

# The Messenger

February 2010



St Matthew's Episcopal Church 19580 Pilgrims Place Parker, CO 80138

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## News from the Diocese

### How Is Your Offering Helping Haiti?

**The need is great, and it will not diminish soon.**

Haiti now faces an emergency of huge proportions that requires both the immediate mobilization of resources for relief, as well as for the long and challenging road of rebuilding and redevelopment. Long after the images have faded from the front pages of the news and the cyber-appeals have been deleted from our email, our sisters and brothers in Haiti will continue to face daily challenges that we cannot begin to comprehend.

**Your gift will go directly to two organizations who are helping now, and who will be there in the years to come.**

### Episcopal Relief & Development

Episcopal Relief & Development has a long track record of providing critical assistance when disasters strike, and helping to rebuild devastated communities. It works in partnership with the worldwide Church, ecumenical agencies and local organizations to save lives and strengthen communities around the world. In Haiti, Episcopal Relief & Development is collaborating closely with the two dioceses to coordinate efforts. It is supporting the Rt. Rev. Jean Zaché Duracin, Bishop of Haiti, in supplying food, water and other needs to about 3,000 people in a tent city in Port-au-Prince. Episcopal Relief & Development has also partnered with IMA World Health to provide medical assistance in the capital city.

Operations are currently also running with and through the Dominican church. Supply convoys are going regularly from the Dominican Republic to meet needs in Haiti. Another partner Worldwide Village is providing helicopter support, enabling airdrops of medical supplies and food into affected rural communities and parishes, including Gressier, Grand Colline and Trouin.

Episcopal Relief & Development is committed to supporting Haiti's ongoing rehabilitation in the years to come.

***"Jesus said, 'You are the light of the world.'"***  
—*Matthew 5:14*

### *The Colorado Haiti Project*

The Colorado Haiti Project has been engaged in community development work with the people of Petit Trou de Nippes, Haiti since 1989. The CHP works in conjunction with the Episcopal Diocese of Colorado, the Episcopal Diocese of Haiti, and Episcopal Relief & Development to bring long-term development resources to the Nippes region. The programs of the CHP include a school for Pre-K through 8th grade, the implementation of water wells, women's vocational programs, an annual primary care health clinic and support for local governmental health efforts, a women's health network of locally trained women, relationships with micro-credit programs. With these resources, CHP is developing local capacity for self-governance and conflict resolution. The programs of the CHP are offered to all members of the Nippes region.

### *CHP's Response to the Earthquake*

The CHP is not primarily a relief organization, but rather a long-term community development project. Nevertheless, the CHP has excellent relationships with relief organizations both in the US and in Haiti. CHP has expedited shipments of medical personnel, supplies and medications to Port au Prince in the wake of the earthquake. The first shipment was delivered on January 20, using resources obtained through Project CURE, Blessings International, and American Airlines. Five medical personnel associated with CHP are now in Haiti. Please pray for them along with all the Haitian people.

### *Status of the Nippes Region*

The original earthquake of January 12 was centered in Port au Prince. The damage to the community buildings in Petit Trou de Nippes was

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relatively minor, although some houses were damaged. We understand that the wells drilled in 2009 are generally still operational. Aftershocks are continuing in the region. The rural areas of Haiti are being inundated with refugees from Port au Prince. Food security is a longer-term issue, because the distribution networks of Port au Prince have been interrupted. The CHP is working with public and private organizations to deliver rice and other foodstuffs directly to the de Nippes region both in this emergency and for the longer term.

**Thanks to a generous matching grant from the Anschutz Foundation, your gift will be multiplied.**

At Bishop O'Neill's request, the Anschutz Foundation has generously agreed to give the Diocese of Colorado a \$75,000 grant to match dollar for dollar your contributions to bring relief and aid to the people of Haiti. In a recent Pastoral Letter that introduced this appeal, Bishop O'Neill said, "Because of this generous gift from the Anschutz Foundation, we in this diocese have been given a unique opportunity to let our light shine collectively during this season of light. I ask you to give generously. "

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—Bishop Robert O'Neill

**As of January 31st St. Matthew's parishioners have donated a total of \$4695.00!**

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**A Meditation**  
**given by The Right Reverend Robert O'Neill,**  
**Bishop of Colorado**  
**at a Requiem Mass and Vigil for Haiti**  
**Saint Thomas Episcopal Church, Denver**  
**20 January 2010**

*"Jesus said, 'You are the light of the world.'"*  
—Matthew 5:14

This past Holy Week during the Chrismal Eucharist I described the road between Port au Prince and Petit Trou de Nippes—a trip of some seventy-eight miles that many of us here this evening have been privileged and indeed blessed to make in the past. If you know the road, you know its qualities: smooth in places but filled with ruts and potholes in others; hard packed soil when it's been baked in the sun but thick with mud when it rains; lots of twists and turns (to my recollection, seemingly constant twists and turns) and simply no guarantee of getting to your destination in any given length of time. Even

so, it's not the details of the terrain that are so remarkable but the iconic nature of the journey itself—a journey that speaks of deep transformation and reveals the gift of our divine connectedness and holy interdependence. Indeed if we are willing to take the journey, it is one in which we are given the opportunity to see nothing less than the face of Jesus in our Haitian sisters and brothers. We need only open our eyes.

Last week, just before 5 p.m. the earth in Haiti shook violently. The clinical description of its magnitude—7.0 on the Richter Scale, so measured and scientifically precise—cannot begin to describe the real chaos. It is simply incomprehensible. There have been miracles in the face of death, to be sure, and stories of heroism and courage in the face of insurmountable odds. But still it is all beyond words, beyond images, beyond feeling, beyond apprehension—destruction piled upon destruction, devastation heaped upon devastation, loss compounded by loss. The Episcopal Cathedral in Port au Prince lies in ruin. The beautiful murals on its walls—created with such time and care and imagination, themselves testaments to the gift of human creativity and beauty—have become, in a matter of seconds, rubble.

Now the road that the Haitian people must travel has shifted tragically and dramatically—more twists and turns, more obstacles and barriers, more

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complicated, more daunting, more challenging than before—and the journey that we are called in turn

to take with them as sisters and brothers in Christ (indeed the journey that is required of us) is one that demands our very best and sustained effort not just immediately but for the long haul.

Tonight, as we gather in prayerful solidarity with the people of Haiti, we hear these words from Jesus: “You are the light of the world.”<sup>2</sup> What do you suppose that means, really?

“You are the light of the world.”

You. Not someone else. You. Not the person next to you. Not someone with greater skills, or competency, or money. You. Not someone in the past with a better track record and greater experience. Not someone who is yet to come with more opportunities and fewer problems, but you. It doesn't get any more specific or any more personal than that. “You,” Jesus says. I imagine him pointing a solitary finger—inviting, pleading, straining toward his disciples' fragile and wavering hearts; his hand outstretched like the hand of God on the ceiling of Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel; God reaching out to Adam, extending divine life to humankind. “You,” Jesus says, “just as you are, right here, right now, in this time, in this place, with whatever you have.” “You,” he says, “are the light—the light that this darkened world needs in order to know itself and become what God creates it to be. When Jesus spoke those words to a group that was unquestionably an odd collection of characters known as his disciples, he was both calling attention to their deepest identity as well as calling forth their highest purpose. Like all of us, I am sure they had heard the stories—how we are created in the image and likeness of God; how we, all of us, are quite literally inspired, animated, invigorated in every moment by nothing less than the divine breath breathing life into us, the living spirit of the living

God moving within us (and yes, it is that close and it is that real). But like all of us, I am sure that the disciples themselves suffered from a certain chronic amnesia, just losing track of themselves, simply forgetting—forgetting on the deepest level, like all of us, just who we really are; created, as Paul says, before the very foundation of the world, holy, divine, eternal; created for one purpose and one purpose only, to live in love.<sup>1</sup>

“You are the light of the world,” Jesus says. It's who we are. It's who the people of Haiti are. It's who we all are, and I dare say that the tragedy of last week's earthquake, with all the suffering and loss that it represents, points to our own need simply to remember—to remember on the deepest level who we all really are. As Richard Rohr says, if we get the “who” right, the rest will follow.<sup>2</sup>

Light, of course, is something that brings reality into definition. Light is that commodity that gives us the ability to see and negotiate the terrain as it really is. Just as many have said that hurricane Katrina lifted the veil and exposed the scourge of systemic racism and poverty in this country, so too our role, our ministry, our witness—even as we support recovery and relief efforts in the wake of disaster—must also be to bring to light our own unacknowledged poverty: the deeply entrenched systems, the policies and beliefs, that drive us blindly and relegate some of God's people to a life of unconscionable poverty while the rest of us live only a short distance away in material abundance. It is a hard and shameful reality caused by a constellation of factors—the inadequate and unjust economic and political policies that govern us publicly and privately; the cultural and racial prejudices that we either harbor or tolerate; the unchallenged inheritance of our collective history; the self-preoccupation and consumerism of our culture; our own indifference and denial; the false and unchallenged assumption that we are insignificant and powerless to do anything and therefore can choose only to do nothing. You name it. You know as well as I do that the kind of disparity that exists between us and the people of Haiti—the same gross disparity that spans the globe

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as well—is not the justice that God intends for God's creation. This is not the justice that is God. This is not the justice that is divine life. This light demands our very best. This light calls forth our highest self—our thoughtful, mature, sustained and active witness to the way of love in this world. Listen, if our prayers even now for the people of Haiti do not open our eyes and illumine our hearts and awaken us to live with a renewed and urgent commitment to be the light that we are created to be, then frankly our prayer tonight is simply not prayer.

“You are the light of the world,” Jesus says.

Those words speak to our deepest identity and highest purpose. It's about knowing who we are and whose we are. It's about being willing to be moved by suffering and being willing to embrace that suffering however ugly or threatening or frightening it may seem. It's about choosing to give ourselves away—about simply offering ourselves, whatever we have, freely, generously, willingly, in love to love for love, and in so doing to bring life and light into a darkened world. This, my friends, is the way, for this is the way of Jesus, our true light.

Listen again to these words: “You are the light of the world.”

Tonight, as you take in the images and look into the faces of our sisters and brothers in Haiti, open your eyes. Behold who you are, become what you see.

—Amen.

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<sup>1</sup> Ephesians 1:4

<sup>2</sup> See Richard Rohr, *Things Hidden: Scripture as Spirituality* (Cincinnati: St. Anthony Messenger Press, 2008), chapter 2, pages 27-51.

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### **Your Faithful Stewardship – Cause For Celebration!**

You may recall that last spring, the Vestry made adjustments to the 2009 Ministry Plan in response to the difficult economic environment.

Thanks to your perseverance and faithful stewardship, St. Matthew's revenue for 2009 is sufficient to support revisiting reductions in two areas that are at the core of who we are as a congregation.

The Vestry, in keeping with our commitment to review the parish's financial position at year-end, has approved “making whole” original 2009 spending levels for our Diocesan Pledge and Hearts & Hands outreach giving for 2009!

- **Diocesan Pledge**
  - 5% of non-restricted funds were sent to the Diocese of Colorado during the year (reduction of 3.5%)
  - Funds are now being sent to total the original 8.5% level for 2009
  - **Note:** 10% is the required giving level - a goal we will seek to achieve for 2010!
- **Hearts & Hands Outreach**
  - 2% of the non-restricted pledge and plate income have been distributed (reduction of 1.0%)

An additional 1.0% has been approved to total the original 3.0% level for 2009.

### **The Compounding Effect – Let's Share The Hope!**

Given the outpouring of your caring spirits, on the first Sunday after the tragedy in Haiti alone, St. Matthew's parishioners gave \$1515.00 on top of the \$300.00 designated as part of normal 4<sup>th</sup> quarter financial outreach.

The Vestry is grateful and humbled by the diligent intentionality of our congregation to serve as Christ's heart and hands in our world. As reaching out to those suffering and in need is at the very core of our values, the Vestry has also approved a one-time match of this first Sunday's giving in support of Haiti relief. Funds will come from the 1.0% added to our 2009 outreach referenced above.

What this means is that St. Matthew's sent **\$3330.00** as an initial gift for the people of Haiti. The funds are being sent to the Diocese of Colorado, with the goal of being doubled yet again to **\$6660.00** by Anschutz Foundation matching.

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Our seeds of love, sewn in faith, multiply. Look how much aid will go to those in Haiti who need our support so badly. And all because we make the choice each day to walk in love as Christ loves us. So today... let us celebrate our abundance & share the hope... pass it on. Who knows what we can do together in 2010!

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### A Short Course in Anglicanism

## New to the Episcopal Church

Sundays at 4:00 p.m.

Meets in the Education Building

Continues

February 7 to February 14

All are Welcome

#### February 7

##### *Music in the Church*

A review of service music and hymns of the Church. The session could also be known as "Why do we sing hymns we don't know?" or "Why is my favorite hymn not in the hymnal anymore?"

**Note: We will meet after the 10:30 service.**

#### February 14

##### *Mission and Ministry*

What is the mission of the Church and how do we participate in the work of Christ in the world. Or "What is our purpose beyond worship on Sunday mornings?"

**Coming in 2010**

##### *"What Anglicans Believe"*

This is a short course on how Anglicans interpret scripture, make ethical decisions and talk about God. This course will also demystify all those theological terms such as Incarnation,

Salvation, Sin, Redemption, Resurrection, Covenant, Community and Imago Dei. It really is all Greek to me, but fortunately I have the translation. This course is for all interested persons as well as those adults who would like to be confirmed, received or reaffirmed in the Episcopal Church. The dates will be announced in the newsletter.

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#### **2010 Pledge Drive Update**

Our Stewardship goal for 2010 is 100 pledges and \$200,000 in giving. So far to date we have received **79** pledges totaling **\$197,574.04**. *Thank you!* If you have not turned in your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible so that the Vestry may continue to plan the budget. If you have not received a pledge card in the mail, or have lost it, you may pick one up in the Narthex, or contact Christine at 303-841-0121.

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#### **Episcopal Church Women**

All women of St. Matthew's: the ECW is your group! If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Siekierski at: [sarsie4@comcast.net](mailto:sarsie4@comcast.net), or Lucy Lord at: [lalord11@comcast.net](mailto:lalord11@comcast.net)

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#### **Altar Flowers**

Our new flower chart for 2010 is in the parish hall on the bulletin board. To request a remembrance, please write your name on the chart. Add appropriate language such as: In Loving Memory of..., In Thanksgiving for ..., or in Celebration of ..., please print clearly. The suggested donation for Sunday flowers is \$40 payable on or before date requested and may be shared with another family. Please mark check in memo area Flowers for ... If you have any questions, please contact Barb McNish @303-805-2414 or [mcnishcolo@aol.com](mailto:mcnishcolo@aol.com). Thank you for making our church beautiful!

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### Prayer Requests

At the beginning of each month we update our prayer request list. Please contact the office at 303-841-0121 or [office@matthewinparker.com](mailto:office@matthewinparker.com) if you would like us to continue praying for someone you requested we put on our prayer list. You are encouraged to contact us throughout the month to add or take people off the list, but at the end of each month, unless we've heard from you, they will be taken off the list. God gave us the precious gift of prayer, and it is the best thing we can do for one another.

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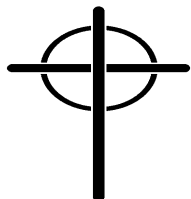
### Prayers and Squares

Prayers & Squares regularly meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. The next meeting is **January 18**. Applications for a quilt are available on the bulletin board in the parish hall. Please give your request to Hazel McColley or Patty Fanning.

*"Of all duties, prayer certainly is the sweetest and most easy." -Laurence Sterne*

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**Weekly Services,  
Eucharist  
and Bible Study:**



Sunday Services:	8:00 & 10:30 A.M.
Sunday School	9:15 A.M.
Children's Chapel:	10:30 A.M.
Wednesday Eucharist:	9:00 A.M.
Wednesday Bible Study:	9:45 A.M.

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### ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17**

**9:00 AM**

**5:00 PM**

**7:00 PM (WITH CHOIR)**

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### Now Available in the Narthex:

#### Lenten Meditation Booklets from Episcopal Relief & Development

Developed by Sister Claire Joy of the Community of the Holy Spirit in New York, the 2010 Lenten Meditations has the theme "Healing ourselves and a hurting world." It will challenge and inspire readers to act on behalf of those in need.

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**Fellowship Breakfast**

**Sunday, February 7 at 9:00 a.m.**

**Sunday February 7, between services,**

If you are interested in serving on the Fellowship Committee please contact Andrea Newlin at 303-840-8367, or [ok4unme@qwest.net](mailto:ok4unme@qwest.net).

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### HEARTS AND HANDS COMMUNITY OUTREACH

#### Parker Task Force Collection for February: Crackers

The Parker Task Force Food Bank is a non-profit organization operated solely by dedicated volunteers. The Mission of the Food Bank is to provide short-term support to those in need in the Parker, Franktown and Elizabeth areas. The Parker Task Force has seen an unprecedented growth in clients recently - 28 percent over the last year. *Thank you! Your donations are greatly appreciated.*

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#### St. Matthew's Community Supper:

Please join us on Sunday, February 28 from 4-5:30 p.m. for a Community Supper

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#### ST. FRANCIS NEEDS YOU!!!

St. Francis Center, a refuge shelter for homeless men and women serving the Denver metro area, has volunteer opportunities for St. Matthew's parishioners willing to assist in laundry, sorting donations, distribute mail, stock the clothing room and help with various special projects. Crews of 3-6 adults are needed to work the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or

the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month from 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.. (Sunday volunteering will include church service at the shelter.) For additional information please contact Hearts and Hands member Susie Chapin at 303-841-1789 or [dwsjchapin@msn.com](mailto:dwsjchapin@msn.com). Thanks for making a difference!

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#### **Do You Have...**

- Backpacks (any size, kind)
- Sleeping Bags
- Blankets
- Medium Size Men's Jeans (32-26 waist)
- Vaseline
- Travel size Toiletries

The above items are greatly needed for the 600-800 homeless clients served daily at the St. Francis Center located in Denver. If you are no longer using or need any of these requested articles please consider dropping off your donations in the St. Francis Center baskets located in the parish hall on Sunday morning or in the church office during the week. For additional information please contact Hearts and Hands member Susie Chapin at 303-841-1789 or [dwsjchapin@msn.com](mailto:dwsjchapin@msn.com).

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**Coming Sunday after Ash Wednesday, on February 21<sup>st</sup> the blue UTO boxes will again be made available. They will be collected on April 11<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday after Easter.**

**"UTO's Mission:** To expand the circle of thankful people. To achieve this mission, we encourage daily prayers, offerings and awareness of the abundance of God's blessings."

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"The United Offering became the United Thank Offering in 1919, with a "Victory Offering" of \$468,060.41, given in thanks for the end of W.W.I, and mindful of the many women who had lost sons and husbands in the war."

"In 1970, the offering began to be given on an annual basis. In the 1970s the United Thank Offering Committee was established. Its responsibilities were to promote, interpret and allocate the offerings annually."

Please look for your 2010 Blue Box, coming soon.

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### **A Lenten Outreach Opportunity!**

All St. Matthew's Parishioners ages 16 and up, are invited to roll up their sleeves to donate whole blood at this year's annual St. Matthew's Bonfil's blood drive Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 a.m. in the parish hall. This is a great opportunity to donate much-needed whole blood to local, regional and national hospitals as well as experience a different kind of "fellowship" with your St. Matthew's family. If interested please check the newly posted eligibility requirements at the Community Outreach bulletin board in the parish hall, then see Hearts and Hands Outreach member Susie Chapin beginning Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup> to sign up for an appointment. For additional information please contact Susie at 303-841-1789 or at [dwsjchapin@msn.com](mailto:dwsjchapin@msn.com).

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## **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**

### **Volunteers Needed for Snow Removal**

**Winter is definitely here!** There is a sign-up sheet in the Buildings and Grounds section of the large bulletin board in the Parish Hall. When you sign up it's for a week, from Monday

through the following Sunday (we do it that way so the same person is on duty for the entire weekend). All of the necessary equipment (snow blower, snow shovels, and melting crystals) is in the shed. The city plows the parking lot and driveway entrances, so all we have to clear is the walkways and building entrances. The week before you're on duty, you'll receive an e-mail reminder with all the necessary instructions. If you have any questions, please contact Whit Greene, 720-851-0997, [greenelw@msn.com](mailto:greenelw@msn.com). Thanks for your help!

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### **Children's Chapel**

Children's Chapel is for all children preschool through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. The children gather together to hear the gospel story. From there the children discuss and learn the meaning of the gospel; activities and crafts are often used to enhance the story. Leaders take turns each Sunday; and we welcome anyone to join us who would like to be a leader in this part of the children's education.

We also need an adult to help each Sunday. We are blessed to have a large group of children participate but the leader does need assistance. Please take a turn and join the group when they are headed to the classroom. If you would like to learn how to help or have any questions please contact: Joy Williams @ 303 525 6471 or [joyw1965@comcast.net](mailto:joyw1965@comcast.net).

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### **Grocery Cards**

When shopping for groceries, gas, or home & garden items please consider purchasing Grocery or Tagawa Garden cards. They are a perfect way to contribute to our church without having to spend extra money, gas and time. Here is how it works: You pay for the card, shop, use the card and the store gives St. Matthew's a percentage of what you spend. We have King Soopers, Safeway and Tagawa cards available. You can also use King Soopers cards at their gas stations. Cards may be

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purchased after each service in the Parish Hall.  
If you would like more information, or would like to help with this ministry, please contact Whitney Tomlin at 303-841-9328 or at [Whitney.Tomlin@dcsdk12.org](mailto:Whitney.Tomlin@dcsdk12.org).



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## OPEN GATE THRIFT STORE

**Help needed on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm. If you can help on any of these days please contact Patty Fanning.**

The Open Gate Thrift Store is a remarkable mission of our church, providing much needed clothing and other items to members of the community at very reasonable prices. Because of the efforts of the dedicated volunteers who work at the Open Gate, all proceeds are turned over to the Church in support of its other missions. Last year, these proceeds were approximately \$18,000. Patty and all of the volunteers would welcome your donations of gently used items to this mission, which reaches out to families throughout Parker and the Denver area.

*We could always use more volunteers! If you are interested please contact Patty Fanning @ 303-841-6681, or [leepatty\\_20@msn.com](mailto:leepatty_20@msn.com).*

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### Open Gate Thrift Store hours:

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Friday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

\* Donations accepted during these hours only\*  
*Please do not leave items outside*

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**Please mark your calendars!  
You don't want to miss these events!**

### Sunday, February 7 Mission Trip Informational Meeting

Time: Noon  
Place: Parish Hall

### Sunday, February 7 Super Bowl Party

Time: 4 to?  
Place: Jody's House

### Sunday, February 14 Decorate Parish Hall

Time: 4 to 6 pm  
Place: Parish Hall

### Tuesday, February 16 Pancake Supper

Time: 4:30 to?  
Place: Parish Hall

### Sunday, February 21 & 28 No Youth Group

### Saturday, February 27 Ski Trip

Time: 8 am to 6 pm  
Place: Meeting at the Church to travel to SolVista  
Cost: TBA

Any questions email Jody at [shoec@aol.com](mailto:shoec@aol.com) or Andrew at [Sisahieb@yahoo.com](mailto:Sisahieb@yahoo.com)

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### Mission Trip Information

This summer our youth will be going to Salt Lake City for a mission trip from July 9 to July 17. We will be joining other youth groups from the area. The cost will be \$500. The Pancake Supper will be our fund raising event for SLC. Also, at the Pancake Supper we will be selling shares for \$20 per share for the Shareholders supper this summer after the trip. Look for more information soon and see you on February 16 for the supper.

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### Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Once again this year the Youth Group will host the Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 16 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm as a fundraiser for our mission trip this summer to Salt Lake City. The youth and leaders will be traveling to Salt Lake City from July 9-17 to join other youth groups from the Diocese of Colorado for an urban ministry. Profits from this dinner will help the youth from this parish with the cost of the trip, which will run \$500 per person. Prices for the dinner are the same as they were last year. \$20.00 for a family, \$7.00 per adult, \$3.00 per child 3 to 12 and children under 3 are free.

Also, we will be selling shares for a Shareholders Dinner that will be presented on Sunday, August 22 from 5 to 7 pm. The leaders and youth that attended the mission trip will cook the meal and then make presentation of the events while on the trip. Each share is \$20.00 and the holder is entitled to attend the dinner. We invite everyone from St. Matthew's to help SLC (Serve, Love, Care) Mission through the Mountains a success and attend the dinner and presentation.

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**Rector:** The Rev. Michael Wm. Richardson

[FrMichael@matthewinparker.com](mailto:FrMichael@matthewinparker.com)

**Rector Emeritus:** The Rev. Vernon Myers

**Organist:** Betty Sue Hugo

**Choir Director:** Emily Kiebel

**Parish Secretary:** Christine Greene

[office@matthewinparker.com](mailto:office@matthewinparker.com)

Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday 9am-3pm.

**Senior Warden:** Kandy Halstead

**Junior Warden:** Whit Greene

**Clerk of the Vestry:** Laurie Landry

**Treasurer:** Bev Van Zandt

**Vestry Members:** Jerry Grabowski, Jo Evans, Kim

DeJong, Chris Hardy, Samantha Hynes,

Wendy Kelly, Tom McNish and Jennifer Tinsley

**Bookkeeper:** Christine Greene

**Thrift Store Manager:** Patty Fanning

**E-mail:** [office@matthewinparker.com](mailto:office@matthewinparker.com)

**Website:** [www.matthewinparker.com](http://www.matthewinparker.com)

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### Baptisms

Connor Logan Dobkin                      1/31/2010

Parents: Erin and Gregory Dobkin

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Michael Rowcotsky	05
Sara Bernard	05
John Olson	06
Carmen Avelino	06
Donna Schmidt	07
Gail Patterson	08
Jerry Grabowski	09
Jenna Greene	10
Hayden Hubbs	10
Liz Jankura	11
Violet Strand	11
Scott Gough	12
Joan Maclachlan	13
Tom Rose	14
Tom Clark	15
Sarah Payne	15
Ken Mudge	16
Terry Yaryan	16
Chris Martin	16
Aja Clement	18
Brenna Newlin	18
Jim Nikkel	19
Paul DeJong	20
Kimberly DeJong	20
Pam Lamb	20
Lisa Ralston	21
Liesl Chapin	21
Pam Reed	22
Sue Tull	22
Joanne Payne	22
James Conway	23

Susan Gile	24
Jill Jacobs	24
Ed Hauser	25
Victor Rogers	25
Kevin Parker	26
Gillian Hara	26
Whitney Tomlin	27
Jake Shoemaker	27
Jennifer Buckley	28
Lanique Hinch	29

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*Anniversaries*  
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Karmen and Charles Cadwell	10
Dick and Roxanne Amell	14
Micki and Tom Clark	19
Paul and Kimberly DeJong	20
Marsha and Bob Haeflein	23
Laura and Michael Lewis	24
Doug and Susie Chapin	29

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*Please let us know if we have missing, or incorrect information about you or your family.*

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<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 7pm DeMolay	<b>3</b> 9am Eucharist 9:45 a.m. Bible Study	<b>4</b> 7:15pm Choir	<b>5</b> 10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop  10-1 Sunlight Transitions	<b>6</b> 9am Women's AA Meeting  10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop
<b>7</b> 8am & 10:30 Eucharist Fellowship Breakfast 12:00 Course in Anglicanism 3:30-6pm Youth Group	<b>8</b>  7-9pm DeMolay	<b>9</b> 9-11am Explorers  10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop  6pm Finance	<b>10</b> 9am Eucharist 9:45 a.m. Bible Study  7pm Youth Leader Meeting	<b>11</b>  7:15pm Choir	<b>12</b> 10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop  10-1 Sunlight Transitions	<b>13</b> 9am Women's AA Meeting  10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop
<b>14</b> 8am & 10:30 Eucharist  4-6pm Youth Group 4pm Course in Anglicanism	<b>15</b>  10am Prayers & Squares	<b>16</b> 9-11am Explorers 10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop Pancake Supper 5:30-7pm 7pm Vestry Meeting	<b>17</b> <b>Ash Wednesday</b> 9am Eucharist 9:45 a.m. Bible Study 5:00pm 7:00pm	<b>18</b>  7:15pm Choir  6:30pm Cub Scouts	<b>19</b> 10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop  10-1 Sunlight Transitions	<b>20</b> 9am Women's AA Meeting  10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop  12:30-3:30 DAR
<b>21</b> 8am & 10:30 Eucharist   No Youth Group	<b>22</b> 9-11am Parker MOMs  7-9pm DeMolay	<b>23</b> 9-11am Explorers  10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop	<b>24</b> 9am Eucharist 9:45 a.m. Bible Study	<b>25</b>  7:15pm Choir	<b>26</b> 10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop  10-1 Sunlight Transitions	<b>27</b> 9am Women's AA Meeting  10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop
<b>28</b> 8am & 10:30 Eucharist  No Youth Group  4pm Community Supper						

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