

The Messenger

June 2010



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Save The Date! Let's Talk Ultimate Stewardship – Planned Giving with Sacred Purpose!

Life can be hectic. While taking care of the day-to-day, we put off planning for the future. But the future won't take care of your loved ones. Only your compassionate planning will make life easier for the ones you love.

The Colorado Episcopal Foundation is working to provide guidance and tools to help us to plan for the future. Thoughtful, advanced directions will make life easier for those we love and who care for us.

St. Matthew's is planning to host foundation staff and local Episcopal parishes in talking through these matters. The Rev. Stephen Wilson, an ordained Episcopal priest and licensed attorney, will join us to provide a practical and spiritual framework, drawing on both perspectives.

More information will be coming about this workshop, but we want to make sure you have this one on your Calendar! Here are key logistics for this workshop, but please plan to join us! If you have questions in the meantime, please get in touch with Fr. Michael or Kandy Halstead.

Planned Giving Workshop

St. Matthew's – Parish hall

Saturday, June 05, 2010

10:00am – 12:30pm

Lunch included

To register you may download the form at www.coef.org or email office@coef.org or call 303-534-6778.

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April Financial Figures

2010 Budget for pledges Year to date - \$51,000
2010 Actual pledges Year to date - \$39,732
Total revenue year to date - \$74,923 vs. \$88,430 budgeted

Total expenses year to date - \$90,636 vs. \$94,072 budgeted

Please help us keep our programs and ministries vital and healthy. We are looking at ways to cut expenses and cut back on items that are not absolutely essential, but we don't have much "room" in our budget without sacrificing programs! Thank you for your generosity in making St. Matthew's a place where God's care is given to God's people.

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Tree Planting Demo – Special Memorial to Dave Clement From Tagawa Newsletter: Sun., June 20: 11 AM-12 Noon, Father's Day

Our Tree & Shrub staff will all participate in showing how to properly plant a tree. Dave Clement, Tagawa employee, a loving father, husband, brother, uncle and friend, passed in 2009. Dave enjoyed teaching our visitors how to plant trees along with friend and co-worker Bob, who will lead this demonstration class as we plant a "David" crabapple in honor of Dave in our landscape here at Tagawa Gardens.

The Clement family would love to have everyone attend who might be interested.

At the conclusion of the tree planting everyone is invited to attend a reception with a light lunch, socializing, etc., at Gina's house starting at 1:00 p.m. Her address is: 18430 Keyser Creek Ave., Parker, CO 80134.

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Nursery Worker Needed

We are looking for an adult to work in our Nursery for about two hours each week, from 10:15 to 12:15. We have one adult to work in the Nursery during the late service, and are required by our policies on children and youth to have two adults in the Nursery at all times. The childcare service we

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use is relatively expensive and doesn't offer the flexibility that we would like to have in Nursery services. If you know of someone who is trained or licensed to work with children, and would like to work those hours on Sunday, please have them contact the office or Fr. Michael. If we could get some volunteers to take on Sunday morning Nursery to fill in until we can get another paid person, we can begin with one paid staff member and volunteers! Please let us know if you can help or know someone we should contact.

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Episcopal Camp and Conference Ministries presents: Building a Place Set Apart

Recently, Bishop O'Neill announced the purchase of the new Diocesan camp and conference center property near Woodland Park. It is a wonderful facility and this summer will be your first opportunity to experience it and help build it up to become, in Bishop O'Neill's words, "a vital part of our life and ministry as a diocese."

Our vision for the summer is to call people in the diocese together to *Build a Place Set Apart*. Through the many work projects that need to be completed to make the facility ready to welcome guests, we will work to lay the foundation for this wonderful new camp home for us and for the broader community. To build this foundation with love, prayer and care, we need help from you and your congregations – help from your hands, your hearts, your gifts, and some help from your wallets.

Congregations are invited to participate in our summer Volunteer Program, *Building a Place Set Apart*. We have many opportunities this summer for helping to make our new property in Woodland Park ready for guests in the fall. We are looking for groups and individuals to spend a day, a weekend, or more here to help with one of the many available

projects. We need everyone from volunteers who can help in the kitchen to volunteers who can offer brute strength to dig trails or haul trees!!

Who: Anyone with a heart to serve the Lord

What: *Building a Place Set Apart*

When: June 4-?

Where: Woodland Park Property, near Woodland Park, CO

For more information, please visit the Camps page under Faith Formation on the Diocesan Website: http://www.coloradodiocese.org/03_faithformation/camps.html

NOTE: If you are interested in being part of a work crew from St. Matthew's to spend a day at the Woodland Park Property, please contact Fr. Michael.

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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. Thank you for making our church beautiful!

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Altar Guild of St Matthew's

We are in need of individuals who would love to join the Altar Guild - a behind the scenes group that sets up the altar for Sunday services. Each weekend

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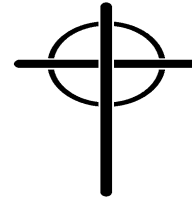
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a team of 3 set up on Saturday and cleans up after the 8am and after the 10:30 services on Sunday. Each person is assigned a service. We are a lot of fun and would love to have you join our group!!! If interested please contact **Barb McNish** at 303-805-2414 or email mcnishcolo@aol.com

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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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 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 3rd Monday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall. The next meeting is **May 17**. 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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Help Needed in Thrift Shop

The Thrift Store always has several bags of items to go to The St. Francis Center in Denver. If you would like to help with this ministry, or if you are interested in volunteering at the Thrift Shop, please call Patty Fanning @ leepatty_20@msn.com, or 303-841-6681.
Thank you.

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The Fellowship Team Wants You!

Hello St. Matthew's Parishioners! Looking for an enjoyable and easy way to get involved with our Church Community? The Fellowship Team is open for new members to help with coffee and goodies after the Sunday worship services. If you like to bake, that's wonderful! But, you are also welcome to just buy goodies to bring in to share. The duties are light and typically only require helping about every other month. Plus, you have a chance to work with a wonderful group of fun folks. Please join us! If you are interested in joining, or looking for more information, please contact Laurie Landry at (720) 842-4517 or lglandryt@msn.com. You can also let Andrea Newlin or Jo Ellen Richardson know if you are interested.

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Share this message with everyone, collect from your neighbors or at work. This is an easy way to help and clear out some drawer space at the same time! Early or late donations will always be taken at the Parker Task Force. Questions? Call 303-841-3460.

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HEARTS AND HANDS COMMUNITY OUTREACH

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Parker Task Force Collection for June: Juice/Tea/Coffee

Volunteers Needed for Lawn Mowing

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. You may put your donations in the basket in the Narthex. *Thank you! Your donations are greatly appreciated.*

A tradition at St. Matthew's has been to have this weekly task performed by members of the congregation. Like snow removal, it's a great way to make a contribution to the maintenance of the church in a behind-the-scenes way.



All of the required equipment is available in the shed, so there is no need to bring your own. The week prior to your mowing duty, you'll receive a reminder e-mail that

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includes information about the operation of the equipment and specific instructions as to what needs to be done.



Parker Task Force- Taking Donations Of Old Cell Phones

A sign-up sheet is posted in the Building and Grounds section of the large bulletin board in the Parish Hall. To reserve a weekend and ensure that you will be able to participate in this unique experience at St. Matthew's, act quickly and sign up now! Questions??? Whit Greene (720-851-0997, greenelw@msn.com).

If you have some old cell phones bring them to the Parker Task Force locations, or you may drop them off at St. Matthew's. The Task Force will recycle these old working and broken phones and turn them into much needed funds to help our neighbors in need from every neighborhood in Parker. In this struggling economy, the need for food and financial assistance has risen and we can all help.

We have a variety of projects currently underway, including the new Youth Group room, the Thrift Store and work on the niches behind the altar, as well as the steps to the Balcomb House and painting the outside of the buildings. There is also a landscaping team being formed if you are interested in that. So, if you are wondering how you can help with any of these projects, please contact Whit Greene, 720-851-0997, greenelw@msn.com. Thanks for your help!

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Children's Chapel

Children's Chapel is for all children preschool through 3rd 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.

Fundraising Cards

If you love to garden, or know someone that does please consider purchasing Tagawa Cards. They are perfect gifts for holidays, family, friends and people that love to shop for plants and garden accessories all year long. Tagawa is located at:

7711 S. Parker Rd., Centennial, CO 80016.
Click on the link below to go to their website.



When shopping for groceries, gas, or home & garden items please consider purchasing Grocery or Tagawa Garden cards. We have King Soopers, Safeway and Tagawa cards available. You can also use King Soopers cards at their gas stations. Cards may be 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 email her at: Whitney.Tomlin@dcsdk12.org.

OPEN GATE THRIFT STORE

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.

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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!

June 6 Castlewood Canyon Family BBQ-12: 30 to 3 pm.

Youth Group Family BBQ

The Youth Group will celebrate another year together and welcome new members with a family BBQ at Castlewood Canyon. We will meet at the State Park after the 10:30 service for fun, food and fellowship from 12:30 to 3 pm. The Youth Group

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will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, chips and pop, we will ask the families attending to provide a side dish to pass or a dessert. This event is open to youth attending 6th grade in the fall and all present and past members. Please let us know if you plan on attending. Email Jody (shoec@aol.com), Andrew (Sirsahieb@yahoo.com) or Stephanie (sjschneider2008@comcast.net) if you can come.

Mission Trip Information

We have 4 youth and 3 adult leaders from St. Matthew's going on the mission trip to Salt Lake City in July. You may support this mission by buying SLC Shares. The cost for 1 share is \$10, (children are free) which entitles you to attend a shareholder dinner on August 22, 2010 prepared by the mission trip attendees. Following the dinner, a presentation will be given to share the accomplishments of the mission trip and how it made a difference in the lives of others. We will be selling shares during the 1st Sunday Breakfasts through July. Thank you for supporting the St. Matthew's Youth Group. Any questions email Jody at shoec@aol.com or Andrew at Sisahieb@yahoo.com.

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Want Ads: Church Technology!



LCD Projector

St. Matthew's is currently unable to accommodate quality presentations requiring projection. We could really use one of these so our education and other groups can add media to the experience!

Be a Part of VBS 2010!!

Hello, Parishioners! Our Summer VBS Program will be held **Wednesday July 21st** – **Saturday July 24th** (weekday evenings and ending Saturday morning). This fun-filled program of music, activities, crafts, Bible stories, games and much more is open to children from **Pre-K to 5th grade**. More information and pre-registration materials for kids will be available soon on our website.

Volunteers needed! We are looking for adults and youth to help with the stories, crafts, games, decorations, set-up, food prep, food donations, and much more! There are ways to donate your time just a little or a lot, and every little bit helps! **Now is the time** to let Laurie Landry know if you are interested in helping, and which days you are available. If interested, please contact **Laurie at (720) 842-4517** or lglandryt@msn.com. Thank you!

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Rector: The Rev. Michael Wm. Richardson
FrMichael@matthewinparker.com

Rector Emeritus: The Rev. Vernon Myers

Organist: Betty Sue Hugo

Choir Director: Emily Kiebel

Parish Secretary: Christine Greene
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: Laurie Landry, 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

Website: www.matthewinparker.com

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Dawn Koltiska	01
Greg Dobkin	03
Ben Humphrey	03
Ethan Hriso	03
Wes Roberts	04
Ron Martin	05
Andy Moncier	06
Joey Moncier	06
Sofia Rae	07
Emma Mortimer	08
Dorothy Beideck	10
Susie Chapin	11
Kyle Tamura	13
Erin Grabowski	15
John Gile	16
Brody Tomlin	16
Charles Wimmer	17
Jonathan Bell	19
Megan Fonda	20
Linda Squires	21
Brian Anderson	22
Robby Williams	22
Chris Hardy	25
Rob Williams	26
Tom Evans	28
Jamie Gile	28
Patsy Stewart	30
Kelli Hynes	30
Ethan Tamura	30

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

Anniversaries this Month

Heather and Ismael Avelino	02
Don and Doris Elliot	09
Ken and Sherri Mudge	13
Andy and Becky Hundley	15
Mary Jane and Dick Nace	15
Fr. Michael and Jo Ellen Richardson	15
Kevin and Linda Parker	16
Dot and Terry Yaryan	17
Christine and Whit Greene	18
Joan and Ron Maclachlan	26
Steve and Suzann Smith	24
Chris and John Humphrey	26
Lisa and Marty Rogers	29
Brad and Whitney Tomlin	29
Ray and Diane Trueblood	30
Laurie and Rick Ward	30

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Class of 2010 Congratulations to our Graduates!

Emily Ulmer - Ponderosa (going to the University of Wyoming).

Jimmy Ulmer - Ponderosa (going to Colorado State University).

Laura Greene - Graduated in December from Ponderosa H.S. Attending CCD/CU Denver.

Jamie L. Gile - University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, BA.

Cathleen Wimmer - Arapahoe Community College on May 15: Associate of Applied Science in Nursing.

Elise Clement - Colorado State University - Master's in Communication with an emphasis in Health Care Communication.

Olivia Clark - Graduated in December from University of Colorado.

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		1 9-11am Explorers 10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop	2 9am Eucharist 9:45 a.m. Bible Study	3	4 930-3pm Mnt Pine	5 9am Women's AA Meeting 10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop 10am Planned Giving Workshop
6 8am & 10:30 Eucharist Fellowship Breakfast 12:30-3:30pm Youth Group	7	8 9-11am Explorers 10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop 6pm Finance	9 9am Eucharist 9:45 a.m. Bible Study	10	11 10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop	12 9am Women's AA Meeting 10-3 Open Gate Thrift Shop
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