

## 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

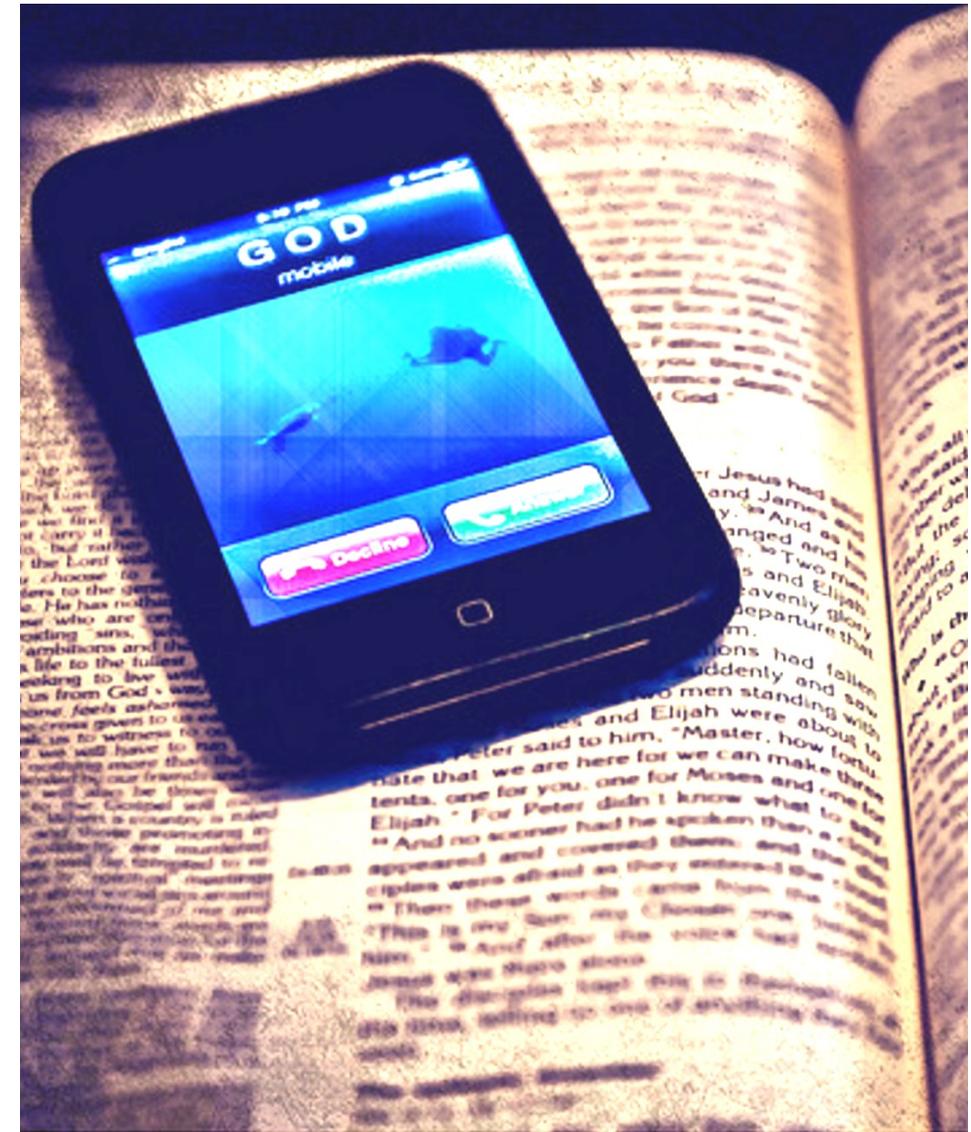
**Ministers:** The Entire Congregation

### 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)



*"Called...to be Faithful*

Romans 8:31-39

**Sunday, February 11, 2018**

**11:00 AM**

## Welcome to DeWitt Community Church

Sunday, February 11, 2018 — 11:00 AM

### Thoughts for Today

"Faith is not belief without proof, but trust without reservations." — Elton Trueblood

Prelude "Symphonie No. 4: Andante Cantabile" by Charles-Marie Widor

Invitation to Worship

\*Opening Hymn **Christ Be My Leader** (#453)

\*Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Nothing can separate us from the love of God.

**People: Can hunger?**

Leader: No!

**People: Can hardship?**

Leader: No!

**People: Can people who are against us?**

Leader: No!

**People: Can death?**

Leader: No!

**People: Can anything in all creation?**

Leader: No!

**People: Then let us live with great faith in this most amazing God.**

\*Unison Prayer

**It is so easy for us, Lord, to think that You call other people to do Your will, but not us. Help us to hear Your call and respond with faith, even when it's hard. Help us to be bold in living out Your call on our lives, and to say yes. Not because we believe in ourselves, but because we believe in You. Help us to trust You without reservation. We pray this in the name of Christ. Amen.**

Greeting & Announcements

*If you are a visitor with us today, please stop by the Welcome Center as you leave the sanctuary.*

Hymn of Prayer **Softly and Tenderly** (#348)

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.**

Invitation To Give

*Please feel free to give via credit card, debit card, or PayPal on our secure e-giving portal [www.dewittchurch.org/give](http://www.dewittchurch.org/give) on your mobile phone or other internet connected device.*

Offertory **"God is for me"** Jay Stocker  
Sunday Praise Kids

\*Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving (#34)

Scripture Reading Romans 8:31- 39 (NIV) (p. 1152)

What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written: "For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Choir Anthem **"Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"** by Harold W. Friedell

Message "Called...to be Faithful" Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers

Communion Song **"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"** arr. by Mary Lichlyter  
Bell Choir

Preparation for Communion

*This morning, we invite you to take communion. You will be offered a piece of bread. Please wait for the pastor to lead the congregation in consuming the bread together. Then, you will also be offered juice symbolizing the wine. Please wait for the pastor to lead the congregation in taking the cup together. Gluten free bread is available in the center of the serving tray.*

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sharing of the Bread

Sharing of the Cup

\*Closing Hymn **How Firm a Foundation** (#411)

\*Blessing

Postlude **"Concerto in b minor: Allegro"** by J.G. Walther

**Worship Assistant:** Rev. Alan Rudnick

\*Congregation stands

## Ash Wednesday Supper and Service

Wednesday, February 14, 5:30 PM

Miller Commons

You are invited to begin the season of Lent with a pot-luck supper at 5:30 PM followed by a service at 6:15PM. We'll be providing the main dish and drinks but we're looking for folks to bring sides and desserts. To sign up, email [office@dewittchurch.org](mailto:office@dewittchurch.org) and include how many will attend and what you will bring.

## Lenten Study and Dinner

"Angels, Demons, and Satan:

Separating Myth from Fact"

Dinner at 5:30 PM, Study at 6:15 PM

Feb 21, 27\*, March 7, 14, 21 - MC

There are a lot of ideas out there about angels, demons, and Satan but are those ideas grounded in scripture? In this 5 week study, Pastor Alan will cover the identity, power, and abilities of angels, and demons from the Bible. Exploration will include a study of Satan in the Old and New Testaments. Questions such as 'What are angels made of', 'How do angels communicate with God', 'How do angels communicate with us', 'Do demons, or devils, or evil spirits really exist?'" Wednesdays (except Feb. 27) during Lent. Each session is standalone.

## WINTER BREAK VBS

Maker Fun Factory

**Created by God, Built for a Purpose**

February 19-23, 2018, 9AM-12PM

Register at [dewittchurch.org/vbs](http://dewittchurch.org/vbs)

Send your kids on an imaginative, impacting adventure! At Maker Fun Factory Kids take a Bible learning adventure with Sciency-Fun Gizmos, games, cool songs, and tasty treats, just to name a few.