



# THE TELESCOPE

First United Methodist Church of Delmar

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## The Three M's rally on Saturday

We don't mean "The Three Musketeers" – we mean the monthly Methodist Men's Ministry breakfast.

The first one will be held this Saturday morning, Feb. 7 from 7:30 – 9 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Subsequent breakfasts will be held the first Saturday of every month, and each will feature a speaker relating to our daily walk with Christ. All men of the community are invited and encouraged to attend. Bring a friend! Contacts: Brian Collier, 542-2705, or John Lamitie, 439-2356.

## Vision – Mission – Path

On Saturday, Feb. 28, from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., the Administrative Council will bring together the ministry teams of our church around the goal of forming a common set of priorities for the next year. We'll explore questions like: What does your path of faith exploration look like? Who is joining you on your journey? How do you serve, and how do others serve you, during the journey?

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

## Help needed with dinner Feb. 9

On Monday evening, Feb. 9 we host the dinner and annual meeting of the Capital Area Council of Churches, for 75-80 people. Our dinner crew needs help with food service, dish washing and clean up. If you can donate some time that evening (6 – 7:30 p.m.), please contact Karen Pass (767-2809) to volunteer.

## 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 this 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. Call Diane White by Friday, Feb. 6 to reserve a seat: 475-9454.

## Stewardship going well

Our Stewardship program this year picked up 175 pledges – 14 of them new. We are close to a dollar level of pledging the church had last year.

We thank all of you who have been able to support the church financially. Each family's and individual's support makes a positive difference to the way ministry can happen through the church.

We are aware that some pledges are still outstanding. To move forward with a sound budget, we need to have the best possible forecast for the financial support upon which we can depend. Some members give regularly, though they are hesitant to commit in writing to a weekly amount. If you've just put off making that financial commitment or lost the commitment card (there are some here in the church office and on the bulletin board outside the church office), would you consider sending/leaving a commitment card to the Church Office addressed to the Financial Secretary?

By hearing from those who have not yet responded, we believe the portion of the church's income that comes from pledges will be sufficient to sustain a healthy ministry here at the First United Methodist Church.

– Stewardship Ministry Team

## Coffee House tickets on sale

The RPMs, our Senior High ecumenical youth group, will be selling tickets for their annual Coffee House Benefit during Fellowship Hour this Sunday – and the three following Sundays, as well. This year the Coffee House will be held Saturday, March 7, 7:30-10:30 p.m. at Delmar Reformed Church. The evening includes entertainment by Acoustic Hartland (featuring several FUMC members), an unlimited selection of coffee and teas, and a spectacular array of gourmet desserts. A HUGE silent auction of goods and services will also be offered. We hope you can come! Tickets: \$15/ea, 2/ \$25. All proceeds will support the RPMs 2009 Spring Mission Trip to Washington, D.C. where they will assist the homeless and others in need. Tickets will also be available through Church Office. Please make checks payable to RPM Seniors. And thank you for your support!

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

February 8  
9:30 a.m.

Guest Speaker  
Jane Stratton,

"Healing Ministries"

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## Church Calendar

Thursday Feb. 5	6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir (201) 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Saturday Feb. 7	7:30 a.m. – Methodist Men's Ministry breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday, Feb. 8	9:30 a.m. – Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m. – Church School (begins in Sanctuary) 10:45 a.m. – Fellowship Hour, Fair Trade & Cookbook Sales 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) 2:30 p.m. – CARE CORPS video (Fellowship Hall) 7 p.m. – Women's Study Group (Library)
Mon., Feb. 9	10:30 a.m. – Playgroup (Nursery) 5:30 p.m. – C.A.C.C. Assembly
Tuesday, Feb. 10	8 a.m. – Men's Breakfast (4 Corners) 10 a.m. – Treasure Cove (Lounge) 7 p.m. – Trustees (207) 7 p.m. - Upper Room (Lounge)
Wednesday, Feb. 11	10:30 a.m. – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 a.m. – Playgroup (Nursery)
Thursday Feb. 12	1 p.m. – Mary Marthas (Lounge) 6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir (201) 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)

## New members welcomed ...

On Sunday, Jan. 25 we received 13 new members into our congregation. Please welcome:

- Bob and Heather Hussar & Elizabeth (8), Nate (5) and Hallagan (3)
- Debbie Way
- Kristin & Nathan Pung & Addison
- Gail Ames
- Robert and Ramona Stubbs
- Soheil Moayed Azarpour and Elnaz Najdmazhari
- Wael Alzawahra and Wendy Weller & Elizabeth
- Robert & Louise DeCandia & Andrew (7)

## ... as we seek information on some past members

We're required to keep our membership rolls updated for conference purposes. Letters sent to the following persons resulted in no response, or were returned "undeliverable." If you have any information regarding the following persons, please leave a message for Barb Logan, Membership Secretary, at the Church Office, (439-9976) or [churchoffice@delmarmethodist.org](mailto:churchoffice@delmarmethodist.org).

- Abele, Sally Stoke
- Ashby, Franklyn
- Austin, Nancy and Ned Locke
- Bartoletti, Barbara
- Blodgett, Donald & Janice
- Boughton, Fred, Shirley & Lorelee
- Crannell, Carol Ann
- Davis, Paul & Loretta
- Crowell, Leslie Ann
- DeMatteo, Nicholas
- Dunlap, Kathy
- Elliott, Marvin & Ellen
- Evenson, Helen
- Evangelista, Melissa, nee Mann
- Frederick, Kristofer & Caitlin
- Waldron, Nancy
- Wynkoop, William

## Our Church Family

**In our thoughts and prayers:** Barb Wiley, Lee Diederich, Harriet Johnson, Connie Johnson (John Tedesco), Jonathan Carpenter (Kevin Conley), Julia Hymes ((Mary Noble), Maud Denham, 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'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), Bernice Drozd (Karen Ward), Edwin Busch (Joan House), Noah Hyde (Mil Harmon), Viva Klim.