

November 29, 2015

Praise.....Brian Joyce and band

Greeting

Scripture.....Isaiah 9: 1-7

Message....."It's Almost Time" Rev. Jeff Johnsen

Holy Communion

Offerings can be placed in the offering plate on the altar. Please, notice the "Need More Information" tear-off section of our bulletin. If you would like more information, or for a Pastor to contact you, place this tear-off strip in the offering plate, or bring it to the Welcome Center located to the left of the Sanctuary.

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The Sanctuary flowers are given today by Melissa Peiffer in honor of Steve & Karen Ritchie's 18th wedding anniversary

Christmas Poinsettias - Today is the last day to order poinsettias. Order forms are available at the Ministry Center. Cost is \$8.50 each. Please make your checks payable to DUMC & write "poinsettia" in the memo line. You may take your poinsettia home after the service you attend on Christmas Eve.

Christmas Cantata - We present our Christmas Cantata, "**Here With Us**", next Sunday at the 8:15 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. services. This is also the beginning of Advent. Please join us during this special season as we prepare our hearts for the birth of our Lord.

Thank You - to all of our DUMC families for your generous donations. 3,258 shoeboxes passed through our Relay Center, 540 boxes were from DUMC members. Your generosity broke last years records for both DUMC & the Relay Center.

Sympathy - To Frances Herche on the death of her son-in-law, George Walker, who passed away on November 22nd.

Getting into the Christmas Spirit? Help is needed decorating the church for Christmas on Tuesday December 1st at 9:00 a.m. Contact Faye Helton at 704.483.2789 for more information.

College/Military Youth Care Packages - We will pack 49 care packages on December 1st at 10:00 a.m. in the CORC. For more info contact Teri Shelton at teri.shelton@denverumc.org or 304.549.8057. **All are welcome to come help pack!** *Thank you to the parents for getting the addresses & all who purchased items.*

<u>Upcoming Youth Events</u>	
<p><i>There will be no youth events at DUMC on November 29th.</i></p> <p>Youth events will resume wednesday December 2nd & 9th.</p>	<p><u>Youth Christmas Party</u> December 13 at 6:00 p.m.</p> <p>Dig up that tacky Christmas sweater! We will be celebrating the Christmas holiday with fun games & good food!</p>

2015 Ministry Budget Update

As the last weeks of the year are upon the church, we need your help. The ministry budget for 2015 is \$1,122,990, and the income through November 23th is \$835,876. It will take \$287,114 to meet this goal set almost a year ago. By giving back to God, we demonstrate that money does not have a hold on us and God is in control. Contact Addie Carson at finance@denverumc.org with questions.

If you have a scheduled surgery and would like a pastoral visit before surgery, please call the church office.

First Thursday Lunch - December 3rd at 11:00 a.m. in the FLC. Proceeds help support children in our community.

Shut-in/Elderly Christmas Gift Bags - Each year we remember our shut-ins with a Christmas bag filled with cards and small mementos. The bags will be located in the Mission Center through December 6th.

East Lincoln Community Chorus - Are you ready for some Christmas favorites? The East Lincoln Community Chorus present "***All I Want For Christmas***". DUMC will host a free concert during the following times: *Thursday, December 10th at 7:30 p.m., Friday, December 11th at 7:30 p.m. & Saturday, December 12th at 2:00 p.m.*

New Member Dinner - If you would like to join DUMC, we will offer a light dinner & informational meeting on December 13th at 6:00 p.m. in the CORC. Childcare is available. Following the meal, you will have the opportunity to join Denver UMC. Contact Wendi Brooks at wendi.brooks@denverumc.org with any questions.

Backpacks for Kids Food Boxes - Help pack food boxes for our families on December 15th at 10:00 a.m. in WAB 101. Contact Miranda Morales at mirandacmorales@gmail.com for more information.

Golden Disciples

Christmas Luncheon & Book Review - December 7th at 12:30 p.m. in FLC 204. Members are asked to bring finger foods to share. We will review *Through the Narrow Gate* by Karen Armstrong.

Monthly Meeting & Luncheon - December 10th at 11:00 a.m. in the CORC. Entertainment by Buck Moody. The senior ministry from Webbs Chapel UMC will be our guests. Meat will be provided. Members are to bring side dishes and desserts to share.