

CONNECTION CARD

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Today's Date: _____

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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

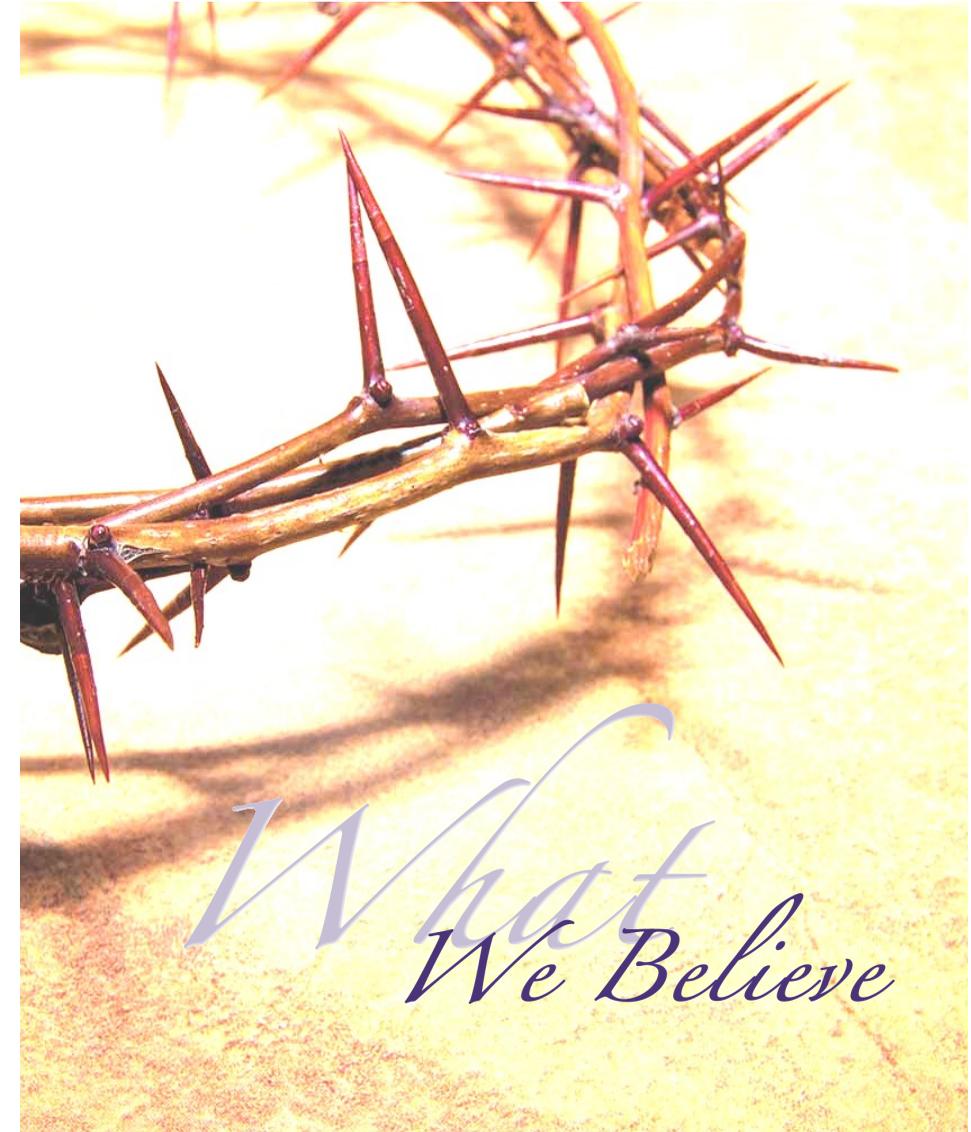
Ministers: The Entire Congregation

Connect with us!

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Helpful Links

Website: www.dewittchurch.org



“What We Believe... God”

Genesis 1:1-2, Psalm 8:3-4, Exodus 3:13-16

Sunday, February 18, 2018

11:00 AM

Welcome to DeWitt Community Church

Sunday, February 18, 2018 — 11:00 AM

Thoughts for Today

"I believe God did intend, in giving us intelligence, to give us the opportunity to investigate and appreciate the wonders of His creation. He is not threatened by our scientific adventures."
- Francis Collins

Prelude "Wer nur den lieben Gott" by Georg Bohm

Invitation to Worship

*Opening Hymn O Worship the King (#2)

*Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Let us remember what our God has done!

People: God created the world out of a formless void.

Leader: Let us remember what our God has done!

People: God made every animal and plant, bird and fish.

Leader: Let us remember what our God has done!

People: God created people in the image of God.

Leader: Let us remember what our God has done!

People: God has made us caretakers of the earth.

*Unison Prayer

From the time You fashioned the heavens and the earth from a formless void, O God, Your creative energy has done marvelous works, all around us. May Your creative Spirit be at work in our hearts and minds today as we worship You and, always, as we strive to live in accordance to Your will. In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

Greeting & Announcements

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

Hymn of Prayer There's a Wilderness in God's Mercy (#61)

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 on your mobile phone or other internet connected device.

Offertory

*Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving (#34)

Scripture Reading Genesis 1:1-2 (MSG) (p. 1)

First this: God created the Heavens and Earth—all you see, all you don't see. Earth was a soup of nothingness, a bottomless emptiness, an inky blackness. God's Spirit brooded like a bird above the watery abyss.

Scripture Reading Psalm 8:3-4(NIV) (p. 558)

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers the moon and the stars which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?

Scripture Reading Exodus 3:13-16(GNT) (p. 60)

But Moses replied, "When I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors sent me to you,' they will ask me, 'What is his name?' So what can I tell them?" God said, "I am who I am. You must tell them: 'The one who is called I Am has sent me to you.' Tell the Israelites that I, the Lord, the God of their ancestors, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, have sent you to them. This is my name forever; this is what all future generations are to call me.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem "Nearer, Still Nearer" by Gilbert M. Martin

Message "What We Believe...God" Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers

*Closing Hymn Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him (#17)

*Blessing

Postlude "Fantasia in g minor" BWV 542 by J.S. Bach

Worship Assistant: Rev. Cindy Mapstone

*Congregation stands

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.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Christian Forgiveness: What it is,

what it isn't, and how to do it

Sundays @ 10AM in Room 10

with Pastor Alan

"Forgive and forget" - That's what our mothers taught us. Is this sage advice or does it actually lead to further hurt? Just about every Christian knows they have to forgive but most struggle to forgive or ask for forgiveness. In this study, we'll examine what the Bible teaches about redemptive forgiveness, unforgiveness, shocking realizations of what forgiveness isn't, and explore practical ways to embody this Christian practice. You will be surprised how freeing forgiveness can be when properly understood from a biblical and Christian perspective. Come learn, ask questions, and explore!