

DeWitt Community Church

A Christian Church for all People

NEWSLETTER August 2016



Mission of the Month - Chadwick Residence

Women live, learn and grow at Chadwick Residence, where one-on-one guidance, training opportunities and permanent housing assistance make it more than just a place to live.

The Chadwick Residence mission and experience focus on sustainable, independent living. Our programming covers a wide array of life skills, including personal finance, effective parenting and successful employment.

A nonprofit organization based in Syracuse, New York, Chadwick Residence relies on the support of volunteers and donations to



**CHADWICK
RESIDENCE**
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serve women at risk with housing assistance both on our premises and in the community.

Volunteers provide priceless support to Chadwick Residence. You can help as a presenter, mentor or simply a helper around the office.

Corporate sponsors assist with property maintenance and other tasks around

Chadwick Residence. These team-building activities help businesses boost employee

morale and show community pride.

We rely on financial gifts to continue our mission and offer the quality programming that leads our residents to independence.

We welcome corporate and individual donations of any size. Every dollar helps keep Chadwick Residence sustainable and successful.



FINANCIAL Peace UNIVERSITY

A biblically based curriculum that teaches people how to handle money God's ways.

Your money. Your story. Your life.

THIS CHANGES EVERYTHING.

We all need a plan for our money. Dave's class will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money, spend and save wisely, and much more!

Coming to DCC in September: Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University

We all need a plan for our money. Financial Peace University (FPU) is that plan! It teaches God's ways of handling money. Through video teaching, class discussions and interactive small group activities, FPU presents biblical, practical steps to get from where you are to where you've dreamed you could be. This plan will show you how to get rid of debt, manage your money,

spend and save wisely, and much more!

FPU will be facilitated by Anne and Greg Stock, DCC members who have successfully used the principles taught by the class to change their ways of managing money. Anne and Greg have shared this about their experience: "We were like many other people you surely know: working but not making much progress towards any financial goals because so much of our income was going towards debt payments. To put it bluntly, despite being a 2-income family, we were broke. But by using Dave Ramsey's plan, we have paid off all our

non-mortgage debt. (And mortgage, we're coming for you, too!) In the process, however, we learned so much more than how to get out of debt, build an emergency fund, or save effectively for retirement and college: we learned to budget, to prioritize, communicate about our spending, and work together toward financial goals. We learned to sacrifice in the short term to succeed in the long term. As Dave would say, we learned to 'live like no one else so that some day we could live and give like no one else.'

Save The Dates!

- FPU spotlight for ministry at all 3 services on the weekend of Sept. 10 & 11
- "Come and See" at 10AM Sunday, Sept 18. Have your questions answered with no commitment necessary
- Group begins on Sunday, Sept 25 at 10AM



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

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LOOKING AHEAD

THE GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT August 11-12, 2016 | willowcreek.com/summit

The Global Leadership Summit is a two-day event on August 11-12. You are invited to join an expected 305,000 people committed to becoming better leaders. If you have any questions, or would like to join the DCC group attending this conference, please call the church office: (315) 445-0331. The cost is \$129.



Friday August 19th, Christian artists Third Day and Stephen Curtis Chapman will perform at the Crouse Hinds Theater. The concert begins at 7 PM. Two Christian music icons sharing the stage together as one group, performing songs together from their two amazing catalogs of music that have garnered critical acclaim as well as built a following of millions worldwide. DeWitt Community Church members who are interested in attending the concert as a group are invited to contact the church office at (315) 445-0331.

HYMN SING

Saturday, August 27th at the 5:30 service we will have a hymn-sing with a fellowship dinner to follow. Here's how it works, come to the 5:30 service, pick out your favorite hymn or two, and the congregation led by our four talented soloists will lead us in the singing of at least two verses of the hymn. We will get through as many as we can. You should come a few minutes early to peruse the book and find your favorite numbers. The service will be followed by a cookout and all are encouraged to stay and fellowship. Hope to see you there!

Monday, August 1

- 6:30 PM
Jamesville Beach Bible Study Grades 6-12

Wednesday, August 3

- 6:30 PM
Youth Group grades 6-12

Saturday, August 6

- 7 AM
First Saturday Men's Breakfast

Wednesday, August 10

- 6:30 PM
Property Management Committee Meeting
- 7 PM
Youth Group Game Night

Thursday, August 11

- 9:30 AM
Global Leadership Summit (Office Closed)

AUGUST

Friday, August 12

- 9:30 AM
Global Leadership Summit (Office Closed)

Saturday, August 21

- 5:30 PM
Communion

Sunday, August 21

- 8 AM, 10 AM
Communion
- 12:30 PM
Youth Volunteering at the Samaritan Center

Monday, August 22

- 6:30 PM
Jamesville Beach Bible Study Grades 6-12

Tuesday, August 23

- 6 PM
Youth Trip to Get Air

Trampoline Park

Saturday, August 27

- 5:30 PM
Hymn Sing
(in place of Chapel Service)

Sunday, August 28

- 8 AM, 10 AM
Family In Worship
(Nursery is Available)

Wednesday, August 31

- 7 PM
Youth Group Fall Kick-off Bonfire

COMING SOON

Sunday, September 4

- 8 AM, 10 AM
Family In Worship
(No Nursery)

Monday, September 5

- Labor Day
Office Closed

Saturday, September 10

- 8 AM
Red Cross Blood Drive
- 9 AM
FM-JD Area Bottle Drive
(Cemetery Parking Lot)

Tuesday, September 13

- 9 AM
Election Primary for State/
Local Offices
- 2 PM
History Committee Meeting

Wednesday, Sept. 14

- 6:30 PM
Property Management Committee Meeting

Friday, September 16

- 8 AM
Women's Assoc. Pie Baking (Big Kitchen/
Miller Common's Kitchen)

Saturday, September 17

- 8 AM
Women's Assoc. Pie Baking (Big Kitchen/Miller Common's Kitchen)



Sunday, September 18

- 8 AM
Women's Assoc. Pie Sale
- 8 AM, 10 AM
Communion

- 10 AM
FPU "Come and See"

- 12 PM Homecoming

Sunday, September 25

- 10 AM
Financial Peace U begins

Friday, September 30

- 5:30 PM
Fall Confirmation Retreat

Monday, October 10

- Columbus Day
Office Closed

FROM THE SENIOR MINISTER



In this edition of the monthly newsletter, I want to share with you three things:

First, During the last several months we had a number of major events take place that required “all hands on deck.” There were several large memorial services, the Summer Servants Program, and some other special needs. I watched with great joy as staff members and volunteers gave their best efforts to make ministry happen. While I played a part, the part that was most rewarding for me was being part of a team that did ministry together. This is what church looks like when its functioning Biblically; when people are using their gifts in concert with one another. Church is a Team Sport!

Second, I am excited about Greg and Anne Stock leading Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University at our church. I know several other churches that have participated in this program and it has been very helpful to many people. Statistics say that finances are often at the root of relational challenges with couples and within families. The content of Financial Peace University is solid and with Greg and Anne Stock leading the group at DCC I know that it will be very well lead. I encourage you to at least check out the “Come and See” at 10 AM on Sunday, September 18.

Third, for a number of years I have had this idea of a good old-fashioned hymn sing, and now with us going to a new hymnal this fall there is no time like the present. On Saturday, August 27 at 5:30 (in place of the regular Saturday Night Chapel) we will have a hymn-sing with a fellowship dinner to follow. There is more information in this edition of the newsletter... Hope to see you there.

Rejoicing Always!

Dr. Mark E. Sommers
Senior Minister

Pedaling With Pastor Mark

This year will be Pastor Mark’s 11th year of doing a week long bicycling trip. This year’s trip will start from Muskegon, Michigan. It will follow along the shore of Lake Michigan and then cross the state, ending up at Port Huron on the shore of Lake Huron. The trip will start Monday, August 15 and conclude Saturday, August 20. Each year we have used this trip as an opportunity to raise funds for a special project around the church and we will be doing the same this year. This year’s project will be completing the renovation of a multi-purpose class room adjacent to Miller Commons. Upgrading this room will allow us to have child care close by Miller Commons for the Chapel Services. Our goal is \$5,000 and we have already raised \$2,637 as of July 27th. We invite you to contribute to Pedaling with Pastor Mark by using the white pew envelopes and placing your contribution in the offering plate or jar. Please write “pedaling with Pastor Mark” on the offering envelope or on the memo section of your check. You can also mail a check to the church or call the church office to make your contribution by credit card. Thanks for your willingness to give to this special project and for giving Pastor Mark a little extra motivation for his ride!



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.

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.

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS & STAFF

Peter Hawley - Communications Coordinator

Hello DeWitt Community Church, I am so very pleased to make your acquaintance. I'm Pete(r) Hawley, your new Communications Coordinator. I have taken over where Melanie Shum left off in producing sharp looking and informative print, web, and social media. Additionally I am designing a new website for DCC and updating our in house signage. I feel very blessed to be part of the DCC team and feel God's hand truly lead me here.



A little about me....I grew up in Skaneateles (class of '97) and still live there with my wife Melinda and our 3 daughters Skylar, Eve, and Petra. We are also expecting a son in October. I'm a graduate of Ithaca College with degrees in Classical Guitar and Video Production. Music and Media are two passions of mine, and I have served as the Director of Worship Arts and Media at St. James' Church in Skaneateles for the last 5 years. I still lead contemporary worship there on Sunday mornings, praising and glorifying Jesus with the help of a great band.

I wasn't raised in a Christian household, and to this day my parents and siblings are skeptical of my devotion to Christ. In my early 20's I made a commitment to Jesus and offered all of my gifts and skills to His service. Being able to use my creativity and ability to further the reach of the Gospel, and share in the Kingdom work of ministry has been both life giving and humbling. I and my family are so thankful for this opportunity to serve at DCC. I thank God and I also thank you for your encouragement and faithfulness.

Being a Monday through Friday employee at a place where most of the action happens on Sunday means that you and I may never meet; but let's not be strangers! Please feel free to reach out to me at any time by emailing phawley@dewittchurch.org. If you need assistance where your ministry area intersects new technologies, I am here to help. Or if you just want to chat about vintage banjos or video file codecs, drop me a line. We worship an awesome God who uses all ordinary things to accomplish His extraordinary mission. I pray that we all may receive the blessings of being equipped and enriched by working in His service.

Peace be with you-P+

In Remembrance

Condolences to the families and friends of:

Jim Wertz - May 22

Jon Thompson - July 4

Gloria Trode - Children's Choir Director

Gloria Trode is a native Syracusan who just recently returned to the area after having spent the last twenty years in Atlanta, Georgia. Her passion for music in the church, was especially inspired when she was given the opportunity to teach children.

Over the years, Gloria has served many roles in the church community. She has held positions as children's choir director, music director, worship leader, pre-school music teacher, and soloist.



She has also been a private voice instructor for children and adults and has performed with musicians in the Syracuse and Atlanta areas in concert and theater productions.

Gloria earned her Bachelors of Music degree from Georgia State University in Music Education with an emphasis in Choral Conducting. She holds a State of Georgia Teacher Certification, and is also certified in Orff-Schulwerk and Musikgarten.

Gloria's husband Uwe is a marketing manager at Anaren Microwave. He

plays guitar, drums, and sings. Gloria and Uwe have a daughter, Cecilia, who was just married to Adam, in Atlanta on May 4, 2016. Cecilia is a musician as well and earned a Masters of Music Theory degree from the Bienen School of Music at Northwestern University. She teaches viola, violin and piano.

A faithful musician, Gloria is eager to serve God in fulfilling the vision and mission of Dewitt Community Church as director of children's music and handbells.

Alex and Karin Caudana

Alex and Karin Caudana recently moved to the Syracuse area, where Karin grew up. Karin attended Dewitt Community Church as a child and Alex and Karin were married here in 2013.

Karin moved to Washington DC as part of her Masters program through Syracuse University, studying broadcast journalism. She worked there



in politics for several years, first in the Treasury Department, then on Capitol Hill and finally, running communications for a nonprofit. She now serves as a Communications Specialist in the Syracuse City School District.

Alex is originally from Southern CA. He moved to Washington DC to attend American University, where he ran Division I track and studied broadcast journalism. He went on to serve as a sports reporter for various professional teams and radio stations in the DC area. A lifelong history buff, Alex recently made a career change and is now a high school social studies teacher.

Alex and Karin reside in Manlius. They enjoy spending time outdoors and on the St. Lawrence River, traveling and spending time on California beaches. They look forward to growing their family as members of Dewitt Community Church.

YOUTH/CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Youth Committee

Looking for new members for the youth committee for the 2016-2017 school year. If you are interested please contact Mary Chirello via phone or e-mail 315.247.0060 or mchirello@dewittchurch.org

Summer Servants

What an amazing 2 weeks these kids spent serving those in our own community who have the greatest need. Both the servants and the community were transformed by this incredible work. Here are some pictures of the Summer Servants in action.....

The Summer Sunday School Schedule

Grades Pre-K - 2nd grade meet in Room 44

Grades 3rd-5th meet in Room 46

8/7 - Sunday school

8/14 - Sunday school

8/21 - Sunday school

8/28 - Family In Worship Sunday

9/4 - Family in Worship Sunday (No Nursery)

Remember Summer Sunday School is held at 10:00 am!

Our Next Confirmation Class

If your son or daughter will be entering 8th grade in the fall they will be eligible to attend confirmation classes. We're looking to get a rough head count before the fall. If your son or daughter will be attending confirmation class please e-mail Mary Chirello, mchirello@dewittchurch.org with the following information: Parental name and address and phone number as well as your child's name.



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.

Help Us Help You

If you live alone and your family is scattered or lives far away, consider giving Kay Paulsen contact information for someone in your family or a close friend we can contact if you are ever in an emergency situation and unable to speak for yourself. You may give her that information by contacting the church office, sending her a note at the church, or by e-mail at: paulsenk@dewittchurch.org.

Compassion Cooks in the Kitchen Again

Compassion Cooks gathered on Sunday, June 17, to prepare a dinner for 45 participants and leaders of Summer Servants. A big thank you to all who helped, Jaylenne Moore made her famous baked beans and helped shuck 47 ears of corn. Heather & Robert Cavalluzzi, Judi Wilson and Kay Paulsen worked together to make barbequed pulled chicken and corn on the cob. Lauren Suarez Rivera made delicious pasta salad and Kym Staab made outstanding cole slaw (with oranges, yum). Kathlyne Sommers, Judi Wilson and Sue Moskal provided homemade cookies and brownies. We had fun cooking together and everyone enjoyed a marvelous feast. If you like being in your kitchen, consider joining Compassion Cooks.



How can a Stephen Minister help me?

Stephen Ministers are lay persons who have completed 50 hours of training to learn how to come along side someone experiencing difficulty or life change. Those receiving care are contacted at least once a week for pastoral care and all conversations are entirely confidential. If you or someone you love is in need of the care a Stephen Minister can provide, contact Kay Paulsen, paulsenk@dewittchurch.org, 315-200-5650 (cell) or one of our Stephen Leaders, Nancy Bond or Judi Wilson.

A NOTE TO THE CONGREGATION

Dear friends,

As I sit to write my first monthly newsletter article it is an absolutely beautiful summer day in CNY. I hope that all of you are having a fun and relaxing summer. My first piece of business is to sincerely thank Rachel Roney for all of her hard work and dedication to DCC- especially the last 2+ years as President of the Board. It has been an honor and a joy to work with her over the last two years.

As we enter into our new fiscal year we can observe two very important results from the year which just ended on June 30th. First, from a program and congregational perspective we saw some outstanding results. We added Rev. Alan Rudnick to our DCC family and he has been incredibly helpful in his first year with us. With Alan's guidance we are almost fully staffed with talented & wonderful people. Our outreach to the community was excellent through congregational involvement with Meals on Wheels, Samaritan Center, Summer Servants, Flint water support, and many, many other worthwhile organizations. Our monthly Missions helped countless people as well. Congregational care, our programs for our children & youth, music, etc. all excelled. Overall, a job very well done. We will strive to build upon these successes in the coming year and, hopefully, extend our ministry even further.

The second observation is not very rosy as we ended the year with a deficit again that needs to be reversed quickly. The work and ministry of DCC needs funding to be successful both inside our walls and out. These funds come from you and me. While we have established a talented group to look into other ways to generate money from facilities usage, the bottom line is that it is up to all of us to adequately provide the necessary funds. You will hear a lot more about this as we begin to progress through the year as Stewardship will now be a cornerstone of our focus as the Board of Trustees. In the meantime, please consider giving generously when you are able. We will also be aggressively working on creating an alternate worship service as has been discussed for a while. It is our belief that this will help attract other segments of the community that are not as interested in traditional worship. More to come on both.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and please do not hesitate to contact us any time with your ideas, questions or concerns.

Rick,
President, Board of Trustees

EMERGING COMMUNITY



When I was a pastor in a small town, there was a great sense of community. There were Memorial Day remembrances, firehouse breakfasts, ham dinners, the Holiday parade, the annual Day of Prayer, Rotary meetings, and community trash pick-up days. Many participated in community events regularly. However, there were segments of the community not at those events. They were people from the emerging community.

What is an emerging community?

As a pastor, it was easy to see and meet the visible people in the community: the mayor, firehouse chief, bank manager, restaurant owner, school administrators, and the business association representative. Those visible people in the community were easy to identify and were regularly a part of community events. As the years went by I started to learn about the people in the emerging community. The people who were not easily seen, but their numbers and presence were growing. Individuals and people in the emerging community did not look or act like the people in the visible community.

As Christians and as congregants of DeWitt Community Church, we ought to participate in town meetings, community groups, non-profits, and schools - the visible community. However, we must also engage the edges of the community. The places of growth. The new local mom's group, the new restaurant that attracts people in their 20's, the growing food pantry, or the recently moved assistance office - the emerging community.

Growth in the emerging community can be a welcomed presence. A new coffee shop that offers a place for people to meet and talk. A new workout studio that encourages people to be physically healthy and connects people on the same journey. A new comic book shop that brings additional foot traffic to the town streets. A community garden club that beautifies the look of the town. A new neighborhood that is built. Things in the emerging community that have a visible and immediate impact are often a welcomed presence.

Growth in the emerging community is not always welcomed by

the members of the visible community. I remember cries of protest when a non-profit which gave help to low and middle income families wanted to move into town to meet a growing need. Some members of the visible community expressed fears and anxiety of tax revenue loss, zoning violations, decreased parking availability, and increased car traffic. It took lawyers hundreds of hours and a state judge to decide that the non-profit was allowed to become part of the community. It was a painful process.

Emerging communities often have a different ethnicity, economic make-up, religion or no religion, cultural values, or family status than that the visual community. It is uncomfortable and risky to place ourselves into an emerging community that looks or acts different. As Christians, we are called in to such places as Christ was called into such places. Jesus enter into emerging communities that had Gentiles, Roman officials, soldiers, sinners, tax collectors, and prostitutes. His religious contemporaries and those members of the visual community did not approve. However, Jesus often came into the emerging community with no agenda. He sat, ate, and listened. Only when a challenge or injustice arose did Jesus bring in teaching or a guiding moral principle - usually with story. He sought to make relationships rather than fulfill a goal of setting priorities.

The way forward for us and others churches in this post-Christian culture is to engage with the visual community and the emerging community. The missional nature of the New Testament requires us to not turn away from times and places of discomfort, but build relationships and connections that yield spiritual fruit down the road. At the end of day, Jesus gave grace and space to those in the overlooked emerging community. We Christians must prayerfully discern how we are called to do the same.

Love and Grace,

Alan Rudnick

Rev. Alan Rudnick





NEWS & NOTES

DCC Golf for Fun August Schedule

DCC Golf for Fun continues in August! Golfers of all skill levels are invited to join us Thursday mornings at 8:30 (18 holes) or 10:00 (9 holes) at a variety of golf courses in the area. Our plan is to play Lyndon on Aug 4th, 1st Tee (Butternut) Aug 11th, Woodcrest Aug 18th, and Olde Oak on Aug 25th. We don't keep score and we don't have standings, we just go out to enjoy one another's company on the links and maybe hang around for lunch together (optional). The fun is not limited to DCC members, so bring a friend. The schedule is always subject to change, so be sure to get on our email list, or contact Bob Marr at marr.7575@gmail.com or (540) 664-7621 (voice or text). Hope to see you there!

August Worship

Mission of the Month - Chadwick Residence

Go. Enter. Remain. (Repeat) — Rev. Alan R. Rudnick

Saturday, August 6 5:30 PM Chapel Service/Courtyard*
 Sunday, August 7 8:00 AM Chapel Service/Courtyard*
 10:00 AM Traditional Service/Sanctuary

Mission of The Month - All Services

Trouble With The Neighbors — Rev. Alan R. Rudnick

Saturday, August 13 5:30 PM Chapel Service/Courtyard*
 Sunday, August 14 8:00 AM Chapel Service/Courtyard*
 10:00 AM Traditional Service/Sanctuary

From 'Me' to 'We' — Rev. Alan R. Rudnick

Saturday, August 20 5:30 PM Chapel Service/Courtyard*
 Sunday, August 21 8:00 AM Chapel Service/Courtyard*
 10:00 AM Traditional Service/Sanctuary

Communion - All Services

Big K Thinking — Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers

Saturday, August 27 5:30 PM Chapel Service/Courtyard*
 Sunday, August 28 8:00 AM Chapel Service/Courtyard*
 10:00 AM Traditional Service/Sanctuary

* *Courtyard Service held in Miller Commons in case of rain*

DeWitt Community Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Mark Sommers *Senior Minister*
 Rev. Alan Rudnick *Executive Associate Minister*
 Rev. William Carlsen *Adjunct Associate Minister*
 Rev. Edwin "Ted" Taylor *Senior Minister Emeritus*
 Dr. Landrum "Hap" Wooten *Associate Minister Emeritus*
 Dr. Kay Paulsen *Director of Congregational Care*
 Bruce Campbell *Director of Choirs*
 Abel Searor *Director of Worship Arts Principal Organist*
 Nic MacLane *Director of Family Worship*
 Mary Chirello *Youth Director & Hospitality Coordinator*
 Sheana Martin Zombek *Children's Ministry Coordinator*
 Peter Hawley *Communication Coordinator*
 Jane Hahn *Bookkeeper*
 Ellen Butler *Office Assistant*
 Jill Reid *Office Manager*
 Mick Thorpe *Director of Building Services*
 Reinaldo Mercado *Building Staff*
 Liam McDonough *Building Staff*

Swimming with Kay

Kay Paulsen will be celebrating her birthday by swimming across Skaneateles Lake at the end of August and would like you to cheer her on through your donations toward Stephen Ministry. Kay wants to insure the future of Stephen Ministry at DCC through the training of additional Stephen Leaders who will help administrate the program and assist in training future Stephen Ministers. Registration cost for two new Stephen Leaders is \$3,000 so, that is our goal. Here's the deal...if she doesn't make it across the lake, you don't have to pay, but be warned...she is already swimming a mile three times a week and she says, "I WILL make it." Rachel Roney and Laura Enslin will swim with her and triple the fun. Watch the September Newsletter for pictures and more.



First Saturday Men's Breakfast

Saturday, Aug 6th in room 10 next to Miller Commons. The chefs will arrive around 7 am, pancakes and sausage are served at 8 am, and we will watch a "Man in the Mirror" video on "The Four Pillars of Financial Strength" starting around 8:30. Come early to solve



the world's problems over a cup of coffee, and often we will stay late to take care of chores around the church. For more information contact Bob Marr at marr.7575@gmail.com or 540-664-7621 (voice or text).

Altar Guild Searching for Volunteers

We, the Altar Guild, are responsible for preparing our church for weekly services and special holidays as well as seasonal changing of the altar cloths and planting and caring of the front porch planters. Our numbers are dwindling and we are in need of help. Share the fun of working with a great team. You could assist with a particular holiday or chore or in the planning of events. A willing spirit is the only talent needed. Helping with a project does not obligate you to become a member although new members are always welcome. Men, women, teens.....all are needed. If interested contact the church office or Ann Stevens 446-2206 or aroesgen@gmail.com

Newsletter Article Submissions

Please email your articles to newsletter@dewittchurch.org by the 15th of each month. Thank you.