CONNECTION CARD

Tear off and drop in the Offering Jar or in one of the Internal Mailboxes.

Today's Date:		
Name		
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 □ I am new to DCC. □ I am a returning guest. □ I would like to receive the monthly newsletter. □ I would like to receive the weekly e-mail announcements. □ I am updating my contact information. □ I would like to speak to a member of the Pastoral Staff. □ I would like to attend Starting Point. □ I would like to receive care from a Stephen Minister. 		
Date of Birth:/		
The service I usually attend is: ☐ Saturday 5:30 PM ☐ Sunday 8:00 AM ☐ Sunday 10:00 AM		
I would like to know more about: ☐ Children's Ministry (Birth-5th Grade) ☐ Youth Ministry (6th-12th Grade) ☐ Small Groups ☐ Worship Arts ☐ Choirs ☐ Handbells ☐ Drama ☐ Baptism ☐ Membership ☐ Confirmation ☐ Wedding ☐ Starting Point ☐ Other		
Current Volunteer Opportunities: ☐ Hospitality Team ☐ Ushers ☐ Youth Ministry Sunday School ☐ Children's Ministry Sunday School		

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers, Senior Minister
Rev. Alan R. Rudnick, Associate/Executive Minister
Rev. Cindy Mapstone, Associate Minister & Congregational Care Director
Rev. William A. Carlsen, Adjunct Minister
Rev. Edwin F. Taylor, Senior Minister Emeritus
Dr. Landrum H. Wooten, Associate Minister Emeritus

Staff

Abel Searor, Director of Worship Arts/Principal Organist
Gloria Trode, Director of Children's Music
Nicholas MacLane, Director of Family Worship
Ben Rayland, Children's Ministry Director
Soheila Yaddow, Children's Ministry Assistant
Ally Street, Nursery Director
Mary Chirello, Youth Director & Hospitality Coordinator
Mick Thorpe, Director of Building Services
Alyssa Eighmey, Office Manager
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Reinaldo Mercado, Building Staff
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Jim Surdam, Building Staff

Ministers: The Entire Congregation

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Helpful Links

Website: www.dewittchurch.org **Facebook**: DeWitt Community Church





"The Beauty of Messy Churches" 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Saturday, August 11 & Sunday, August 12, 2018 5:30 PM & 8 AM

DeWitt Community Church | 3600 Erie Boulevard East, DeWitt, NY 13214

Welcome to DeWitt Community Church Saturday, August 11 & Sunday, August 12, 2018 5:30 PM & 8:00 AM

Thought for Today

"I see the church as a field hospital after battle. It is useless to ask a seriously injured person if he has high cholesterol and about the level of his blood sugars. You have to heal his wounds. Then we can talk about everything else."

-Pope Francis

Prelude

"He Washed My Eyes With Tears" by Ira Stanphill

Announcements

Mission of the Month Mercy Works

Invitation to Worship and Greeting

*Opening Hymn O Worship the King (#2)

*Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: People who are looking for a perfect church will not find one here.

People: As we seek to follow the ways of Christ, we sometimes get it wrong.

Leader: But God is still at work in us and through us, despite our imperfections.

People: God extends to us His grace, and uses us to extend His grace to others.

Leader: Help us to both find and extend the healing grace of God.

People: Help us to be Your church, as imperfect as we are. May we point people to the one who is perfect, to Christ, the incarnation of God.

*Unison Prayer

Lord of healing and mercy, remind us again of Your power to heal our lives from fears and mistrust. Open our hearts to believe in Your restorative power and Your great compassion for us. Give us healing and make us agents of peace for You in this, Your World. We pray this in the name of Christ. AMEN.

Hymn of Prayer

If My People's Hearts Are Humbled (#383)

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 1:3-7 (NIV) (p. 1175)

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God. For just as we share abundantly in the sufferings of Christ, so also our comfort abounds through Christ. If we are distressed, it is for your comfort and salvation; if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which produces in you patient endurance of the same sufferings we suffer. And our hope for you is firm, because we know that just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Special Music

"Out of Need, and Out of Custom" by Ken Medema

Message

"The Beauty of Messy Churches"

-Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers

Communion

*Closing Hymn

O God in Whom All Life Begins (#388)

*Blessing

Postlude

"On the Jericho Road"

Worship Assistant: Bruce Paulsen/Kim Buchanan

Song Leader: Bruce Paulsen

*Congregation stands

Offerings from today's service may be placed in the Offering Jars located on the Usher Stands. Your generosity makes a great difference in our ability to do God's work as a congregation. Please feel free to give via credit card, debit card, or PayPal on our secure e-giving site www.dewittchurch.org/give on your mobile phone or other internet connected device.

Middle Adult Group Road Trip

Dave and Candee Schneckenburger have invited the Middle Adult Group up to their camp on 4th Lake for the day on Saturday, August 18. Its about a 2 hour drive from DeWitt. Please RSVP to office@dewittchurch.org or 315.445.0331 & we will provide driving directions and details.

IF:EQUIP

Women's Daytime Bible Study Second and Fourth Tuesdays

September 11 through December 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.

For info on any event, fill out the form below and drop it in the Offering plate or internal mailbox.

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