



# The First United Methodist Church of Delran

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# Order of Service

Greeting & Passing the Peace

Advent Candle Lighting

Joy

*Katie & Bob Winner*

Songs of Praise

*Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)*

Christmas Offering

Children's Message

Announcements

Joys & Concerns

Songs of Praise

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel UMH 211*

Scripture

*Matthew 2: 1-12; Philippians 3: 17-21*

Sermon

*Christmas Movies: Elf*

Closing Song

*Once in Royal David's City UMH 250*

Benediction

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## Upcoming Worship Assistants

December 24 4:00pm

Readers: Georgia Smith, Sue Kralle

Greeters/Ushers: Peggy Cliver

December 24 8:00pm

Readers: Donita Basnett, Chris Verduin, Anita Cole, Mary Melvin

Greeters/Ushers: Joyce Kelly

December 28

Readers: Shirley West

Greeters/Ushers: Joann Falato, Anita Cole

\*If you would like to be a reader or greeter/usher reach out to the office.

## Sermon Series



**Breakfast with Bob & Gus** will resume on Jan 11.

**Christmas Eve Services** Join us on Christmas Eve for our 4pm service including a skit by our youth or our 8pm service with carols and candlelight service.

## Events & Information

**Basin & Towel Christmas Drive** Thank you for participating in making a local child's Christmas that much brighter!

**Christmas Card Exchange** Send a Christmas card to fellow members of the congregation and support our Youth Group by paying a \$0.25 "postage" fee. Place your addressed cards in the designated box on the table in the Narthex. Please only bring in cards for attending members as we will not be able to deliver cards to anyone outside of the church.

**Ladies Bible Study via Zoom** is on break for Christmas. Will resume sometime in January.

**Church Directory** If you have not done so already, please complete a form on the table in the Narthex and give to an usher or Pastor Michael. Please complete both sides. This info is not only for the directory but our church records as well.

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## *This Week's Prayer Requests:*

- Prayers for Mary Melvin's coworker, Lisa, who is having her foot rebuilt and also having lumps in her neck tested.
- Prayers for Jake and fellow students during their finals.
- Prayers for Nancy Fink's cousin, Joanie, who has been diagnosed with cancer.
- Prayers for Emmie, who hurt her back and her foot this past week.

Prayer requests can be made during the service, online, or by emailing [prayersdumc@gmail.com](mailto:prayersdumc@gmail.com) or [verduinchris@gmail.com](mailto:verduinchris@gmail.com)

Join our Prayer Chain Email Group by emailing Chris Verduin @ [verduinchris@gmail.com](mailto:verduinchris@gmail.com)

# Weekly Services & Meetings

## Sundays

Sunday Worship @ 10am  
Bible Study w/Pastor @ 9am  
Coffee Talk @ 9:30am

## Mondays

Ladies Bible Study Via Zoom @ 7pm

## Wednesdays

Bible Study @ 11am  
Praise Team @ 6:15pm  
Handbells @ 7pm

## Thursdays

Quilters 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday @ 7pm  
Bible Study @ Blasewitz's  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday @ 7pm

## Outreach & Programs

### Basin & Towel

Collecting donations of paper towels for December

### Altar Flowers

\$13 per vase. Sign up on bulletin board in Narthex.

### ShopRite Shirley

Purchase gift cards to use from Shirley after services or from the office during the week.

### Prayer Quilts

In need of a prayer quilt? Contact Joyce Kelly  
sajkelly@comcast.net

## Youth Group

### December 21

Youth Christmas Party at the Smith's. Fireside gift exchange and skit rehearsal 1:30-4pm.

### December 24

Youth skit during 4pm Christmas Eve Service.

### December 28

No Youth Group.

### Staff:

Rev. Michael Smith, Pastor  
Javera Chaudhry, Pianist  
Destiny Schultz, Nursery Coordinator  
Jake Harrell, Education Coordinator  
Mandy Cavanaugh, Administrative Assistant