

CONNECTION CARD

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

Today’s Date: _____

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, & Zip Code _____

Phone _____

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

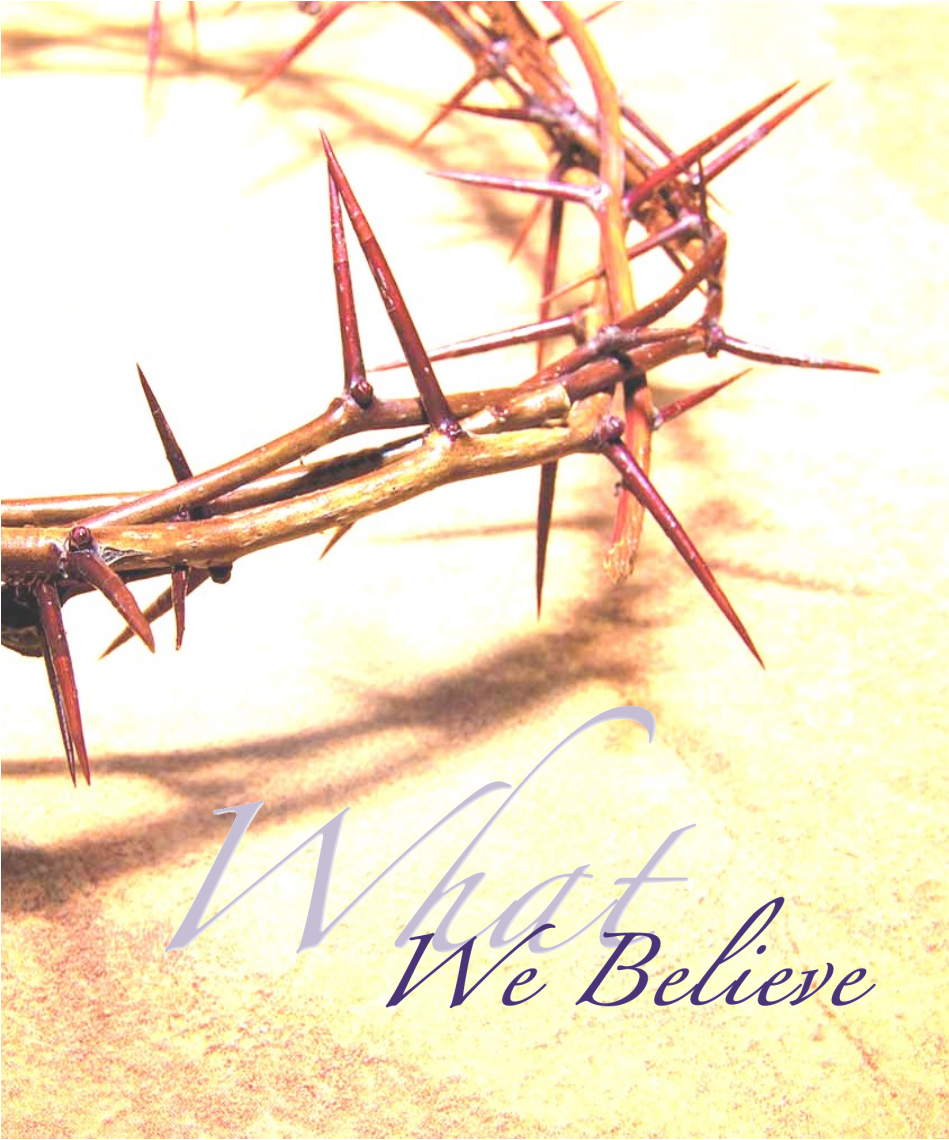
Ministers: The Entire Congregation

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Helpful Links

Website: www.dewittchurch.org



“What We Believe... Jesus Christ”

Matthew 16:13-20

Sunday, February 25, 2018

11:00 AM

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“Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee.”
-Augustine of Hippo, *Confessions*

Invitation to Worship

***Opening Hymn He's Got the Whole World in His Hands (#80)**

People: As Believers, we seek to trust the God who always surprises us, whose promises take on flesh and blood in the good news called Jesus.

God of Mystery, we are constantly amazed by the depth and breadth of Your love. Over and over again, You turn our expectations inside out and upside down. And still we don't understand the radical nature of Your grace. We often play by our own rules and demand our own ways. In our darkest moments, we doubt if we are worthy of your trust. God, help us to continue to seek You, to trust You and to follow You as disciples of Jesus Christ. We pray this in the name of Christ. Amen.

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

We invite the congregation to join in singing the second time through

Prayers of the People

**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**

*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.*

*Doxology and Prayer of Thanksgiving (#34)

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?” They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message "What We Believe:...Jesus Christ" Rev. Dr. Mark E. Sommers

*Blessing

Postlude **“Prelude in D Major”** by J.S. Bach

Worship Assistant: Ben Hahn

*Congregation stands

*The Altar Flowers are given in Memory of Susan Zacholl
From Evie and Linda Witschi*

"Angels, Demons, and Satan:

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.

**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!