



THE TELESCOPE

First United Methodist Church of Delmar

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Staff Parish Relations Team announcement

After a months-long national search, the Staff Parish Relations Team has announced that the Rev. Iona Dickinson will be joining First United Methodist Church as Associate Pastor.



Rev. Dickinson was born and raised in Wynantskill and was baptized at Salem United Methodist Church in West Sand Lake. A graduate of Claremont School of

Theology in California, she has served as associate pastor at Claremont United Church of Christ since 2002. Rev. Dickson will officially begin her service with us on August 30.

She and her family – husband Phil Jenkins, 16-month-old daughter Eliza Jenkins, and dog Lucky – will be relocating to Delmar this summer. Iona enjoys swimming, canoeing, reading, spending time with family. Rev. Dickinson will officially begin her service with us on August 30.

SAVE THE DATE! June 27

Rev. Dickinson will be preaching at FUMC on Sunday, June 27, and there will be a special reception for her and family in Fellowship Hall after the service. Make plans to attend, meet them, and give them a warm FUMC welcome!



Come learn about joining a journey of biblical discovery

On June 20, Rev Ray Stees – who has served the Pine Grove, Shenendehowa, Jonesville, Choes and Delmar churches, will be our guest speaker during worship.

Ray is working with Journeys Unlimited, a Christian travel service, on a “Biblical Discovery” tour of the sacred sites of Israel’s Galilee and Judea – a 10-day trip from Jan. 10-20, 2011. He will meet with the congregation during Fellowship Hour to talk about the forthcoming trip; there will be a time for questions and answers.

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 \$3,000 per-person cost.

For those starting to think seriously about the January trip, it is not too soon for passports!

Contact Ray Stees at (518) 406-5349 or via email at

rstees@nycap.rr.com

for more information about the trip.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Sundays
9:30 am

Sunday, June 13

Sermon by:
Rev. Janice Palm
“Re-focusing”

Texts:

[1 Kings 21:1-4](#)
[Luke 7:36-39, 44-48](#)

Your help needed to provide new hymnal supplement

The Worship team is asking for your help in helping us supply the Sanctuary with *The Faith We Sing* hymnal, as a supplement to our UM Hymnal that will help us sing out God’s praises!

Presently, we have these hymnals available only in the Hummel Chapel – so when we use its hymns in Sunday worship, we’ve been inserting copies of the tunes into our Sunday bulletin. To have these hymnals made available for use in our Sanctuary and for the Chancel Choir we are looking for folks who would like to purchase copies of *The Faith We Sing* hymnal. You can dedicate them to a family member or a church member or someone who has had an impact on your faith journey.

Our goal is to have **390 copies of the Pew Editions (\$15/each)** for both the congregation and choir, and **12 copies of the Large Print Edition (\$21/ each)**. If you would like to contribute to the life of the church in this way, order forms are located on literature tables in Narthex and next to the Nursery, on the bulletin board across from Church Office or through Church Office. Or you can simply mail a check to Church Office with the amount to cover the number of copies you can donate. Checks may be made out to FUMC Delmar, noting Faith We Sing hymnal in the memo portion.

The deadline for orders is Aug. 22. Dedication of hymnals will be on Sept. 12 – Homecoming Sunday.

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Church Calendar

Thursday, June 10	12 noon – Mary Marthas picnic (Lounge) 6:30 pm – Bell Choir, <i>last 'til Fall</i> (201) 7:30 pm – Chancel Choir, <i>last 'til Fall</i> (Choir Room)
Sunday, June 13	9:30 am – Worship (Sanctuary) 10:45 am – Fellowship Hour (hosted by the Stewardship team) 11 am - Theological & Social Issues (Lounge) 1 pm – RPMS end-of-year BBQ (Elm Avenue Park – small pavilion next to volleyball court)
Monday, June 14	10:30 am – Community Playgroup (Nursery)
Tuesday, June 15	8 am – Men's Breakfast (4 Corners Rest.) 10 am – Treasure Cove (Lounge) 2:30 pm – Farmers Market (parking lot) 7 pm – Upper Room (Library)
Wednesday, June 16	10:30 am – Bible Study (Delmar Place) 10:30 am – Community Playgroup (Nursery)
Church Office hours: Monday-Friday, 9 am – 3 pm	

Crop Walk a huge success!

We have made our goal and a bit more! With the generosity of a matching donor, more than \$30,000 was raised to help fight world hunger. What a tremendous effort by our congregation to help this important cause. We thank all of our supporters, the more than 40 walkers from FUMC and all who helped us to reach this goal. On behalf of the Crop Walk Team, congratulations to our congregation for achieving this amazing feat.

– Julie Bushart, Team Leader

Last Fair Trade/Equal Exchange 'til Fall is this Sunday

Need to replenish your supply of coffee/tea/chocolate/nuts/cranberries? How about a pitcher of refreshing iced tea or coffee made from our wonderful selection of regular, decaf and organic choices! Church and Society will come to your rescue this Sunday, June 13 at our last Fair Trade/Equal Exchange until Fall.

FUMC Cookbooks will also be on sale for \$12. All proceeds to benefit the Capital Region Food Bank.

Habitat for Humanity

This summer Capital District Habitat for Humanity will dedicate the newly-constructed Methodist House at 5 Stephen Street. Wasting no time, area Methodist churches are planning their big fundraiser the Tent-a-thon, August 12-18 for the next Methodist-sponsored home. Volunteers are needed to pick up and deliver dinner from an area restaurant, police the campgrounds for a half-day, receive pledges during Fellowship Hour or camp for a night or more.

Please contact Kevin Conley(475-9034) or kconley1@nycap.rr.com with questions or help make this year's Tent-a-Thon a huge success!

Women-in-the-Middle

Women-in-the-Middle is a group of women within our church community that meets for breakfast once a month to network, support, and enjoy each other's company. Because our ages are between 40-60, we are in the "middle" of many passages of life's journeys. Anyone is welcome to come and join us at any meeting.

Our last gathering until Fall will be held on Saturday, June 26 at Tool's Restaurant at 8:30 am(8 am for early-birds). Please RSVP by June 24 to Linda Graf at giraffeart@verizon.net or 439-6659. Consider bringing a friend!

Our Church Family

Our prayers and sympathy for Dana Burns and family upon the loss of her grandfather, Sam Kunis, on June 1 in Florida.

Good Samaritan Rehab: Russ Parker

In our thoughts and prayers: Art Crossley (Linda Graf), Mary Jane Hughes (Lynda Conway), Dana Taylor (Terry and Glen Taylor), Marco Bonato (Jane Lang, David Rathjens), Ray Scheesley (Ten Eyck Family), Gil & Elsie Faustel (Karen Tedesco), Jim King (Julie Bushart), Mary Storm, Chris Sheridan (Dick & Jeanne Herrmann), Edwin Busch (Joan House), Ann Gwin.

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