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August 29, 2025

Greetings to all!

We are down to the last two items in "going all-in Chit Chat Series. This week is Generosity: Cultivating a Spirit of Abundance

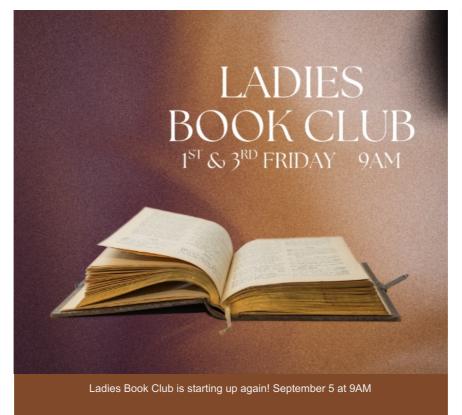
To go all-in is to recognize that all we have is a gift from God, and to respond with open-handed generosity. This includes our finances, our time, our talents, and our resources. Generosity is not about the size of our gifts, but the condition of our hearts. It is an act of worship, a declaration that we trust God to provide.

A generous church is a beacon of hope to the world. It supports ministries, meets practical needs, and invests in the next generation. It challenges its members to live counter-culturally—to be known not by what they accumulate, but by what they give away.

Generosity is also a discipleship

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Cindi



If you are looking for some meaningful relationships and conversation, we invite you to join us! The group will meet the 1st & 3rd Friday of every month, however, come as often as your schedule allows. We will be reading the Ragamuffin Gospel by Brennan Manning. Reach out to natalie@delanoumc.com if you are interested or have any questions.



Our fall rally day is Sunday September 7th. We will introduce our plans for the year, have a Blessing of the Backpacks, and a potluck meal following worship - bring a side dish!



We want to help our children and teachers start off their school year with a blessing. As part of Rally Sunday we will have a Blessing of the Backpacks. We invite all children, youth and teachers to bring their backpacks or book bags to church on Sunday, Sept. 7th.



### Kids Night In is returning on September 12.

Emily Hilbelink, our nursery coordinator, will be hosting the event at the church on Friday evening September 12, from 5:00pm-8pm. Your kids are invited to come out and play while you get some personal time. Supper is provided for the kids. They are welcome to arrive or depart as your schedule permits. RSVP to elhutter20@gmail.com.

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#### **FALL HARVEST FESTIVAL AND SILENT AUCTION**

ALL HANDS ON DECK needed Saturday, Sept. 27! We are asking everyone to participate in some way for our Fundraiser. There are two posters in the Narthex that are full of post-it notes just waiting for someone to pick some up. They are items needed for donation and shifts for volunteers to help on the day of the event Please check them out. We are also looking for donations for the Fall Harvest Festival Silent Auction. Perhaps offer a unique skill? A family photography session, 8 hours of babysitting time or mommy's helper, fall leaf raking, dog walking/sitting, a Christmas gift wrapping service or knit a scarf, season tickets somewhere and would be willing to donate one game or show? Take a kid fishing? Cook or barbecue Dinner for 6 people at your house, fresh baked cookies once a month for 6 months, or make a cake of someone's choosing or donate a themed basket for the auction. Contact Sarah Hellmich with questions at 763-226-1799 or email sarah.hellmich@me.com.

Email your submissions to Sarah or drop off your write up in the office including the following:

A thorough description of what you are auctioning and/or pictures, an Estimated Value, and a Minimum bid.

I hope to have all submissions no later than September 15 so that we can publish the items and get bidders thinking!



On October 4, Carlson Pillow Cleaning Service will be here from 7 AM to 1 PM. We are also having a Bake Sale during that time. Proceeds from the pillow cleaning and Bake Sale are designated to help fund the mattress ministry for Love INC.

Bake sale items, portioned and packaged (we will price) can be dropped off at the church Friday evening (10/3/2025) from 6-7:30 or Saturday morning.



## July/August Can-Do UMCOR

Our CanDo Offerings for July and August will go to the United Methodist Committee on Relief.

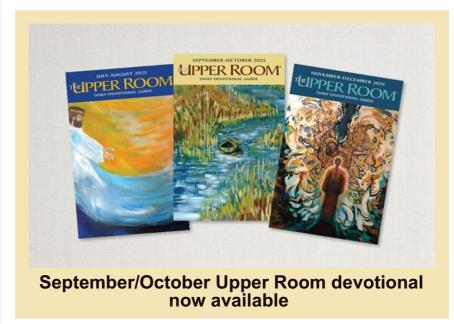






## **Children and Youth News**

To keep up to date and find out more about what's happening with our children and youth take a look at our monthly newsletter! Access by <u>clicking here</u> Reach out to natalie@delanoumc.com if you would like to be added to our email list!





# **Giving Online**

Delano UMC has a secure online giving platform to receive your financial donations. Our vanco online giving platform gives you the flexibility to give as you wish and helps you track your donations. We also have it synced with your giving records at church so we can help track it for you as well! Learn more at: <a href="https://www.delanoumc.com/giving">https://www.delanoumc.com/giving</a>

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