



THE TELESCOPE

First United Methodist Church of Delmar

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Ministry teams to gather Oct. 24

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.

Mary Marthas

The Mary Marthas will have their first meeting Thursday, Oct. 8 at 1 pm in the church Lounge. We look forward to, and need, your input as we plan this year's programs.

At this meeting we will be sorting packages for the Mission Program for Karen Pass. Please bring new or any items in your home from the following list: pens, pencils, paper pads (any size), rubber bands, scotch tape paper clips or safety pins.

If you have not attended a meeting or are new in our church family, Mary Marthas welcome you to attend a variety of programs and to enjoy mutual support and friendship. For further information call: Aggie Clark at 4439-5578, Janet Gelzheiser at 439-5928, Barb Logan at 439-4782 or Shirley Milbert at 475-1298.

Our fabulous Fall Fair: Nov. 7

Yes – 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**.

This monumental 24/7 x 52 weeks/year effort requires: **volunteers, volunteers, and volunteers!** (For as little as an hour, or as much and often as you wish!)

Also, right now we need **large cardboard boxes** for storing and sorting the plethora of “stuff” we get daily from the community

CAN YOU HELP? Please contact: Helen Nickel, 439-7256.

“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*.

Supporting Fair Trade

Need to replenish your supply of coffee/tea/chocolate/nuts/cranberries?

Looking for a special gift whose impact is far-reaching in the global community?

Church and Society has **two events** upcoming to support and encourage direct and fair trade:

- Fair Trade/Equal Exchange of Coffees and Teas will be offered on Sunday, Oct. 18 during Fellowship Hour
- And on Nov. 15, we will have our Fair Trade Fair, showcasing fair trade vendors from the Capital District, opportunities to order gifts items from SERV as well as fair trade coffee/tea/chocolate/nuts/cranberries – from 10:30 am to 2 pm.

WORSHIP SERVICES

9:30 am
Sundays

October 11

Sermon by
Rev. Janice Palm:

“Life Is Not About
Bean-Counting”

Texts:

Job 23:1-9, 16, 17;
Mark 10:17-27

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Church Calendar

Sunday, Oct. 11	9:30 am – Worship (Sanctuary) No church school, because it's a three-day weekend 11 am – Theological & Social Issues (Lounge) 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. 12	Columbus Day -- offices closed 10 am – Playgroup (Nursery)
Tuesday, Oct. 13	8 am – Men's Breakfast (4 Corners) 10 am – Treasure Cove (Lounge) 2:30 pm – Farmers Market (parking lot) 7 pm – Trustees (207) 7 pm - Upper Room (Library)
Wednesday Oct. 14	10:30 am – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 am – Playgroup (Nursery) 7 pm – Stewardship team (207)
Thursday Oct. 15	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. 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 tables are posted in the church kitchen.

Medical Missionary, Beth Ferrell

Beth Ferrell, a medical missionary who has served with UMC Medical facilities in Mozambique and Sierra Leone, will be our guest speaker in worship on **Sunday, Oct. 18**. Those of us who heard Beth when she was with us several years ago, were privileged to experience foreign missions through her eyes. We will be encouraging young people to remain through the worship service in order to learn more about the mission fields.

Thank you

Words can hardly express what I feel in my heart. It is filled with gratitude for all the thoughtful cards, flowers, prayers and kind words. Friends are the flowers in the garden of life, and my garden is full. I appreciate and thank you, one and all.

– Harriett Johnson

Somethin' from the oven (or garden?)

It is again time for the Bake Room to put out the call for your wonderful and many delicious items that are offered at the Fall Fair. Each year we are blessed with homemade baked goods: breads; pies (and the more the better); treats, jars of pickles, preserves, honey, or let your creative juices flow! You are encouraged to bring your delectables directly to the Church Office on Friday, Nov.6, to Room 116, Friday evening or (if it's warm out of the oven) to Room 116 early on the morning of the Fair. Questions? call Nan Rabinow (439-9682) or Beena Salik (728-0022)

Our Church Family

Our Deepest Sympathy to:

- The family and friends of Rev. Stan Moore, who passed away Monday, Oct. 5. A funeral will be held on Sunday, Oct. 11, at 3 pm at East Greenbush UMC
- The family and friends of Harold "Tommy" Tomlinson, who died on Aug. 24, 2009 in Sackets Harbor, NY.
- Karen & Amy Pass, Lisa Ball and their families 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 planned at a later date..

In our thoughts and prayers: Velma Jones, Bernard Ashe, George Molloy (Nan Rabinow), Jay Gallagher (David Shaffer), James McCormick & family (Meg Bassinson), Anthony Gisotti (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).