



# THE TELESCOPE

First United Methodist Church of Delmar

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## CFL Talent Show hits the stage this Saturday evening

Join Church Family Life at 6 p.m. this Saturday evening, March 14, for this year's Talent Show in Fellowship Hall.

Do you sing, dance, play an instrument, perform magic or a have comedy routine? If you haven't done so yet, sign up your act with Jane Lang before Friday – email [jjlang3@mindspring.com](mailto:jjlang3@mindspring.com) or call 439-5118.

Join us for the fun! Admission is only a non-perishable item for AUMS and/or a dessert to share at intermission. See you Saturday!

## Women-in-the-Middle

We will be meeting for breakfast this Saturday, March 14 at Tool's, at 8:30 a.m. (8 for early-birds!) Please wear green for St. Paddy's Day! RSVP by Thursday 3/12 to [giraffeart@msn.com](mailto:giraffeart@msn.com).

## Fair Trade Sale this Sunday

Time to replenish your supply of coffee/tea/chocolate/nuts/cranberries? This Sunday, March 15 (a change from the regular schedule), Church & Society will come to your rescue with the famous monthly sale. Fair Trade/Equal Exchange coffees and teas will be sold during Fellowship Hour in Fellowship Hall (The Exchange is typically offered the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month.)

## 'Love Kits' for the homeless

During March we are collecting personal hygiene items for "love kits" for the residents of the Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless. Appropriate items include any or all of the following (and similar items):

Toothbrushes, toothpaste; shampoo, hair conditioner; combs; razors, shaving cream; lip balm, hand lotion; washcloths, soap, deodorant; feminine hygiene products; socks.

Please bag your items in paper or plastic bags. The Mission Ministry Team will be organizing all items at the end of our collection period. "Love kit" collection boxes will be set up at various locations in the church. Thank you, in advance, for helping with this important project.

## Friendship Club

Friendship Club will enjoy "An Evening of Musical Nostalgia – Songs We All Remember" on Friday evening, March 27. "I Left My Heart in San

Francisco" and other selections from the 40s and 50s will resound through Fellowship Hall, thanks to a group of choristers from nearby New Scotland, who will reprise selections performed recently at a fund raising Cabaret Night at the Clayton Bouton High School in Voorheesville.

As usual, we will begin to gather at 6 p.m. and turn to the Pot-Luck Supper table at 6:30 p.m. Needed for the food tables are plenty of main dishes and salads and also some of those scrumptious desserts we look forward to. Those bringing food are also asked to provide \$2 each and those not preparing food can contribute \$7. In order to plan for the set up of chairs and tables, it is helpful if those planning to attend, contact Janet Gelzheiser (459-5928)

## Habitat for Humanity: March 21

Our last build day was quite productive – our crew dry walled a bathroom with green board, put up Tyvek wrap, a ledger board and flashing, ran three courses of siding, and capped-off a handrail. Our next build date is Saturday, March 21. We may be finishing the Sefcu house on Odell Street. If you'd like to join us, please contact Kevin Conley ([kconley1@nycap.rr.com](mailto:kconley1@nycap.rr.com) or 475-9034). On the build day, please wear sturdy shoes; bring gloves, lunch and water. We typically meet at the build site at 9 a.m., but if you would like to carpool, please let Kevin know.

## A note of thanks to all

A very sincere thank-you to all my church family for the shower of cards, messages, calls and offers of help during this past month. You have overwhelmed me with your kindness and your messages have buoyed my spirits over and over again. You are a wonderful group of friends and I am very grateful to be part of such a loving community.

– Barb Wiley

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:30 a.m.

**March 15**

*Sermon by*

*Rev. Janice Palm*

"Deep Is the Hunger"

*Texts:*

Psalm 19:7-14

1 Corinthians 1:18-25;

John 2:13-22

**March 22**

*Sermon by*

*Rev. Janice Palm*

"Suffering"

*Texts:*

Numbers 21:4-9;

John 3:14-21

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## Church Calendar

Thursday, March 12	12:15 p.m. – Mary Marthas (Lounge) 6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir (201) 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Sat. Mar. 14	6 p.m. CFL Talent Show (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday, March 15	9:30 a.m. – Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. – Fellowship Hour with Fair Trade and Cookbook sales 11 a.m. – Jr. Choir/Intermediate/Youth Choirs (219/Choir Room/216 ) 11 a.m. – CARE CORPS (207) 11 a.m. - Theological & Social Issues (Lounge) 7 p.m. - Women's Study Group (Library)
Mon., Mar. 16	10:30 a.m. – Playgroup (Nursery)
Tuesday, March 17	8 a.m. – Men's Breakfast (4 Corners) 10 a.m. – Treasure Cove (Lounge) 7 p.m. - Upper Room (Lounge)
Wednesday, March 18	10:30 a.m. – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 a.m. – Playgroup (Nursery)
Thursday, March 19	6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir (201) 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Sunday, March 22	9:30 a.m. – Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. – Fellowship Hour with <b>Church School Open House</b> (Fellowship Hall) 11 a.m. – Jr. Choir/Intermediate/Youth Choirs (219/Choir Room/216 ) 11 a.m. - Theological & Social Issues (Lounge) 7 p.m. - Women's Study Group (Library)
Mon., Mar. 23	10:30 a.m. – Playgroup (Nursery)
Tuesday, March 24	8 a.m. – Men's Breakfast (4 Corners) 10 a.m. – Treasure Cove (Lounge) 7 p.m. - Upper Room (Lounge)
Wednesday, March 25	10:30 a.m. – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 a.m. – Playgroup (Nursery)
Thursday, March 26	12:15 p.m. – Mary Marthas (Lounge) 6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir (201) 7:30 p.m. – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Friday, March 27	6 p.m. – Friendship Club (Fellowship Hall)

## Our Church in Mission

The Albany United Methodist Society **emergency food pantry** is now serving more people than at any other time in its history. Please keep such people in mind when you are grocery shopping and purchase extras, according to your budget – a few cans or a few cases. If you would prefer to donate money for the purchase of canned goods, you may do so in cash or write a check to FUMC and earmark it for AUMS groceries. During the week, please leave money or check in the church office. On Sundays, it can be placed in the money container on the AUMS grocery cart.

**Overflow Shelter** needs: paper towels and laundry detergent. Donations may be placed beneath our AUMS grocery cart, which can be found in the second floor office hallway during the week or in the Narthex on Sunday morning. Washing clothes for 16-19 men each evening translates into a lot of detergent! Thank you!!

## Telescope is on vacation

There will be no *Telescope* next week. We'll resume publication with the March 25 issue. Material for that edition should be delivered to the Church Office by Friday morning, March 20, and/or by email to [shafferdf@aol.com](mailto:shafferdf@aol.com).

## Our Church Family

**Our thoughts and prayers** for Bob and Jeff Green, Laura Collier, Cindy Lamitie and their families upon the loss of their beloved wife, mother and grandmother, Barbara on Friday, March 6 at Good Samaritan N.H. A Service of Death and Resurrection was held in our Sanctuary on Monday, March 9.

**St. Peter's:** Janet Robinson, Jeanne Bourque

**In our thoughts and prayers:** Harold Roeth (Jacque & Maureen Roeth), Keith and Elsie Faustel (Karen Tedesco), Karen Boughton (Linda Blattner & Kim Ryan), Barb Wiley, Jonathan Carpenter (Kevin Conley), Maud Denham, Tiffani Hughes (Byron & Barbara Wilson), Lynn Mallory, Ken Huddleston (Karen & Kyle Jones), Nick Dubroff (Sally and John Ten Eyck), Sam Kunis ( Dana Burns), Denise Knaack, Mary Storm, Susan and Marge Stewart (John Stewart), Sharon O'Conor (Lynda Conway), Priscilla Wing (Dori Hallenbeck), 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.