



THE TELESCOPE

First United Methodist Church of Delmar

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World Communion Sunday to be observed this Sunday

We will be celebrating Holy Communion this Sunday, Oct. 4 and remembering those who share in this meal with us around the world. In addition, we participate in an additional opportunity to give. Gifts given to the World Communion Sunday offering go toward funding World Communion Scholars (who are international and U.S. graduate students), the Ethnic Minority Scholarship Program (directed toward undergraduate students), and the In-service Training Program (which funds second-career folks seeking church-related vocations).

As a reminder that we are but one community of faith in a world of diverse cultures, I invite you to bake a loaf of bread whose recipe is from another culture, or a family favorite. These breads will grace our communion table during worship. We will share in tasting pieces and slices during our time of fellowship following the worship service. If you would like to try a new bread recipe, try one from First United Methodist's *The Melting Pot* cookbook. If you aren't able to knead or bake, consider bringing in some butter, margarine, cream cheese, or jam/jelly. To help us coordinate efforts, please sign up in Church Office for bread baking and condiment donations.

– Pastor Janice

“ENOUGH” Discovering joy through simplicity and generosity

Rev. Palm will lead a new study class to begin Oct. 19 – with two Monday sessions offered, 10–11:30 am OR 7–8:30 pm.

The study, which was developed by Adam Hamilton, a United Methodist pastor of one of the denomination's largest congregations, will continue on Oct. 26 and then on Nov. 9, 16 & 23.

Money has great power in our lives and, when used wisely, helps us meet our goals, provide for our needs, and fulfill our life purpose. But in recent years, many of us ignored this when managing and spending our money. We found ourselves spending tomorrow's money today. The result of all of this was not greater happiness and satisfaction, but greater stress and anxiety.

Enough is an invitation to rediscover the Bible's wisdom on prudent financial practices. Come and be a part of a discovery and discussion group who will hear about such topics as *Faith in the Midst of Financial Crisis*, *When Dreams Become Nightmares*, *Wisdom and Finance*, *Cultivating Contentment*, and *Defined by Generosity*.

Men's Ministry resumes on Saturday

The monthly Methodist Men's Ministry (aka 3 M's) breakfast will be held on the first Saturday of each month, 7:30 – 9 am in Fellowship Hall beginning this Saturday, Oct. 3.

All men of the community are invited and encouraged to attend. Each breakfast will feature a speaker relating to our daily walk with Christ. Breakfast will be provided.

Bring a friend! For more information, contact Brian Collier (542-2705) or John Lamitie (439-2356).

A Knezevic family anniversary

Last Friday, Sept. 25, the Knezevic family – Zdravko, Jasmina, Darko, and Rada – celebrated the eighth anniversary of their arrival in the United States. As Zdravko has so often said, were it not for our church, his family's dream of coming to the United States would never have come true. Through the years, working together, we at FUMC have made great things happen!

Fall Fair will be November 7

You know what that crisp feeling in the air means – Fall Fair is coming!

- The **toy & book sale** will be held on Friday and Saturday, **Oct. 30 and 31**.
- The **Fall Fair** will be on **Saturday, Nov. 7 from 8 am to 3 pm**.

Currently we are in need of large cardboard boxes for storing and sorting the plethora of “stuff” we get daily from the community. And volunteers are needed – for as little as an hour, or a half-day, or for as much time as you can offer. Can you help with either or both? Please contact Helen Nickel, 439-7256.

WORSHIP SERVICES

9:30 am
Sundays

October 4
World Communion
Sunday

Sermon by
Rev. Janice Palm:

“Do Not Suffer Alone”

Texts:

[Job 1:1; 2:1-10](#)
[Hebrews 2: 9-11](#)

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Church Calendar

Saturday Oct. 3	7:30 am – Men's Ministry Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday, Oct. 4	9:30 am – Worship (Sanctuary) 11 am – Theological & Social Issues (Lounge)
<i>World Communion Sunday</i>	11 am – "Three Simple Rules" (207) 11 am – Intermediate Choir (Choir Room) 11 am – Youth Singers (217) 11:15 am – Teachers' Meeting (218) 3–6 pm – RPMs cook for Interfaith
Monday, Oct. 5	10 am – Playgroup (Nursery) 7 pm – Administrative Council (207)
Tuesday, Oct. 6	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. 7	10:30 am – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 am – Playgroup (Nursery) 7 pm – Education Team (207)
Thursday Oct. 8	1 pm – Mary Marthas (Lounge) 6:30 pm – Handbell Choir (201) 7:30 pm – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Church Office hours: Monday-Friday, 9 am – 3 pm	

Fellowship Hour hosts desperately needed

Fellowship Hour after Sunday morning worship service is an important time in our church life. We talk with friends and greet newcomers while sharing food and drink. Beena Salik is recruiting hosts for Fellowship Hour. Please consider volunteering. A ministry team, church school class, several families, or a group of friends can work together as hosts. Printed instructions for brewing coffee and setting up the serving tables are posted in the church kitchen, and some of our experienced hosts volunteer to assist new hosts.

Calling all children – 3rd through 8th grades!

The Fall 2009 Acolyte schedule is being put together now so there's plenty of time to join the ranks of Youth Acolyte. Being an Acolyte is a great way to feel deeper involvement with the church service. Our young people get to work

behind the scenes – and do things with fire! Please contact Hyacinth Mason or Pascale Stain via email to acolytes@delmarmethodist.org for more information and to sign up. On-the-job training takes place before and during the 9:30 am service, so no prior training or experience is needed.

Invitation to all ministry teams

On Sat., Oct. 24 from 10 am – 2:30 pm, all Ministry Teams are invited to gather together in Fellowship Hall. We will spend some time getting to know one another, sharing what ministries our teams have been involved in, and explore where, and how God is leading our teams in this next year. The workshop will be led by Nancy Dibelius, Embury District Lay Leader, an experienced workshop and retreat leader, and an active Certified Spiritual Formation Director. We will begin with worship at 10 am. Refreshments will be available at 9:45.

Our Church Family

Our Deepest Sympathy to:

- Karen & Amy Pass, Lisa Ball and family upon the loss of their father, grandfather and great-grandfather, and our dear friend, Carroll Killen, on Sept. 29, 2009. A memorial service will be held at a later date.
- The family and friends of Olive Trussell upon her death, Wed., Sept. 23 at St. Peter's Hospice. A memorial service was held here on Sept. 26. Memorial gifts may be directed to FUMC Delmar or to the Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy, 1499 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, NY 12159

In our thoughts and prayers: Bernard Ashe, Rev. Stan Moore, George Molloy (Nan Rabinow), Jay Gallagher (David Shaffer), James McCormick & family (Meg Bassinson), Anthony Gisoti (Michael Raymond), George Ridsdale, Kathleen Gingersky and Mitchel Wardell (Debbie Way), Ray Scheesley (Ten Eyck Family), Gil & Elsie Faustel (Karen Tedesco), Harriett Johnson, Mark Jones (Laura Rabinow), 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).