



The First United Methodist Church of Delran

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

March 9, 2025
1st Sunday in Lent

Greeting & Passing the Peace

***Call to Worship**

***Opening Prayer**

***Songs of Praise**

How Can I Keep From Singing

Here I Am to Worship

Announcements

Children's Message

Joys & Concerns

Song of Praise

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross ~ UMH 301

Scripture Lesson *Matthew 27: 39-44*

Sermon *Words to the Cross ~ He Cannot Save Himself*

Offering

***Closing Song**

The Jesus Way

***Benediction**

**Please stand as you are able*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Events

- **Family Game Night** on Sunday, March 23 @ 4pm. Bring your favorite games to play with everyone!
*Sign-up in the Narthex or [online](#)
- **Community Lenten Study on Wednesdays** We will be doing community Lenten Study on Wednesdays during lent at local churches. 10:00am Coffee followed by study at 10:30am.
March 12-Delran
March 19-Beverly
March 26-Dobbins (Delanco)
April 2-Beverly
April 9-Delran
- **Easter Egg Hunt** Saturday, April 12 (Rain date April 19) Volunteers and candy are needed. You can sign up in the Narthex, on our website, or directly online. * [Candy Donation](#) * [Volunteers](#)
***Register your kids for the Egg Hunt today on our [website](#)!**
- **Basin & Towel:** Collecting toothpaste and toothbrushes for March. Laundry soap for April. Please see Keith & Donita to donate.

Gatherings

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

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](#)

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.
- **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.

Spiritual Growth & Prayer

- **Upper Room Devotionals** Paper copies are available in the Narthex.
- **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 the church office or VerduinChris@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 in the bulletin.

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.

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

Current Prayer Concerns

Prayer Concerns

Those with ongoing health concerns: June John, Meghan Winner, Bill Fink

- ✚ Prayers for Mary Melvin's MVC director, Keith, who is donating a kidney.
- ✚ Prayers for Donita's sister, Connie, who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- ✚ Prayers for Dawn Lewis whose husband, Paul, passed away.
- ✚ Prayers for Kylie who is battling addiction and living on the streets in Philadelphia.
- ✚ Prayers for Tom and Liz Mannion who both have the flu. Tom has liver cancer and is in the hospital.
- ✚ Prayers for Bill Fink, his cancer has spread to his lymph nodes and inoperable. He will receive radiation treatment with hopes to slow the spread. Continued prayers for their financial woes.
- ✚ Prayers for Cyndi's brother, David, who has gallstones.
- ✚ Prayers for Marylou who had a stroke.
- ✚ Prayers for Ed who has cancer.
- ✚ Prayers for Beverly's husband as they look for a spine surgeon.
- ✚ Prayers for Rod Melvin who has low platelets and waiting to have brain surgery.
- ✚ Prayers for Gus, who found his parents on the floor last Wednesday, as they both had fallen.
- ✚ Prayers for Brian that his scan comes back clean.
- ✚ Prayers for Sue's daughter, Becky, as she travels home from London.
- ✚ Prayers for Mary Melvin, travelling to Colorado for son Kyle's birthday.
- ✚ Prayers for Jeff's mom, Linda, who had kidney stone surgery.
- ✚ Prayers for Brian Grose's dad who broke a vertebrae in his back.
- ✚ Prayers for Debi and continued healing after her hip surgery.
- ✚ Prayers for West Virginia after all the bad weather they had.

***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