

OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

67 Central Ave., Ocean View DE 19970

August 14, 2022

Parable 5



SILENT MEDITATION

This world is like a vestibule before the world to come. Prepare yourself in the vestibule for the meeting in the banquet hall!

One hour of repentance and good deeds in this world is better than the whole life of the world to come; but one hour of comfort in the world to come is better than the whole life of this world!

Rabbi Jacob; Mishna Abot 4. 16-17

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PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC / SILENT MEDITATION/PRELUDE

WELCOME

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy Townley

L: Come; the banquet of hope and praise is ready!

C: We come on your invitation, seeking to be fed.

L: Feed on the love of God in Jesus Christ.

C: We come on your invitation, needing healing.

L: Be healed by God's gracious mercy.

C: We come on your invitation, longing for forgiveness.

ALL: Love, healing and forgiveness are here, praise be to God!

*HYMN: 503

Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation

GATHERING PRAYER

CONFESSION

God of grace, you invite us to a banquet, and we don't even respond. You set us a place at the table, but we find excuses not to come. You lovingly prepare for our arrival, yet we ignore your efforts. Let us confess our sins before God and our neighbor.

God of creation, you give us a world capable of abundance, but we act as if it is a world of scarcity. You give us the resources and the intelligence to provide for all, yet we lack the will and the vision to feed all your children. Forgive us, God, for filling our plates while others go hungry. God of love, you call us to be the body of Christ in the world, but we hoard the blessings

of communion for ourselves. Instead of loving our neighbors, we are consumed by the love of self. Instead of loving you, we bow before idols of our own making. Forgive us, God. God of hope, we avert our eyes when we see hunger or need; we close our ears to the cries of the poor and oppressed; we refuse to let our minds be opened to the realities of the world; we refuse to let our hearts overflow with love and compassion.

(John Vest)

*******Silent confession*******

Jesus Christ has stood alone before God, pleading for our salvation. In the mercy of Christ, we are robed in righteousness and welcomed to the banquet of heaven

Thanks be to God!

CENTERING MUSIC

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 25: 1-9 (P. 619; p. 623)

PSALM READING Psalm 106: 1-6; 19-23 (P. 534; p. 540)

ANTHEM

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 22: 1-14 (P. 22; p. 873)

L: The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON The Shroud Over All People

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *Affirmation Creed; Bruce Prewer;
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The life, death, resurrection and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering, so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences of the church's own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ, and the hope of His coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord. 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 LORDS PRAYER

MINUTE FROM SESSION

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY: 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**

***DEDICATION**

***HYMN: 299 You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim**

CHARGE

BLESSING

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.”

LITURGIST – Bev Bailey

SCRIPTURE READER – Bev Bailey

GREETER – Gloria & Randy Bartholomew

SANCTUARY FLOWERS - Donated by Dale Smith to celebrate Elaine’s birthday.

Prayer List

John Burris	Tracy Higdon	Dottie Nicholson
Khaled & Nouha Dabaj, their Children, and Mother Nohad	Elaine Jackson	Keith Peoples
Danna Henderson	The Family of Dave Kratch	Dick Regester
Charlotte Wheatley	The Family of Laurie Linard	Alex Rhodes
The Family of Terry Parmelee	Jeff Neihammer	Ron Steen
The Family of Peggy Wivel	The Family of Carole Trent	Tracey Yeager
Jimmy Mootz	Dr. Stephen Steurer & Family	Robert Poetsch
Mike Muschiatti	The Family of Janice Parris	Pat Robinson
Robert Miller	Debi Babcock	

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, Sue Sigvardson at 302-858-1238 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.

Announcements 8/14/2022

This Week

- Ray Keeney is nominated to serve the remainder of a first year of a second three-year term replacing Marti Sommer. Special Meeting of the Congregation to elect Church Officer is August 21, 2022.
- Reminder: Newsletter deadline is August 20, 2022.

Future Events

- Aging in Place Specialist – OVPC – 8/25/2022, 8:30am–4:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Please call 302-444-8318 to schedule an appointment. Additional information is listed on the flyer in the Foyer.

Ongoing Events

- While masking is no longer mandatory, please respect those who wish to continue to mask. Social distancing is no longer required, please respect those who wish to continue to distance. For those who wish to continue to wear masks, OVPC will continue to supply them if needed. These changes have been made in response to the relaxation of restrictions by the state of Delaware, the drop in the Sussex County infection rate and the installation of the 2 REME Halo air purifiers in the Sanctuary.
- **Monthly Work Day:** The monthly work day for 2022 is the **second Saturday of the month.**
- **Blessing Bags:** Drop off needed items in Narthex of Memorial Hall (lists available there). See Marie Waehler for additional information.
- **Announcements:** All announcements are due to the office by Monday prior to the date you want it published.
- **Greeters needed for Sunday worship** – If you are interested in volunteering, please use the sign-up sheet in the back of the church. Thank you!

- **OVPC Security Volunteers Needed** - not gender specific, 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.
- **Sharing Pantry:** We need help to stock the pantry. OVPC encourages you to drop off needed items during office hours. Contact Ellen Neumann for information.

We're looking for food donations on the following schedule:

- **Week 1** – Cereal / cans of fruit / fruit cups
- **Week 2** – Canned Tuna, Chicken, Ham / chunky soup
- **Week 3** – Peanut butter / jelly
- **Week 4** – Pasta sauce / Mac & Cheese cups / pasta noodles

Please place donations in the basket in the sanctuary or the container by the office.

No time to shop - \$\$ DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME. Make checks payable to OVPC & write "Sharing Pantry" in the memo line. Thank You!!

Looking Ahead – The Lectionary for Sunday August 14, 2022 is:

- Matthew 20: 1-16
- Jonah 3: 10-4:11
- Psalm 105: 1-6; 37-45

New Initiatives

- **Deacon's Mission for August: Pyle Center Emergency Fund** - The Pyle Center Emergency Fund is the Deacon's monthly mission for the month of August. The process for securing funds from the Emergency Fund is as follows:

A Pyle Center social worker completes a form that is sent to the Ministerium Emergency Fund. Funds are used primarily for rent, utilities, and/or medical expenses. Funds cannot be used for food purchases. Regulations require that subsidies not exceed \$500 and can only be requested once per year per family. The budget for the Emergency Fund is developed through donations and Grants.

The Deacons ask you to prayerfully consider your gift to the Emergency Fund.

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THIS WEEK'S CHURCH CALENDAR

Church Security person for this week is Jim Hartsig

SUNDAY	August 14 Worship Service – 9:30 am (S) TED Talk – Christian Ed. – 10:30 – 12:00 (FC)
MONDAY	August 15 Christian Ed. Com. – 5:00 – 6:30 pm (FC)
TUESDAY	August 16
WEDNESDAY	August 17 Worship Com. 1:30 – 3:00 pm (FC)
THURSDAY	August 18 A Quiet Place 6:00 – 6:30 pm (S)
FRIDAY	August 19
SATURDAY	August 20