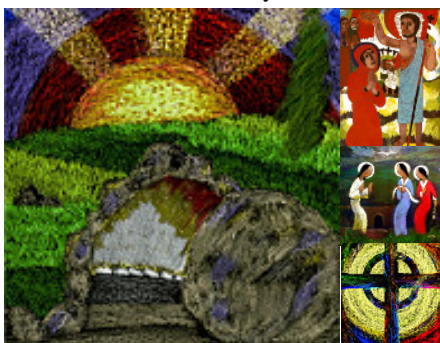




OPEN LETTER

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

The Third Sunday in Easter



CAPITOL HEIGHTS FAITH COMMUNITIES

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www.capitolheightspresbyterian.org
Facebook

www.1030catholic.org
Check out Facebook

www.dignitydenver.org
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Dignity: 720-515-GLBT

Sunday Worship Services

Presbyterian – 9:30 am
10:30 Catholic – 11:00 am
Dignity Denver – 5:00 pm

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

*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.*

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Community News

Tuesday, April 17, 7:00 p.m. at Capitol Heights: Dr. Sabella book tour.

The 10:30 Catholic Community and Capitol Heights Presbyterian will host Dr. Bernard Sabella of Palestine for his book tour: *"Amidst a sometimes confusing barrage of news about the Middle East, Dr. Bernard Sabella, a Palestinian Christian, offers an enlightening, often humorous, personal narrative accompanied by reflections on lessons learned from his life in a conflict zone. Displaced from his home in infancy with his refugee family and educated in Jerusalem's Old City before pursuing university studies in the US, he blossomed into a committed educator, scholar, member of the Palestinian Parliament, and director of a church aid agency. Throughout his life Dr. Sabella has never lost his focus on the goal of promoting peace through understanding, and he has never been diverted from his path of absolute nonviolence. "A Life Worth Living" speaks with a voice worth listening to, alternately anecdotal and analytical, touching our hearts while pondering the past, present, and future of the Holy Land."*



Saturday, April 21 at 5:30 p.m. Soup with Substance will take place in the Social Hall with the theme of Gospel response to 21st century poverty.

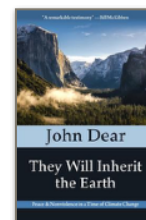
Thursday, April 19th, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Colorado Faith Communities United to End Gun Violence urges our congregations to get involved in **Vote for Our Lives** at Clement Park, 7306 W. Bowles Ave., Littleton, CO (the location of the Columbine memorial.) This event is the third in a series of responses to the high school shooting in Parkland, Florida eight weeks ago. The April 9th *Denver Post* reported on the plans: <https://www.denverpost.com/2018/04/09/vote-for-our-lives/>. Students from Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School are traveling from Florida to join Columbine students and teachers, and faith community leaders in this important next step. **What you can do:**

- **Volunteer:** Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, water stations, signs, t-shirts, and clean-up. For more information and to sign up, visit: volunteersvote4ourlives@gmail.com
- **Contribute:** Individuals and congregations can show their support in an important and tangible way by making a financial contribution, visit: <https://www.youcaring.com/voteforourlives-1154146>
- **Be There:** Bring your family and friends (and congregational banners!) to sustain Colorado's focus and commitment to turning the tide of gun violence!

Saturday, April 21 1:00-3:00 p.m. You're invited to Casa de Paz's 6th birthday party! Light refreshment will be served as well as cake. Casa de Paz is located at 20850 East 45th Ave. Also, on Sunday, April 15 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Volleyball Internacional, the league that supports Casa de Paz through fundraising efforts, will be celebrating its 5th birthday party. All are welcome to attend this party as well at 3899 North Jackson St.

Sunday, April 22 Remember on this Earth Day the Cherry Creek Sneak is taking place and participants coming from the south of the church may need to take an alternative route. To see the course map visit <https://cherrycreeksneak.com/coursemap/>

Tuesday, May 1 7:00 p.m. at Tattered Cover LoDo John Dear, longtime activist and author of multiple books, will discuss and sign *They Will Inherit the Earth: Peace and Nonviolence in a Time of Climate Change*. Drawing on personal stories of his life in the desert of New Mexico, his time as a chaplain at Yosemite, his friendship with indigenous and environmental leaders, his experience at the Standing Rock protests, as well as his work with the Vatican on a new stance on nonviolence, John Dear invites us to return to nonviolence as a way of life and a living solidarity with Mother Earth and her creatures. Tattered cover LoDo is located at 1628 16th St. 80202. John Dear's book is currently available at Tattered Covers' Colfax and Aspen Grove locations.



John Dear has spent over three decades speaking to people around the world about the Gospel of Jesus, the way of nonviolence and the call to make peace. A Catholic priest, he has served as the director of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, the largest interfaith peace



Children's Ministry

Sunday, April 15 & 22 Class will be held upstairs in room 202 from 11:00-12:00.

First Communion preparations are underway. First Reconciliation will be Saturday, April 21 at 3:00 PM; Bread Baking for the First Communion Service will be Saturday, May 5 at 12:00 PM; and the First Communion Service will be Sunday, May 6 at the 11:00 AM mass.

Every Kid in a Park: The 2017-2018 free 4th grade National Park and Federal Lands park pass is good through August 2018. 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 Sep-May

4/14 10:30 CC hosts *

4/21 CHPC hosts *

4/28 Dignity Denver hosts

5/5 CHPC hosts

5/12 CHPC hosts

If interested to volunteer speak with

Mark Meeks (CHPC)

303-816-1454 / mkenosha@aol.com;

Pat Foster (10:30 CC)

303-721-9570 / foster_patsteve@hotmail.com;

Rick Proctor (Dignity)

303-593-0498 / rickochet789@comcast.net.

* CHANGE IN SCHEDULE

WHI - every Wed-Thur in April

Volunteer roles include:

Church set-up 5 PM

6-8 PM Dinner & Greeting crew

9 pm-6 am Overnight Guardian Angel
(Women only)

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

Wash and fold linens and return them to the church (reimbursement is available.)

Make 25 Breakfast Bags

If interested to learn more about volunteering

speak with Mary Gould (720-563-1048,

ejgmef@gmail.com.) Anita Poole (303-506-9183,

icmoose49@gmail.com.) from 10:30 CC, or

Bibiana Hager from CHPC.

organization in the United States, and after September 11, 2001, as one of the Red Cross coordinators of chaplains at the Family Assistance Center, and counseled thousands of relatives and rescue workers. He has worked in homeless shelters, soup kitchens, and community centers; traveled in warzones around the world, including Iraq, Palestine, Nicaragua, Afghanistan, India, and Colombia; lived in El Salvador; Guatemala and Northern Ireland; been arrested over 75 times in acts of civil disobedience against war; and spent eight months in prison for a Plowshares disarmament action. In the 1990s, he arranged for Mother Teresa to speak to various governors to stop the death penalty. He has two Master's Degrees in Theology from the Graduate Theological Union in California, and has taught theology at Fordham University.

Friday, May 11, 4:00 p.m.: The memorial service for Chris Wells is scheduled for 4:00 PM at Capitol Heights Presbyterian Church.

Saturday, May 12 from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., come join Katie and Bob as they host another gardening session in our community garden. It will be a great opportunity to get out and enjoy some spring weather, see old friends, and make new friends!



Community Service Volunteer Opportunity: Senior Support

Services Volunteers are needed to prepare, deliver, and serve set-menu dinner meal to seniors at Senior Support Services, 18th Avenue and Emerson Street, the 5th Monday of the month (which can occur 4-5 times each year). Interested volunteers can contact Tricia Huth for more information about this opportunity. Phone 303-885-4633 and email tmhuth@msn.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.

Sunday, April 22 11:00 a.m. John Kane will once more join our Dialogue at 11:00 to discuss themes from his book, *Building the Human City*, this time considering the theme "Imagination and Faith". This Dialogue is part of an ongoing series of discussions that help us explore important themes for faith practice with insights from the work of the Catholic scholar, William F. Lynch, whose work is featured in John's book. Please plan to join us.

Thursday, June 21, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. David Burgess (Executive Director of CHARG Resource Center) will celebrate his retirement at the City Park Pavilion. David invites us all to attend!

Grocery Cards that support CHPC are available to Safeway, and King Soopers 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, 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 worshipping 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 4/8 offering totaled \$1,032

On April 8 the Council approved Community contributions of \$250 to the Colorado Vincentian Volunteers (to sponsor the Heart & Soul fundraiser), \$100 to the Ben Salmon memorial scholarship fund (Salmon was a Denver native who was imprisoned for being a conscience objector during World War I), and \$150 to the Catholic Relief Services (for Operation Rice Bowl in addition to the donations by individual Community members.)

Saturday, April 21 3:00 p.m. First Reconciliation will take place in the Sanctuary.

Saturday, May 5 12:00 p.m. Bread Baking for the May 6th First Communion service will take place in the kitchen.

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 in the Sanctuary at 5:00 p.m. every Sunday.

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

5:45 pm Narcotics Anon. Youth Rm.

Wednesday

6:30 pm CHPC Choir rehearsal in Sanctuary

Thursday

6:00 pm Thursday Women's AA Rm 104
 7:15 Women's Group Rm 200
 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:

Bibiana Hager	(Class of 2018)
Sonya Yeager-Meeks	(Class of 2018)
Jeanne Jeffas	(Class of 2019)
Erik Sabina	(Class of 2019)
Nicki Kearns-Beattie	(Class of 2020)
Lara Newton	(Class of 2020)

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Debra Yeager	Children's Ministry	

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