

DeWitt Community Church

A Christian Church for all People



CONFIRMATION 2018-19

Here at DeWitt Community Church we are a Christian Church for All People.

With this in mind, the goal of our Confirmation program is to invite young adults to make a very significant two-fold decision, to confirm their faith and become true members of our Church.

On completion of this program a person will have a better understanding of what they believe, how they can make a personal commitment to God, and ways they can express their faith through using their giftedness.

It was Jesus who commanded that we fulfill the Great Commission as he outlined in Matthew 28:19-20:

"Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you."



Confirmation fulfills this call with participants experiencing God as they grow in their faith.

This year Confirmation will be co-taught by Rev. Cindy Mapstone and Mary Chirello. Candidates will:

- **Learn what Christians believe and why**
- **Learn about their spiritual gifts**
- **Have a change to use their gifts and talents as part of the church community in outreach Work with a faith-filled mentor who walks alongside the candidate**
- **Make a personal faith affirmation by confirming their baptismal promises**
- **Become members of DeWitt Community Church**

Each confirmand will be asked to select a Confirmation Mentor who will help the candidate explore their faith as trusted companions on the journey of spiritual growth.

Mentors:

- **Are adults who profess the Christian Faith**
- **Are willing to share their own faith journeys**
- **Have a strong desire to see the Confirmand build a deep and lasting foundation of faith. Hold faith as an important aspect of their own lives.**

A Confirmation get to know you Class begins On Sunday, September 9, 2018 @ 10 AM in Miller Commons, where a class schedule will be handed out. Parents are encouraged to



attend this first meeting.

Classes will meet weekly through May 12th, meeting at 10am in Room 7. Students will participate in several service opportunities and retreats.

A Confirmation service will occur on Sunday May 19, 2019 during the 11am worship service.

If you would like to participate in Confirmation Class, please Contact Mary Chirello at: mchirello@dewittchurch.org or 315-247-0060.

Pastor On-Call

One member of our Pastoral Care Staff will be on call 24/7, 365 days a year to respond to crisis situations or emergencies in our church family. The emergency phone number is: (315) 303-2308. Please leave a message and your contact information and the pastor on-call will return your call as soon as possible.

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*Connecting people with Christ through community
Helping people grow in faith
Serving God by using our gifts to serve others*

WEEKLY IN SEPTEMBER

Please check the Weekly Announcements for any changes to the Church schedule.

SUNDAY

9:00 AM

Chapel Service
(Miller Commons)

10:00 AM

Adult Bible Study (Room 42)

11:00 AM

Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Nursery – Ages 0-3 (Rm 45)
Children's Sunday School
(Miller Commons)

MONDAY

No Scheduled Events

TUESDAY

9:30 AM

Women's Bible Study
(Miller Commons)

1:30 PM

Program Staff Meeting (Library)

WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM

Bible Study (Rm 42/Parlor)

10:45 AM

Stay & Play (Gym/Offsite)

THURSDAY

6:00 PM

Alcoholics Anonymous (Room 6)

FRIDAY

9:00 AM

Bulletin Inserts (Library)

SATURDAY

5:30 PM

Chapel Service
(Miller Commons)

COMING SOON

Monday, September 3

**LABOR DAY
OFFICE CLOSED**

Wed, September 5

•7:00 PM
Christian Caring Committee
Meeting (Library)

Sat, September 8

•8:00 AM
Red Cross Blood Drive
(Gym)
•9:00 AM
Youth Service Opportunity
(Manlius)
•11:00 AM
Mid York Doll Club (Rm
6)

Sunday, September 9

•10:30 AM
Confirmation Meeting
(Miller Commons)
•12:15 PM
Africa Trip Meeting (Miller
Commons)

Tues, September 11

•9:00 AM & 3:30 PM
Stephen Ministry Peer
Supervision (Parlor)
•12:00 PM
All Staff Meeting (Parlor)

Thurs, September 13

Primary Elections in Miller
Commons
•9:00 AM
Joint Circle of Friends
meeting (Room 42)

Sunday, September 16

•12:15 PM
Homecoming Celebration
(Front Lawn)
•2:00 PM
Confirmation Class (Room
8)

Monday, September 17

•11:30 AM
Sub Shop and Friends
(Parlor)

Wednesday, Sept. 19

•5:30 PM
Advisory Dinner (Library)
•6:30 PM
Property Management
Committee (Library)
•7:00 PM
Trustee Meeting (Room 6)

Saturday, Sept. 22

•9:00 AM
MoW Bottle Drive
(Cemetery Parking Lot)

Sunday, Sept. 23

•12:15 PM
Starting Point (Library)
•2:00 PM
Confirmation Class (Rm 8)

Monday, September 24

•5:30 PM
Alan's Bible Study Preview
(Parlor)
•5:30 PM
Women's Community Bible
Study (Miller Commons)

Tuesday, September 25

•9:00 AM & 3:30 PM
Stephen Ministry Peer
Supervision (Parlor)
•9:30 AM
IF:EQUIP (Miller Commons)

Sunday, September 30

•10:00 AM
Religion & Politics Study
(Miller Commons)
•12:30 PM
Apple Picking at Beak &
Skiff
•2:00 PM
Confirmation Class (Rm 8)

IF:EQUIP Women's Daytime Bible Study

Second and Fourth Tuesdays, Sept. 11 through Dec. 11, Miller Commons, 9:30 - 11:00 AM

Whether you already open your Bible every day, or struggle to keep up with studying Scripture, Open Your Bible, a 7-session study from the women behind She Reads Truth, will leave you with a greater appreciation for the Word of God and a stronger desire to truly know the Bible inside and out. Snacks, drinks, and childcare provided. **REGISTER NOW AT DEWITTCURCH.ORG/IF**

New Study: Religion and Politics, Uneasy Fellows: Finding a Way Forward

Sundays at 10 AM starting September 23, Miller Commons

Our parents taught us there are two things you don't talk about at parties: Religion and politics. With an election year upon us, how do we as Christians respond to the call to be faithful to God and seek the common good of others in our selection of public officials? Can we talk about politics without a conversation ending in a shouting match? In this study, Pastor Alan will guide participants through navigating how Christians can be both a people of faith and seeking the common good for society utilizing study of scripture, discussion, listening, and video. This study will draw upon the work of Christian authors, Philip Yancy and Reinhold Niebuhr. No matter if you are a Republican, Democrat, independent, or have no political affiliation you will benefit from this study as a way to navigate faith and politics with other Christians, friends, coworkers, and family.

FROM THE SENIOR MINISTER



Several weeks ago a young man in our community was tragically killed in an auto accident. He had just graduated from Jamesville - DeWitt High School and was headed to Binghamton for college to study both math and music. He was an exceptional student and very gifted in music and drama and had played in several lead rolls in school plays. Our whole community was crushed and devastated by his loss.

In this tragic situation, I was amazed by the response of our congregation and our desire to minister to the family and friends of this young man. Probably more than 1,500 people came through our doors for calling hours, memorial service, dinner and the Cabaret service that followed.

We say that we are a community church for the community, and I believe this is one way we have seen those words lived out. The

outpouring of food, the presence of our Stephen Ministers, the involvement of our worship staff, office staff, building staff and the Sheriff's office who handled the traffic was an expression of love. In this tragic situation we had the opportunity to live out Christ's love, and we did and continue to do so.

In this time where people are abandoning religion and church involvement, I truly feel blessed to be a part of a vibrant and caring church that is serious and eager about living out the teachings of Christ.

Rejoicing Always!

Dr. Mark E. Sommers
Senior Minister

ANNOUNCING FAMILY MINISTRY FOCUS



We are excited to announce that DeWitt Community Church is beginning to move forward with a new Family Ministry model that will seek to connect, grow, and engage families in service to our community. Starting this September, Pastor Cindy Mapstone will increase her role as our Associate/Family and Congregational Care Minister. In her increased capacity, Pastor Cindy will now assume leadership of

working with our current team of staff and volunteers in children's and youth ministry. We are beginning to discover how Pastor Cindy's current ministry of congregational care is already transferring into caring for families as well. This transition comes as Ben Rayland, who had been leading our children's ministry, decided to step down from his staff role with his fifth child on the way and to focus on his sports coaching business. We are thankful for Ben's staff leadership in children's ministry and look forward to him staying connected to our church.

As we continue working towards increase connection between children and youth ministry at DeWitt Community Church, we are aligning and integrating the current ministry of Mary Chirello, Nic MacLane, Gloria Trode, and Soheila Yaddow. By integrating our current staff into the model of family ministry we are able to enhance our ministries and programs for children, teens, and adults. In the coming months, you will see these ministries offering intergenerational and age-specific programming and ministry opportunities. Our children's ministry will be led by a team of staff and lay people to offer exciting, interactive and engaging faith-based learning on Sunday morning. Our confirmation students and youth will benefit by having a team of leaders guiding them in their faith. And, families will have opportunities for connection and growth. By combining into a family ministry model we reduce the effect of "silos" and build upon the cross-participation of integrative ministry.

This summer, we saw the beauty of how this integration works with our Vacation Bible School. We had youth and adults working alongside staff in bringing an engaging ministry to over 65 children in our church and community. By realigning our current staff in a family ministry configuration, we are revisiting a past staffing and ministry model that worked well a number of years ago. This configuration of Family Ministries will blend and connect children and youth ministries in a way that seeks to include whole families. We are also exploring how possible innovative worship ministry models could benefit from cross-ministry participation.

We have a fantastic staff and wonderful lay leaders in the areas of children, youth, and family ministry. We are excited for what God is doing and it is clear that God is at work with how we creatively minister and grow our church in faith. We see this plan as what St. Paul proclaimed in Ephesians 4, "The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ." May God continue to bless our church as we equip the saints of our congregation in their gifts and come to the unity of faith!

If you have any questions or want more information please speak with Pastor Mark, Pastor Cindy, or Pastor Alan.

Love and Grace,

Rev. Alan Rudnick

HOMECOMING 2018

Please join us on Sunday, September 16 following the 11 AM service for a party to kick off the new program year!

HOME COMING

We're throwing a party on the front lawn to celebrate the start of a new church year with a FREE BARBECUE as well as games and activities for the kids. Please invite your friends and neighbors. RSVP to Mary: mchirello@dewittchurch.org or just show up.

PLEASE BRING DESSERTS!!!

4th Annual Homecoming Pie Sale
The Women's Association is accepting orders with payment for mini and large pies. You can complete an order form which will be an insert in the bulletin until Homecoming, or by picking a form up in the church office. All completed forms should be to the office by Monday, September 10. Pies will be ready for pick up at Homecoming Sunday, September 16.

You can also help the Women's Association by donating needed supplies listed on the reverse side of the order form, shopping for supplies, picking apples, baking with us for a 3 hour shift on either 9/14 or 15 (you don't need to be a pro, we'll help you) or donating a pie you've made at home. To volunteer for any of these things, visit the signup sheet at dewittchurch.org/pies or call Judi Wilson at 315-345-6442.



Summer VBS 2018 WE SHARED THE LOVE OF JESUS WITH MORE THAN 60 KIDS!!!



CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY



Gloria Trode—Director of Children's Music
gtrode@dewittchurch.org

Sunday Music Ministry for Young People

Musikgaten 9:00-9:20 AM

Children ages 3-5

Musikgarten introduces children to the joy of music and effectively guides them toward lifelong, active participation in music.

Dewitt Community Church Children's Choir 9:45-10:15AM

All children Elementary through Grade 8 (able to read words)

Young people experience and share their joy of singing, express their love of God, and establish a commitment to excellence through sacred music education and performance. Weekly rehearsal attendance will prepare the children to share their musical offering in worship.

Treble Makers 10:20-10:50AM

All children Kindergarten through Grade 3

Treble Makers make music in a fun, safe, no-pressure environment. Kids learn the art of handbell ringing, as well as basic note and rhythm reading.

Young Ringers 10:20-10:50AM

All Children and Youth Grades 4 and up

Children and teens who have played an instrument or have been in chime choir or young ringers for at least a year are invited to join this fun group. They will continue learning bell techniques and music reading.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:55

All Children Kindergarten through Grade 5

Sunday School is a gathering time of celebration and song. We lift our hearts and voices, growing in the knowledge and love of God, following Christ through love for each other and all of God's creation.



A Note From Ben Rayland Outgoing Children's Ministry Director



Friends and Believers,

It was Alexander Graham Bell that said, "When one door closes, another opens." With a heavy heart, I am saddened to share with you folks that this will be my last newsletter submission as the Children's Ministry Director at the Dewitt Community Church. I have officially resigned from my position as the Children's Director and turned those

duties over the extremely capable hands of the Rev. Cindy Mapstone and Assistant Children's Ministry Director, Soheila Yaddow.

I assure you folks that this decision did not come lightly. As a business owner and father of 4 (soon to be 5!) children, I have learned in my last year and a half with the DCC that I am unable to devote as much of myself to all three arenas as I wish were possible, and something had to give.

I would like to take this time to thank the DCC staff and members for giving me the opportunity to serve the Lord at this fine establishment. It was truly a pleasure to walk with you all, and it is my desire to remain a part of the Church in a smaller capacity moving forward.

With Pastor Cindy and Soheila at the helm, I know the Children's Ministry department will continue to grow and prosper in my absence. The stage has been set for continued growth and outreach with our children! For evidence of this, look no further than our successful Summer Vacation Bible School. Soheila served as the Director and did an amazing job as the VBS was a smashing success! I feel truly blessed for the opportunity to have worked with your children. I will always cherish the memories we've created and I can only hope that in some small way, I helped your children create positive associations and memories with Church that will foster a lifelong relationship with the Lord!



Mary Chirello—Youth Ministry Director

Email: mchirello@dewittchurch.org

Call/Text: 315.247.0060

SAVE THE DATES

Friday, September 7, 7-9 PM @ Eastern Hills

YoungLife Dance Party (Grades 9-12)

Saturday, September 8, 9 AM - Service Project

Painting Pastor Allen's House (All Ages)

Thursday, October 4, 7-8:30 PM in the Gym

WyldLife Club (Grades 6-8)

Saturday, October 27 @ the Carrier Dome

Faith & Family Football Day (All Ages)

CONTACT MARY FOR MORE INFO

COMPASSION MINISTRY

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Do you like to knit or crochet? Consider joining the Prayer Shawl Ministry. You can create shawls for those who are ill or experiencing loss or a square for military to wear in their helmet. For more information contact Nancy Bond, nancybond3@gmail.com for yarn and patterns.

Prayer Request Cards

Prayer Request Cards are available at various locations in the church. If you have a prayer request you would like to share, please fill out the yellow card and drop it in a communication box or leave it in the office.

Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain is group of members who commit to pray consistently for requests that come in the form of an e-mail. If you would like to receive prayer requests or no longer receive them, please alert Kay Paulsen, paulsenk@dewittchurch.org.

Honoring Dr. Kay Paulsen

As many of you know, Dr. Kay Paulsen retired on June 30 after serving for 10 years as Director of Congregational Care. Kay has made a tremendous impact in the life of our congregation and we will be honoring her at Homecoming, on September 16. We want to say thank you to her as a congregation by giving her a special gift. If you would like to contribute to this gift, please mark on your check or envelope "HONORING KAY," or you can call the church 315-445-0331 to put your gift on a credit card



Mission of the Month: Blessings in a Backpack at Delaware School



Hello DeWitt Community Church, I am Jeanie Brown, a member of Bellevue Heights UMC.

In 2016 the Census figures showed that Syracuse was the 16th poorest city in the country. My best friend from Oswego belongs to an Episcopalian church which joined Blessings in a Backpack, a national non-profit group which helps with feeding elementary children on weekends, when many poor children experience food insecurity. This church feeds some of the poorest children in Oswego schools who get free lunches.

Syracuse certainly needed the help, since all of our city students get free lunches and breakfasts. Charlie, my husband, thought it would be a good idea, so I chose one school, Delaware, the poorest school in Syracuse.

I told the Social Worker that I thought I could get fifty bags of weekend food for the poorest kids from my church. They would sponsor a child for \$100/month for three years. Miss Bague

said, "Thanks, but no." She told me that Delaware has 550 children. Fifty bags wouldn't help much. I told her that these programs tend to grow. Eventually she agreed to try. I asked our new Pastor and he said "I think it's doable. Sure enough, 50 members sponsored a Delaware child and the planning began.

We joined National Blessings in a Backpack and got our non-perishable food delivered by Sysco right to the church. By September, we had three groups of 7 adult packers and the youth group once a month. We pack the bags into bins. On Thursdays, one of 5 couples drives the bins down Geddes hill from our church to Delaware School, where the custodians bring them to the social work office. The very happy children receive the bags before dismissal on Friday. None of us could believe how fast the idea caught on. Many people who belonged to groups



which used the church sponsored children.

In January 2017, Robinson Memorial Presbyterian Church became our partner and sponsored thirty children. By the end of our first school year, we were feeding 124 children at the school. During the summer, University UMC gave us more than \$10,000. United Methodist Women gave us a \$2,000 grant. A friend gave us \$5000. We began the 2017-2018 school year feeding 200 children. Still Miss Bague told us that one of the many children not in the program yet came and said, "Can I have a bag of food? I've been doing a good job." Hearing stories like this make us want to feed all the Delaware children on weekends.

A grant of \$4000 from National Blessings in a Backpack and the promise of help from a successful local businessman who graduated from Delaware gave us the courage to plan to feed all the children of Delaware (550) starting this year. We will need considerable help to accomplish this. The Social Workers tell us that all of the children at the school can benefit from our program. Any help you could give us would give many pre-k to fifth graders a happier life. Thank you for your consideration and may God bless you.



A NOTE TO THE CONGREGATION

Message from the Board President:

*"I'm fixing a hole where the rain gets in
And stops my mind from wandering, where it will go...
I'm painting the room in a colorful way
And when my mind is wandering, there I will go"*

John Lennon & Paul McCartney

This month I'd like to brief you on one of the issues coming before the Trustees this fall. About six years ago we initiated several renovation projects at the church, and embarked on a Capital Campaign to raise money to pay for it all. The greatest expense by far was re-roofing the church, which was severely overdue for replacement and springing new leaks every year. Other work included the Miller Commons renovations, new paint and ceilings in the Children's Wing, and creating a master plan for the church. Just when we thought we were done – the old main boiler died and had to be replaced.

The Capital Campaign had a goal of \$1.2 million – ambitious compared to previous campaigns. Unfortunately the actual funds raised fell short and reached only half of what was needed. In fact we didn't raise enough to finish paying for the roof. Like any household or business we borrowed money to complete what had to be done. Fortunately we've experienced a period of low interest rates and good returns on the endowment. However, as we should all know from experience and scripture, the fat years won't last.

In the coming months the Board of Trustees will be considering various options for managing our outstanding debit, which must be balanced with maintaining our day-to-day programs, supporting our church's missions, and preparing for the future. As our plans take shape I'll be able to share more. For now, on behalf of the Trustees, I ask for your prayers and support.

Eric W. Witschi, President

DeWITT COMMUNITY CHURCH

International Students and Fellowship of Christian Athletes

As we continue to reach out to Students at Syracuse University, LeMoyne College and Onondaga Community College we are looking for individuals and families who would like to play a part in helping these students feel at home in the Syracuse area. It may be helping with an event, adopting a student or two, or a willingness to host a dinner during holidays for students unable to travel home. If you are interested, please let us know. For International Students, contact Jane Hahn jhahn@dewittchurch.org For Athletes, please contact Mark Sommers drmakes@umich.edu.

INTERESTED IN CHURCH MEMBERSHIP?

We will be having our next membership gathering on Sunday, October 21, at 12:15 in Miller Commons. At the gathering we will explore what we as a church believe and the meaning of membership. We will rap up no later than 1:30. The gathering allows you to explore membership with no obligation to join. Please RSVP so we know how many people to prepare for. If you are unable to join us on this date, but would like to attend a future membership gathering, please let us know so we can plan an alternative date.

Samaritan Center Volunteers

We need 4 volunteers to arrive at 10:30 AM for prep work, and for the rest of our volunteers to arrive at 12:15 PM. If you can volunteer, consider bringing a friend. **Sign up online at dewittchurch.org/samaritan.** If you are interested in volunteering for our next trip to the Samaritan Center, or would like to be contacted about future opportunities to serve, contact Craig Mabbett at cmabbett88@gmail.com, or call 315.436.0429. If you need transportation arrangements can be made.

Upcoming dates: November 11, January 6.

FALL OUTREACH SERIES BEGINS SEPTEMBER 22 - 23 "Faith NOT Fear"

Each fall we start the new program year out with a message series that we believe will connect with in our community people who do not presently attend a church. It is during this time that we especially want to encourage those who are active at DeWitt to invite their friends, neighbors, and co-workers to join us in worship. Cards and e-mails will be sent to people in our area inviting them to join us for the series.

Our invitation is not one of institutional need (we need more people to fill our pews and contribute), rather, we want to invite people because we know that the words of Christ, the presence of God's Holy Spirit, and the power of God at work in our community is transformational. People are searching for meaning and purpose and we believe that God is alive and at work in us and through us as a local congregation.

Please make it a priority not only to attend during this five week message, but to invite people to join you. - Pastor Mark

Family Apple Picking at Beak and Skiff

Sunday, September 30 from 1-3 PM

We'll be meeting right by the entrance to Apple Hill. If you need to carpool, please meet at DCC at 12:30 in the side parking lot directly next to church. All are welcome, young and old! Please RSVP to Mary at 315.247.0060 or mchirello@dewittchurch.org.





September Worship

Mission of the Month - Blessings in a Backpack at Delaware School

"Oriented, Disoriented, Reoriented: The Rhythm of Life"

Rev Alan R. Rudnick

Saturday September 1

Sunday, September 2

5:30 PM Chapel Service/Courtyard

8:00 AM Chapel Service/Courtyard

10:00 AM Traditional Service/Sanctuary

Communion at all 3 services

"When Leaders Fail"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers

Saturday September 8

Sunday, September 9

5:30 PM Chapel Service/Miller Commons

9:00 AM Chapel Service/Miller Commons

11:00 AM Traditional Service/Sanctuary

Return to Regular Service Times

Mission of the Month

"A Christian Church for All People?"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers

Saturday September 15

Sunday, September 16

5:30 PM Chapel Service/Miller Commons

9:00 AM Chapel Service/Miller Commons

11:00 AM Traditional Service/Sanctuary

Homecoming Celebration Sunday at Noon

"Faith Not Fear...Staring Down Your Giants?"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers

Saturday September 22

Sunday, September 23

5:30 PM Chapel Service/Miller Commons

9:00 AM Chapel Service/Miller Commons

11:00 AM Traditional Service/Sanctuary

"Faith Not Fear...Axing?"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers

Saturday September 22

Sunday, September 23

5:30 PM Chapel Service/Miller Commons

9:00 AM Chapel Service/Miller Commons

11:00 AM Traditional Service/Sanctuary



DeWitt Community Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Mark Sommers *Senior Minister*

Rev. Alan Rudnick *Executive Associate Minister*

Rev. William Carlsen *Adjunct Associate Minister*

Rev. Cindy Mapstone *Associate Minister & Congregational Care Director*

Rev. Edwin "Ted" Taylor *Senior Minister Emeritus*

Dr. Landrum "Hap" Wooten *Associate Minister Emeritus*

Gloria Trode *Director of Children's Music*

Abel Searor *Director of Worship Arts Principal Organist*

Nic MacLane *Director of Family Worship*

Mary Chirello *Youth Director & Hospitality Coordinator*

Soheila Yaddow *Children's Ministry Assistant*

Ally Street *Nursery Director*

Alyssa Eighmey *Office Administrator*

Peter Hawley *Communication Coordinator*

Jane Hahn *Bookkeeper*

Mick Thorpe *Director of Building Services*

Reinaldo Mercado *Building Staff*

Liam McDonough *Building Staff*

Jim Surdam *Building Staff*

Newsletter Article Submissions

Newsletter article submissions can be made by email to newsletter@dewittchurch.org. Please plan ahead as the newsletter deadline is the 15th of each month. Thank you.

Communicating with Church Leadership

The Advisory Committee meets on a regular basis and serves to advise the Senior Minister. All members of the Advisory Committee are members of the Board of Trustees. Input, ideas, suggestions, and comments are always welcome and may be submitted by e-mail to advisory@dewittchurch.org. Those without access to email may place messages in the church's internal mailboxes or mail to Advisory Committee, DeWitt Community Church, 3600 Erie Boulevard East, DeWitt, NY 13214.

In order to ensure the integrity of church communications, we are not able to consider anonymous letters. The pastoral staff is always open to discussion of issues and concerns in a spirit of Christian community and respect.