



# The First United Methodist Church of Delran

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# Order of Service

Greeting & Passing the Peace

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Songs of Praise *Angels from the Realms of Glory* UMH 220  
*Hark the Herald Angels Sing* UMH 240

Children's Message

Announcements

Joys & Concerns

Songs of Praise *Love Came Down at Christmas* UMH 242

Scripture *John 1: 1-5*

Sermon *The Darkness did not Overcome*

Offerings & Gifts

Closing Song *Go, Tell it on the Mountain* UMH 251

Benediction

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## Upcoming Worship Assistants

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### January 4

Reader  
Anita Cole

Greeters/Ushers  
Pam Wolfe & Cyndi Hyland

Communion  
Joann Falato & Donita Basnett

### January 11

Reader  
Pam Wolfe

Greeters/Ushers  
Sharon Vandegrift & Dan Fichana

# Sermon



## THE DARKNESS DID NOT OVERCOME

### Events & Information

**Christmas Card Exchange** Make sure to pick up your Christmas cards in the Narthex!

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

**Handbells** will resume practices on January 21.

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

**Poinsettias** If you ordered Poinsettias, you make take yours home with you at any time. Thank you!

**Diaper Drive** Bring in packs or boxes of diapers to be donated to Maker's Mark. Especially requested sizes: 4, 5, 6, and 7!

### *This Week's Prayer Requests:*

- Prayers for Sarah Jacoby and her kidney issues.
- Prayers for Albree's friend, Daniel, who is in the hospital.
- Prayers for Brian's friend, Mike, who had a stroke.
- Prayers for Daniel during this difficult time.
- Prayers for David during this difficult time.
- Prayers for Lori and her father.
- Prayers for Terri's brother, Jeff, who has bladder cancer.
- Prayers for Terri's friend, Dave, who is battling pancreatic cancer.
- Prayers for Joanie Wensauer's nephew, who is in NICU.

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:Chris.Verduin@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

### January 4

Meeting 1:30-3pm (Pizza)

### January 11

Meeting 1:30-3:00pm

### January 18

Meeting 1:30-3:00pm

### January 25

No Youth Group.

### Friday, Jan 23- Sun, Jan 25

Mid Winter Advance Retreat

## Staff:

Rev. Michael Smith, Pastor

Javera Chaudhry, Pianist

Destiny Schultz, Nursery Coordinator

Jake Harrell, Education Coordinator

Mandy Cavanaugh, Administrative Assistant