



# THE TELESCOPE

First United Methodist Church of Delmar

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## RPMs will make mission trip to DC during school break week

The RPMs, our ecumenical group made up of youth in grades 9-12, are headed to Washington, DC for their annual mission trip. They will depart April 12 for a week to work with the organization Center for Student Missions. Students will be challenged to learn from those they serve in homeless prayer breakfasts, children's programs, rest homes and feeding programs.

You can help make this trip a reality. While each RPM contributes around \$350 toward the cost of the trip, the remainder of the expenses covered through various fundraising activities, corporate donations and assistance from congregations. Your contribution is tax-deductible and will entitle you to a complimentary dinner when the group returns and shares information about their experience. Please make your check payable to "RPM Seniors". Donations may be left in the mail slot located below the mailboxes outside Church Office, or mailed to Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

An important – and delightful – part of the fundraising effort is the annual Coffee House, to be held the evening of Saturday, March 7 at Delmar Reformed Church. Come for an evening of music and laughter – with unlimited coffees, teas, and a spectacular array of Gourmet Desserts! More details will come shortly.

## Habitat work continues Saturday

Our next build is scheduled for this Saturday, Jan. 24. Other groups have been scarce, but we've been productive when we've gone, so we decided to return again this month. If you want to join us on Saturday, Jan. 24 call Kevin Conley at 475-9034 or email him at [kconley1@nycap.rr.com](mailto:kconley1@nycap.rr.com).

## Mission Team serves lunch for Bethlehem seniors

On Monday, Jan. 5 Mission Team members prepared and delivered turkey noodle casseroles, fruit/nut breads, applesauce, and eggnog cakes (all home made) to the Bethlehem Lutheran Church for the Bethlehem Senior Lunch Program. The Senior Services Office sent a note of thanks: "Your church has been a great support for the elderly population in this community. Your involvement in the Senior Lunch program is greatly needed and valued by us and by all those you serve."

## Friendship Club off to Galapagos

Friendship Club will gather for a special travel program this Friday evening, Jan. 23. Following the always enjoyable covered dish supper at 6:30 p.m., the evening program at 7:30 p.m. will feature "A Visit to the Enchanted Islands - The Galapagos Islands." Dianne Luci of Voorheesville will provide a slide presentation. Dianne has arranged numerous overseas group tours, with the uniqueness of the Galapagos being her favorite to share with audiences.

Most who attend bring a covered dish, salad or dessert and contribute \$2. Others are asked to contribute \$7.00. It helps us plan if you call Hertha Thayer (453-0450) to make a reservation.

## Men's Ministry breakfast

A new Methodist Men's Ministry breakfast will be held on the first Saturday of each month. All men of the community are invited and encouraged to attend. Each breakfast will feature a speaker relating to our daily walk with Christ. The first gathering of the 3M's will be on Saturday, Feb. 7 in Fellowship Hall, 7:30 - 9 a.m. Bring a friend! Call Brian Collier (542-2705) or John Lamitie (439-2356) with questions.

## Cookbooks have arrived

Our cookbook, the "Melting Pot" – a compilation of recipes in celebration of FUMC Delmar's 175th Anniversary will be available again for sale (distribution) this Sunday, Jan. 25 as well as Church Office (M-F from 9 am -3 pm). Requests can also be made to [churchoffice@delmarmethodist.org](mailto:churchoffice@delmarmethodist.org). Ample supplies are available for purchase now and throughout the year. The cost (check payable to FUMC Delmar) is \$10 per copy – and there is a limited supply of wooden cookbook stands made by our own Warren Stoker (\$10/ea.) Books will be available during Fellowship Hour this Sunday. Proceeds benefit the Capital Region Food Bank.

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

January 25  
9:30 a.m.

Reception of  
New Members

*Sermon by  
Rev. Janice Palm:*

"In God We Trust"

*Texts:  
Jonah 3:1-5, 10;  
Psalm 62:5-12*

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## Church Calendar

Thursday Jan. 22	6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir (201) 7:00 p.m. – RPM Advisory (207) 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Friday, Jan. 23	6:00 p.m. – Friendship Club (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday, Jan. 24	Habitat Work Day (see front page)
Sunday, Jan. 25  <i>New Member Sunday</i>	9:30 a.m. – Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m. – Church School (begins in Sanctuary) 10:45 a.m. – Fellowship Hour (special reception for new members) 11 a.m. – Teacher Meeting (217) 11 a.m. – “I Believe in Jesus” Study (218) 11 a.m. – Junior / Intermediate/Youth Choirs (219 / Choir Room/216 ) 11 a.m. – Theological & Social Issues (Lounge) 7 p.m. – RPMs Meeting (Del. Reformed) 7 p.m. – Women’s Study Group (Library)
Monday, Jan. 26	10:00 a.m. – Worship Team Mtg. (207) 10:30 a.m. – Playgroup (Nursery) 7:00 p.m. - “Women Speak of God” (207)
Tuesday, Jan. 27	8 a.m. – Men’s Breakfast (4 Corners) 10 a.m. – Treasure Cove (Lounge) 7 p.m. – Upper Room (Lounge)
Wednesday, Jan. 28	10:00 a.m. – “Women Speak of God” (Library) 10:30 a.m. – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 a.m. – Playgroup (Nursery)
Thursday Jan. 29	6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir (201) 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)

## CFL Talent Show is March 14

At 6 p.m. on Saturday, March 14 Church Family Life will stage its annual Talent Show. Do you sing, dance, play an instrument, perform magic or a have comedy routine? Don't be shy, give it a try – share your talent and join the fun. Stay tuned for more info.

## New voices welcome in our Junior Choir!

If your child is in Kindergarten through third grade, please give Junior Choir a try. This is the perfect

time to start singing, as we will be learning new music for the coming months. Rehearsals are on Sunday from 11-11:45 a.m. in Room 219. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Loiacono at 479-3032 or [singstampsue@yahoo.com](mailto:singstampsue@yahoo.com).

## Nursery help needed

We are desperately looking for volunteers to staff the Nursery. We need at least two people each Sunday – one of the two people needs to be an adult, the second person can be a teen or adult. Please contact Jamie Cable at 729-5516 or [jlsgoes@nycap.rr.com](mailto:jlsgoes@nycap.rr.com).

## Our Church Family

**Our prayers and sympathy** to the family and friends of Sue Secor, who died on Thursday, Jan. 15. Funeral: 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 21, in our Sanctuary.

**St. Peter's:** Lee Diederich

**Good Samaritan Rehab:** Harriet Johnson

**In our thoughts and prayers:** Julia Hymes ((Mary Noble), Maud Denham, Patrick Dewayne & family (Gordon & Susan Fitting), Nellie Evans, Bill Harden (Natalie Darrone), Irv Halvorsen, Tiffani Hughes (Byron & Barbara Wilson), Lynn Mallory, Chuck Payne (Ray Bell), Ken Huddleston (Karen & Kyle Jones), Austin Cline, Nick Dubroff ( Sally and John Ten Eyck), Sam Kunis ( Dana Burns), Denise Knaack, Shirley Post, Mary Storm, Jennifer Clark and family (Mil Harmon), Susan and Marge Stewart (John Stewart), Isabella Cornwell ( Denise Gisotti), Bernice Kapral (Joan Kapral), Sharon O'Connor (Lynda Conway), Priscilla Wing (Dori Hallenbeck), George Hartman (McEwan, Ten Eyck families), Kevin Rice and family (Nancy and Steve Rice), Louise Marshall, Geneva Long, Jean Drew, Clara Cabelas (Marian and Bill Jewell), Capt. Sean Quinn (John and Sally Ten Eyck), Chris Sheridan (Dick & Jeanne Herrmann), Sally Devine (Marilyn Peterson and Ed & Nancy McEwan), Bernice Drozd (Karen Ward), Edwin Busch (Joan House), Noah Hyde (Mil Harmon), Viva Klim.

*Also, we pray for families living in war-torn regions, American armed forces on active duty overseas and their families at home.*

Please advise Church Office if the prayer concern you've requested may be removed from the list above.