



**The First United Methodist Church
of Delran**

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

May 18, 2025

5th Sunday of Easter

Greeting & Passing the Peace

Opening

***Call to Worship**

***Opening Prayer**

***Songs of Praise**

I Saw the Light

Living Hope

Announcements

Children's Message

Joys & Concerns

Song of Praise

Up From the Grave He Arose ~ UMH 322

Scripture Lesson

John 9: 1-6

Sermon

Witness- Man Born Blind

Offering

***Closing Song**

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

***Benediction**

**Please stand as you are able*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Events

- **Vacation Bible School Meeting** Today after service in the Parlor.
- **Youth Sunday** will be on Sunday, June 1. Our youth will be running the service. Come out and support them!
- **Become a member!** Interested in becoming a member of our church? Contact Pastor Michael for more information. New members will be welcomed on Sunday, June 8.
- **Vacation Bible School** will be held Monday, July 21 through Friday, July 25 from 5:30-8:00pm. Register through our [website](#)!
- **Baseball & Fireworks!** Come out to see the Trenton Thunder play on Saturday, August 23 @ 6pm and stay for fireworks after the game! Tickets are \$8.00 per person. Sign up in the Narthex.
- **New Email for Prayer Chain** We have a new dedicated email address for our prayer chain. Please email to continue participation or to be added. prayersdumc@gmail.com
- **Basin & Towel** is collecting cleaning products for May and paper towels for June. Please see Keith & Donita to donate.

Notices

- **Handbells** will resume in October.
- **Ladies Bible Study** is on break! Classes will resume in September.
- **Church Calendar** is available on our website. Keep up to date with all our events and classes!
- **Communion Assistants** If you are a Communion Assistant or would like to become one and need training, please reach out to Pastor Michael.

Worship God

- **In-Person Services** are in the Sanctuary on Sundays @10am.
- **Youth Sunday School** is offered immediately following the Children's message during the service.
- **Nursery** is offered every Sunday during our services.
- **Online Services** our service is live streamed every Sunday @ 10am. Join us on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#).
- **Check-In** for our service attendance by visiting our [website](#) check-in form whether you're joining us online or in-person.
- **Giving** can be done by placing your offering in the offering box in-person, mail to the church, visit our offering page on our [website](#), or directly through [Tithe.ly](#) or [PayPal](#)

Gatherings

- **Praise Team** Wednesdays @ 6:15pm in the Sanctuary.
- **Handbells** Will resume in October.
- **Youth Group** Sundays @ 1:30pm in the Youth room.
- **Quilter's** 1st and 3rd Thursdays @7pm in Sonshine Hall.

Fellowship

- **Kid's Breakfast with Bob and Gus** Sundays @ 9:00am.
- **Sunday Morning Bible Study** with Pastor Michael @ 9:00am in the Parlor.
- **Coffee Talk Join** with folks for coffee on Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the parlor.
- **Ladies Bible Study Mondays** at 7:30pm on Zoom. Contact Chris Verduin to participate. ***On break until September.**
- **Weekly Bible Study** Wednesdays @ 10:30am in the Parlor.
- **Thursday Evening Bible study** in person at the Blasewitz home, 2nd and 4th Thursdays @ 7pm. Contact Bob Blasewitz for directions.

Outreach

- **Basin & Towel** are always looking for donations to support the local community. See the bulletin board in the Narthex for specific items being collected each month. See Keith or Donita for more details.
- **Altar Flowers** If you would like to purchase flowers for the Sunday Altar, sign up by filling out the information on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Regular flowers are \$13 per vase. Specialty arrangements can be ordered for a higher price. Questions? Email office@delranumc.org
- **Prayer Quilts** Would you like to join the quilters? Or, if someone is in need of a prayer quilt, please contact Joyce Kelly @ sajkelly@comcast.net
- **Shop Rite Suzy** is alive and well. Our church makes a small income from your groceries when you purchase Shop Rite gift cards to shop with. You can purchase these gift cards at the church office Tuesdays & Thursdays 9-4pm or after church every Sunday.

Spiritual Growth & Prayer

- **Email Prayer Chain** Chris Verduin coordinates an email Prayer Chain for our church family. If you would like to be a part of this email chain, email prayersdumc@gmail.com
- **Prayer Requests** Visit our website for our new Prayer Request form. This new easy form allows you to send in your requests at your convenience. They can then be added to our prayer list.

Volunteers

- **Readers/Greeters/Ushers** Interested in reading the prayers and scripture during services on Sundays? Want to help greet or be an usher? Sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex.
- **Dedicate A Day** Can you help out with our Children and Youth Ministries? If you're able, can you spend one morning in Sunday School with our younger children? Could you spend a Sunday afternoon with the Youth Group? No prep, no pomp, just your presence. Talk to Libby about picking a day.



Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

~ Thessalonians 5:16-18

Prayer Guide

Follow the acronym P.R.A.Y.

P = Praise God / Thank God

Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together. Psalm 34:3

R = Repent / Confess

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

A = Ask / Ask Big, Ask Boldly, Ask Persistently

Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. Luke 11:9-10

Y = Yield / Surrender to God's good will

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Matthew 6:10

Prayer Concerns

Those with ongoing health concerns: Meghan Winner, Bill Fink

- Prayers for Carol Anderson, who is having breast surgery.
- Prayers for Brian Bacon's mom, Barb, who had surgery.
- Prayers for Brian's student, Simon, who has been diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma.
- Prayers Joann, a friend of the Clivers, who is having knee surgery.
- Prayers for Cesar Melendez, a friend of Michele Rodriguez, who had a heart attack.
- Prayers for Nancy Fink as she starts knee injections.
- Prayers for Nancy & Jim Burke whose grandson passed away.
- Prayers for Beverly's niece who has a mass on her brain.
- Prayers for Willy's cousin, Shannon, who lost her job.
- Prayers for Bill Fink who finished his radiation treatments,
- Prayers for Tanner, who had his yearly scan and that everything is still stable.
- Prayers for Cody, who is dealing with illness.
- Prayers for Terri's brother, Jeff, who's cancer has spread.
- Prayers for Parika as she travels home for Mother's Day.
- Prayers for Pastor Michael's aunt, Kathy, who had a stroke.
- Prayers for Pam & Woody on their trip to Florida.
- Prayers for Donny Richardson, who had a quadruple bypass.
- Prayers for Debi Brown, who is continuing treatment.
- Prayers for Pam and Joyce's sister, Barb, who has cancer.
- Prayers for the Cinnaminson family that lost their home and father to a fire.
- Prayers for Sue's brother, Bob, who has health issues.
- Prayers for Sue's sister-in-law, Patty, who has stage 4 cancer.
- Prayers for Linda Poinatowski and her daughter for safe travels in Budapest.

***Prayer concerns are listed for 3 weeks.**

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Loving God, serving others,
touching lives with the love of Jesus by:

Glorifying God through public and private worship.

Making new disciples for Jesus Christ by witnessing to others about
God's amazing grace through word and action.

Growing in spiritual maturity through training and
equipping opportunities.

Reaching out to others in need; beginning with our community and
moving out across the entire world.

Making a difference in the lives of all for whom Jesus died.



Staff:

Rev. Michael Smith, Pastor
Brian Bacon, Music Director
Destiny Schultz, Nursery Coordinator
Libby Hickok, Education Coordinator
Mandy Cavanaugh, Administrative Assistant