



THE TELESCOPE

First United Methodist Church of Delmar

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All Saints Day this Sunday ...

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.

... with no Daylight Savings time!

Standard Time begins this Sunday, Nov. 1 – so be sure to move your clock **back one hour** before going to bed on Saturday evening. We don't want to miss you Sunday morning in Worship!

All hands on deck! Toy & Book Fair this weekend; Fall Fair is Saturday, Nov. 7

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**.

This event is both an important fundraiser for the Church – and a great service to the community.

Think it will succeed without *you*? **Not a chance!** For ideas on what you can do to help, call Helen Nickel at 439-7256. Can't get hold of Helen (she'll probably be at church)? Not sure you're free to commit to a specific time slot in advance? Just show up when you can, and there *will* be work to do – trust us! Some ideas:

- Show up to help out with either or both sessions of the Toy & Book Fair this weekend (Friday evening or Saturday afternoon).
- This Sunday morning join us for coffee and donuts at 8 a.m. and then “head to the hills” (that is, the third floor) to move those bountiful donations downstairs.
- Every evening all week, people will be working to get things set up. Come and pitch in! Next Friday night, Nov. 6, is especially important.
- On Saturday, Nov. 7, if you can show up before the doors open at 8 am, that's great. If not, come when you can. If you can't make it before it closes at 3 pm – fine; show up anyway, because it takes a couple of hours to clean up.

The more volunteers, the less work.

Oh, and by the way: **Bring a little money.** You don't want to let somebody else get *all* the bargains!

Women-in-the-Middle

Our next WIM breakfast date is this Saturday, 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.

Mary Marthas

Mary Marthas will meet Thursday, Nov. 12 at 1 pm in the Lounge. Hertha Thayer will give a presentation on her trip to Tanzania. For more information contact: Barb Logan (439-4782), or Shirley Milbert (475-1298).

Fair Trade Fair to be Nov. 15

Interested in helping to support and encourage direct and fair trade that will benefit farmers, craft workers and entrepreneurs in developing countries? Need to replenish your supply of coffee/tea/chocolate/nuts/cranberries? Looking for a special gift that can have a far-reaching impact in our the global community?

Church and Society will come to your rescue with its Fair Trade Fair on Sunday, Nov. 15 from 10:30 am–2 pm in Fellowship Hall. This event will showcase fair-trade vendors from the Capital District, and opportunities to order from SERV – as well as: fair trade coffee, tea, chocolate, nuts and cranberries. Please mark your calendars!

Coffee Hour on Dec. 6 to celebrate our Interfaith ministry

In the last year over 540 meals were provided for shelter residents by the good people of FUMC. 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.

WORSHIP SERVICES

9:30 am
Sundays

November 1
All Saints Day

Sermon by
Rev. Janice Palm

Text:
[John 11:32-44](#)

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Church Calendar

Friday, Oct. 30	2 pm – Annual Toy & Book Fair (Choir Room / Fellowship Hall)
Saturday, Oct. 31	8:30 am – Women-in-the-Middle (Tool's) 8 am – Annual Toy & Book Fair (Choir Room / Fellowship Hall)
Sunday, Nov. 1	8 am – Breakfast for Brawny #2 (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, Nov. 2	10 am - "Enough" Class (Room 207) 10 am – Playgroup (Nursery) 7 pm – "Enough" Class (Room 207)
Tuesday, Nov. 3	8 am – Men's Breakfast (4 Corners) 2:30 pm – Farmers Market (parking lot) 7 pm - Upper Room (Library)
Wednesday, Nov. 4	10:30 am – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 am – Playgroup (Nursery)
Thursday, Nov. 5	6:30 pm – Handbell Choir (201) 7:30 pm – Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
Saturday, Nov. 7	8 am – OUR FABULOUS FALL FAIR! All hands on deck!
Church Office hours: Monday-Friday, 9 am – 3 pm	

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.

RPMs wreath sales: order now!

The RPMs are holding their annual handmade Christmas wreath sales! Wreaths are 10" in diameter and can be purchased Nov. 1 during Fellowship Hour, either fully decorated (\$35), or with only a festive bow (\$30). Only limited numbers are available, so get your orders in soon! Contact Beth Hickox at 596-2116 or beth.hickox@gmail.com.

RPMs have also started their "Pampered Chef" fundraiser – a chance to get your Christmas shopping done. If you are interested in ordering something you can either: Contact Charlene Hesse at 439-8155 or visit her website <http://www.pamperedchef.biz/chefchar>. (Once you place your order on the website enter RPMs in the host/organization box.)

Both activities support the RPMs Spring Mission Trip, of course.

A heartfelt thank-you

We greatly appreciate the care and concern expressed by members of our church family following the death of our father, grandfather, and great grandfather, Carroll Killen. Your cards, telephone calls, and hugs have warmly upheld us through our grieving. What do people ever do, in times of need, without such a warm and loving church family!

– *The Pass, Ball and Killen families*

Our Church Family

In our thoughts and prayers: Gerry Oestreich, Maia Boswell-Penc, Velma Jones, Jim Holland (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).