

## 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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City, State, & Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

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E-mail

- 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.

Date of Birth: \_\_/\_\_/\_\_

The service I usually attend is:

- Saturday 5:30 PM
- Sunday 9:00 AM
- Sunday 11:00 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
- 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  
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  
Dr. Kay Paulsen, Director of Congregational Care  
Nicholas MacLane, Director of Family Worship  
Ben Rayland, Children's Ministry Director  
Ally Street, Nursery Director  
Mary Chirello, Youth Director & Hospitality Coordinator  
Mick Thorpe, Director of Building Services  
Alyssa Eighmey, Office Manager  
Peter Hawley, Communications Coordinator  
Jane Hahn, Bookkeeper  
Reinaldo Mercado, Building Staff  
Liam McDonough, Building Staff  
Jim Surdam, Building Staff

**Ministers:** The Entire Congregation

### Connect with us!

Office 315-445-0331  
Pastor on Call (24/7) 315-303-2308

### Helpful Links

**Website:** [www.dewittchurch.org](http://www.dewittchurch.org)  
**Facebook:** DeWitt Community Church



*"Building a Bridge"*

Luke 5:27-32

**Sunday, April 29, 2018**

**9 AM**

# Welcome to DeWitt Community Church

Sunday, April 29, 2018

9:00 AM

## Thought for Today

“The way you store up treasures in heaven is by investing in getting people there.”

Prelude

Announcements

Invitation to Worship

A Time for Greeting

\*Opening Hymn **God of Grace and God of Glory (#569)**

\*Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Gracious God, you are forever seeking us, Your children.

**People: Help us to understand Your great desire to connect with all people, everywhere.**

Leader: Open the hearts of the people we encounter, so they may know of Your love.

**People: Open our lips to share our stories of faith.**

Leader: Open our lives to be a conduit for You.

**People: Open our mouths to sing boldly and loudly Your praises.**

\*Unison Prayer

**Merciful God, forgive us that so little of Your blessing reaches others through us. We are guilty of keeping silent when a word is needed. We often treat Your call to be fishers of people as a nice story to be kept at a distance. Forgive us, bless us, encourage us, and empower us to be bold disciples; people who graciously and authentically share the good news of Jesus Christ with others in our words and through our actions. We pray this in the name Christ. Amen.**

Hymn of Prayer **O Jesus, I Have Promised (#458)**

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 Luke 5:27-32 (NLT) (p. 1048-9)

Later, as Jesus left the town, he saw a tax collector named Levi sitting at his tax collector's booth. "Follow me and be my disciple," Jesus said to him. So Levi got up, left everything, and followed him. Later, Levi held a banquet in his home with Jesus as the guest of honor. Many of Levi's fellow tax collectors and other guests also ate with them. But the Pharisees and their teachers of religious law complained bitterly

to Jesus' disciples, "Why do you eat and drink with such scum?" Jesus answered them, "Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners and need to repent."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Special Music

**"Resurrecting"** by Elevation Worship

Message

"Building a Bridge"

Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers

\*Closing Hymn

**Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service (#575)**

\*Blessing

Postlude

**Worship Assistant:** Rev. Cindy Mapstone

\*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](http://www.dewittchurch.org/give) on your mobile phone or other internet connected device.*

## SAVE THE DATE!

The Children's Ministry Department is pumped to announce that we have chosen a date for our upcoming Summer 2018 Vacation Bible School! The official dates are Monday, August 13th through Friday, August 17th and the theme will be Shipwrecked! We are also openly accepting donations as we are strongly considering running another Winter VBS next year! Please contact Ben Rayland, Children's Ministry Director, for more information!

## Summer Servants

Summer Servants will be the week of July 15th-19th and is open to all teens going into 9th-12th grade. The cost for the week immersion service trip is \$250.00. However, we do have scholarships available. This is the chance to serve alongside those in inner city Syracuse, NY and make a difference in your community. We will be staying at DCC from Sunday night until Thursday night. We eat our meals, join in free time and fellowship as well as worship together.

## Free Estate Planning Series

**Tuesday May 22nd 7:00 Miller Commons**

Approaches to Planned gifts (overview of planned giving, real life examples of people using planned gifts): Thomas Griffith, Director of Gift Planning, Central New York Community Foundation

## NEW Study: Revealing Revelation

**10 AM – Room 6**

Many are intimidated by the last book of the Bible. Topics include: Is Revelation literal, figurative, or a bit of both? What's the deal with pre-Millennial, post-Millennial, and a-Millennial? Should I be worried about the book's message? What does this book have to do with me? **Does not meet May 27.**

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

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