



The Chit Chat

A weekly ministry publication of Delano United Methodist Church

Welcome to the online Chit-Chat. If you have updates, additions, or corrections to this publication, please contact the Church Administrator Evonne Dennis at delanoumc@gmail.com or 763-972-3492. The deadline for inclusion in this publication is weekly on Thursday by 9:00 am.

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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

LADIES BOOK CLUB

1ST & 3RD FRIDAY 9AM



Ladies Book Club is starting up again! September 5 at 9AM

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.

A poster for 'Fall Rally Day!' featuring a blue background with a central image of autumn leaves. The text 'FALL RALLY DAY!' is written in large, stylized, blue-outlined letters. Below the image, the text 'SEPT. 7TH' and 'POTLUCK AFTER WORSHIP' is displayed in white, outlined letters. The poster includes a vertical ruler on the left side and a small logo in the top left corner.

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!

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

SUNDAY SEPT. 8TH
BRING YOUR
BACKPACK TO
CHURCH



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.

BOUNCE HOUSES - FACE
PAINTING

HAYRIDES - APPLE
SLINGSHOT



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!

An advertisement for Carlson's Pillow Cleaning Service. At the top, the words "PILLOW CLEANING" are in large, bold, white letters on a black background. Below this is a photograph of a white cleaning van. On the side of the van, the phone number "(320) 212-5811" is visible. A sign on the van reads "Carlson's Pillow Cleaning Service" and "320-212-5811 CUSTOM FEATHER PILLOWS & DOWN COMFORTERS". To the right of the van, a speech bubble contains the text "Cleaned Deodorized Sanitized Fluffed". Below this, a "NOTE" section states: "CRUSHED FOAM PILLOWS CAN BE CLEANED. POLYESTER PILLOWS CAN BE RECOVERED." At the bottom, a line of text reads: "★ YOUR PILLOWS MADE CLEANER THAN NEW FOR LITTLE MORE THAN THE COST OF NEW TICKING ★". Below this line, the word "MOBILE" is written in a large, stylized font, followed by three bullet points: "★ New Ticking of your Choice", "★ On the Spot Cleaning", and "★ Returned Same Day".

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 2025 Can-Do Offering



July/August Can-Do UMCOR

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

Lead A Group At Our *Fresh Start Program*

We are seeking to add more facilitators and small group leaders for our life transformation program.



Call 763-999-7085
or visit our website:
bit.ly/loveinchlfs



Join Us At Golf For Love

Albion Ridges | Sept. 15, 2025 | 10am Check In
Format: Four-Person Scramble

Swing into action—register a team today and be part of something truly meaningful.



Team Tickets + Sponsor
Packages Available!
bit.ly/golfforlove25



Children & Youth Ministries

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 [clicking here](#) Reach out to natalie@delanoumc.com if you would like to be added to our email list!



September/October Upper Room devotional now available

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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: <https://www.delanoumc.com/giving>

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