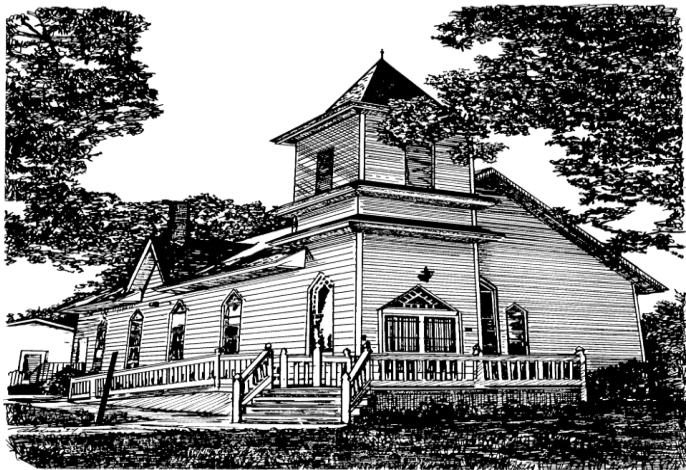


OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

67 Central Ave., Ocean View DE 19970

September 10, 2023



SILENT MEDITATION

Community is mutual vulnerability and openness one to the other. It is liberation for both, indeed, where both are allowed to be themselves, where both are called to grow in greater freedom and openness to others and to the universe.

L'Arche Community

THIS WEEK'S CHURCH CALENDAR

Church Security person(s) for this week is: Marie & Jim Waehler for
Sunday and Gloria & Randy Bartholomew for Evenings

SUNDAY	Sept 10 Worship Service – 9:30 am (S) Lemonade on the Porch & TED Talk with Bob Wolf– 10:45 am
MONDAY	Sept 11 Session Mtg. – 7:00 – 9:00 pm (FC)
TUESDAY	Sept 12 Bible Study – 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (FC)
WEDNESDAY	Sept 13 Women's Circle – 11:30 – 3:30 pm (MH) Choir Rehearsal – 6:30 – 7:30 pm (S)
THURSDAY	Sept 14
FRIDAY	Sept 15
SATURDAY	Sept 16 Weekly Work Day – 9:30 – 11:30 am
SUNDAY	Sept 17 Worship Service – 9:30 am (S)

RINGING OF THE BELLS

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC / SILENT MEDITATION/PRELUDE

WELCOME

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** *Liturgies from Below; Claudio Carvalhaes*

L: Hear, God's people!

C: You shall love God with all your heart, and all your soul, and all your might!

L: Hear, God's people!

C: Love God truly. And your neighbor as yourself.

L: Hear, God's people!

C: God is great. There is no God but God. God has spoken through the prophets.

ALL: This is our God; the God of all! Let us worship God together!

***HYMN: 409 God is Here!**

GATHERING PRAYER

CONFESSION

Our hearts say of you, seek God's face! Your face, Lord, we will seek. Do not turn your servants away; you have been our help. Do not forsake or reject us, God our Savior! Let us confess our sins before God and our neighbor.

God of life, you own our lives; but as human beings we do not respect life. Life is so easily taken by our hands. We don't live as how you want us to live, as how you create clouds in the sky. They may have different shapes, different directions, but

they live in harmony and fulfill the sky beautifully. That is how we are supposed to live. We come from a different part of the world, different directions of life. Forgive us, God of life! (*Liturgies from Below*)

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

God of deliverance, we pray for our enemies. We bless those who persecute us. Give the whole human family, the whole of creation, your peace. Lift up the lowly. Feed the hungry. Give us hearts that overflow with your love, beyond boundaries and bloodlines. Teach us to look, communally, toward your vision of a restored creation, where lions and lambs nap together and humans learn not simply to co-exist, but to love in word, in deed, and in truth. (*Liturgies from Below*). **AMEN!**

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

And also with you!

Let us exchange glad signs of Christ's peace.

CENTERING MUSIC: 406 Holy Ground

The congregation is encouraged to sing the hymn selected for Centering Music.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OT READING Ezekiel 33: 7-11 (P. 760; p. 763)

PSALM READING Psalm 119: 33-40 (P. 543; p. 548)

ANTHEM

GOSPEL READING Matthew 18: 15-20 (P. 18; p. 869)

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

SERMON That's...A Lot!

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Colossians1: 15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in Him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created in Him and for Him. He Himself is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He might come to have first place in everything. For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of His cross.

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

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

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

***DEDICATION**

***HYMN: 316 Where Charity and Love Prevail**

CHARGE

Liturgies from Below

May God bless and keep you; may God's face shine upon you and be gracious to you; may God look upon you with favor and grant you peace!

Friends, please turn toward each other, left side to right side and vice versa. And say this with me:

Know that someone sees you: It is me.

Know that someone prays for you: It is me.

Know that someone is with you always. It is me. And God, too!!

AMEN.

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.”

LITURGIST – Bob Wolf

SCRIPTURE READER – Elaine Wolf

GREETERS – Ellen Neumann & Kris Taylor

SANCTUARY FLOWERS – Donated by Sue Sigvardson in celebration of wedding anniversaries in September.

Prayer List

John Burris	Alex Rhodes	Dottie Nicholson
Khaled & Nouha Dabaj, their Children, and Mother Nohad	Elaine Jackson Ruth Schafer	Peggy Schaffer Elsie Young
Charlotte Wheatley	Family of Dick Regester	Robert Poetsch
Mo Gittman (Maureen)	Jeff Neihammer	Pam Price & Family
The Family of Janice Parris Pat Robinson	Flora Beaver Judy Reich	Missy & Baby Mason (Pam Dougherty's friend)
Dick Peoples	Sarah & Chelsea, Jeanette Lyons Daughters	Pastor Bruce Gillette
Jack McMahan	Darrell O'Busek	Ray Keller, Sr.

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 9/10/2023

This Week

- **Lemonade on the Porch & TED Talk with Bob Wolf** (last talk for 2023) – 10:45 am in Fellowship Center.

Future Events

- **Jumble: It's Time for Jumble! Be Sure to Mark Your Calendar: Saturday, September 30, 2023 – 8:30 AM – 12:00 Noon.**

The Sewing Circle needs your donations of the following items: Glassware, small household items, kitchen miscellaneous, linens, jewelry, pictures, knick-knacks, children's toys, books and any other nearly new items. We also are looking for donations of baked goods.

PLEASE: NO CDs, DVDs, cassettes, clothing, shoes, used purses or anything broken or soiled, or computer equipment.

Please bring donations to OVPC Memorial Hall beginning Sunday, September 24 and place in center of room. Please contact Diane at the church office to drop off items Monday through Thursday during church office business hours. All donations must be dropped off before 12 Noon on Friday, September 29, 2023.

Ongoing Events

- **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
- **New Choir Members Needed** – The choir can use a few more members. Please contact Shannon Flynn at 443-405-5799 if you are interested.

- Weekly Work Day, Saturdays, 9:30 – 11:30 am. To work in Grounds, contact Ray Keller; Buildings, Don Bailey; Cemetery, 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!

Looking Ahead – The Lectionary for Sunday September 17, 2023 is:

- Genesis 50: 15-21
- Matthew 18: 21-35

New Initiatives

Deacon's Monthly Mission for September – Selbyville Middle School– 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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