



OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH JUNE 2018



## From the Pastor Terry Dougherty

Summer's here! Sun, shore, sand! Tourists, trade, traffic! Many, if not most of the members of OVPC know the drill – but this is when, for a little while, the recently “new” minister becomes the “new” minister again. This very hospitable “Home Church Away From Home” will need to look inward just enough to help the minister (ME!!) know who is a recurring part-time member from who is a first-time visitor. I turn to you with trust in your wisdom and insight for my sake; I turn to you also for so much more!

Visitors will not know and love the quirks of our campus in the ways we do; be a guide in both word and deed. Where is the sanctuary entrance (or, indeed, the sanctuary)? Take the persons who ask, introducing them not just to the location, but also the culture and internal workings of our lovely worship space. If you cannot answer a question, find someone who can; be liberal with our published information and with your own hints.

Where is the bathroom? Again, your physical (and spiritual; calling you out, FC restrooms!) guidance is necessary. How about the office (and that's not just on Sunday)? Are guests welcome at coffee hour and church events? (helpful hint – YES!!)

Pass the friendship pad. Explain the bulletin. Give up your hymnal. Point out the pew Bible. Notice whether a large print bulletin, hymnal or Bible might help (all are available). Mention, ahead of time, our custom of inviting guests to introduce themselves. Always be ready to give an account of the hope that is in you.

Share the love that is the power of the Spirit of God within you. Let no person ever feel the need to shake the dust of this place off their sandals.

Be your best disciple self out of doors. Give directions. Be both patient and sympathetic. Should a hiker or bicyclist be in need of a bathroom or a drink, or even some shade or A.C., make them welcome here, or help them where they are. Should a motorist be broken down, offer all the help

you can. Should there be a language or cultural barrier you can address, do so without a second thought.

Our religious and spiritual ancestors valued hospitality above privacy, and would give of themselves without stinting, even if they were in need themselves.

*May we sound the depths of love, for Christ's sake.  
In the strong name of Jesus we bless all that is living, and  
recognize in all that lives the reflection of the Word Who said,  
**Let there be life, and it lives.***

*Teach us to care for all that is entrusted to us, and nurture every  
sign of your presence.*

*Circle our dear ones in Your love and blessing; and protect us  
all from evil and danger.*

*Give us open eyes to see beyond what others say is possible.  
Give us the insight to recognize and name deceit.*

***May the blessing of our love and our strong joy in blessing call  
out new growth in everyone we know and meet.***

*Give us a generosity that pushes back the boundaries, for even  
death by you has been defeated. With all our powers we find our  
power in You.*

***The light shines on, and life is lived in You.***

*The Northumbria Community*

## Ocean View Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, 9:30 A.M.

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Eric Neumann  
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## *Session Report*

### *Karen Colwill, Clerk of Session*

#### **OVPC Minute from Session - May 2018**

The Session of OVPC met on Monday, May 14, 2018, in Fellowship Center.

Rev. Terry Dougherty, Moderator, opened with prayer and devotions at 7:08 P.M.

#### **Orders of the Day:**

**We met with Ellen Neumann, Co-Moderator of the Sewing Circle.** Ellen presented a report and highlighted the activities of the Sewing Circle. She presented the Mission Giving for 2017 and highlighted the newly supported local missions: La Esperanza, the Peoples Place and the Elizabeth Murphey School. Thanks to all who participate in the activities of the Sewing Circle.

**MOTION** passed to award 40% of the Pentecost Offering to MHDC (Milford Housing Development Corporation) for local projects.

The **Monthly Committee Reports** were received.

The Personnel Committee recognizes Marlene Quinn's resignation from the committee and thanks her for her extended service on this committee. Dale Smith will join the committee.

**MOTION** passed to approve Session Minutes of April 9, 2018 with a correction.

**MOTION** passed to approve the April 2018 Financial Reports. The Mid-Year Budget Review is scheduled for the July 9<sup>th</sup> Session Meeting. There is a meeting scheduled with Scott Derr to review our Cambridge

Investment Brokerage Account on Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in Fellowship Center.

The following **MOTIONS** from the Pastor were passed:

1. Vacation day on Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>.
2. 'Preach on the Beach' as a member of SESM, Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM with potential to add other Wednesday mornings as the summer progresses.
3. Lead a 'Prayer Service for First Responders' on Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at the Frankford Fire Hall.

A **MOTION** from The Welcome Group to change our Coastal Point advertisement to 'We Choose Welcome' was passed. This will also be reflected on the website.

The following Stephen Ministry **MOTIONS** were passed:

1. OVPC to become a Stephen Ministry Congregation.
2. Commission Stephen Leaders, Elaine and Dale Smith on May 20<sup>th</sup>.
3. To fund training materials for Stephen Ministers.
4. To fund Leadership Training for Pastor Terry held in Pittsburgh, August 5-11, 2018.
5. To fund Leadership Training for a member at a later date.

Pastor Terry is dedicated to Stephen Ministry as a new mission for OVPC and is funding this ministry through the First Call Leadership Program with Princeton Theological Seminary.

We received the New Castle Presbytery SPARK Ministry Grant for \$5,000.00 for new mission opportunities, to try something new and build

*Session report continued,*

partnerships with other congregations, service agencies and denominations. We will look to the congregation for ideas. More to come.

**MOTION** passed to dissolve the Mission Advocacy Team (MAT) and create a Mission Committee.

**Reminders:**

The June Session Meeting is June 11, 2018 at 7:00 PM in Fellowship Center. Our meetings are open to OVPC members. Please notify the clerk if you plan to attend.

Rev. Terry Dougherty adjourned the meeting and closed with prayer at 9:41 P.M.

The Ladies would like to thank Jim Hartsig and all the men for the wonderful Brunch on Mother's Day. A tradition we have enjoyed for many years and hope to enjoy for many more. We appreciate all the planning and effort you put forth to make Mother's Day special.

The Sewing Circle



**Are you on Facebook?** So is OVPC! Be sure to search for @oceanviewpc and "Like" the Page. Items of interest, events, and devotionals will be posted there as we seek to increase our "social media" presence.

## *Presbyterian Women in New Castle Presbytery Annual Retreat 2018*

The women of the presbytery met April 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Dunes Manor in Ocean City, Maryland. OVPC was represented by Kathy Sheetz, Liz Hobler, Sue Rizer, Sue Baer, and Cathy Yantz.

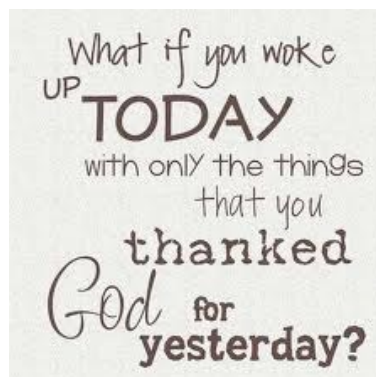
The theme this year was “The Lord is My Shepherd”. Our keynote speaker was the Rev. Jill Getty and our Bible studies were led by The Rev. Donna Bowers. We examined both good and bad shepherds in our lives, the world and in scripture. Both Jill and Donna were thought provoking and entertaining speakers.

We had a special workshop leader this year. Judy Persons the current Vice-Moderator of Mission Relation for the Presbyterian Women Churchwide Coordinating Team as well as the Moderator for Presbyterian Women in the South Alabama Presbytery led us in “Discovering your Gift for Missions”. Judy showed us how we can take and use our everyday gifts and talents in the Lord’s service.

This report cannot leave out the entertaining music and skits prepared by different circles and ladies attending the retreat. All were highly enjoyable while teaching us important lessons.

This year is the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Presbyterian Women USA. In celebration we had a beautiful cake showing Jesus as our shepherd.

Please consider joining us next year. It is a weekend full of learning, sharing, friendship, fun and worship! Come and see what a difference the Presbyterian Women are making in the lives of each other and the missions we support.





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| Steve Szlasa     | June 2  |
| Liz Hobler       | June 4  |
| Brooks Goldman   | June 11 |
| Susan Sigvardson | June 30 |



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| David & Carol Kratch         | June 6  |
| Joe & Marjorie Schaefer      | June 11 |
| George & Elsie Young         | June 14 |
| Mike & Marlene Quinn         | June 27 |
| Grayson & Charlotte Wheatley | June 29 |



Carol Kester has returned from Florida and continues to work on the prayer shawl she is knitting. It is good to have her back at YARN.



## YARN...You Are Ready to Needle...

.Knit or crochet or just watch and learn.

Join us in Fellowship Center  
the first Monday of the month from 10 am-2 pm...  
bring your lunch.

**See you on June 4th**

*Christ caring for people through people***STEPHEN  
MINISTRY**

At its May meeting, Session approved the adoption of Stephen Ministry here at OVPC. This ministry is a practical process-driven approach for equipping lay people in sharing Christ's love and healing with those who are hurting.

Later in June, we will begin our first class for the selected candidates with 50 hours of training in diverse topics such as listening, care-giving vs cure-giving, boundaries, confidentiality, prayer. These Stephen Ministers will be commissioned in the fall, when the ministry will be officially launched.

We ask for prayers of guidance for the candidates participating in this ministry, prayers for the Leaders who are teaching the material, and prayers for the successful implementation of this ministry within our congregation.

# Potluck Dinner

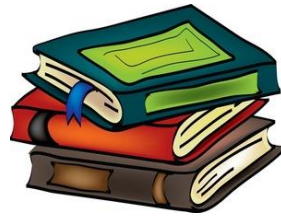
**Friday, June 1, 2018**

**6:00pm**

You're invited by the Deacons for a Potluck Dinner in Memorial Hall with guest speaker, Howard Boyd, from the **Southern Delaware Education Foundation.**

Don't miss this opportunity to learn more about this wonderful community organization!

Contact Earlene DeFazio at 302-841-4399 for more information on the 2018 Deacon's Dinner.



**Helping Those In Need Further Their Education & Training**





## *New Pentecost vestments and banner.*



### SILENT MEDITATION

**Why do you and I not act as someone who has God within us?**

**Well, like anything planted so deep, the Spirit's presence must have time to make its way into our actions, our words, our deeds. Whenever we find patches of charity or joy within ourselves, or the ability to endure hardship or injuries, when we are drawn toward mildness and modesty, then we can surely know that the Holy Spirit is at work.**

**John Foley, SJ**



**"Committed to casting the net"**

idea: for JUNE...*meeting new people as they arrive*

When visiting a Hilton Head church on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday this year, we were met by Greeters OUTSIDE the church even before we got to the front door. They welcomed us and showed us the way in

where other Greeters stood. It took all the wonder out of "Where do we go?" as we left the parking lot. Since it was raining, we were grateful for the extra attention.

Imagine being a newcomer arriving at OVPC. There are THREE buildings and an office. If you need to park in the back near the office, you might well wonder how to get into the sanctuary. And then where are the restrooms? An outside greeter or two with GREETER name tags could be very helpful, especially during the summer. A most welcoming touch.

*By Lorie Hartsig*



## *Sewing Circle*

### *Amy Peoples*

As the summer months arrive, The OVPC Sewing Circle continues to have important events, even though the last Circle meeting will be in June. Please take note of the activities and put them on your calendar. You won't want to miss a single one.

On Friday, June 1, the Deacon's will have their special Deacons Pot Luck Supper at 6 PM. Bring your favorite dish to share and enjoy the evening. The special speaker will be Howard Boyd of the Southern Delaware Education Foundation. This is the Mission of Deacons for month of June.

Monday, June 4, YARN will meet from 10-2PM for their final meeting before the summer recess. Bring your lunch and spend time with these very active ladies. Remember they can teach you how to do all sorts of sewing etc. They have so many projects going on that benefit shut-ins etc.

Wednesday, June 13, at 12 noon, The Sewing Circle will meet for its' last meeting till September. This is our special potluck lunch. Bring your favorite salad or dish to share and the executive committee will provide the desserts and refreshments. This is always a special luncheon, don't be left out.

We will be dedicating our birthday offerings at the June Sewing Circle meeting.

We have finished our Study Book and if you need one to start in September please contact

Ellen ASAP. The new study book is "God's Promise, I am with you". Bev Bailey would like to do only five lessons this year so if you would like to volunteer to step in and do any of the lessons please let Bev, Cathy, Marti, or Ellen know. We certainly do thank Bev for leading us in the Bible Study this past year.

Sunday, June 17, The Sewing Circle will host the Father's Day Coffee Hour after the church service. A sign- up sheet was passed around at the May Circle but if you would like to help in any way please contact Ellen or Marti. At this time, on behalf of the ladies of OVPC, I would like to thank the many men who gave the ladies an extra special Mother's Day Brunch. WOW! It was so nice!

As we progress through summer, please don't forget our wonderful Heavenly Luncheon, Wednesday and Thursday, July 25-26. We have already started planning for this event. Many hands are needed from OVPC and our community. It is always one of the highlights of our church year. People in the community are already making plans to attend. Contact Liz Hobler or Kathy Sheetz to volunteer for the many, many committees that are needed to make these days a success. There is a place for everyone to help!

As you can see the Sewing Circle has a lot planned. I hope you will join us and enjoy the friendship you will find. Have a safe and wonderful summer!

## *Christian Education*

### *Karen Rubin Hamilton*

Summer 2018

As is the tradition at OVPC, our educational programming will be lighter during the upcoming summer months. After worship, once each month, please join us for cookies & lemonade outside of Fellowship Center followed by a Ted Talk and conversation.

#### Schedule

Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup>

Sunday July 8<sup>th</sup>

Sunday August 12<sup>th</sup>

#### Educational Survey

As the Education Committee plans programming for the upcoming year, we would very much like your input. To assist in this, there will be a short survey distributed to the congregation in June, which will help us discern some topics for future classes. However, in order for your ideas to be included these must be returned! So, we ask that you make every effort to get your survey back to Karen Rubin-Hamilton by the date indicated on the form.

**“Be like a flower and turn your face to the sun.”**  
**- Kahlil Gibran**

*When a Con Man Calls*  
*frauds using false identities are on the rise*

#### **The Bank Verifier**

“There’s a data problem with your checking account. Please verify this information so we can confirm things and fix there error.”

#### **The Long Distance Lover**

“I’m from the Veterans Administration and you are entitled as an ex soldier to benefits from the program. I just need to know...”

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[aarp.org/fraudwatchnetwork](http://aarp.org/fraudwatchnetwork)

## *Summer Lunches for Children*

### *Lorie Hartsig*

OVPC has received this notice from JOAN KING, Food Pantry Task Force, Community Lutheran Church, 302-732-1156:

Community Lutheran Church would like to partner with other churches in providing children with a bagged lunch containing two kid-friendly meals once or twice a week. After meeting with Jan Bomhardt, Clayton Elementary Guidance Counselor, we have settled on two local housing areas where the need appears to be the greatest. Our plan is to set a day and time that the lunches will be available and set up at the entrance to the park at that time (Pepper Ridge and Thorogood's Trailer Parks). Kids can walk or ride bikes there and pick up a lunch. We will prepare a flyer in English and Spanish that the school will distribute at the end of the school year to children living in the park(s).

CLC ran a similar program last summer, distributing about forty lunches a week. The lunch items were in white bakery bags that members of the congregation had decorated with drawings and friendly messages.

The program was known as White Bag Lunches and was very well received by kids and parents alike. Each bag cost about \$3.00 to put together. We hope to begin this ministry by mid- June.

If interested in helping to assemble the bags or to distribute the lunches, please contact Joan.



**The ladies of OVPC invite all to join in celebrating Father's Day on June 15. Join us after church for a fellowship brunch.**



## *Photogenic Jim Hartsig*

### **Church Clean Up Day**



**Remembering those  
who have served.**

## Photogenic Jim Hartsig

### Mother's Day Brunch



### Another ramp project completed



## *Friday Night At The Movies*



### FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

Join us Friday June 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 at Bob and Elaine Wolf's home to share a potluck supper followed by a showing of 'All Saints'. Please note the change in schedule so we can all attend the Deacon Dinner on June 1<sup>st</sup>.

This 2017 film stars John Corbett is the true story of Michael Spurlock a newly ordained Episcopal priest whose first call was to All Saints Church in Smyrna Tennessee - his mission - to close the church. Enter a group of refugees from Burma (Myanmar) and a small community suddenly becomes very diverse --- can this help change the fate of the church?

If you are interested in hosting movie night, or have a special movie request, please contact Bob Wolf. Remember that you can be a host without having the movie at your home ---

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