



THE TELESCOPE

First United Methodist Church of Delmar

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Spring Clean-up, Round Two!

Our first clean-up went so well ... let's go for **Round Two!** Man the rakes! Hoist the shovels! Trim the bushes; pull weeds! Join us this Saturday, May 15 from 8-11 am for some light yard work and lots of fellowship! We want our church and grounds to be as beautiful as the outdoors on a sunny spring day, right? But there's only one way to make that happen – by working together.

Bring your tools and wheelbarrows and pitch in. Questions? Contact Frank Slingerland (439-4736) or Rob Cartwright (439-1813).

Also, our church staff is in need of a **wheelbarrow**. If you have one that could be donated, please let us know.

CROP Walk 2010: There's still time to contribute to the cause!

Thank you to all our walkers and all who supported our Crop Walk. If you would like to make a donation, there is still time; log on to www.cropwalkonline.org and search for First United Methodist Delmar.

Once again thank you for all you do to support World Hunger and our local food pantries.

Breakfast and tour at Interfaith's Sheridan Hollow Drop-in Center

More than 400 people from the greater Capital District attended our benefit concert for the Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless (IPH) of Albany. We received a special note of thanks from Interfaith – and an invitation.

A breakfast and tour is scheduled at the Emergency Shelter and Sheridan Hollow Drop In Center on May 20 and June 17. If you can come, please call Interfaith at 434-8021 or e-mail us at bonnies@interfaithpartnership.com to let us know.

Coffee Hour hosts needed

Do you enjoy all the fellowship and yummy treats during coffee hour? Do you have a special occasion coming up that you'd like to celebrate with your church family? Please consider becoming a coffee hour host; gather a few people from your ministry team or extended church family and help this wonderful tradition continue. Hosts are needed for several weeks in May and June. Please contact Jane Lang at 439-5118 jjlang3@mindspring.com or Marilyn Oestrich at 729-2197 mmoggo@nycap.rr.com.

Sunday morning greeters needed

Greeters are needed for May and June! Greeters arrive at church a few minutes before the service to be a welcome face for newcomers and members. If you are willing to serve one or more Sundays in May or June, please e-mail stainmail@yahoo.com or call 518-451-9065 with your name (or family name), contact information (e-mail address and/or phone #), and dates you are NOT available. Thank you.

Mary Marthas this Thursday

Our next meeting for Mary Marthas will be Thursday, May 13 at 1 pm in the Lounge. Our guest speaker will be Donald W. Stake, public relations specialist from the Community Hospice in Rensselaer. For further information call Barbara Logan at 439-4782 or Aggie Clark at 439-5578.

Altar flowers

Don't miss your opportunity to remember someone special. Arrangements for the altar on Sundays are only \$35.00 and you can request color and flowers. To place an order, contact Cindy Lamitie. Phone: 439-2356, or e-mail: lamitiefamily@verizon.net.

RPMs Thank-You Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, May 22

As a way of thanking everyone for their support towards the spring mission trip by the RPMs, our ecumenical youth group, please join us as we share stories and photos at our Thank You Pasta Dinner on May 22 at 6 pm at the Delmar Reformed Church.

The next RPMs meeting is scheduled for and June 6, 7-8 pm at Delmar Reformed Church. RPMs Senior Night will be held on Saturday, June 12, at 6 pm. On Sunday, June 13 the program year will end with the annual RPMs BBQ, 1-3 pm at Elm Avenue Park. Any youth grades 9-12 is welcome to attend. If you have any questions contact Beth Hickox at beth.hickox@gmail.com.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sundays
9:30 am

Sunday, May 16

Sermon by
Rev. Janice Palm:
"Who/What Calls
Our Attention"

Text:
Acts 16:16-34

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Church Calendar

Thursday, May 13	1 pm – Mary Marthas (Lounge) 6:30 pm – Bell Choir (201) 7:30 pm – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Sat., May 15	8 am – Annual Spring Clean-up, Round 2 (church grounds)
Sunday, May 16	9:30 am – Worship (Sanctuary) 10:45 am – Fellowship Hour 11 am – Theological & Social Issues (Lounge) 11 am – Care Corps (207) 11 am - Youth Singers (218) 11 am – Junior Choir (219)
Monday, May 17	8 am – Senior Ministry (4 Corners Rest.) 10:30 am – Community Playgroup (Nursery) 7 pm – Finance Team (207)
Tuesday, May 18	8 am – Men's Breakfast (4 Corners Rest.) 10 am – Treasure Cove (Lounge) 7 pm – Upper Room (Library)
Wednesday, May 19	10:30 am – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 am – Community Playgroup (Nursery)
Thursday, May 19	6:30 pm – Bell Choir (201) 7:30 pm – Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Church Office hours: Monday-Friday, 9 am – 3 pm	

Interested in Golfing Fellowship?

Looking for some fresh air, exercise and fellowship? A few of us have decided to gather for a round of golf on Thursday evenings. The location will vary each week, and it is not a league requiring any weekly commitment. If you are interested in joining us – whether regularly or occasionally, contact Jane or John Lang at jjlang3@mindspring.com or 439-5118.

AUMS Summer Camp supplies

The Albany United Methodist Society will be operating a summer camp program for inner-city children that will begin at the end of the school year. The following items have been requested. Note that some items must be new, while others can be new or "gently used". A collection box is located in our FUMC office hallway, for any items

you wish to donate. Your generosity would be much appreciated.

NEW ITEMS: glue sticks and paste, children's paint brushes, popsicle sticks, coloring books, tempera paint (primary colors), beads, pipe cleaners, spools of lanyard string, white foam board (poster size), white poster board.

NEW or GENTLY USED ITEMS: badminton sets, puzzles (for ages 6-13), measuring cups (dry and liquid), rolling pins, baking pans and cookie sheets, kitchen knives, mixing bowls and spoons, electric can opener.

Eight days of Biblical discovery

Join Ray Stees (retired associate/senior pastor, UMC Delmar and Jonesville, and son-in-law of Eleanore Marks) and Journeys Unlimited, a Christian travel service, as they tour the sacred sites of Israel's Galilee and Judea. The 10-day trip is from January 10-20, 2011. Roundtrip airfare, tour buses, guided sightseeing, entrance fees to all sites, first-class hotels, gratuities, and daily buffet breakfast and dinner, are included in the approximate \$3000 per person cost. For those starting to think seriously about the January trip, it is not too soon for passports! Contact Ray Stees at 406-5349 or e-mail (rstees@nycap.rr.com) for more information about the trip.

Our Church Family

In our thoughts and prayers: Fran Gelzheiser, Shirley Post, Janie Corker (Bob & Ellen Kanuck), Mary Jane Hughes (Lynda Conway), Dana Taylor (Terry and Glen Taylor), Marco Bonato (Jane Lang, David Rathjens), Woody Carver, Jay Gallagher (David Shaffer), Ray Scheesley (Ten Eyck Family), Gil & Elsie Faustel (Karen Tedesco), Jim King (Julie Bushart), Sam Kunis (Dana Burns), Mary Storm, Chris Sheridan (Dick & Jeanne Herrmann), Edwin Busch (Joan House), Ann Gwin.

We pray also for all who have been impacted by recent natural disasters around the globe.