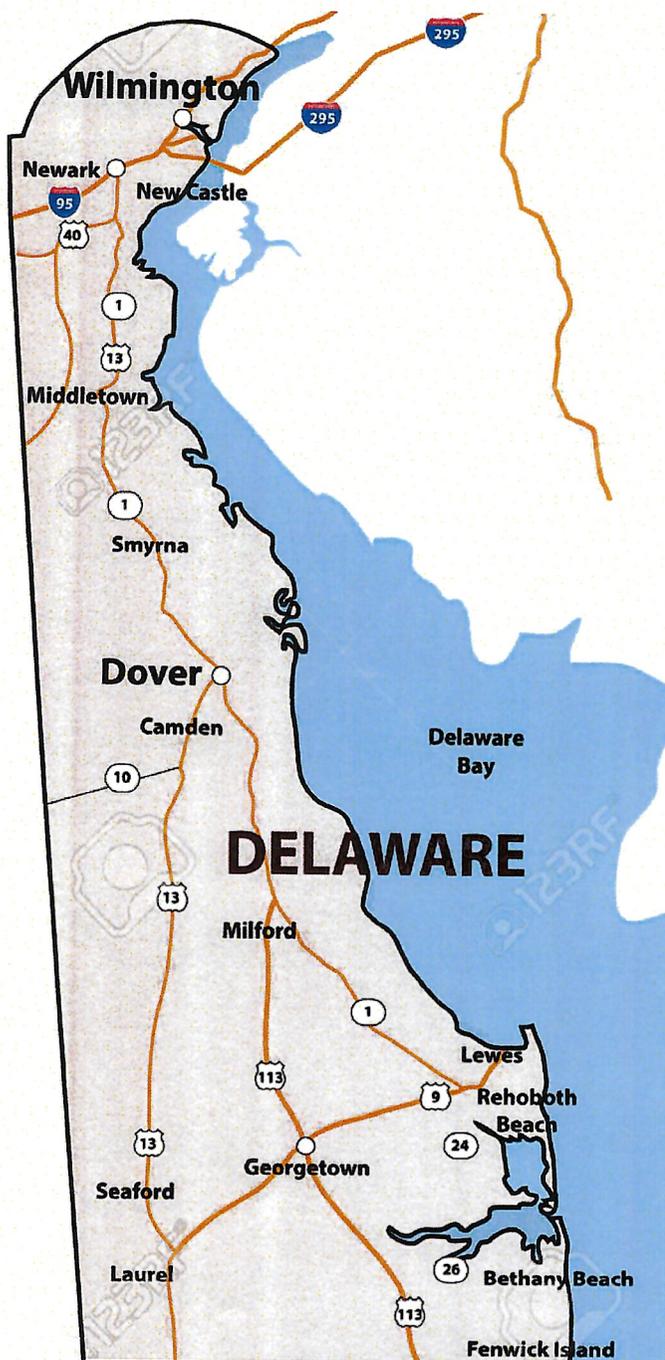
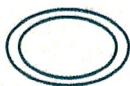


# DELAWARE DISTRICT EVENTS

May 27, 2025



**Delaware District Office**  
900 N. Washington St.  
Wilmington, DE 19801

**District Superintendent**  
Rev. Dr. Tom Pasmore  
Phone: 302-382-2907

**Administrative Assistant**  
Andrea Lenker  
Phone: 302-655-8873  
DelawareDistrictUMC  
@gmail.com

**Office Hours**  
Monday-Thursday  
7:30am—2:00pm

Next distribution  
June 10th



### Seeking Inspiration: Clergy Renewal Retreat - June 3-5, 2025

**Cost:** \$255/person

Are you feeling spiritually dry and in need of renewal? Or do you simply need a moment to pause, breathe, and reconnect with your inspiration?

Join us for Seeking Inspiration: Clergy Renewal Retreat, a sacred space designed for clergy and faith leaders to step away from the demands of ministry and engage in intentional rest, creative expression, and spiritual reflection.

**Learn More and Register:** <https://pecometh.org/clergy-renewal-retreat/>

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### Pecometh at Barratt's Chapel - June 12, 2025

**Cost:** Free!

Experience the spirit of camp at Pecometh Night! Join us at **Barratt's Chapel** on June 12 at 7:00

PM for an evening filled with camp songs, joy, and community connection.

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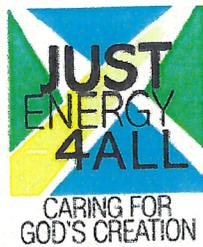
### Summer Kick-Off Picnic and Pool Party - Saturday, June 21, 2025

**Cost:** Free!

Pecometh is welcoming the summer in style. Join families and youth from around the conference for a pool party and picnic. There will be wagon rides, ziplining, and camp fun. All children and youth must be supervised by an adult at all times. This event is free, but registration is required.

**Learn More:** <https://www.pecometh.org/summer-kick-off>

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Delaware District United Women in Faith invite  
you to join us for National Trails Day 2025!



We will meet at Cape Henlopen State Park's Hawk Watch Pavilion adjacent to the McBride main beach. All volunteers should arrive by 8:45 a.m. - we will start promptly at 9am!

We will divide into groups that will clean both the bay and ocean beaches and park trails. All volunteers must wear closed toed shoes, work type clothing, bring gloves, hat and apply sunscreen. We ask that you also bring a small bag or bucket for whatever trash you pick up.

Trash grabbers and tools will be provided.

After the cleanup, we will return to the Hawk Watch for a complimentary BBQ lunch!

Please contact Beverlee Scott at [beverlee.scott@aol.com](mailto:beverlee.scott@aol.com) to confirm your attendance!

— **Bring a Friend** —



**Barratt's Chapel**  
*Cradle of*  
*American Methodism*  
1780

Also known as "The Independence Hall of America Methodism," Barratt's Chapel is the oldest surviving church building in the United States built by and for Methodists. More importantly, on November 14, 1784, sacraments of baptism and communion were first administered by ordained Methodist ministers. Thomas Coke & Francis Asbury formulated plans to call all the Methodist preachers together for a meeting in Baltimore on Christmas Day. At this Christmas Conference of 1784, the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized.

### Upcoming Events for 2025

- Thursday, June 12, 7:00  
Camp Pecometh  
Camp Songs
- Saturday, July 12, 4:00  
Isaiah Embert & Friends  
Spiritual Music
- Sunday, December 7, 4:00  
Lessons & Carols
- Wednesday, December 24, 4:00  
Christmas Eve

For more information or to schedule a tour or appointment for research contact the Curator & Conf. Archivist, Barb Duffin, at 302-335-5544 or [barratts@aol.com](mailto:barratts@aol.com).  
[www.barrattschapel.com](http://www.barrattschapel.com)

### What Barratt's Chapel Can Do for You

*Barratt's Chapel and the Museum of Methodism, located at 6362 Bay Rd., Frederica, DE, are owned and maintained by the Commission on Archives and History of the Peninsula-Delaware Conference of The United Methodist Church*

#### Museum staff can assist your congregation by:

- Tours for Confirmation classes, New Member Classes, Church Groups and Individuals
- Providing historical programs for church dinners and other events
- Speaking in Sunday morning worship services
- Working with local church historians and others to develop plans for preserving and organizing church records and memorabilia
- Providing resources and help in writing your church history
- Providing space for worship services and meetings

#### The Museum of Methodist contains:

- Archives of the Peninsula-Delaware Conference including the records of many closed churches and other artifacts
- Displays of Methodism memorabilia from churches of the Conference
- Conference Journals for research
- Methodist History Library
- Church files on every church (current, closed and disaffiliated).

#### How You Can Assist:

- Send histories, special service bulletins for church file
- Bring your congregation to visit

## ***Did you Know?***

### **Historical Facts on The United Methodist Church and the Peninsula-Delaware Conference**

Peninsula-Delaware Conference is made up churches from 5 different annual conferences and 3 denominations which were all originally in the Philadelphia Conference:

Wilmington Conference Methodist Episcopal

Delaware Conference Methodist Episcopal

Maryland Conference Methodist Protestant

Baltimore Conference Methodist Episcopal South

Virginia Conference Methodist Episcopal South

The Methodist Episcopal Church is the original organization which was created at the Christmas Conference 1784 in Baltimore, Maryland at the original Lovely Lane Church.

In 1829 members of the ME Church organized the Methodist Protestant Church because they wanted a more democratic structure of the church including giving laity and local preachers\* a voice in annual conference. Many of the earliest MP churches were on the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

\*local preachers, today called "local pastors", were clergy who were not full-time itinerant preachers available to be appointed anywhere in the conference.

In 1844 the Methodist General Conference divided over the issue of slavery. Churches in southern states, which clearly wanted to endorse slavery, withdrew and formed the Methodist Episcopal South Church. Some of the congregations on the Peninsula were formed after the Civil War by local people who had supported the South and did not want to worship with Northern supporters.

In 1939 the ME, MP and MES churches came together to form the Methodist Church.

In 1968 the Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church merged to form the United Methodist Church

There are NO former EUB churches on the Delmarva Peninsula

*See back of page for Beginning of Methodism in America*



**Salem United Methodist Church**

**Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> 2025**

**9 am- 2 pm**

**Reserve Space \$20.00 by calling**

**Sue at 302-737-0220**



*Milford Museum*

American History Series Presents:

# The Nanticoke's Lasting Legacy: Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow



Saturday  
June 14, 2025

1:00 PM

Presented by:  
Bonnie Hall, Ed.D.

At Milford Public  
Library

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT  
[WWW.MILFORDDEMUSEUM.ORG](http://WWW.MILFORDDEMUSEUM.ORG)  
OR CONTACT [TOM@MILFORDDEMUSEUM.ORG](mailto:TOM@MILFORDDEMUSEUM.ORG)



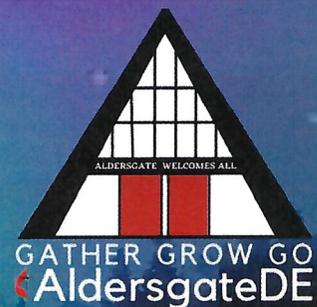
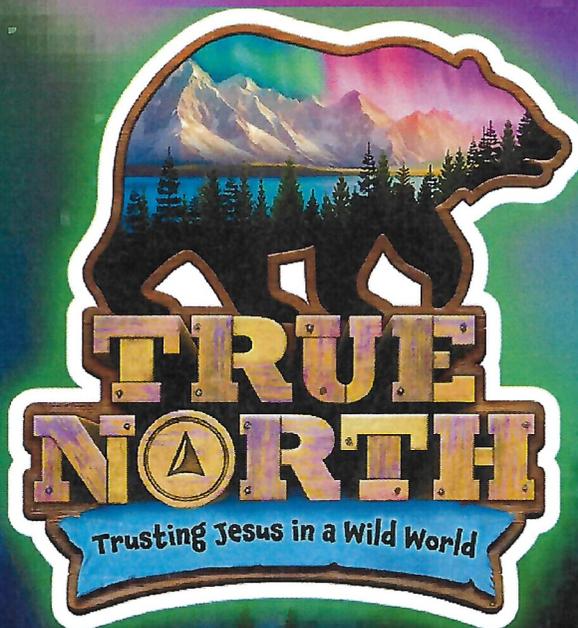
# Aldersgate UMC - Vacation Bible School

June 16- 20

9 AM to 12 PM



Scan QR Code to  
REGISTER a  
Child or Volunteer



2313 Concord Pike  
Wilmington, Delaware 19803  
302.478.2575

[www.aldersgatede.org](http://www.aldersgatede.org)

Contact Pam Downey for more information  
[pam.downey@aldersgatede.org](mailto:pam.downey@aldersgatede.org)

SIMPSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PRESENTS

# PRAYER

# Conference

THEME: BACK 2 THE BASICS

2 CHRONICLES 7:14

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

**JUNE 21, 2025**

**9AM-2PM**

- ✓ Free Will Offering
- ✓ Lunch Provided
- ✓ Scan QR Code to Register!



## AM Sessions

- The Foundation: Tackling the Myths about Prayer
- The Transformative Power of Fasting & Prayer
- Prayer: A Battle Strategy

## PM Activation Session:

- Prayer, Praise & Worship Experience

REV. PEARL SCOTT JOHNSON, PASTOR

SIMC FELLOWSHIP HALL - 907 CENTERVILLE ROAD, WILMINGTON, DE 19804

# SPAGHETTI LUNCHEON/DINNER

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

200 WEINER AVENUE HARRINGTON

SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025 1-4 PM

TAKE-OUTS STARTING AT 12:30 PM

COST:

\$15/ADULT

\$10/CHILDREN 6-12

CHILDREN 5 AND UNDER FREE

CALL 302-398-3390 FOR TICKETS





Rev. Frances Fitchett  
Host Pastor

Mt. Calvary United Methodist Church  
28 Church Street  
Bridgeville DE 19933

## Women's Day

Sunday, June 22, 2025

3 pm

***THEME: "MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER! WOMEN  
EDUCATING & INSPIRING GENERATIONS"***

***TITUS 3:2-6***



Guest Speaker: Sis. NaTascha "Taj" Hughes,  
Radiant Church Delaware- Greenwood, DE; CEO  
of SiRyn Group Global, Transformational Coach,  
Healing Practitioner, Behavioral Health Expert,  
International Speaker and Author.

Mime Ministry by Silently Speaking  
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Women's Day colors are pink and white.

Women Day Co-Chairs – Sis. Annette Cottrell and Sis. Gwendolyn Weal

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# Homecoming 2025



Sunday, June 29, 2025

9:30 AM

St. Daniels United Methodist Church

10 Stewart Street

Port Penn, Delaware 19731

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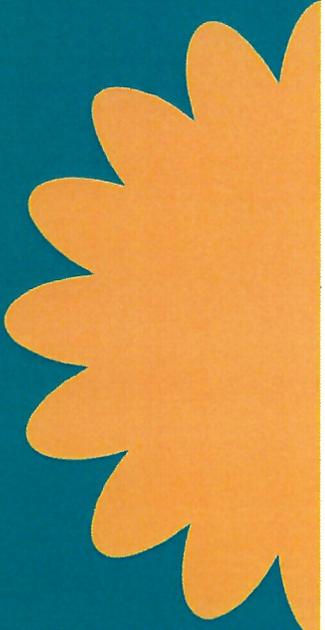
**Special Musical Guest:** ●

**The Yancey Brothers** ●

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## **First Lady & Friends Take Center Stage in “Sunday Brunch: Marriage Uncovered” – A Bold New Stage Play Premiering in Wilmington**

By Travis L Smith Sr

On Sunday, June 29, 2025, the spotlight turns to the First Lady of the church and her closest girlfriends as Sunday Brunch: Marriage Uncovered hits the stage at The Arise Soundstage in Wilmington, DE. With performances at 3 PM and 6 PM, this hit dramatic comedy peels back the layers of life after Sunday service—and nothing is off-limits.

Written by J. Wright Middleton, the play follows the First Lady and her three confidantes—stylish, successful women of faith—as they gather for their weekly brunch ritual. While their lives may appear picture-perfect in church, the table talk reveals real struggles in marriage, purpose, and identity. What begins with laughter turns into a journey of truth, healing, and sisterhood.

Gospel powerhouse Lillian Lloyd, known for “I Got the Victory” with Ricky Dillard and New G, leads the cast alongside Teresa Johnson of the Russell Delegation, the elegant Debra Turnbull-Dobson, and the bold Sabrina Young. Audiences will also meet rising Gospel artist Ronald Johnson of Morgan State University in his stage debut.

“Sunday Brunch is more than a play—it’s a mirror for the modern woman of faith,” says writer and director J. Wright Middleton. “It gives voice to the unspoken realities many First Ladies and church women face.”

Tickets are on sale now at [www.SundayBrunchPlay.com](http://www.SundayBrunchPlay.com) or by phone at 888-323-4677. The venue, The Arise Soundstage, is located at 2200 Baynard Blvd in Wilmington.

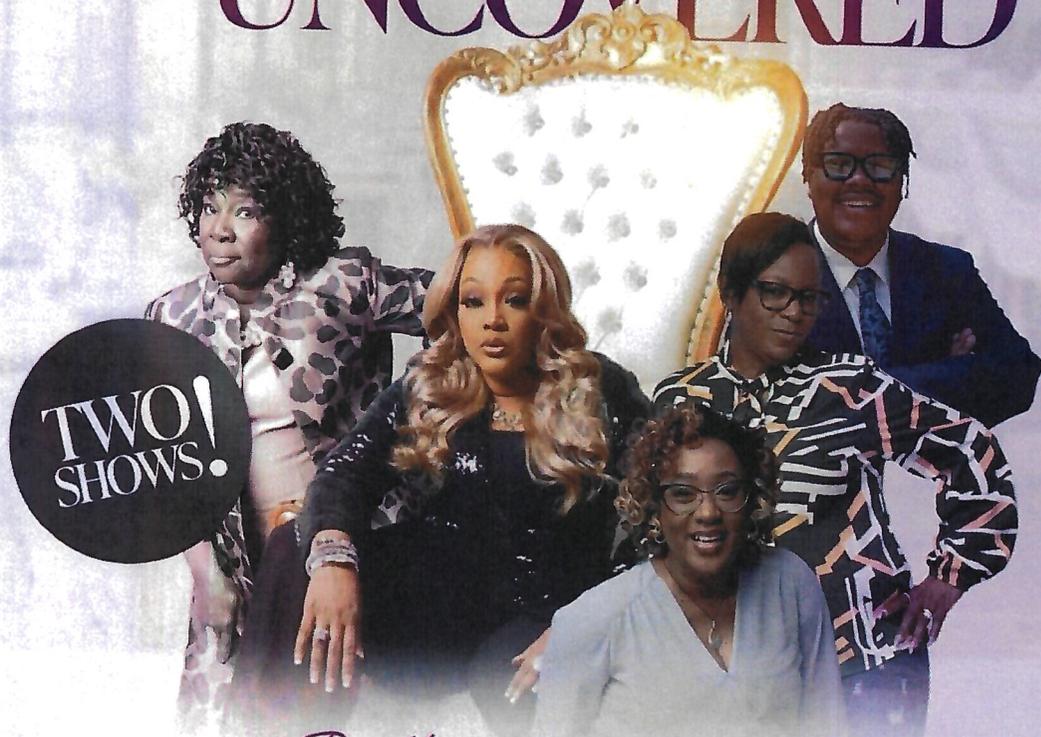
A portion of the proceeds will benefit The Harvest Outreach People’s Project (The HOPP), a nonprofit providing food and community care to thousands of families across Delaware.

Co-Producer Travis L. Smith, Sr. adds, “This play is for every woman who’s ever smiled in public while silently praying in private. It’s about friendships, faith, and finding freedom in truth. And through it all, we’re supporting a mission that feeds both body and soul.”

Don’t miss this unforgettable experience of music, message, and meaningful moments—told through the lens of the women who hold it all together.

LILLIAN LLOYD    TERESA JOHNSON    DEBRA TURNBULL-DOBSON    SABRINA YOUNG    ALONG WITH RONALD JOHNSON  
J. WRIGHT MIDDLETON'S HIT STAGE PLAY

*Sunday Brunch*  
"MARRIAGE UNCOVERED"



"What *Really* Happens After Sunday Service!"

SUNDAY  
**JUNE 29**  
3:00PM + 6:00PM

THE ARISE  
SOUNDSTAGE  
2200 BAYNARD BLVD.  
WILMINGTON, DE



J. WRIGHT MIDDLETON

A portion of proceeds benefit The Harvest Outreach People's Project - The HOPP

[SUNDAYBRUNCHPLAY.COM](http://SUNDAYBRUNCHPLAY.COM)



2025

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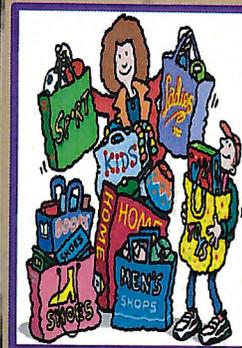
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Hershey Farms  
included in the price!

**\$180**

**\$90 deposit required at sign up**  
**\$90 balance due by June 30th**



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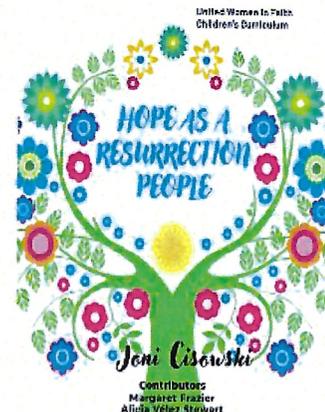
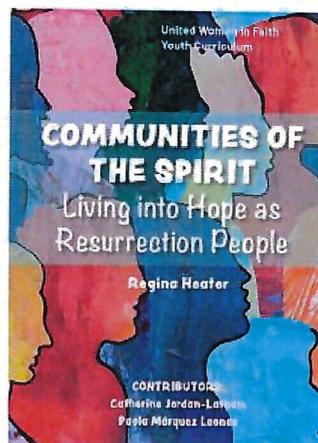
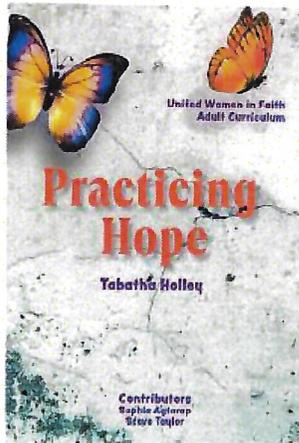
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