



OPEN LETTER

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

Ecumenical: Greek for "The Whole Inhabited Earth"



CAPITOL HEIGHTS FAITH COMMUNITIES

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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

Sunday, June 3, 11:00 a.m. Nantiya Ruan will speak at our Ecumenical Service which will be held in the sanctuary. Nantiya will share her knowledge of homelessness in Denver and following the service we will enjoy fellowship and shared refreshments.

The word *Ecumenical* is from the Greek *Oikoumene* meaning the "Whole Inhabited Earth." *Justice Unbound*, a social justice journal of the Presbyterian Church USA, describes the ecumenical vision to be both the search for the visible unity of the Church and the "whole inhabited earth" as the concern of all Christians. Therefore, "to live in a way that is truly ecumenical is to orient one's life toward the common good, to exist in the world in a way that promotes the well-being of the 'whole inhabited earth'."



As we worship together this Sunday we celebrate the ecumenical commitment we've had with each other for over 40 years even as we commit to continue to learn and strive for ways to live in right relations with all of creation.

Wednesday, June 6, 7:00 p.m. Josh Peterson from Horan & McConaty will be giving a presentation in the Sanctuary called "Peace of Mind" for any who are interested to attend. This seminar will present ideas for how to plan for your final wishes which help shield your family from unnecessary emotional and financial burden.

Thursday, June 7th, 5:30 p.m. The 100th Anniversary of the death of Servant of God Julia Greeley, celebrated with a Mass on Thursday, June 7, 5:30 p.m. at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Colfax and Logan. Julia Greeley, an Afro-American Denverite, led a life of great charity for the poor in our city, and is now in process of being considered for canonization. If interested in attending together, we will meet outside the Cathedral at 5:20 p.m. near the statue of Pope John Paul near the corner of Colfax & Logan.

June 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.) St. Thomas Episcopal Church (2201 Dexter St.) is hosting the "Here's the Ticket" debate with candidates in the June 26th Democratic primary for Attorney General, State Treasurer, Secretary of State and CU Regent. These offices have a great impact on the lives of citizens of our state and any who are interested are encouraged to attend. Moderator for the event is former Colorado First Lady Dottie Lamm. Candidates who are unable to attend are sending surrogates.

June 8th-9th The Denver Gay Men's Chorus is proud to present its 2018 summer concert "HOME: Building Pride, Finding Family" on June 8th at 7:30 pm and June 9th at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm at historic Trinity United Methodist Church, 1820 Broadway, in downtown Denver. The concert features the Rocky Mountain regional premiere of "Street Requiem", a stunning new choral work for mass choir, orchestra and soloists, which addresses the growing challenges of homelessness and housing insecurity in our city and pays homage to those among us who live and struggle on the streets. A portion of concert proceeds will support four organizations serving persons who are homeless: St. Francis Center, SAME Cafe, The Gathering Place and Urban Peak. For more details and tickets, visit dgmcc.org, or call the chorus office at 303-325-3959. Friends of our community who will be participating include Mike Rodel who will sing in the choir and Sonya Yeager-Meeks who will be playing with the orchestra.



Saturday, June 9th 6:00 p.m. Everyone from 10:30 CC, Dignity Denver, and CHPC are invited to a potluck "Koinonia" (*Greek for fellowship*) at Cary, Caitlee, and Ceaghan's house (3704 S. Hudson St. Denver 80237.) This will be a special occasion as we celebrate Cary's retirement after many years of faithful work in Denver Public Schools. See you there!



We Celebrate with Carmen who is 1 of 11 recipients this year of the Jared Polis Foundation which honors Colorado public school teachers from across the state who exemplify commitment to their students, effectively teach a variety of learners, and who contribute to making their school communities positive and strong learning environments. We are delighted that Carmen has been given this recognition!

The Saturday Lunch Program concluded for the summer this Saturday, May 26th. Many thanks to all the participants in Dignity, 10:30 CC, and CHPC who helped serve lunch to our



Children's Ministry

Sunday, June 3 There will be no class as we will participate in the 11:00 a.m. ecumenical service.

Sunday, June 10 This will be our last class before summer break. We look forward to working with Barb Baer as we celebrate a wonderful year together!

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

WHI - Resumes in June

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.

Garden Recipe

PAPPARDELLE with ARUGULA WALNUT PESTO

- 2 garlic cloves, pressed and allowed to sit for 10 minutes
 - 3 loosely packed cups (about 4 ounces) baby arugula
 - 1 loosely packed cup fresh basil leaves
 - 1/4 cup raw walnuts, toasted
 - 1 tablespoon. lemon juice, or more to taste
 - 1/3 cup extra-virgin olive oil
 - Sea salt
 - Freshly ground black pepper, to taste
 - 1 pound dried pappardelle
 - 3/4 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese, plus more for serving
1. Put the first eight ingredients in a food processor and process until smooth. Taste and adjust with more lemon juice, salt, and pepper, if necessary. Put the mixture in a medium bowl.
 2. Bring a large pot of salted water to the boil. Add the pasta and cook according to the package directions until al dente.
 3. Just before the pasta is done, remove 2 tablespoons of the pasta water and add it to the pesto. Add the cheese and mix well.
 4. Drain the pasta and toss it with the pesto mixture. Serve with extra Parmesan cheese on the side.

guests. The lunch program will resume on the first Saturday in September.

Community Service Volunteer Opportunity The Women's Homeless Initiative resumes this month. Every Wednesday-Thursday volunteers are needed for the following roles:

- 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

To learn more or volunteer please contact Anita Poole (303-506-9183, icmoose49@gmail.com.)

We have an abundant supply of arugula growing in our church garden. Feel free to help yourself and if you want ideas of what to make with it check out the Pappardelle with Arugula Walnut Pesto recipe in the lower left-hand column on page 2. Bon appétit!



Cary recently had a lot of her extra dirt picked up but there is still some left!

Anyone interested to pick up some fresh dirt for their garden can give Cary a call at 303-908-8202. She will be happy to help load the dirt if needed.

A reminder, the church is no longer a drop off site to recycle used batteries. We do have candle wax recycling and the box for collecting old candle wax is located in the Narthex. Anyone who wishes to recycle their old batteries can take them to Battery Giant at 603 N. Grant St. and recycle them for \$0.50 a pound.

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, June 3rd There will be no 9:30 a.m. service this Sunday as we will join our Catholic brothers and sisters at 11:00 a.m. for an ecumenical service.

Sunday, June 3rd at 3 p.m. Service of Celebration at the Presbytery Center, 1710 S. Grant St. Denver Presbytery will have a service of worship including, sharing the Lord's Supper, to celebrate our past and look to our future of Denver Presbytery. The building and location on 1710 S. Grant that has housed the Presbytery Center has served us well; providing years of community for many and a nesting site for growing congregations while serving as the office for Presbytery staff. We anticipate the Presbytery Center moving over the summer and would like to celebrate where we have been and look toward our future with you~ traveling together. For more information and to RSVP go to denpres.org/events

Thursday, June 21 5:00-7:00 p.m. David Burgess, longtime director of CHARG resource center, will have his retirement party at the City Park Pavilion. David is hoping to see as many of us as possible at his party as he has deeply valued the support from our community over the years.

Grocery Cards that support CHPC are available to King Soopers and Safeway grocery stores. 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 (303-770-6362) 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 May 27 offering totaled \$689

Summer Mass Schedule: The 10:30 Catholic Community will be making a few changes this summer. We will NOT be holding mass in the park during the month of June. We will be holding mass in the church at the usual time, 11:00 AM, every Sunday, along with use of the social hall downstairs. The July and August Mass schedule will be determined at our community meeting on Sunday, May 20th.

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

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

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