



# OPEN LETTER

Capitol Heights Presbyterian | 10:30 Catholic Community | Dignity Denver

## CAPITOL HEIGHTS FAITH COMMUNITIES

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### Websites

[www.capitolheightspresbyterian.org](http://www.capitolheightspresbyterian.org)  
Facebook

[www.1030catholic.org](http://www.1030catholic.org)  
Check out Facebook

[www.dignitydenver.org](http://www.dignitydenver.org)  
Facebook

### Sunday Worship Services

Presbyterian – 9:30 am  
10:30 Catholic – 11:00 am  
Dignity Denver – 5:00 pm  
Dignity, 720-515-GLBT

### Children’s Ministries

All children, Sunday School/CRE  
11-12:00 Room 202

Nursery, Main Floor  
9-12:00 ages infant – 8 yrs

Send all announcements for the OPEN LETTER to the Church Administrator by Thursday NOON, [capheightspres@gmail.com](mailto:capheightspres@gmail.com)

*If you wish to book a room to use for a meeting or activity please call the church at 303-333-9366 and leave a message, or send an email to [capheightspres@gmail.com](mailto:capheightspres@gmail.com).*

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**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT 7:00 p.m., December 17th.**

## Community News

**Write For Rights:** The entire month of December you can participate in writing letters on behalf of people suffering in injustice throughout the world as part of Amnesty International’s Write for Rights campaign. Paper, pens, stamps, and information regarding who to send letters to will be provided in the Social Hall every Sunday in December starting at 10:30 AM.



**The 2018 Women’s Retreat** at St. Benedict’s Monastery in Old Snowmass will be from Thursday, February 1st until Monday, February 5th at 10:00 a.m. Gail Feeney-Coyle will begin accepting registrations on Ecumenical Sunday, December 3rd, until all 22 accommodations are full. A \$50.00 check made out to St. Benedict’s Monastery is required. Housing, carpooling, and meals will be assigned once we have finalized the list of retreatants. Gail’s email is [feoye2666@msn.com](mailto:feoye2666@msn.com). As always, preference is given to newcomers. Peggy Reagan, 303-565-7092 or [mmr80211@yahoo.com](mailto:mmr80211@yahoo.com).

## Capitol Heights Presbyterian Church

We are part of an old tradition, made new with each person who comes to us. We witness to a greatness that transcends what we now say, know, or do, but is graciously made present in acts of kindness, hope and peace. We are called to be a community of such hope for the sake of the God of all, and we delight in all who choose to join us.

**Peace Offering collected 12/17, 12/24, 12/31** This year our annual peace offering will be collected on the last three Sundays of December. The Session



## Children's Ministry

**Sunday December 17** Today we will explore the rich symbols of the season of Advent and unwrap our special manger scene made by the children at Bibiana's clay studio.

**Every Kid in a Park:** There are still 9 months left to use your 2017-2018 free 4th grade National Park and Federal Lands park pass. If you or a 4th grader you know still need a free pass you can get one from Debbie or Sonya.

## Community Service Opportunities

### Saturday Lunch 10:00-12:00

12/23 Dignity hosts

12/30 CHPC hosts

1/6 CHPC hosts

*If interested to volunteer speak with Mark Meeks (CHPC), Pat Foster (10:30 CC), or Rick (Dignity).*

### WHI every Wed. in December

Volunteer roles include:

Church set-up and ready by 6 PM

5:30 Dinner & Greeting crew

6:00 Dinner served for 25 women

9 pm-6 am Overnight Guardian

Angel

6:30-8:00 am Thur morning clean-up

Make 25 Breakfast Bags

Take care of laundry

*If interested to learn more about volunteering speak with Mary Gould (10:30 CC) or Bibiana Hager (CHPC)*

has voted to distribute the local portion of the offering to Colorado Faith Communities United to End Gun Violence. If writing a check please put "CFCU" in the memo line.

**December 17, 7:00 PM** The beautiful Carols by Candlelight service will take place in the sanctuary with songs and readings celebrating the Advent and Christmas season.

**December 24, 9:30 AM** Come enjoy Christmas Eve as we joyously worship together in the Sanctuary and enjoy fellowship afterwards with shared refreshments in our Social Hall.

**Grocery Cards** that support CHPC are available to Safeway, King Soopers, and Whole Foods grocery store. As you put money on your card(s) and use it to buy your groceries a portion of your weekly grocery purchases will support CHPC. If you are interested to participate talk with Charlie Fiser and he will provide you a card to the store of your choice.

**As always, Mark** is available following our morning activities for further conversations with anyone who might desire it regarding our Christian faith practice and witness and the life of our congregation. Feel free to share with him as you might wish in dialogue.

## 10:30 Catholic Community

We are a Christ-centered, Spirit-directed Catholic worshiping community. In response to the teachings of Vatican II, we come together, searching for ways to reflect the person and work of Jesus Christ in our time, to our world.

**Treasurer's Report:** The December 10 offering totaled \$2,460.

**Please join the Metro Denver Sanctuary Coalition** for a Holiday Potluck and Call to Action: Congress Keep Araceli Home Now!

**What:** Community Gathering to demonstrate our support for keep Araceli's family, and thousands of others, together. Call on Colorado Congressional Delegation to co-sponsor legislation already introduced that would allow Araceli to leave Sanctuary.

**When: Sunday December 17 12:30pm – 2:00pm**

**Where:** Park Hill United Methodist Church/Temple Micah [5209 Montview Blvd Denver, CO 80207](https://www.google.com/maps/place/5209+Montview+Blvd,+Denver,+CO+80207) (entrance and parking north of Montview on Glencoe)

**Why:** This time of year is full of family festivals of light and love. But Araceli and other Sanctuary Families should be able to celebrate the holidays in their own homes and without fear of separation. Congress \*can\* make this happen and Senator Gardner and Congresswoman DeGette can lead us there!

**For info call Pat Buckley [303 778-8050](tel:3037788050)**

**James Stobie Memorial January 13, 3:00-6:00 p.m.** The memorial service for Mary Stobie Lechman's son will now be held at the Depot at Five Parks Rec Center, 13810 West 85th Drive Arvada, CO 80005. The Rec center is located 4.5 miles from 88th and Wadsworth going west to Five Parks Street.

**WHI continues** this month every Wednesday evening. Volunteers are always appreciated.

## Dignity Denver

Dignity Denver envisions and works for a time when gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender Catholics are affirmed and experience dignity through the integration of their spirituality with their sexuality and as beloved persons of God.

Mass every Sunday at 5:00 pm.

## This Week

### Sunday

9:00-12:00 Nursery ages infant - 8 years old  
 9:30 am CHPC Worship in Sanctuary  
 10:30 am CHPC Fellowship in Social Hall  
 11:00 am Adult Dialogue in Lounge  
 11:00 am Children's Ministry/CRE rm 202  
 11:00 am Ten-Thirty CC Mass in Sanctuary  
 12:00 pm Ten-Thirty CC Fellowship in Social Hall  
 5:00 pm Dignity Denver Liturgy in Sanctuary  
 6:00 pm Dignity Denver Fellowship in Narthex

### Monday

7:00 pm Spiritual Voices Rehearsal in Sanctuary

### Tuesday

5:30 pm Threshold choir in Chapel  
 5:45 pm Narcotics Anon. Youth Rm.  
 7:00 pm Debtor's Anon. Rm 200

### Wednesday

6:30 pm CHPC Choir rehearsal in Sanctuary

### Thursday

6:00 pm Thursday Women's AA Rm 104  
 8:00 pm One Long Road Rehearsal

### Friday

5:45 pm Narcotics Anon. Youth Room

### Saturday

10:30 am Saturday Lunch in Social Hall  
 10:30 am Primary Purpose Narcotics Anon. Youth Room  
 10:30 am SLAA Rm 104

## Leaders of the Capitol Heights Faith Communities

### Capitol Heights Presbyterian Church

#### Session Elders:

Nicki Kearns-Beattie (Class of 2017)  
 Lara Newton (Class of 2017)  
 Bibiana Hager (Class of 2018)  
 Sonya Yeager-Meeks (Class of 2018)  
 Jeanne Jeffas (Class of 2019)  
 Erik Sabina (Class of 2019)

Rev. Bill Calhoun	Moderator	720-941-1800
Rev. Mark Meeks	Spiritual Leader & Acting moderator	303-816-1454
Bonnie Jensen	Clerk of Session	720-962-5645
Charlie Fiser	Treasurer	303-770-6362
Jeanne Jeffas	Commissioner to the Presbytery of Denver	

Sonya Yeager-Meeks	Co-Director of Music
Debra Yeager	Co-Director of Music
Debra Yeager	Children's Ministry

### 10:30 Catholic Community Council

Cheryl Murphy	Chair	303-698-1084
Philippe Walravens	Co-Chair	303-884-4558
Gene Lang	Treasurer	303-399-5692
Chris McGuire	Secretary	303-940-9197
Becky Butz	Members at Large	303-810-9797
Pat Iyer	Members at Large	303-693-2316
Mary Sullivan	Social Action	303-399-3361
Celeste Rossmiller	Adult Education	303-343-6689

### Dignity Denver Board [board@dignitydenver](mailto:board@dignitydenver)

Brad Cameron	President
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