

OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

67 Central Ave., Ocean View DE 19970

June 2, 2024



*Infinite Love, where'er we turn our eyes
Appears: this ev'ry creature's wants supplies;
This most is heard in Nature's constant voice,
This makes the morn, and this the eve rejoice;
This bids the fost'ring rains and dews descend
To nourish all, and serve one gen'ral end,
The good of man: yet man ungrateful pays
But little homage, and but little praise.
To God, whose works array'd with mercy shine,
What songs should rise, how constant, how divine!*

Phillis Wheatley

THIS WEEK'S CHURCH CALENDAR

Church Security person(s) for this week is: Mike and Jen
Read for Sunday and for Evenings

SUNDAY JUNE 2	Worship Service – 9:30 am (S) AA Mtg. 8:00 – 9:00 pm (FC)
MONDAY JUNE 3	YARN – 10:00 am – 1:00 pm – (FC)
TUESDAY JUNE 4	Bible Study – 10 am – 12:00 pm (FC) Seaside Serenity 6:45 – 8:00 pm (FC)
WEDNESDAY JUNE 5	AARP Choir Practice – 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (FC) Choir Rehearsal – 6:30 – 7:30 pm (S)
THURSDAY JUNE 6	Shuffles Bridge – 11:00 am – 5:00 pm (FC) AA Young – 7:00 – 9:00 pm (MH)
FRIDAY JUNE 7	AA Serenity Group 11:30 am – 1:30 pm (FC)
SATURDAY JUNE 8	Yoga – 8:15 am – 9:45 am (FC) Nar. Anonymous – 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm (FC)
SUNDAY JUNE 9	Worship Service – 9:30 am (S) AARP Community Event – 1:30 – 4:00 pm AA Mtg. 8:00 – 9:00 pm (FC) Lemonade on the Porch/TED Talk – 10:45 – Noon (FC)

RINGING OF THE BELLS

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC / SILENT MEDITATION/PRELUDE

WELCOME

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Tim Graves (adapted)

L: We do not proclaim ourselves;

C: we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord!

L: For God has shone light in our hearts,

C: to give knowledge of the glory of God.

ALL: the Lord's name be praised! Let us worship our God!

HYMN: 409 God is Here

GATHERING PRAYER

CONFESSION

Hardened hearts grieve our God. Let us confess our sins before God and our neighbor, and may God soften our hearts and guide our feet in faithfulness.

God of the outstretched arm, though you lead us into freedom, we choose again and again the chains of sin. Forgive us, we pray, for bowing to the false gods of our time. Forgive our self-interest, our legalism, our callousness. Heal us where we are withered, in hand or heart or faith. Stretch us beyond what we have imagined, that we may live

as you intend. **This we pray in Jesus' name, who came to set us free. AMEN.**

*******Silent Confession*******

We are clay jars with a treasure within; a treasure that is from God.

We are not left crushed, despairing, forsaken or destroyed. The life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ is visible and at work in us; thanks be to God!

The peace of Christ be with you all!

And also with you!

Let us exchange glad signs of Christ's peace!

CENTERING MUSIC: 519 You Are My Strength When I Am Weak

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OT READING Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18 (P. 552; p. 557)

EPISTLE READING 2 Corinthians 4: 5-12 (P. 170; p. 1012)

ANTHEM: **Jesus, Messiah**

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 2: 23 – 3: 6 (P. 35; p. 884)

L: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON Human...kind?

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God, the Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin, Mary, suffered under

Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day, He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Almighty.

From there He shall come again, to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting; Amen.

CONCERNS AND JOYS

Please email, text or call your concerns directly to Pastor Terry at:
Cell: 862-432-1196, Office: 302-539-3455 or tdougherty@ovpc.org

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Our element of bread includes gluten-free wafers (in a plastic sleeve).

Our cup is grape juice, except for pale wine in the center.

*I had been hungry, all the years, my noon had come, to dine;
I trembling drew the table near, and touched the curious wine –
‘Twas this on tables I had seen, when turning, hungry, home
I looked in windows for the wealth I could not hope – for mine
I did not know the ample bread – ‘twas so unlike the crumb
The birds and I had often shared, in nature’s dining room.
The plenty hurt me; ‘twas so new; myself felt ill, and odd
As berry of a mountain bush transplanted, to the road
Nor was I hungry; so I found that hunger was a way
Of persons outside windows; the entering takes away.*

Emily Dickinson

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Shall I love God for causing me to be?

I was mere utterance; shall these words love me?

Yet when I caused God's work to jar or stammer,

And one free subject loosened all God's grammar,

I love God, that God did not in a rage

Once and forever rule me off the page,

But, thinking I might come to please God yet,

Crossed out *delete* and wrote God's patient *stet*.

Richard Wilbur

{for non-Latinists, "stet" translates "he/she/it stays"}

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth
are filled with your glory! Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is
the One who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the
highest; hosanna in the highest.**

None other Lamb, none other Name, none other hope in heaven or
earth or sea,

None other Hiding-place from guilt and shame, None beside Thee.

My faith burns low, my hope burns low, Only my heart's desire cries out in me;

By the deep thunder of its want and woe, Cries out to thee.

Lord, Thou art life tho' I be dead; Love's fire Thou art, however cold I be:

Nor heaven have I, nor place to lay my head, Nor home, but Thee.

(Christina Georgina Rossetti)

This Jesus, who came, and comes, when we are most in need, is with us today, in the same way and for the same purposes – saving purposes – that he was with the people of His hometown and His native land and His native faith. On the night He faced arrest, and worse to follow, Jesus did not leave. Instead, he took supper with His friends, to assure them He would never forsake them, or us. Before supper, He took bread, blessed it and broke it, then gave it to His disciples, saying “Take and eat, all of you. This is my body, broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, blessed it, and shared it to His disciples, saying “This cup is the cup of the new covenant, sealed in my blood. Drink it, all of you; and every time you do, do so remembering me”. Friends, every time we eat and drink in this way, we declare our Lord's death, til He comes again. Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ died. Christ rose. Christ will come again.

Anyone who has waded through Love's turbulent waters, now feeling hunger and now satiety, is untouched by the season of withering or blooming, for in the deepest and most dangerous

waters, on the highest peaks, Love is always the same (*Hadewich of Antwerp*). God, you are Love. By your Holy Spirit, fall upon these elements with love, fall upon us with love, bring us into your love. Amen.

THE LORDS PRAYER

*{we will partake of the elements together; first the bread, and then
the cup}*

The body of Christ, given for you.

Thanks be to God.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Thanks be to God!

Let us pray: **Gracious God, having tasted your love, we can never be the same! We are your own; send us as love into your world.**

AMEN.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

DOXOLOGY: 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

DEDICATION

HYMN: 157 Lord of the Dance

CHARGE

BLESSING

POSTLUDE

We kindly request the congregation remain seated and quiet during the postlude.



We respectfully remind you of the ongoing expenses of our ministry, and of our beautiful campus. Please continue to donate. We can receive your donation by regular mail, online via PayPal or if you would like to drop your donation off, come to the office Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and drop it in the mailbox outside of the office.

“May our gifts be a source of light, in a world that has learned to love darkness.”

Prayer List

John Burris	Alex Rhodes	Dottie Nicholson
Charlotte Wheatley	Family of Elaine Jackson Ruth Schafer	Peggy Schaffer Family of Elsie Young
Mo Gittman (Maureen)	Family of Dick Regester	Pam Price & Family
Family of Dick Peoples	Jeff Neihammer Norbert Kraich	Pastor Bruce Gillette
The Family of Janice Parris Pat Robinson	Flora Beaver Judy Reich	Francis Carbine Andrea Miller
Sarah & Chelsea, Jeanette Lyons Daughters	Ray Keller, Sr.	Carol Kratch

Prayer requests will be kept on this list in the bulletin for three months unless the office hears otherwise.

If you need prayer for whatever reason, call Kathy Sheetz (302-539-2827) to initiate a chain of prayers. Please contact the office at 302-539-3455 or email office@ovpc.org to update the prayer list! Thank you!

Our live streaming services will begin at 9:20 with pre-service music with worship beginning at 9:25. If you happen to miss us live, please visit our YouTube page so you can worship with the recorded version.

LITURGIST: Bev Bailey

SCRIPTURE READERS: Kathy Sheetz

GREETERS – Ellen Neumann & Marti Sommer

SANCTUARY FLOWERS – donated by Sue Sigvardson– celebrating her nephews Brian & Kevin born on the same day 9 hours apart.

Announcements 6/2/2024

This Week

- **AARP Concert-** June 9th in MH, 2:00 pm
- **Diane Brown Change in Office Hrs.** – During June, July & August, I will be working Monday – Wednesday.
- **Blessing Bags Ministry** - To all those who contributed to the Blessing Bags ministry this school year, I lift up prayers of gratitude. This truly is a case of "little things mean a lot." Little things that we take for granted, like shampoo, body wash, deodorant, tooth paste and toothbrushes, combs and brushes, and shelf-safe food items and snacks are appreciated more than you know by the children and their families at Selbyville Middle School. On May 29th, I made my final delivery to the school until classes begin again in September. The end-of-school-year delivery is usually my largest, because my contact, Ms. Pam Davis, sends the children home for the summer with many of the items I delivered. Your generosity warms my heart. Thank you. Marie Waehler
- **New Bibles** - Ocean View Presbyterian Church has purchased 50 Bibles for the congregation to use. They will be put in pew racks throughout the sanctuary. These Bibles are available for dedication in memory or honor of a loved one. For a donation, you can have your loved one's

name on a book plate that will be placed inside the front cover of the Bible along with your name as the donor. Please speak to Diane in the office or any member of the worship committee to make these arrangements.

Eric Neumann, Susie Baer, Kathy Sheetz,
Jane Bonbright & Jen Read

Future Events

- Next Week! Join us after worship on 6/9 for our first summer Lemonade on the Porch followed by a TED talk, fellowship and discussion! We will be looking at how what might be considered absurdity helps us connect with each other and even start movements and how we view our time also plays a role in that connection.
- **Father's Day Brunch** – June 16 following service sponsored by the Women of the Church.

Ongoing Events

- **Scripture Readers Needed** - We need volunteers to read. Please contact the office at 302-539-3455 if you are interested. Thank you.
- **Food Pantry** – Non-Perishable Items Request:

Spaghetti Noodles	Spaghetti Sauce
Canned Vegetables	Canned Soup
Canned Tuna	Peanut Butter
Jelly	Cereal/Oatmeal
Canned Fruit	Mac & Cheese
- To work in Cemetery, contact Mike Read and Frankford Thrift Shop, Elaine Wolf.
- While masking and social distancing is no longer mandatory, please respect those who wish to continue to do so. OVPC will continue to supply a mask if needed.
- **Announcements:** All announcements are due to the office by Monday prior to the date you want it published.
- **Volunteers Needed:**

Security - Couples can work together. Can you donate a half hour in the evening for one week to do church security? Training is available, contact Jim Hartsig at 301-247-1747. Diane, our church Administrative Assistant issues an email every other month requesting people to sign up for a week of doing security. Once signed up you can check the church calendar, on the church's website at OVPC.org to see what time the last user of the facility is done so you can start security. Email Diane at office@ovpc.org to get your name on the email scheduling list.

Greeters - If you are interested in volunteering, please use the sign-up sheet in the back of the church or call Pam Dougherty. Thank you!

New Initiatives

The Deacons are "sponsoring" the June 9th AARP Choir concert in Memorial Hall. The Deacons will be providing light refreshments after the concert.

Cookie donations requested!



The Deacons need HELP!! AARP choir is singing on Sunday, June 9th, Memorial Hall at 2:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served after the concert. Please let me know if you can provide cookies for the fellowship after this concert. Cookies should be delivered to church no later than June 9th at 12:00 p.m.

Deacon's Missions for June 2024

Sussex Community Crisis Housing (Crisis House) and Pyle Center

Crisis House is an emergency shelter for homeless men, women and children primarily in Sussex County but they will accept admissions from throughout the state. It is a 30-day emergency program with comprehensive cost-free services. NEW items that are accepted for the Crisis House and Transitional Housing Programs: Towels and wash cloths; Twin bed sheets, blankets and pillows;

Toiletries and personal items for men, women and children; Kitchen supplies, cookware, utensils, bowls, storage containers; Cleaning supplies and laundry soap; Paper towels, toilet paper and facial tissues; Coffee, tea, sugar, powdered drink mix; Office Supplies; Any and all food donations are always welcome!

Drop off Location: 110 N. Railroad Avenue Georgetown, DE 19947
Phone: 302-856-2246

Please remember to consider monetary, time, or goods to Crisis Center during the month of June. Note "Crisis House" on memo line of checks.

Also, for your consideration, the Pyle Center is in need of monetary donations.

You can see on the Website and Newsletter the work of the Pyle Center.

If you choose to donate to this worthy organization during the month of June, place your check made payable to OVPC in the collection, with "Pyle Center" in the Memo Line.

For any questions on either one of these missions, please Email Deacon Sue Sigvardson on suesig77@gmail.com. Thank you very much for your attention and generosity.



AARP CONCERT

Ocean View Presbyterian Church
Memorial Hall
June 9, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.



Start your summer concert series listening with the AARP Choir. AARP has five performances scheduled between May 31 and June 18. OVPC will be the third concert in this series. Musical selections will include selections from *The Sound of Music*, George Gershwin, Cole Porter, *Riversong*, *Beyond the Rain and Rivers* and *Wade in the Water*. The Choir has between 25 - 30 people singing for the concert. Hope to see you at OVPC!

Free will offering to support the Sharing Pantry

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