



OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JULY/AUGUST 2014



✧ Transition Team ✧

Jen Read

The Session of Ocean View Presbyterian Church will invite an interim pastor to preach the word, administer the Sacraments, and fulfill pastoral duties while we are seeking a permanent pastor. A key advantage to the work of an interim pastor is the objectivity that comes with the temporary nature of that pastor's service. We are seeking an interim pastor who has been trained in this special role and will help us:

- deal with all the feelings that accompany the departure of a pastor, such as grief, anger,
- relief, confusion, and anxiety.
- think about the church and its ministry in the past, present, and future.
- deal with any problems before a new minister is called.
- help us recruit and prepare for a new minister.

At the June 9 Session meeting a Transition Team was created to begin this process. Elder Jennifer Read was asked to lead the team. Deacon Ollie Robling and Members-at-Large Lorie Hartsig, Dick Peoples, and Bev Bailey were asked to serve on the team. Within a few days every person invited had readily agreed to serve on the Transition Team.

This group was given two important tasks: Present a slate of candidates to Session for the position of Interim Pastor, and support that person until s/he is comfortable in the new role at our church. Guided by the Commission on Ministry at New Castle Presbytery, the team is writing a job description to be disseminated to interested candidates and preparing to interview all applicants. In addition, they plan to hear each qualified candidate preach before names are presented to Session. The team hopes that all of this can be done by Labor Day, but they request our prayers as they pursue this critical beginning of big changes for our church.

"Until we get an interim pastor, Herb Sheetz is coordinating emergency response to calls for pastoral care. Herb has a telephone list of members who will assist him in responding to needs of an emergency nature within our congregation. Call Herb at [\(302\) 539-2827.](tel:3025392827)"

Heavenly Lunch
Liz Hobler

Heavenly Lunch
Wednesday and Thursday
July 23 and 24, 2014
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Lots of volunteer opportunities are available
call Liz at 302-541-0487.**



The flyer is on the next page. Please copy and post it in the community.



**Ocean View
Presbyterian
Church**

67 Central Avenue
Ocean View, DE 19970

Service
Sunday, 9:30 A.M.

Pastor
Kerry Shull

Church Office
302-539-3455

Website
ovpc.org

Session
Carole Trent
Karen Colwill
Don Bailey
Bob Wolf
Jennifer Read
Herb Sheetz

Deacons
Mike Read
Jane Sergison
Jim Hartsig
Bill Colwill
Amy Peoples
Ollie Robling

Newsletter Editors
Lorie and Jim Hartsig
Send submissions to:
newsletter@ovpc.org



HEAVENLY LUNCH - HARD TO BEAT

OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MEMORIAL HALL

CENTRAL AVENUE & CHURCH AVENUE
(Near Rt. 26 intersection)

DELICIOUS and HOMEMADE

CALIFORNIA CHICKEN SALAD

AN ARRAY OF

FRESH FRUIT, CAESAR SALAD, PASTA SALAD, ROLLS

BEVERAGES & DESSERT (Homemade brownies)
(\$12.00)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 AND THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2014

11 AM TO 2 PM

Ample Parking & Tour Chatter

PROCEEDS BENEFIT LOCAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS
&
OUR NEW MISSION PROJECT, WATER 4 -Wells for Northern Zambia

★HAPPY★
BIRTHDAY!

Happy
Anniversary

Gary Baer	July 4	Lorraine Smith	Aug 2
Dick Peoples	July 10	Sherry Moore	Aug 10
Bob Stamp	July 12	Sara Fitzgerald	Aug 13
Bev Bailey	July 14	Edna Ewing	Aug 15
Bill Yantz	July 23	Buzz Henifin	Aug 23
Kathy Hofsiss	July 24	Jamie Martinez	Aug 27
Ed Hiner	July 29	George Young	Aug 28

Susan and Gary Baer	July 10
Cathy and Bill Yantz	July 13
Jane and Dave Sergison	July 23
Bev and Don Bailey	July 27
Liz and Bruce Hobler	Aug 14
Alice and Harry Woodruff	Aug 20
Lorraine and Harry Smith	Aug 25
Amy and Dick Peoples	Aug 28
Mary Ann and Oliver Robling	Aug 28

Beach Bonfire



When: **Friday, August 15, 2014**

Time: **6 PM.**

Where: Over the dune on Houston Street, Fenwick Island

Provided: Condiments, ingredients for s'mores, cups, plates, etc

Bring: Chairs or blanket to sit on, hot dogs & buns, your drinks, & a side dish to share.

Help: If you want to help, set-up will be at 5:30.

Comments: Drop your belongings off by the dune & we will direct you to parking.

Bring along family or house guests.

It's never too early to pray for good weather.

Contact: Marlene and Mike Quinn 302-537-1523

Session Notes

Earlene DeFazio

The Session met on June 9, 2014, Jerry Egger served as Moderator.

The Session met with Jim Hartsig, chairman of the Cemetery Committee. Jim reported on recent inquiries and sales of columbarium niches and plots, the balance of the cemetery checking account and the contract for lawn mowing.

The Session also received a report on the June 3 Presbytery meeting from Bev Bailey.

Commissioners for General Assembly were presented. An inquirer, Jennine Money was examined and advanced to Candidate stage. The retirement of three pastors was celebrated the three retiring pastors included Kerry Shull. Gary Baer gave a wonderful description of Kerry's ministry.

Karen gave an update on pulpit supply.

We discussed how to handle emergency pastoral situations from now until we have an interim pastor. Herb Sheetz will be the contact person for emergency pastoral situations; he will then contact the appropriate person.

The Transition Team consisting of Jennifer Read, Ollie Robling, Bev Bailey, Dick Peoples and Lorie Hartsig, requested guidelines from Session about specific skills/gifts wanted in candidates for our interim pastor. The team was to have their first meeting on June 12th.

Usually the Session takes a vacation in the month of July; since there is a great deal going on and much business to be done at OVPC, the Session has scheduled to meet on July 21, 2014.

The meeting was adjourned with prayer at 9:20 p.m.

International Students' Cook-out

Jen Read

For the past two years we have hosted a summer cook-out for the college students who come from all over the world to work in our area for the summer. This year we are going to co-host the cook-out with St. Martha's Episcopal Church. Each church will provide workers and food for the event, and St. Martha's will provide the venue in their beautiful new community building.

The date hasn't been set yet....it looks like late July or early August. We'll be back in the newsletter as soon as we know more. In the meantime, be thinking about it and call Jen Read (302) 539-0533 if you are interested in planning, cooking, hosting, or just coming along to join the fun!



Deacon's Report

Mike Read

The deacons have a balance on hand of almost a thousand dollars for mission work. We plan to hold onto that until our interim minister is in place because if there are emergencies within our congregation, that money may be needed.

The Minute for Mission in July will be Heifer International. A deacon will explain this organization during service on June 29.

All Pyle Center goods collected in May were delivered.

Deacons do not usually meet in July but might this year if there is a need in our congregation. In the meantime, we will continue keeping up with members who are in need of prayers, meals, help of any kind.

The deacons are thinking about the expanding needs of Ocean View Presbyterian Church as our church changes and grows. We want to meet those needs with compassion and energy and insight.

Several OVPC members or their family members are undergoing surgery or are recovering from surgery. The Deacons will keep the church informed with progress updates as they become available.

OVPC once again responded well to the afternoon hymn sing at Renaissance Center on Sunday, June 8. We will revert to our normal schedule of every fourth Sunday in July. Our next hymn sing will be on July 27.

Introducing . . .

Kathleen B. Rhodes

I have been a professional church musician for 50 years and am following in both my father's and grandmother's footsteps. My father has retired as a choir director and organist but still sings in the church choir. I have served in Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches.

My husband, Dennis and I have two children and three granddaughters. We moved here in 1999 from New Jersey (where most of my family still lives) and we currently reside in Cedar Landing. My daughter and her family live in Lawrenceville, NJ and my son and his family live in Claymont, DE.

I left St. Martha's Episcopal Church in Bethany Beach in 2012 after 13 years there as the Parish Musician where I directed the Chancel Choir and Bell Choir as well as serving as organist.

I am delighted to be on the staff of OVPC as choir director and love filling in as substitute organist. The congregation and choir have been very welcoming and I feel enfolded into the fabric of the church. OVPC is a wonderful singing church. It is fabulous to hear the music that comes from the congregation on a Sunday morning – not to mention that you folks know how to throw a great party.



Books, Books, Books!

When Kerry retired and cleaned out his office there were many books collected throughout the years (and some that may have already been here) that remained behind. Betsy Henifin and Carol Kratch have done an excellent job sorting through what was left behind splitting them between those of historical significance, those related to the Blackwater Presbyterian Church, and those that will be sold at the annual Fall Jumble. There are still a lot of books remaining that are available to anyone wanting to give them a good home. We also want to start a Church Library, so please stop by the office and take a look and see what you might want to take home and what you think would be suitable for our library. Simply take what you want and move any book you feel should be included in our library to the shelves designated for that purpose. On July 7th anything remaining will be boxed up and recycled.



At Sunday School they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Little Johnny seemed especially intent when they told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and she said, 'Johnny, what is the matter?' Little Johnny responded, 'I have pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife.'

**Oh, the summer night
Has a smile of light
And she sits on a sapphire throne.
~Barry Cornwall**

Pastoral Transition

If you are interested in having a copy of the PowerPoint presentation prepared by Reid Beveridge outlining the steps that will be taken in calling our next Pastor, please contact Bob Wolf. If you do not want an electronic version of it we will be glad to print it for you.

Here are some of the Guest Pastors that will lead worship in the upcoming weeks.

July 6	Jerry Egger
July 13	Marge Egger
July 27	Tom Stout
August 17	Kathie Pownall
August 24	Jackie Taylor

Caramel & Chocolate Bars *from Marlene Quinn*

Crust

2 cups flour
1 cup firmly packed brown sugar
½ cup butter, softened
1 cup pecan halves

Caramel layer

⅔ cup butter
½ cup firmly packed brown sugar

Top layer

1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips



Heat oven to 350°F. combine crust ingredients except pecans in a large bowl. Beat at medium speed until mixture resembles fine crumbs. Press into bottom of a undressed 13x9 inch baking pan. Place pecans evenly over unbanked crust.

Combine ⅔ cup butter and ½ cup brown sugar in 1 quart saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly until mixture reached a boil. Continue cooking and stirring 1 minute. Pour mixture evenly over crust and pecans.

Bake 18-22 minutes until entire caramel layer is bubbly. Be careful not to over bake. Remove from oven. Immediately sprinkle with chocolate chips. Allow to melt slightly. Swirl melted chips over bars. Cool completely. Cut into bars.

Ovarian Cancer Awareness

As some of you may know, my mom, Amy Hiner, was diagnosed with ovarian cancer right before Thanksgiving. It is time for me to make a difference! I am proud to be the Team Captain of Team teAMY! at the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition Central Maryland Chapter's Run/Walk to Break the Silence on Ovarian Cancer being held on September 21, 2014.

Proceeds from this event support the NOCC's mission to save lives by fighting tirelessly to prevent and cure ovarian cancer, and to improve the quality of life for survivors.

I would like to personally invite you to join me. Team teAMY's goal is to raise \$2,000 dollars, and we can do it with the help of supporters like you.

If you cannot attend the event, please consider making a secure, tax-deductible donation online.

Please be sure to indicate that your registration or donation is directed to Team teAMY.

I hope you can join us!

[Please click here to donate if you can! Love and thanks!](#)



Buildings and Grounds

Buzz Henifin

Building and Grounds had an outstanding turn out for the Spring Work Day. Thirty four hardy gardeners and worker bees armed with shovels, rakes, plastic bags cleaned up the gardens and grounds of the Church and Cemetery. Bob Wolf, Bruce Hobler and George Young hauled the yard waste to Debbie's organic farm, next door to the fire house on Route 20. Bruce and Bob returned with loads of mulch from McCarthy's Stones. The mulch was delivered to the various garden locations and spread neatly around the trees, bushes and trees. Hey you all, the place looks great, thank you.

Of course the inside workers deserve a pat on the back. Probably few noticed Herb Sheetz crawling around the floor of the Sanctuary ensuring all the pews were properly fastened to the FLOOR so when the congregation stands, the pew in front of them doesn't come loose and sets them down again. (Buzz has a hard time saying floor because what you walk in any structure is DECK to him)

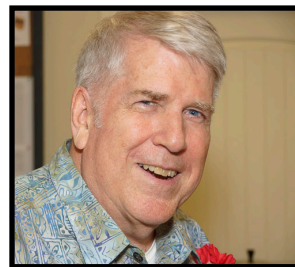
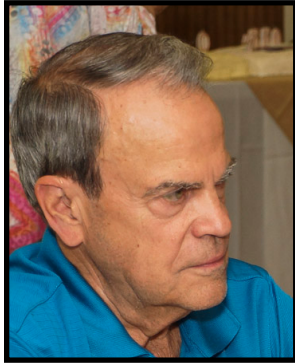
Other inside workers replaced many light bulbs in the Memorial Hall kitchen, restrooms, and hall way Don Bailey, was up and down the ladder to replace all the ventilation filters in all the buildings. In actually he was also the ladder man for the bulb replacement also. The ladies washed the lens covers to all the lights.

Additionally the ladies did a magnificent job scrubbing the rails around the ramp and stairs leading to the Sanctuary.

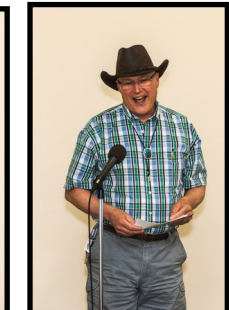
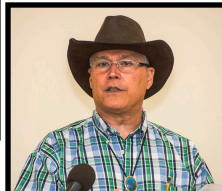
And last but very important to Betsy Henifin and her crew for setting up and providing food and drink for the lunch break

B&G thanks all who worked and participated in a great Spring Work Day. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

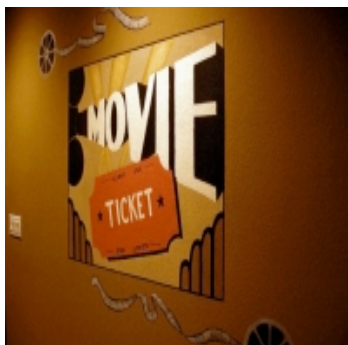
Birthdays Party



Kerry's Retirement Party



Friday Night At The Movies



Our July movie will be held on Friday the 11th so everyone can enjoy their Independence Day Holiday! Please join us at the Wolf's house for a showing of the 1996 film 'White Squall'. We will start with a potluck at 5:30 followed by dessert at 6:30 and the movie at 7:00. We welcome you to join us for all or any part of the evening.

Based on the true story of the final voyage of the 'Albatross' this film depicts what happened when a crew of 'boys' grew into men, became comrades, and faced tragedy together – Aboard this vessel was 'The Ocean Academy' – a floating classroom run by Christopher Sheldon (who would later become the first Latin America Peace Corps director) and his wife Alice. Not only was this a school for the common curricula it also was a stage for learning some of life's most important lessons.

Because there is no Newsletter scheduled for August, the movie will be announced via email and announcements in church.

If you have a special request for a movie, please let Bob Wolf know and we will do our best to obtain it.

