



The Presbyterian Church of Dover

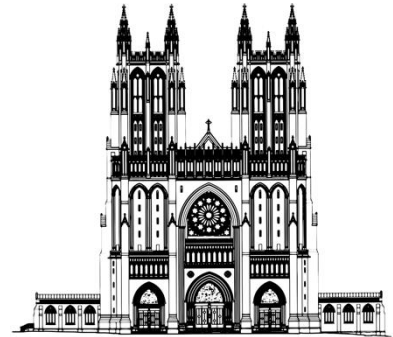
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Weekly Newsletter + January 16, 2025

A Service of Prayer for the Nation

Washington National Cathedral, A House of Prayer for All People, will host an interfaith Service of Prayer for the Nation at 11 AM on Tuesday, January 21, the day after the presidential inauguration. In this special service, the Cathedral will gather with our interfaith and ecumenical partners to offer prayers of thanksgiving for our democracy and to seek God's guidance in the years ahead. Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde will preach, and music will be offered by the Cathedral Choir, the Cathedral Contemporary Ensemble, and special guest musicians as we gather to seek healing, unity and wisdom in the months to come. The service will be livestreamed on the [Cathedral's Yoube Channel](#). Click the link or search Washington National Cathedral on Youtube to join the service. Pastor Mark encourages all to join in this special online opportunity for worship with people of all faiths across the country.



**WHAT DO WE DO WITH
OUR STAR WORDS?**

**JOIN PASTOR MARK FOR DISCUSSION!
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 6 PM
CHURCH LIBRARY AND ZOOM**

Presbytery's Annual Bay Retreat: Fearless Dialogues

The 2025 Bay Retreat will be held Friday, 2/28, and Saturday, 3/1/2024 at the Hyatt Place, 1301 Coastal Highway, Dewey Beach, DE 19971! [Fearless Dialogues](#) will lead the program, creating unique spaces for hard, heartfelt conversations between unlikely partners that see gifts in people, hear values in stories, and work toward transformation and change in self and others.

(Click on the Fearless Dialogues link above for an introduction.) Click here to [View the registration brochure](#) for full details! Click here to register: [Registration Open!](#) Pastor Mark is once again on the leadership team for this event and will be designing and leading the conference's worship and music.

FEARLESS DIALOGUES



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2025 ANNUAL BAY RETREAT

Friday & Saturday, 2/28-3/1/2025

Hyatt Place Dewey Beach

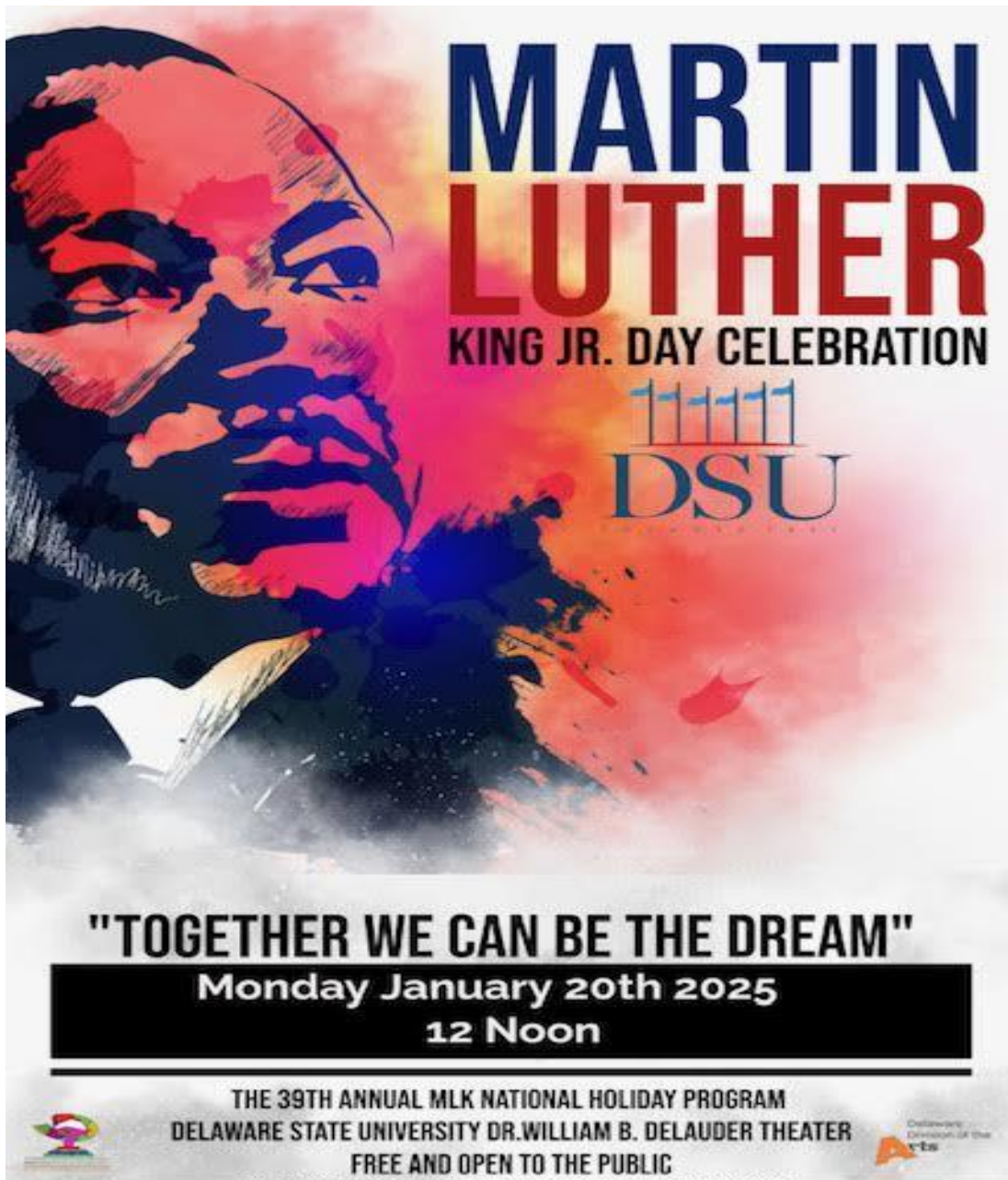
***Best practices & strategies
will be just the start!!***

<https://bit.ly/2025BayRetreat>



Rev. Dr. Gregory Ellison, II
Fearless Dialogues Founder

Fearless Dialogues began by looking at “how we might incorporate art, radical hospitality and music to create unique spaces where people begin to let down their guard and connect “soul to soul.”



Save the Date!

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, February 16, immediately following worship.

Prayer Requests

Please submit prayer requests, via *email*, to the church office by *Tuesdays at 2 PM* so we can keep track. Unless otherwise requested, prayer requests will remain on the list for 4 weeks.

- Family members in the service at home and abroad, the homeless, those suffering from COVID-19 and variants, those adversely affected by natural and unnatural disasters, those in the hospital and/or Hospice care, those dealing with life-threatening issues.
- Those with health concerns, specifically Ellen Estus, Addy Babus, Chris Case, Dawn (Addy Babus' daughter), Pat Franze, Laurie Connolly (Pat Franze's cousin), Terry Bone (Marsha Wycoff's brother), Brendan Ward (Addy Babus' grandson), and the Manigar family.
- The citizens of Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Russia, Sudan, Armenia, and others who are impacted by wars and violence around the world.
- The families of those killed and injured in mass shootings in our country and all those who live with physical, emotional, mental, and financial repercussions related to mass shootings.
- The homebound members and friends of the church, specifically, Kathleen Boone, Claire Bradley, Marianne Leavitt, Charlie Lohrmann, Betty Maine, Charlotte Massey, Chuck Mater, Sandy & Hank Rhodes, and Eva Ritter.

Upcoming Events at The Presbyterian Church of Dover

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jan. 19 Worship 11 AM (sanctuary) Deacon Meeting 12 PM (library)	Jan. 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Church Office Closed Bell Choir 6 PM (CR) KCC Rehearsal 7 PM (sanctuary)	Jan. 21 Ruth Women's Circle 12:30 PM (library) Esther Women's Circle 7 PM (Zoom)	Jan. 22 Prayer Shawl 1 PM (library) Committee on Leadership 5 PM (Zoom) Chancel Choir 7:30 PM (CR)	Jan. 23 Cemetery Committee 1 PM (alcove) NA 6:15 PM (social hall) Session Meeting 7 PM (Zoom)	Jan. 24	Jan. 25 Session Retreat 11 AM (Maple Dale Country Club)
Jan. 26 Worship with Ordination/ Installation 11 AM (sanctuary) Christian Ed 12 PM (library)	Jan. 27 Bell Choir 6 PM (CR) KCC Rehearsal 7 PM (sanctuary)	Jan. 28 Pastor Mark traveling to Memphis, TN for the PCUSA Educator's Conference (1/29-2/2)	Jan. 29 Chancel Choir 7:30 PM (CR)	Jan. 30 NA 6:15 PM (social hall)	Jan. 31	Feb. 1