) her last physical therapy appointment. We are all happy to see her back in church and wish her continued recovery after her knee surgery. Jean also asks for prayers for safe travel as she heads to Florida for some much-needed time off.

We were all happy to see Al Gram with us this week, bringing with him the news that Marty will be joining him soon for a short visit. Al also expressed thanks for Sunday’s beautiful sunrise.

Mike Moore asks for prayers for Mel, who is with a friend who is in hospice care. He also asks for prayers for Dan and Maggie McCafferty, as Maggie is not doing well.

Diane Quantic’s surgery on February 12 went well, and she and Bruce offer thanks for our prayers.

Connie Hannah, our former choir director from years past, has been declared cancer-free after her two-year PET scan. Please keep her in your prayers as she deals with pain in her knees, as well.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS: The adult Bible study class continues on Sunday mornings at 8:45 a.m, continuing our study of the book *The Jesus I Never Knew* by Philip Yancey. Please join us! Contact Charles Wall for additional information. Meeting time and place might shift to accommodate available space.

For our February 24th service, we have:

Liturgist—Janie Wall
Usher—**NEED VOLUNTEER**
Sunday School—Lori Forden
Children’s Time—Janie Wall
Fellowship—Debbie Gadowski and Lori Forden

Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help with services! The new March and April sign-up sheets are ready to go, so please check them out on the table in Fellowship Hall or drop me an email at office@deerparkumc.org if you can fill one of these positions. **PLEASE NOTE:** Sign-up slots for ushers are on the same page as the Fellowship Time.

SPECIAL INTEREST:

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.

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/>

NEW TREASURER

Donna Bastien has been confirmed as our new church treasurer, replacing Janet Mizelle, who has held this position for several years. Thanks to Donna for stepping into this role, and special thanks to Janet for her skilled and devoted service. We'll miss you!

NEW TRUSTEE: OUTREACH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Ron Hathaway will be working with Mike Moore in the Trustees committee to help maintain the church, church grounds, and parsonage. Thank you, Ron, and thank you, Mike for all you do. We're still looking for a few more people for the Outreach committee to help members of the congregation who are in need and to reach out to others in the community. If you are interested in helping out in this way, please contact Pastor Laura or Sharon Keith-Zamora.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Jean Thomas mentioned in church that her neighbor's daughter, Karen Brass, has written a book called *I am a Standupster: A Second-Generation Holocaust Survivor's Account by the Daughter of David Zauder*. The book discusses bullying from the perspective of a child of a Holocaust survivor, incorporating parts of her father's story of surviving the Holocaust and the affect this had on him and his family. The book is available at Amazon at <http://www.amazon.com/Standupster-Second-Generation-Holocaust-Survivors-Daughter/dp/1477279938>. Brass also speaks in various venues regarding bullying and the importance of standing up for those who are being bullied.

Bruce and Diane Quantic recently visited Guatemala for a mission trip. Pictures from their trip are up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. Drop by and take a look to see what the Quantics have been up to.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE COMING UP! March 2nd! Mark your calendars!

It will be held on Saturday, March 2 from 8:30 to 1:00 at First UMC, Castle Rock (1200 South Street). NOTE: THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO THIS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

Conflict Transformation Workshop - April 5-6, 2013 So much of our time in the local church is taken up with conflict and so much conflict can be damaging to the future of the church. It can also be hurtful to the clergy and laity in our congregations. Conflict can be creative and transformative but it must be dealt with and worked through. We have the good fortune of having Dr. Joretta Marshall with us for the April workshop at Hope United Methodist Church in the Denver area. Dr. Marshall taught Pastoral Care and was the Academic Dean at the Iliff School of Theology and currently holds a similar position at Brite Theological Seminary at Texas Christian University. She is a highly respected teacher, author, and church leader. You are invited to participate in this wonderful event and to consider being part of a leadership team in our conference to help with conflict prevention and conflict transformation.

If you have any questions or further information, please contact the church at (303) 779-1040.

RMC VIM Trip to Costa Rica - April 20-27, 2013 The team will help with construction of a dormitory at the Methodist Children's Home outside of Coronado and lead daily VBS type programs. Cost (not including airfare) is \$820. This includes \$310 for project costs. Size of team is limited to 24 persons. Deadline to register is February 20, 2013. Trip leaders, Dr. Gilson and Beth Miller, have extensive international experiences leading VIM trips to Kenya, Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Jamaica, Brazil, Bulgaria, Scotland and Ireland. Gil is a retired clergy from the Detroit Annual Conference and currently teaches ski and snowboard at the National Ability Center in Park City. Beth is Executive Director of the Kenya Urithi Education Fund. Contact beth.miller.ut@gmail.com for trip information and registration form. Mailing address is 175 Timber Lakes, Heber City, UT 84032 or call 435-785-8331.

YouthQuest registration is open at the Conference Website. Please visit <http://rmcumc.org/new/mission-and-ministry/young-people/80-youth-quest.html> for additional information.

AROUND THE COMMUNITY:

The Colorado Rockies are sponsoring two Faith Days in 2013, one on Saturday, June 29 and one on Sunday, August 11. Both games feature a post-game concert by Christian musicians. Payment deadlines are June 1 and July 23 respectively. If you are interested, information regarding cost, seating, and etc. can be found at www.coloradorockies.com/faithdays, or there are flyers available on the table in Fellowship Hall.

Blue Spruce Habitat for Humanity is holding a Fundraiser on Friday, February 22 from 6-11 pm at Stagecoach Sports Grill in Evergreen. Tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$10 Java Groove, EverBean, Stagecoach Sports Grill, and at the Habitat ReStore. They will also be available at the door. The event features performances from several local bands as well as a silent auction. Proceeds will benefit Blue Spruce Habitat for Humanity. For more information, contact Pandora Reagan at preagan@BlueSpruceHabitat.org

Watchwords

[The Lord] will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.—Psalm 91:4 (NRSV)

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!—2 Corinthians 5:17 (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!