



THE TELESCOPE

First United Methodist Church of Delmar

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Friendship Club to enjoy 'Tales of the Hudson'

Nancy Payne, storyteller extraordinaire, will be joining us at Friendship Club this Friday evening, Oct. 23. The program will include "Tales of the Dutch and the Hudson," which will be a fun way to celebrate the 400th anniversary of Henry Hudson's voyage. The program, which is open to all, will start about 7:40 pm if you are unable to come for the potluck supper.

We will start gathering 6 pm; a potluck supper at 6:30 pm will follow. Please bring a dish to share, your own place setting and a rejoicing spirit. Cost is \$2 if you bring a dish to share and \$7 if you're not able to bring anything. If you are not on the calling list, call Hertha Thayer at 453-0450.

Sunday morning: a Toy & Book Fair work day – with coffee, donuts and good scents, too

Yes – Fall Fair is coming! The **toy & book sale** will be held on Friday and Saturday, **Oct. 30 (2 – 8 pm) and Oct. 31 (8 am – 2pm)**. The **Fall Fair** will be on **Saturday, Nov. 7 from 8 am to 3 pm**.

Coffee, donuts, and deodorant will await all those who sport their finest work duds and head to the hills (that is, the 3rd floor) this **Sunday, Oct. 25** at 8 am. Let's work together to help move those bountiful donations to designated areas in the church in preparation for our 28th Annual Fall Fair. The more volunteers, the less work! Any remaining work that needs to be done can be carried out following worship. If you show up to service in less than your "Sunday best," we'll know you were putting out *your* best!

LOOKING FOR OTHER WAYS TO HELP?

Please contact: Helen Nickel, 439-7256.

Coffee Hour on Dec. 6 to celebrate our Interfaith ministry

Did you know that in the last year over 540 meals were provided for Shelter Residents by the generous people of the FUMC?

If you would like to learn more about the Interfaith Shelter, please join us at Coffee Hour on Dec. 6! Our church community provides dinner for the shelter residents every 1st and 5th Sunday of the month. If you would like to provide part or all of a meal, sign up on the poster in Fellowship Hall or call Maureen Roeth at 439-8498. This is also a great opportunity for a group to share with those less fortunate. There is always room in the church freezers for meals that have been prepared in advance of when they will be needed.

Overflow Shelter needs

The Emergency Overflow Shelter, housed at the First Lutheran Church in Albany and sponsored through donations to the Capital Area Council of Churches, will open on Nov. 1 to provide overnight lodging and services for homeless people with mental health issues. Again this year, our Mission

Team has agreed to recruit volunteers to provide **dinner** for 20 people **every Saturday**. A sign-up list will be posted in fellowship hall. Contact Nanette Mayes (767-9636) for information.

Volunteers are also needed to make beds, do laundry, sign in guests, etc. Call the Shelter (426-1227) for information. **Supplies** needed: Pine Sol, bleach, laundry detergent; paper towels, napkins, toilet paper, facial tissues, paper hot cups, bowls, plates, plastic utensils; and new socks and underwear for men. Items should be placed in the collection box in our office hallway. Financial **gifts** are always needed. Checks should be written to CACC Shelter Acct. and mailed to CACC, 6546 State St., Albany, 12203.

Saturday's ministry teams workshop has been cancelled

We've had to cancel the ministry teams gathering and workshop that had been scheduled for this Saturday, Oct. 24. Sorry for the late notice!

Note on Telescope schedule

Because of Fall Fair "busy-ness" and the travel plans of the editor, the Nov. 4 issue of the *Telescope* (the one after next) will be going into production earlier than usual. The deadline for submitting articles for the Nov. 4 issue will be **12 noon on Wednesday, Oct. 28**. The deadline for all regular issues (including next week's issue, dated Oct. 28) remains Fridays at noon. Articles should be submitted to shafferdf@aol.com, to churchoffice@delmarmethodist.org or on paper to Church Office.

WORSHIP SERVICES

9:30 am
Sundays

October 25

Sermon by
Rev. Bob Kanuck:
"Accountability"

Texts:

[Galatians 6: 1-10;](#)
[Luke 11: 9,10](#)

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Church Calendar

Friday, Oct. 23	6:30 pm – Friendship Club potluck. Gathering at 6, "Tales of the Hudson" at 7:40 pm. (Fellowship Hall)
Sat., Oct. 24	9 am – Habitat Build, 5 Stephen Street
Sunday, Oct. 25	8 am – Breakfast for Brawny #1 (Fellowship Hall) 9:30 am – Worship (Sanctuary) 11 am – Theological & Social Issues (Lounge) 11 am – Intermediate Choir (Sanctuary) 11 am – Youth Singers (217) 11 am – Junior Choir (219)
Monday, Oct. 26	10 am - "Enough" Class (Room 207) 10 am – Playgroup (Nursery) 7 pm – Finance Team (Library) 7 pm – "Enough" Class (Room 207)
Tuesday, Oct. 27	8 am – Men's Breakfast (4 Corners) 10 am – Treasure Cove (Lounge) 2:30 pm – Farmers Market (parking lot) 7 pm - Upper Room (Library)
Wednesday, Oct. 28	10:30 am – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 am – Playgroup (Nursery)
Thursday, Oct. 29	6:30 pm – Handbell Choir (201) 7:30 pm – Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
Sat., Oct. 31	8:30 am – Women-in-the-Middle (Tool's)
Church Office hours: Monday-Friday, 9 am – 3 pm	

All Saints Day Nov. 1

We will celebrate the lives of those saints who have been a part of this congregation and who have died in this last year. It is a time of grieving the loss of so many who have contributed to our community. It is a time for us to remember, and to give thanks for their lives and the inner resources that have given meaning to our life together. Come and let us celebrate together.

Mary Marthas

Mary Marthas will meet Thursday, Nov. 12 at 1 pm in the church Lounge. Hertha Thayer is giving a presentation on her trip to Tanzania. This is going to be a very interesting program, so please join us. For more information contact: Barb Logan (439-4782), or Shirley Milbert (475-1298).

Women-in-the-Middle

Our next WIM breakfast date is Sat., Oct. 31 at Tool's, 8:30 am (8 am for early birds). Wear something orange or scary! RSVP to Linda Graf, 439-6659 or giraffeart@msn.com.

Investment committee

The committee is the liaison between the Trustees and the investment manager who invests the church's endowment according to our Investment Policy. The committee monitors the investment manager's activity insuring it follows the guidelines set forth in the policy.

The committee reports to the Trustees and meets four times a year. If you have expertise in finance and/or investments, consider serving in this vital capacity. Please call Ed McEwan at 439-6009.

Attention: computer gurus

The Nominating Committee is seeking individuals to assist with the technical aspects of running the church – including, but not limited to: assessing the technical needs of the church, streamlining computer programs and equipment, establishing an effective server, purchasing new equipment (computers, DVD players, TVs, projectors) and grant writing. If interested, please contact Tina Caballero at pastina51@hotmail.com.

Habitat for Humanity

Our next build date at 5 Stephen Street is Oct. 24. Work is progressing on the house. The roof is on and walls are up, so it is all enclosed. We work from 9-4. Contact Kevin Conley, 475-9034 or kconley1@nycap.rr.com for more information.

Our Church Family

In our thoughts and prayers: Maia Boswell-Penc, Velma Jones, George Molloy (Nan Rabinow), Jay Gallagher (David Shaffer), Anthony Gisoti (Michael Raymond), Kathleen Gingersky and Mitchel Wardell (Debbie Way), Ray Scheesley (Ten Eyck Family), Gil & Elsie Faustel (Karen Tedesco), Judy & Jim King (Julie Bushart), Dorothy Gisotti (Joe Gisotti), Tiffani Hughes (Byron & Barbara Wilson), Sam Kunis (Dana Burns), Lynn Mallory, Mary Storm, Sharon O'Connor (Lynda Conway), Geneva Long, Jean Drew, Chris Sheridan (Dick & Jeanne Herrmann), Bernice Drozd (Karen Ward), Edwin Busch (Joan House).