



THE TELESCOPE

First United Methodist Church of Delmar

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Vision. Mission. Path

For Administrative leaders, Ministry Teams, and all folks who want to help shape where the church is headed:

We are "a Christian Community, growing together in faith and in service to God."

What does your path of faith exploration look like? Who is joining you on your journey down that path? How do you serve, and how do others serve you, during the journey?

On Feb. 28, from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., the Administrative Council will bring together the ministry teams of our church to explore these questions with the goal of forming a common set of priorities for the next year.

If you are serving on a ministry team, please join us. If you want to serve on a ministry team, please join us. If you want others to join you on your journey, please join us.

– Rev. Palm, Jeff Peterson, John Lamitie

CARE CORPS offers lessons on difficult situations

Have you ever experienced an emotionally difficult conversation? If so, then we all have something in common. If you would like to learn a new approach to being effective in difficult interactions, then please join the CARE CORPS Ministry Team for a free viewing of the "Compassion in Action" DVD on Sunday, Feb. 8 from 2:30 – 4 p.m., in Fellowship Hall. The DVD shows how experienced caregivers respond to people who are uncooperative, confused, grieving, forgetful, argumentative, frustrated, angry, in a coma, or dying. Please call Diane White by Friday, Feb. 6 to reserve a seat: 475-9454.

Training that might help you save someone's life

The church has a defibrillator, but in order to have our liability insurance cover anyone who uses it, we must have individuals appropriately trained. We are in need of an individual certified to provide the American Heart Association's CPR training. We also need individuals who are either already qualified in such training and would be willing to be put on a list of persons able to use the defibrillator, or who would be willing to be trained in CPR. If you meet any of these qualifications, please contact Pam Tindall-O'Brien at 439-1672 or e-mail Nicholas O'Brien at nickobrien3@gmail.com.

Mary Marthas on Feb. 12

After two cancellations due to snowstorms, our next meeting will be on Thursday, Feb. 12 at 1 p.m. in the church Lounge. Please bring three dozen of your favorite cookies, which we will put into Valentine bags for our home-bound friends. We will then deliver the cookies to them.

Please plan on being with us for a fun time together. For more information call Aggie Clark (439-5578), Janet Gelzheiser (439-5928), Barb Logan (439-4782) or Shirley Milbert (475-1298).

A thank-you message from your Church Staff

On behalf of the Delmar First United Methodist Church Staff: We thank you for your generous Christmas gifts. We love working here at this church and with you folks – our friends and family. We enjoy working with each other. Most of all, we know we are working alongside the One who given us life and hope.

Items for a baby due in March

A young woman who is HIV positive and residing with Support for AIDS Services and Housing, (formerly Support Ministries), is awaiting the birth of a baby girl in March. The Mission Ministry Team located a crib for the baby and hopes to provide baby clothes and supplies, as well. If you have "gently used" items (or new disposable diapers) to donate, please place them in the first floor mission room, across from the choir room.

'Melting Pot' cookbook available

Our cookbook, the "Melting Pot" – a compilation of recipes in celebration of FUMC Delmar's 175th Anniversary will be for sale this Sunday and during the week thru Church Office (M-F from 9 a.m. -3 p.m.). 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.) You can reserve a copy by e-mailing churchoffice@delmarmethodist.org Proceeds benefit the Capital Region Food Bank.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

February 1
9:30 a.m.

Sermon by
Rev. Janice Palm:

"Knowledge, Truth,
Love"

Texts:

1 Corinthians 8:1-13;
Mark 1:21-28

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Church Calendar

Thursday Jan. 29	6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir (201) 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Sunday, Feb. 1	9:30 a.m. – Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m. – Church School (begins in Sanctuary) 10:45 a.m. – Fellowship Hour 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. – Women’s Study Group (Library)
Monday, Feb. 2	10:30 a.m. – Playgroup (Nursery)
Tuesday, Feb. 3	8 a.m. – Men’s Breakfast (4 Corners) 10 a.m. – Treasure Cove (Lounge) 7 p.m. – Upper Room (Lounge)
Wednesday, Feb. 4	10:30 a.m. – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 a.m. – Playgroup (Nursery)
Thursday Feb. 5	6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir (201) 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)

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 the week of April 12 for a week to serve in homeless prayer breakfasts, children’s programs, rest homes and feeding programs.

The trip is only a part of the missions work performed by RPMs. They’ve also volunteered their time at homeless shelters, and performed other services. They’re currently collecting winter clothes (preferably dark colors) for distribution to the homeless during their annual Midnight Run to New York City.

You can help make the April mission trip a reality. 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.

United Nations seminar for youth

The deadline for applications to this year’s Youth Seminar at the Church Center of the United Nations in New York City is quickly approaching. The program is offered during the school vacation, Feb. 17-20; and the topic this year is “Abraham’s Offspring – Islam, Judaism and Christianity.” The cost is \$350. A brochure is on our web site at <http://www.delmarmethodist.org/unconf.pdf> and the application form is available at www.delmarmethodist.org/un2009.pdf

Nursery help needed

We urgently need 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.

Our Church Family

In our thoughts and prayers: Lee Diederich, Harriet Johnson, Connie Johnson (John Tedesco), Jonathan Carpenter (Kevin Conley), 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, Susan and Marge Stewart (John Stewart), Isabella Cornwell (Denise Gisotti), Bernice Kapral (Joan Kapral), Sharon O’Conor (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 Cabesas (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.