

Delaware District

Newsletter



August 1, 2023

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**THE FALL CHARGE CONFERENCE SCHEDULE WILL BE SENT
TO ALL PASTORS AND CHURCH OFFICES ON THURSDAY.**



The Delaware District Newsletter is published bi-weekly on a Tuesday. Articles or flyers for the next issue are due on Saturday, August 12th. To submit articles, please send them to the District Office.

When submitting articles or flyers for the newsletter, please send them as a word document or jpg so I can easily insert them into the newsletter.

Calendar of Events

August 1-6—Annual Camp Meeting @ Union Wesley

August 3—Bishop Easterling's Podcast

August 20—Ice Cream Festival @ Marshallton

August 31—Charge Conference training

September 25 or 26—Dunkle Mackey Seminar

September 27—Delaware District clergy meeting

September 29 & 30—Sexual Ethics Training

September 30—United Methodist's Got Talent @ Camp Pecometh

October 19—NextLevel



Peninsula-Delaware & Baltimore Washington Conferences

Check out our affiliation website: <https://www.pdcbbc.org>

Under the leadership of Bishop LaTrelle Easterling, the affiliation is a unique partnership, which connects the leaders and members of more than 1,000 churches to share resources and create vital congregations that make disciples of Jesus Christ for the

CHARGE CONFERENCES

Charge Conference season is right around the corner. Rev. Archie will have Charge Conference training sessions on **Thursday, August 31st at 10:00 am & 7:00 pm**. More details to follow. Mark your calendars and save the date.

DISTRICT CLERGY MEETING



Rev. Archie will be having a Delaware District Clergy meeting on Wednesday, **September 27th @ 10:00 am**. The meeting will be held at Whatcoat UMC, Dover. Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend. All appointed Delaware District pastors should attend.

More details to follow.....

Sexual Ethics Training



We have confirmed the dates of September 29 & 30 for the next Sexual Ethics Training class. It's on the Conference website under Event

Calendar. Classes will be via Zoom. Everyone who needs to take the class will be receiving an email.

Apportionments

Rev. Archie suggests churches divide their Apportionment total by 11 payments. This way all payments are made by the beginning of December.



As of June 30th, 64 of our Churches have paid 100% of their District Apportionment and 13 of our Churches have paid 100% of their Conference Apportionment. Thank you to all the Churches who are paying towards their yearly total.

Thank you!!



Bishop LaTrelle Easterling continues her podcast.

Thursdays at the Table

Asking good questions, engaging in deep conversation and telling the whole truth can change the world. In her podcast Bishop LaTrelle Easterling invites you to join her for Thursdays at the Table as she is joined by leaders from across the connection, serving up new insights and interesting ways of experiencing our lives together.

New podcasts are the first Thursday of each month. Tune in **August 3** for the next podcast.

You can join at 8 a.m. or listen any time on: Spotify, Apple Podcasts or at pdcbbc.org/thursdays-at-the-table.html

179th Annual Camp Meeting

Union Wesley United Methodist Church

Saturday, July 22, 2023-Sunday, August 6, 2023

Theme: "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." (2 Chron. 7:14)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 23

- 10:00 AM** Rev. Jeanel Starling
Union Wesley U. M. Church, Clarksville, DE
- 4:00 PM** Bishop LaTrelle Easterling
Baltimore and Peninsula Delaware Conference

Saturday, July 29

- 4:30 PM** DiVine of Annapolis Gospel Choir in Concert
- 5:00 PM** Rev. Anthony Mumford
Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Rockville, MD
(Accompanied by DiVine of Annapolis and Congregation)

Sunday, July 30

- 10:00 AM** Rev. Jeanel Starling
Union Wesley U. M. Church, Clarksville, DE
- 4:00 PM** Rev. Jacqueline Evans Wilson (Choir & Congregation)
Union A.M.E. Zion Church, New Castle, DE

Monday, July 31

- 7:00 PM** Joy Night featuring Sussex Community Mass Choir, and other invited choirs, Quartets, Soloist, Praise Dancers, etc.

Wednesday, August 2

- 7:00 PM** Youth and Young Adult Worship Experience ("Keepers of the Kingdom")
Featuring Rev. Tesha Miller
Macedonia AME Church, Seaford, DE
w/ Ventriloquist Ken Huff and Mr. Goodwood

Friday, August 4

- 6:00 PM** Rev. Wassetta Moses (Choir and Congregation)
Burton's Chapel AME Church, Milton, DE

Saturday, August 5

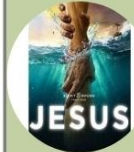
- 5:00 PM** Rev. Wendell Hall (Choir & Congregation)
Solid Rock Baptist Church, New Castle, DE

Sunday, August 6

- 10:00 AM** Rev. Jeanel Starling (Communion)
Union Wesley U.M. Church, Clarksville, DE
- 4:00 PM** Rev. Gary Meekins (Choir & Congregation)
Harmony United Methodist Church, Millsboro, DE
- Camp Closing/ Prayer Band following afternoon service -
All Prayer Bands Welcome | Elder Naomi Wescott in Charge

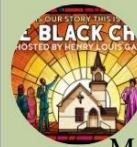
ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

Donations Needed and Appreciated



Sight and Sound: Jesus Production Dinner and Movie Night

Saturday, July 22
6:00 PM-9:30 PM
Adults: \$20 | Children: \$10 (ages 4-11)
Location: Fellowship Hall



The Black Church: This Is Our Story, This Is Our Song Documentary Viewing

Monday, July 24 | 5:30 PM- Part 1
Tuesday, July 25 | 5:30 PM- Part 2
Wednesday, July 26 | 5:30 PM- Discussion
Location: Fellowship Hall



Looking Through the Lens: A Video Compilation of Past Camp Meetings

Tuesday, August 1 | 7:00 PM



Vacation Bible School (VBS) (youth ages 2-12 years)

Thursday, August 3: 11 AM - 2 PM
Friday, August 4: 11 AM - 2 PM
*Register by 7/27
<https://forms.gle/J7BxeY5BxdTQqMtZ7>

Family Fun Day & VBS Recognition



Holts Landing State Park
Saturday, August 5
11 AM-3 PM
*Please bring a side dish or drink for everyone to share.
Park Entrance Fee CASH ONLY
In-State Vehicles \$4.00
Out-of-State Vehicles \$8.00



VBS Registration

SCAN ME



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Lower Shore District

As we strive to fill all appointments, we are searching for candidates with a call to ministry. If you are discerning a call to ministry or know someone who is, please direct them to Rev. Tina Blake's office at 410-749-3331 or lowershore2021@gmail.com.

They have openings in the Dorchester, Queen Anne, Caroline and Talbot County areas. This is for appointments in the Lower Shore District only.

Midsummer Greetings from Methodist Action Program

Some of you already may have seen the linked announcement from Interfaith Power and Light about a new round of grants for congregations interested in energy savings.



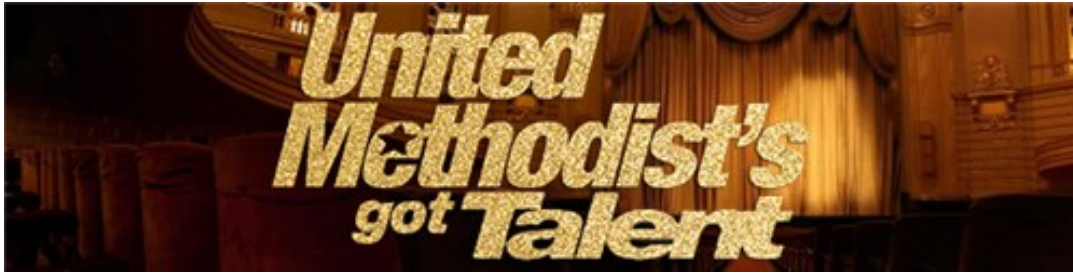
It is important that you respond as soon as possible if you are considering making changes to your building that would save energy and money!

APPLICATIONS WERE DUE JULY 28TH, contact Donna Hitchner @ MAP if you missed the deadline.

<https://interfaithpowerandlight.salsalabs.org/doerenewamericasonprofits1?wvpld=f94f4736-56dd-46b9-9253-cc374d78f8a1>

Later this summer I will offer details about actions taken by the state legislature on the social justice issues which MAP has focused on for this past legislative year.

Grace and peace,
Donna Hitchner, Executive Director
Methodist Action Program



[Register now](#) for a day of fun and fellowship at "United Methodist Got Talent." Beginning at 11 a.m. on Sept 30, youth and youth leaders of the BWC and Pen-Del will spend the day together at Camp Pecometh enjoying games, inspirational talks, music, and a talent show. All youth are invited to attend; performing is not required. The cost is \$5 per person for lunch, snacks, games, and more. For every four people registered, the fifth is free using the discount code Talent!

Contact ccook@bwcumc.org for more details.

UMC's Got Talent Virtual Audition Information

Youths interested in performing must fill out the [audition form](#)! We welcome acts of all kinds -- spoken word, dancing, skits, comedy, singing, chalk stories, and more -- and most sizes. We can accommodate 1-15 people performing at a time. We require the completion of this form -- including uploading a video -- **no later than Monday, September 25, 2023**, to ensure all acts are appropriate (clothing, gestures, and language) and meet the time requirements. Skits may be up to 5 minutes, everything else must be 3 minutes or less.

Acts will need to provide all equipment/materials necessary to perform. We will provide up to 3 microphones, a stage, and a sound system. Plan on arriving at 10:00 a.m. for a sound and stage check.

Website link: <https://www.pen-del.org/newsdetail/umcs-got-talent-audition-form-and-information-17483609>



Humor in Preaching

This is NO joke!

SAVE THE DATES

Monday, September 25 from

4-9 PM at Asbury UMC,

Salisbury

OR

Tuesday, September 26 from

9 AM - 2 PM at Grace UMC,

Wilmington

\$35 each

Sponsored by the

Dunkle-Mackey Preaching

Seminar

Register TODAY

Asbury UMC, Salisbury :

<https://www.asburyweb.org/dunklemackey>

Grace UMC, Wilmington:

<https://gracechurchwilmington.org/dunklemackey>

Hey folks, I'm going to Nicaragua again for the last week of the Hialeah church build August 21-28 (will include, painting, minor fix-ups, maybe flooring etc.). If you or parishioners are interested let me know ASAP. You will be responsible for airfare, VIM insurance (about \$40) meals (about \$10 per day), help with interpreter & transportation (about \$20 per day) and hotel (\$30 per night includes AC, WiFi, private bath, hot water, pool and full breakfast. Must have current passport. Also any added funds to help the pastors and churches is greatly appreciated. My email is karingtunnell@gmail.com or 302-668-6685 Thanks, Rev. Karin Tunnell



Kin-dom Builders helping the Evangelical Methodist Church of Nicaragua (IGLEMEN)

Rev. Sheryl Allston; Nancy Barrett; Pastor Nancee & George Bleistine; Debby & Rick Bowersock; Rev Majorie Belmont; Christ UMC Chestertown; Delaware District ; Ebenezer UMC Pike Creek; Edith Feeney; Rev. Jackie Ford; Carol Gartman; Grace UMC Millsboro; Dianna Harrisohn & Patsy Harmer; Doug & Judy Hegman; Audi Hollinger; Chicki & Erika Kennedy; Kingswood UMC ; Jenn Lee; Little Creek - Roby UMC Charge; Marshallton UMC; Kathryn Mastio; Ed Minner; Millsville UMC; Pastor Lee & Dave Parks' Judy & Randy Peterson; Ginny & Chip Stewart; Rev. Karin Tunnell ; Tree of Life Church' Wesley UMC Dover

Dear sisters & brothers in Christ,

I cannot thank each of you enough for your TREMENDOUS generosity which blessed our Methodist Nica Pastors soooo much!!!

Here is a very short video which gives just a smidgeon of what we were able to do. With your help we were able to:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1L-0ysCBQbmvCG6aB_FEEMBAcEcC5832E/view?usp=drive_web

- ◆ Allot \$100 per pastor for four months
- ◆ Give each pastor a bag containing rice, beans, sugar, masa, oil, first aid kit, school supplies [which they give their church children], balloons, stickers, a soccer ball, and yes-fingernail polish for their wives, children and church kids!
- ◆ Provide a nice lunch for all of the pastors, including fresh pineapple and a chocolate cake, at a teaching gathering, along with \$ for their transportation
- ◆ Purchase a bicycle for a pastor whose bicycle (which is his only transportation to get to his church) had no brakes and tires that were threadbare AND we purchased a helmet for him.
- ◆ Upgrade a laptop for one of our critical VIM team members in Nica
- ◆ Gave gas money to the President of the Evangelical Methodist Church of Nicaragua
- ◆ Left emergency funds for the IGLEMEN churches [Evangelical Methodist Church of Nicaragua]
- ◆ Bless TWO new church plants with \$100 each to further their ministries and new congregations
- ◆ and much, much more

I will continue to update you and am available to visit your churches with info and opportunities to assist. We have begun a new church renovation at Hialeah for Pastor Henry and his wife and two children. I am traveling to Nicaragua August 21 for the final week of the build and appreciate your prayers and support. Stay tuned for updates on that project with pictures here and on my Facebook page. Also pray about the opportunity to go with me and email me for more information karintgunnell@gmail.com We are so blessed and these folks serve so faithfully with so few resources and are hungry for knowledge and the blessing it is to be METHODIST!

I have thousands of photos to share and will be configuring new videos. Also we will be putting together a prioritized list of projects with the insight of President Guillermo Rios of IGLEMEN. There is MUCH we can do to assist these devoted churches!

Blessings & peace, Rev. Karin Tunnell, Pastor, Little Creek & Roby UMCs

<https://glorybeestampin.stampinup.net/>



Summer Camp 2023 Registration is [OPEN!](#) Looking for an unplugged environment where you or your camper will build their faith, character and independence? Experience a genuine, inclusive community at Camp Pecometh's Christian summer camps. Living our mission of God-inspired, life-changing experiences, campers make memories for a lifetime and come back year after year. From day camps to half and full weeks of overnight camps for Kindergarten through 11th grade, there's a program for all interests.

For more information about Camp Pecometh, visit: <https://www.pecometh.org/about-camp-pecometh>

For a full list of our camps and program descriptions, visit: <https://www.pecometh.org/christian-summer-camp-program-descriptions>

For more information about registering for Summer Camp for 2023, visit: <https://www.pecometh.org/summer-camp>

Marshallton UMC
1105 Stanton Rd.
Wilmington, DE 19808

Ice Cream Festival

Sunday, August 20th
5:00—7:00 pm

Adults \$6

Children 2 & up \$2.00



Come out and enjoy some fellowship with your
brothers and sisters in Christ.

News from the Certified Lay Minister (CLM) Corner

The next CLM class dates are listed below. Please use the **updated** registration form on the next page. It must be complete with all signatures in order to join the class.

Direct any questions to Brenda Tildon, 302-836-8553 or
302-530-6422 tildonbrenda@aol.com

Class dates: 2023-2024

Oct 20-21, 2023

Dec 15-16, 2023

Nov 17-18, 2023

Jan 12-12, 2024

2023-24

Pen-Del Certified Certified Lay Minister Registration Form

***Refer to Current Discipline on CLM**

Please print clearly

I am a Certified Lay Servant: Yes _____ No _____ Todays _____ Date _____

Name _____

Address _____ **email (required) _____

City & State _____ Zip _____

Telephone# _____ Cell Phone _____

Pastor _____ Church _____

I am Lay Supply/Currently serving a church: Yes _____ No _____ if yes Church Name _____

Completed the book "Christian as Minister" & discussed with Pastor: Yes _____ No _____

Circle your District _____ Delaware _____ Upper Shore _____ Lower Shore _____

SPRC Chair Signature (required) _____ Date _____

Pastor's Signature (required) _____ Date _____

DS Signature(required) _____ Meeting Date _____

****email address you prefer to be reached on to receive email, documents and zoom conferencing if necessary.**

Required Attachments:

- Registration form with all required signatures
- Copy of Pastors letter to District Superintendent (Optional)
- Certified Lay Servant Certificate
- (Please keep copies of everything you send)

Registration Fee \$35.00

Class Fee per Module \$100.00 (Payable after each module)

Four Modules must be taken in order or completion

Send this form with all required signatures, and \$35.00 registration fee to

Brenda Tildon, 133 Portside Court, Bear, DE 19701

302-836-8553 or 302-530-6422 tildonbrenda@aol.com

Checks should be made payable to Pen-Del Conference

**You will not be scheduled for class until registration form is received
with all required information, signatures and attachments.**

Student's Signature _____

Next Class Oct 20-21, 2023, Nov 17-18, 2023, Dec 15-16, 2023, Jan 12-13, 2024



What do you do when you want to take your ministry to the next level?

Working harder isn't the answer. Even working smarter only takes you so far.

The witness of faithful Christians over the ages has shown that time apart for reflection and renewal helps gain the needed perspective to see things differently and find the best way forward.

The Living Well Initiative does just that.

Watch the Living Well promotional video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M_rG_C8DFFs.

Participants will engage in a seven-month process that will result in:

- A holistic understanding of their life and ministry.
- A deep connection with other clergy colleagues who have the same desire to serve faithfully and effectively.
- A personal development plan, which includes the steps they'd like to take to make incremental and significant improvement in the aspects of life and ministry that they've identified during the program.

The program is comprised of two retreats, one in the fall of 2023 and one in the spring of 2024, as well as monthly cohort meetings between the retreats to process their learnings and support each other throughout this journey. We offer three retreat cycles at three different sites: Pecometh Riverview Retreat Center, Manidokan Camp and Retreat Center, and Ocean City Waterfront Marriott. Successful completion of the Living Well program qualifies for 3.3 CEU's.

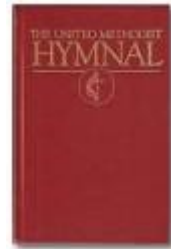
Learn more about dates, cost, and registration at <https://www.pdcbwc.org/living-well.html>.

UMC Hymnals Available

Hillcrest-Bellefonte UMC has the following hymnals available . They are free to a good home.

100 “ The Book of Hymns” copyright 1964 (Red cover)

100 “The United Methodist Hymnal”, copyright 1989
(Navy Blue cover)



Please contact Elain Murphy

semurphy616@gmail.com



Aldersgate UMC (AUMC), located in suburban Wilmington, Delaware, is seeking a full time Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. The Director will serve as a role model to youth and young adults and be an engaging spiritual leader within the church.

The Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries will strive to guide all youth (grades 6 - 12) and young adults (ages 18 - 25) of AUMC as disciples of Jesus Christ. This person is responsible for designing, coordinating and facilitating a comprehensive, biblical, youth and young adult ministry program.

A detailed position description is found on the Aldersgate website, www.aldersgatede.org Letter of interest, resume, and a minimum of two references can be sent to resumes@aldersgatede.org.

Level Up

The affiliation is premiering a video series with Jack Shitama and the Center for Vital Leadership called Level Up. It's an outstanding series!

It's at <https://www.pdcbwc.org/level-up.html>

The first video lives on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/tNx1geIOUTE>

Level Up videos offer lessons in leadership.

Leaders inspire, they influence and empower others, define new realities, and bring vision to life. Good leaders enable groups and individuals to grow more fully into what God is calling them to be.

Level Up provides lessons in leadership as the Rev. Jack Shitama of the Center of Vital Leadership, helps leaders grow. In these short videos, church leaders will discover some of the best and most influential principles in today's secular writing about leadership. Learn from the masters, to transform yourself and the world.



BeADisciple Study App

Disciple Bible Study has gone digital! Help your congregation learn the Bible and connect with each other in meaningful small groups. The new BeADisciple Study App offers everything you need to participate in a Bible study on a smartphone, tablet, or computer — with weekly meetings on Zoom or IN PERSON! The app is

easy to navigate and offers powerful ways to connect through a 24/7 prayer thread, message board and built-in zoom access. All assignments can be read and/or listened to. This new platform is launching now. For more information and to signup go to: www.BeADiscipleApp.com

Disciple Bible Study has been completely updated with all new scholars from around the globe, new videos, and even new scholarship. It is now on a Small Group Studies App called the BeADisciple Study App, a state-of-the-art digital platform for small-group Christian studies. We believe this new platform will reach thousands of people all over the world.

The Bishop Richard and Julia Wilke Institute for Discipleship has developed this technology, which allows small groups to experience studies entirely on their smartphone, tablet, or computer. Bulky study manuals and DVDs are gone — everything is on the app. Groups can meet in person or on Zoom. Churches don't even need to have their own Zoom accounts or Bible apps, since Zoom access and the entire CEB Bible are built right into the app!

This new platform will soon host dozens of studies. For the launch, the institute has partnered with the United Methodist Publishing House to offer the popular and transformational Disciple Fast Track I and II studies.

We know churches are looking for ways to include and support the people who have difficulty attending in-person meetings due to health, schedules, or distance, and we built this app to answer that need. We also find it exciting that churches will now be able to Invite their worldwide mission partners to participate in their small groups.

We hope the BeADisciple Study App will be something new and life-changing, serving as a beacon of hope to clergy and churches.

Here is a link to learn more: beadiscipleapp.com. There are many more promo tools you may access. Registration is open now so study groups can start as early as August 1.

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LADORSEY@LAVANTEDORSEY.COM
LIGHT BREAKFAST & LUNCH SERVED

Felton-Viola United Methodist Church is now a recognized



We are still a UMC congregation.

A pledge to remain in connection is a part our
commitment as a Lighthouse Congregation.

(#StayUMC)

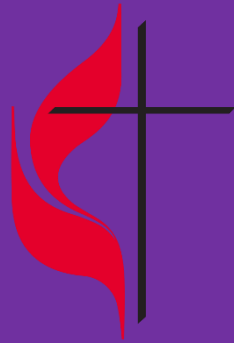
We are still a Reconciling Congregation.

The welcome is not limited, it is growing.



We are still disciples of Jesus Christ.

*"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if
you have love for one another."*



JOB POSTING!!!!

Part-time Church Musician

Centennial United Methodist Church in Smyrna Delaware has an immediate opening for a part-time church musician. Degree in Music Education or equivalent experience directing a choir preferred; Selected candidates will be required to audition. Experience reading music and playing the piano to facilitate Sunday worship preferred. Preferred musical competencies includes providing a variety of musical styles; Attend a variety of community events with Pastor and choir on an as needed basis. Salary will be commensurate with skills and experience.

Email resume to: centennialumc1876@gmail.com

Marshallton United Methodist Church
1105 Stanton Road
Wilmington, DE 19808
302-994-7466

Marshallton UMC is looking for the following volunteer leaders and servants:



Children's Ministry and Youth Sunday School Teachers Preference will be given to those who have served in this capacity in the past. Current Public School teachers, Day Care Center workers and those whom have recently completed background checks and finger printing are urged to apply.

Volunteer Coordinator – This person will be responsible for recruiting volunteers and scheduling assignments throughout our Ministry programs and mission.

Videographers and Photographers: These individuals will work capturing video and photos for our various online social media campaigns, ministries and programs. They may be asked to assist with Sunday service on occasion.



Applicants must have their own equipment, but we will reimburse for supplies. If interested please call 302-994-7466 or email pastormarshalltonumc@gmail.com.

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*Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?”
And I said, “Here am I; send me!” – Isaiah 6:8*

God calls each of us to use our gifts and talents in ways that **empower us to connect, act, lead, and love**. Is God calling you to use your skills, talents, gifts, and abilities to **serve beyond your local church** in a manner that can bless our conference?

The Peninsula-Delaware Conference offers a wide **variety of ways to serve (view open roles and position vacancies [HERE](#))** and be in ministry. How are you using your gifts and talents to help **build the Kingdom of God**? How will you put your voice, hands, and heart to work? Will you **answer the call** and say **“here am I”** because your conference needs you to serve?

Key roles and positions that need to be **filled immediately** are:

Conference Lay Leader – [duties and responsibilities](#)

Associate Lay Leaders – [duties and responsibilities](#)

District Lay Leaders (all districts) – [duties and responsibilities](#)

Co-chair: Disaster Relief (lay or clergy)

Convener or Co-conveners: James T. Seymour Commission on Religion and Race (lay or clergy)

Conference Council on Youth Ministries (youth)

Chair or Co-Chairs and Members: Volunteers in Mission (lay or clergy)

Chair or Co-Chairs: Creation Care/Creation Justice (lay or clergy)

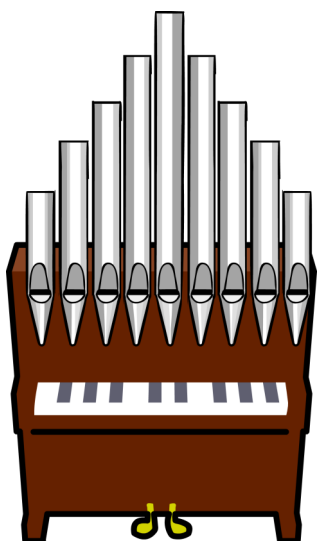
Commission on Equitable Compensation (lay and clergy)

If you or someone you know feels led to answer the call, **you can self-nominate or recommend others**. If you **self-nominate**, you must complete the online **[Self-Nomination and Talent Form](#) (or download and print the form [here](#))**. If you **nominate others**, you must complete the **[Recommendation for Service Form](#)** for those individuals. In order to be considered for a position, **individuals must accept and complete the [Self-Nomination and Talent Form](#) themselves**. All forms and descriptions are also available on our website at <https://www.pen-del.org/conference-leadership>.

If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Jacqueline Davis Ford, Director of Connectional Ministries (jford@pen-del.org) or a member of the Committee on Clergy and Lay Leadership.

St. Mark's United Methodist Church of Wilmington, Delaware is seeking a part-time organist for its Sunday morning service, other special services, and accompanying the Chancel Choir. The Sunday morning service is held at 10:00 A.M. throughout the year with choir rehearsals on Wednesday evenings during the school year. St. Mark's is a very active church family with approximately 400 members. Interested candidates should submit a **cover letter and resume as soon as possible**. Email submissions are preferred (**office@stmarksumcde.org**)

Saint Mark's United Methodist Church Job Description and Specifications



Position (Part Time): Organist

Primary Position Objective: To provide organ/piano music for the traditional services, including special events, while working with the staff to promote the vision and mission of the church.

Key Areas of Responsibility/General Duties:

Provide organ/piano music during the service, including choir accompaniment, on Sundays throughout the year

Rehearse with Chancel Choir on Wednesday evenings from Labor Day through mid-June

Rehearse and accompany soloists and small groups that provide special music for the service during the summer months

Provide music for special services (e.g., seasonal programs and additional services during Lent, Holy Week and Christmas)

Work with the Sr. Pastor and Music Director to coordinate music

Attend monthly staff meetings

Qualifications:

Formal training in organ and piano through private study or higher education

Experience in choir accompaniment and working with a conductor in a choral setting

Knowledge of a varied repertoire of sacred literature

Church organ experience preferred

A background check will be required for this position since we are a Safe Sanctuary establishment

Contact Information:

St. Mark's United Methodist Church
Attn: SPRC Committee
1700 Limestone Road
Wilmington, DE 19804
302-994-0400





Wesley United Methodist Church

209 South State Street, Dover, DE 19901

(302) 678-9626 Fax 678-9627

E-Mail church@wesleyumc-dover.com

www.wesleyumc-dover.com

Job Description: Choir Director for Wesley United Methodist Church

Position Summary: September thru May part time six (6) hrs. a week position. The Choir Director is responsible for overseeing and directing the musical activities of the church choir. This role involves selecting appropriate music, rehearsing with the choir, and leading them in performances during worship services and special events. The Choir Director also collaborates with the pastor, music director and other church staff to enhance the overall worship experience and foster spiritual growth through music.

Key Responsibilities:

1. Music Selection:

Select suitable choral music that aligns with the church's liturgical calendar, sermon themes, and overall worship style.

Choose music that engages the congregation, inspires worship, and supports the message of the service.

Maintain a diverse repertoire that includes hymns, anthems, spirituals, contemporary Christian music, and other genres as appropriate.

2. Rehearsals:

Conduct regular rehearsals for the church choir, ensuring consistent attendance and active participation.

Teach vocal techniques, sight-reading skills, and interpretation of music to enhance the choir's performance.

Collaborate with accompanists and other musicians to coordinate instrumental arrangements and accompaniment for choral pieces.

3. Worship Services:

Lead the choir in performances during regular worship services, including Sunday mornings and special services such as Christmas, Easter, and other significant occasions.

Coordinate with the pastor and worship planning team to integrate the choir's music seamlessly into the worship service.

Provide musical leadership by cueing entrances, tempos, dynamics, and ensuring a cohesive performance with other musicians and vocalists.

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4. Special Events and Outreach:

Organize and direct special music programs, concerts, or cantatas for seasonal celebrations or community outreach events.

Collaborate with other church ensembles, soloists, or guest musicians for special performances.

Actively engage with the community to promote the choir's involvement in local events and foster relationships with other churches or organizations.

5. Spiritual Development:

Foster an atmosphere of spiritual growth and worship through music, emphasizing the choir's role as a ministry.

Encourage choir members to deepen their understanding of the music's theological significance and its connection to worship.

Provide opportunities for personal and musical development through workshops, retreats, and other educational resources.

Qualifications:

- A committed Christian with a deep understanding and appreciation of Wesley's worship traditions and theology.
- Strong musical skills, including proficiency in vocal techniques, choral conducting, and music theory.
- Prefer previous experience in directing and conducting church choirs,
- Ability to work collaboratively with clergy, church staff, and volunteers to enhance the worship experience.
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills to lead effectively, motivate, and support choir members.
- Knowledge of a diverse range of musical styles, including traditional hymns, contemporary Christian music, gospel, and classical repertoire.
- Familiarity with music resources and tools commonly used in the United Methodist Church, such as the United Methodist Hymnal, The Faith We Sing Hymnal, Worship & Song hymnal, and digital music platforms.

Must pass background check.

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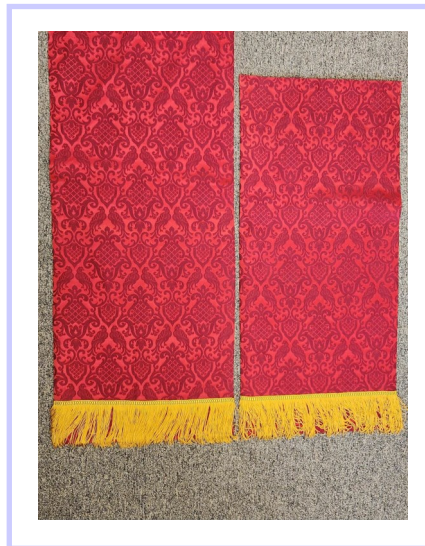
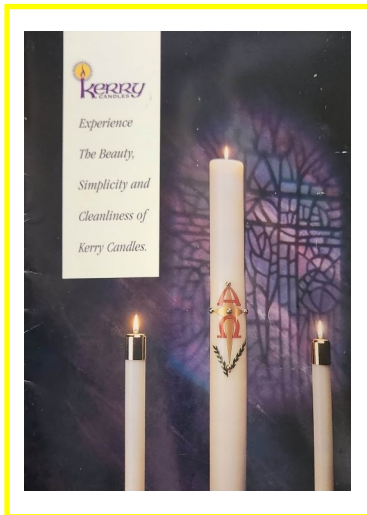
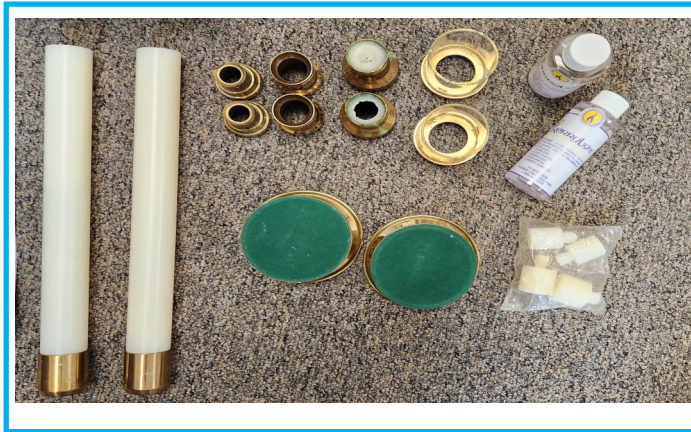
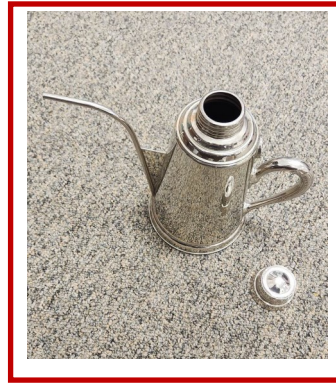
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Pulpit Paraments:

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We have numerous miscellaneous office and household furniture items available. See the list below and contact Jerry for pictures or more details.

Buffet, wooden doors, wooden desk, upholstered chairs, coffee table, pews (10' long), wooden high chairs, metal and fabric office chair, cane backed wood chair, wooden filing cabinet, little wooden table, wooden adjustable podium, small white hanging shelves, upholstered stools, wooden sorting box, green antique table, wooden nightstand, wood corner table, wooden chairs, Singer sewing machine, electronic organ with speakers, stackable metal chairs, 6 black chairs, 1 white chair.

**All items are free. Call or email Jerry @ 302-655-8847
or frontdesk@gracechurchum.org**



Opportunity for Contemporary Worship and Praise Team Leader

Hockessin United Methodist Church Is seeking a part-time (10-15 hours/week) praise team leader for the contemporary worship service on Sunday mornings. This worship leader will prepare and rehearse music with the praise team and participate in the contemporary service leading the praise team. They should be proficient on at least one instrument as well as the audio/visual equipment set-up.

The worship/praise team leader will help connect to the congregation during the service to provide a cohesive and inspiring worship experience with prayers, song context and scriptures with consideration for the Pastor's message that week.

The successful candidate will have a demonstrated love for Jesus and discipleship. They will also have manifested their love for a congregation as a leader of praise worship. Ideally, they would have a passion for leading, mentoring, and growing a team of musicians and vocalists.

A detailed job description is available upon request. Interested candidates should send a cover letter and resume to:

SPRCHiring@hockessinumc.org

We're Hiring!



Music Director
At Wesley UMC Dover

Qualifications :

- Bachelor's degree in music or combination of education and experience
- Three years' experience directing choral ensembles/directing instrumental ensembles
- Strong administrative and organizational skills
- Strong interpersonal skills

Details:

- Attend staff meeting, choir rehearsal, Sunday Service
- Approx. 8 hours per week (8 hours onsite)
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- Starting at 18k

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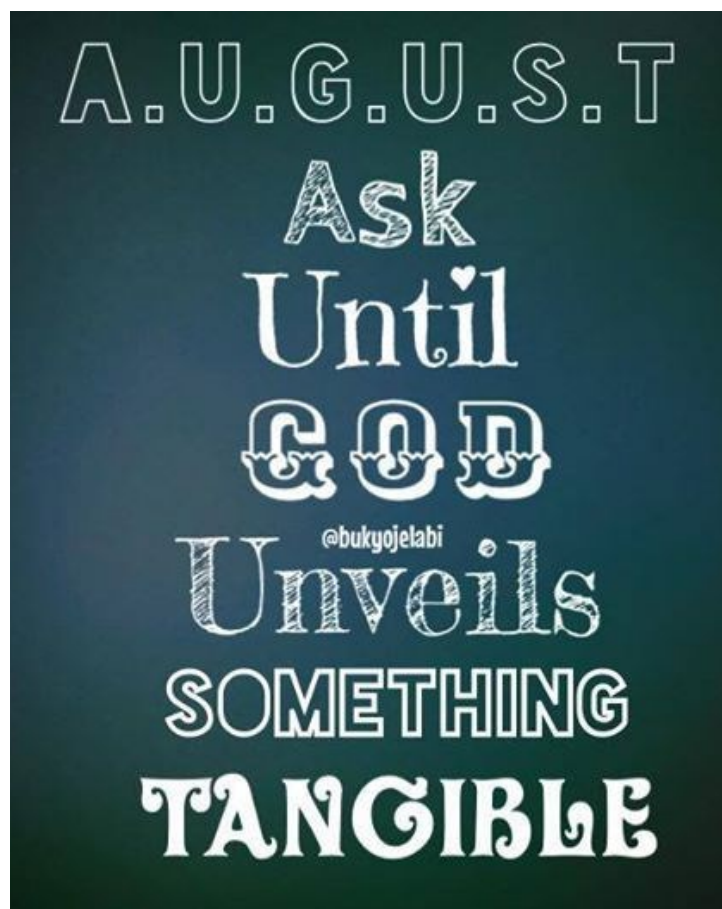
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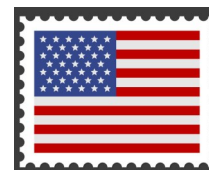
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