



## Welcome to Delta Presbyterian Church!

**Today March 17, 2019, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent.** The Scripture Lessons are Philippians 3:17-4:1 and Matthew 5:1-16, and the Proclamation of the Word is entitled "Disciples: Salt and Light." We will be collecting items for the Personal Needs closet that is housed at North Westminster Presbyterian Church.

**Point to Ponder:** This week, ask yourself, "How am I shining with the light of God's love and grace in a hurting world?"

**Point of Action:** Pray for the courage to be salt and light in the world.

### Meetings and Activities This Week

Today	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent
	Personal Needs
	10:00 am Worship
Monday	9:30 am An Exercise in Yoga
	3:00 pm Mad Hatters
	6:30 pm Joint Deacon/Session Meeting
	7:30 pm Session
Tuesday	6:30 pm <i>La Leche</i>
Wednesday	9:00 am <i>Arts &amp; Spirit</i>
	9:30 am Prayers and Squares
Thursday	6:30 pm Believers
	7:30 pm Celebration Choir
Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent
	10:00 am Worship
	11:15 am Congregational Meeting
	12:00 pm Fellowship Meal
	6:30 pm Taizé Prayer Worship

### Next Sunday

**Sunday, March 24, 2019, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent.** The Scripture Lessons are Matthew 5:17-48, and the Proclamation of the Word is entitled "Disciples: Law." After worship, there will be a Congregational Meeting, followed by a Fellowship Meal. At 6:30 pm we will have our monthly Taizé Prayer Worship.

### Announcements

**Let Us Know.** When you have prayer requests, would like a visit, are going to be out of town, or have a change in your contact information, please fill out a Communication Update form (next to the guest register) and place it in the box.

**Prayer Requests** may be made using several methods. You may call or email the office, send an email prayer request (look on back page of these announcements for details), or you may fill out a pink slip that is available at the Commitment Center and turn it in at either the sound desk or the church office.

**Check out "The Senior Stop"** on the corner wall near the Commitment Center. It is full of helpful information on services available for our senior members.

**Weekly Reminders.** Delta sends out weekly email reminders of upcoming worship services and other events. If you are not currently receiving these emails and would like to, please contact the church office at [office@deltapresby.org](mailto:office@deltapresby.org) and we will add you to the list.

**Visit the Commitment Center** and sign up to:

- Help with **Sunday Coffee Hour**
- Support **Advent House Meals** (for the homeless in Lansing) by providing food, assembling sandwiches
- Help in the **Toddler Room**
- Bring food for the **March 24 Potluck Fellowship Meal**

**Visit the blue Friday Night Fun** bulletin board and sign up to:

- Help with **Friday Night Fun, 6-9 pm, April 12, 2019**

**Friday Night Fun.** Our next Friday Night Fun is Friday, April 12, 6:00-9:00 pm. Sign up at the blue bulletin board to help.

**Toddler Room.** We have a sign-up sheet at the Commitment Center for people to help in the Toddler Room during worship.

**Our Annual Congregational Meeting** is scheduled for Sunday, March 24, after worship. Come hear about our 2018 accomplishments and 2019 plans. We will also be approving Terms of Call for the pastor.

**Taizé Prayer Worship** will be on Sunday, March 24, 6:30 pm. Come and join us in song, prayers, Scripture readings, and quiet meditation.

**Easter Garden.** Once again, we are offering the chance for you to memorialize or honor a loved one by buying a flower for the annual Easter Garden. Tulips, Hyacinths and Daffodils are available for \$12.50 each and Easter lilies are \$14.00 each. If you do not wish to order flowers, you may purchase and bring in your own flowers for this garden. Order forms are at the Commitment Center. The deadline to order is Sunday, March 31.

**Ellen will be on vacation** March 14-25. There will be times when there will be no one in the office, so please call before stopping by. The office will be closed on Friday, March 15 and Friday, March 22.

### **Adult Education**

**Living Christianity: Challenging Conversations.** Delta is inviting the community to join us for a series of forums in which we will consider current issues from a Christian perspective. Join us as we take on challenging conversations on Sunday afternoons. The forums will start with a video to present information and give us background. Then people with expertise in the subject will be available to answer questions and guide our discussions. All perspectives are welcome to join us in an atmosphere of respect and understanding. Our next forum will be Apr. 14: Gun Safety, 4-6 pm. Child Care will be provided.

**An Exercise in Yoga,** led by Jane Thomas, meets on Mondays at 9:30-10:30 am. The class is held in the multi-purpose room, so please use the downstairs entrance at the back of the building. Yoga will be cancelled if Waverly Schools are closed because of weather conditions.

### **Opportunities to Serve at Delta and Beyond**

**Kids Hope, USA.** If you are interested in mentoring an at-risk child, please contact Jan or Roger Small, 323-9238.

**Mad Hatters, Knitting & Crocheting** service group is meeting in the La Leche room downstairs on Mondays, 3-5 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Flora Gilbert at 517-708-0529.

**Prayers and Squares** is the new name for the Delta Quilters, who meet on Wednesdays, 9:30 am. The meetings are cancelled if Waverly Schools are closed because of weather conditions.

**Coffee Hour.** We are inviting the congregation to help with the coffee time following worship. Please sign up at the Commitment Center.

**Mission Project for April & May.** During the months of April & May, we will be collecting Personal Needs Kits for Women. These kits will include a small tote bag and personal needs items. Check out the list of items at the Commitment Center. (The small tote bags will be provided by Mission Committee.) The finished kits will be donated to Advent House Ministries.

### **Fellowship**

**Fellowship Meal.** Our next Fellowship Meal is Sunday, March 24, after the Congregational Meeting. Please sign up at the Commitment Center to bring your favorite POTLUCK dish to share.

## CHURCH STAFF

Wendy S. Pratt, Pastor  
Jane Elsinga, Clerk of Session  
Sarah Dymond, Handbell Choir Dir.  
Mark McElwee, Adult Choir Dir.      Frederick Isaac, Accompanist  
Fran Johnston, Financial Secretary      Joe Frick, Treasurer  
Art Kelley, Website Coordinator  
Jan & Roger Small, Program Co-Directors of KIDS HOPE USA  
Jane Thomas, Assistant Director of KIDS HOPE USA  
Jillien Bishop, Child Care Provider

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## SESSION MEMBERS

### Class of '19

Kerri Buchanan  
Doug Dykstra  
Sharon VanCourt

### Class of '20

Jane Elsinga  
Jack Keys  
Jane Thomas

### Class of '21

Meredith Jackson

## DEACONS

### Class of '19

Kris Fry  
Mark McElwee  
Rhonda Fort

### Class of '20

Holly Brock  
Jim Dexter  
Jon Vogler

### Class of '21

John Elsinga  
Jan Small

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We want to minister to you and support you, so if you, someone in your family, or others are in the hospital or in need of a visit or prayer, please contact the office or your deacon.

**Email Prayers.** If you would like to receive email prayer requests, send an email to [\*\*deltaprays@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:deltaprays@gmail.com) indicating your interest. If you have a situation in need of prayer, send an email to [\*\*deltaprays@gmail.com\*\*](mailto:deltaprays@gmail.com) and we will send it out to those who have expressed a willingness to pray. Wendy's day off is Friday. If you need to contact Wendy, her home phone is 721-1075, or she can be reached through e-mail at [\*\*wendy@deltapresby.org\*\*](mailto:wendy@deltapresby.org). Please feel free to contact her at any time if you have an emergency.

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## Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

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## Delta Presbyterian Church

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## Servants

### Lay Leaders

Today: Doug Dykstra  
Mar.24: Joe Frick

### Communion Servers

Thurs., Apr. 18: Meads, Smalls

### Door Greeters

Today: Reemsnyders  
Mar. 24: Seppalas

## Prayer Care, March 17, 2019

Jack K., carpal tunnel surgery recovery  
Carolyn E., knee pain  
Pat, cancer treatment  
Shirley, hospice care, cancer, neighbor of V.  
Elizabeth N., recovering from pneumonia, on oxygen 24/7  
Jackie B., ongoing pain  
Casey & Roy C., health, financial & transportation issues, friends of Jon V.  
Brenda K., recovery from knee surgery, friend of Jon V.  
Sharon M., frustration with contractors making improvements at her apartment  
Chuck J., health issues, brother of Sharon M.'s late friend Mitch  
Jimmy T., dealing with death of friend, friend of Sharon M.  
Beth G., cancer, pastor of Leslie Congregational United Church of Christ, friend of Joe & Trudie F.

## Continuing Prayers, March 17, 2019

Marianne O., infection due to kidney transplant  
Kathy P., stroke recovery, rehab at Masonic Home, Alma  
Sue K., recovery & rehab, broken left arm  
Flora G., health concerns  
Holly L., recovery from blood infection  
Adam L., Roger & Holly L.  
Carol H., recovery from foot surgery, sister of Jon V.  
Parents of Joe G., both injured in falls, friends of Jon V.  
Kaleb B., non-Hodgkins lymphoma, 5 year old son of Todd and Dustie B., friends of Frank & Ellen J.

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**Cards may be sent** to Kathy Peters at: Kathy Peters, c/o Mike Peters, 980 W. Buchanan Rd., Ithaca, MI 48847

Each week, the Presbytery of Lake Michigan lifts one of our faith communities in prayer as part of their mission in Christ. This week the First Presbyterian of Allegan, MI, would like prayers for:

- Church growth, both deep and wide.
- Continued outreach and partnerships with our community.
- Courage to seek God's will for our congregation.
- Our staff, leaders and members who bring their time, talents and treasures in support of our mission and ministry.



Presbytery of Lake Michigan  
Presbyterian Church [USA]

**We at First Presbyterian Church of Allegan believe that we need to Rejoice in God's love!**

**Reflect God's grace!**

**Respond to God's will!**

**As we strive to remain focused on these three points and seek God's will for the future, our members work with community partners to:**

- Provide a free Community Lunch each Wednesday to anyone who comes into our church. Last year, we served about 90 people each week. Special thanks to the Allegan County Community Foundation for awarding grants to this program.
- Connect people and programs within our community. In December, Village Market sponsored a free Christmas concert in our sanctuary. Another is already scheduled. In January, the fire department and Life EMS workers brought a ham dinner to a Community Lunch and helped serve the food. Relationships are being developed.
- Improve the electrical systems and complete other updates in our fellowship hall to make the space more inviting for the Community Lunch and other community events. The work will be done using grant funds from the Mignon Sherwood DeLano Foundation.

**We also were blessed last year to receive numerous banners when John Knox Presbyterian Church in Grand Rapids dissolved. While saddened by the loss of a sister congregation, we are please to give the banners a new home.**

**We ask for continued prayers that our leaders and congregations will be open to God's voice.**