# OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 67 Central Ave., Ocean View DE 19970 OCTOBER 17, 2021



# SILENT MEDITATION

Not only is their self-worth measured from the perspective of inferiority, which breeds a certain feeling of helplessness, but the envious also typically think passively about their relationship to the situation: the world, God, fate, society, or some other force external to their own sense of control has dealt them a bad hand. They feel cheated, but their own efforts against such a great, distant, and alien force seem doomed. The deck has been stacked.

Rebecca Konyndyk DeYoung, Glittering Vices, pp. 47-48

# **PRE-SERVICE MUSIC / SILENT MEDITATION**

# **PLAYING OF THE CHIMES**

## WELCOME

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Our worship is in the name of our Creator, God,

## C: The one eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being;

L: and of God's Son,

C: Our crucified and risen Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom the love of God is made manifest among us;

L: and of God's Holy Spirit,

## C: the Counselor by whom we become the people of God, and the church of Jesus Christ.

## ALL: Let us worship the Lord our God together!

*HYMN - 727:	Will You Let Me Be Your Servant	Printed Under One License #A725109
	Will you let me be your servant, let me	
	be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the	
	grace to let you be my servant too.	

## **GATHERING PRAYER**

Let us pray; O God, you show us the way of servanthood. You have given us much, so that we can bless others, and not seek gratification for ourselves. Help us to seek your path and keep us in humility, so that we can be the light of Christ in the world. In the name of the One who came to serve, Amen.

#### CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins before God and our neighbor, trusting in the mercy of our Lord.

Lord Jesus Christ, you know our sin. We want you to do whatever we ask of you, but are unwilling to do what you ask of us. We want to sit beside you in your glory, but we fail to stand beside you in your suffering. We want to be first in your great kingdom, but are among the last to serve the least. Forgive us. Pour out your mercy upon us and wash us clean in your saving grace. All this we ask in your holy name. AMEN.

Hear the promise of the Lord: those who love me, I will deliver. When you call me, I will answer. I will rescue you from danger and show you my salvation. Friends, believe the good news: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

## Thanks be to God!

\*Please stand as you are able

# CENTERING MUSIC PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION OLD TESTAMENT READING Job 38: 1-7, 34-41 GOSPEL LESSON Mark 10: 35-45 L: The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

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# **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apart from grace we prove each day we are guilty sinners. Fallen in that first sin, we fail to thank God; we break God's laws; we ignore our tasks. Looking for life without God, we find only death; grasping for freedom outside God's law, we trap ourselves in Satan's snares; pursuing pleasure, we lose the gift of joy. In all our strivings to excuse or save ourselves, we stand condemned before the God of truth. But our world, broken and scarred, still belongs to God. God holds it together and gives us hope. Amen. CONCERNS AND JOYS

Please email, text or call your concerns directly to Pastor Terry at:

Cell: 862-432-1196 Office: 302-539-3455 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
	Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
	Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;	
	Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*DEDICATION** 

#### \*HYMN – 32:

#### I Sing the Mighty Power of God

I sing the mighty power of God that made the mountains rise, that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day. The moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.

#### CHARGE

#### BLESSING

Now, friends, I entrust you to God, and to the message of God's grace; a message that is able to build you up, and to give you the inheritance with all who are sanctified. Now may the grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you, and remain with you, this day and every day. Amen.

#### 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 – Ollie Robling

**SCRIPTURE READER** – Amy Peoples

**GREETER** – Carol Kester

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Donated by Eric and Ellen Neuman celebrating the day they met.

## **Prayer List**

John Burris Khaled & Nouha Dabaj, their children, and mother Nohad John Doherty Danna Henderson Sally Mason Judy McFadden

Tracy Higdon Elaine Jackson Dave Kratch Laurie Linard Tom Murray Jeff Niehammer

Dottie Nicholson Ainslie & Keith Peoples Dick Regester Alex Rhodes Ron Steen

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

#### \*Please stand as you are able

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 <u>office@ovpc.org</u> to update the prayer list! Thank you!

Our Stephen Ministers are available if you are feeling especially distressed during this time, or facing a challenge that just seems to be too much to handle alone. Please call Elaine Smith for a referral.

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.

# **Personnel Activity**

During October Kathy Rhodes, Church Musician will be having a performance review as required of the Personnel Committee. Input is requested from the congregation. Please submit any comments to <u>msommer15@mediacombb.net</u> by October 24, 2021. All comments will be confidential. Marti Sommer, Chair of Personnel.

Also, the Session will be performing Pastor Terry's annual review at the November Session Meeting,

November 8, 2021. Please forward your comments to Martha Sommer, <u>marthasommer@mediacombb.net</u> by November 5, 2021. All comments will be confidential.

# Thanks for World Communion Sunday

Special thanks to Kathy Sheetz, Elsie Young and Mike and Marlene Quinn for providing cloths of international origin to help us celebrate World Communion Sunday on October 3.

# **Newsletter Reminder**

Reminder – the deadline for November 2021 Newsletter is October 20, 2021

# **Deacon's October Mission - Peace and Global Witness Offering**

Extending the peace of Christ is part of an active, engaged faith – a witness to what it means for us to be the Church, together. Through participation in the Peace and Global Witness Offering, our church is extending Christ's peace throughout our community and God's world. We begin at the communion table, with our siblings in every time and place, and we celebrate the peace we find there and commit to building a more just and peaceful world. We celebrate the truth found in 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians, "Peace at all times in all ways."

# Blessing Bags - Marie Cook Waehler

Thanks to all who have donated to the Blessing Bags ministry. The need is greater than ever. Little things DO mean a lot. If you cannot donate all items on the list, please consider just choosing a few. The most needed items are toothpaste and toothbrushes, shampoo, body wash, and deodorant. All of the items are being delivered to Selbyville Middle School. And Selbyville Police Department officers have requested bags to carry in their patrol cars when they go out on domestic abuse calls to use as a peace offering to help calm the waters.

Current needs for prisoners in re-entry assisted by The Way Home staff are men's underwear -- tees and shorts, the larger the better -- and Walmart and WAWA gift cards.

All items can be placed in the Blessing Bags bin which will now be in Memorial Hall by the wishing well. Copies of the list of needed items will be on top of the bin for your convenience. I will deliver all items to Selbyville Middle School and The Way Home in Georgetown.

Thank you for your consideration and donations, large and small.

## **These Days Devotion**

The These Days devotional books for October, November and December are now available. You can pick them up after church service or in the office.

# The 2021 Nativity Festival

The 2021 Nativity Festival is scheduled for Saturday, December 11, 2021. Volunteers are needed for setting up on Thursday, December 9 and Friday, December 10 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. We will also need volunteers for parking and clean-up on the day of the event. If you are interested in helping, please contact Eric Neumann at <u>neumanneric55@gmail.com</u> or 973-214-8739.

## Bible Study is back!

We are pleased to confirm the resumption of our Tuesday Bible studies: 10:00 AM and 6:15 PM. All are welcome to attend either study or both. The morning group is reviewing the video series "The New Testament You Never Knew," by N. T. Wright and Michael F. Bird in Fellowship Hall.

The evening group assembles in the sanctuary at 6 PM for brief prayers, then studies the scriptures for next Sunday in the narthex of Memorial Hall.

Looking Ahead - The Lectionary for Sunday, October 24, 2021 is:

Job 42: 1 - 6; 10-17

Mark 10: 46-52

# 2021 Advent Booklet

Reminder, hopefully, those who have chosen dates are working on your Advent Devotional. Please remember it is due by October 31, 2021.

## **Mask Requirements**

In an abundance of caution, the Session of Ocean View Presbyterian Church is requiring the wearing of face coverings for all worship services and indoor functions including committee meetings held on the OVPC campus. This temporary precautionary measure applies to all persons. Masks will be made available for those needing them but bringing one that you are comfortable in would be appreciated.

Any questions may be addressed to Pastor Terry or any member of Session.

# Support for Rev Dr. Karla Koll

Over the past several years, OVPC has provided financial support for Rev. Dr. Karla Koll, a PC (USA) Mission Co-worker in Costa Rica. This multi-year commitment aligns us with Presbytery objectives of having its member churches sponsor at least one Mission Co-worker. This commitment also aligns us with the Matthew25 Initiative objectives of having missional impact in international areas. Our annual contribution target is \$1200. Currently, we are behind that goal, so your contribution to Rev. Koll's ministry would be appreciated. Please send your check, annotated for "Rev. Koll Mission Ministry", to the church office or drop into the collection plate.

## Note from the Worship Committee

Please look for announcements in your bulletin, in our newsletter or on our website. Announcements from the pulpit will be very rare. Any announcement for the bulletin needs to reach Diane, our Administrative Assistant, by the Monday prior to the date you want it known.

Thank you for your cooperation.

# **Christian Education Today**

Week 2 of a 6 week study of "Freeing Jesus: Rediscovering Jesus as... (Teacher)", by Diana Butler Bass. The class will be led by Pastor Terry, and will be held in Fellowship Center and on Zoom (**ID: 893 3340 3420**/**Passcode: 917431**) after worship at 10:35 am. Bev Bailey still has 2 books for sale for \$20.00. Next week, Oct. 24, we will be discovering Jesus as "Savior", and will be led by Marie Waehler. Don't miss this important study.

Also, on the back of the bulletin is a Christian Education survey. Please don't forget to complete it and return to the church office by October 31, 2021.

# CROP (<u>Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty</u>) WALK TIME!

It's time to put on our walking shoes and take a stroll to "end hunger one step at a time". The walk will be held today at 3:00 PM at Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission Church on RT 17. Even if you can't walk, you can support our team by donating and encouraging your friends and family to do the same. Our initial goal is to raise \$1,500 towards the fight against hunger world-wide but also in our own community. We ask that you prayerfully consider participating in this annual event and visit our team page at https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/team/ovpc to either donate or join our team. Checks should be made payable to CWS/CROP. Donations can be dropped off at the church office or given directly to Bob Doherty. A link will also be available from our website. If you have any questions please contact Bob Doherty.

# Choir Rehearsal

HALLELUJAH! After two years, choir rehearsals have resumed on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in Memorial Hall. We started at ground zero after such a long time. So if you have ever entertained the notion of singing in the choir, now is a golden opportunity to get in on the ground floor. You do not have to be a soloist. A choir's strength is in singing together not being a soloist. There's still room – just bring a mask and join our merry band. I hope to see you there on Wednesdays. If you have any questions, you can contact me, Kathy Rhodes, at <u>kaybr6@aol.com</u>.

## Scriptures for Sunday October 17, 2021

## Job 38: 1-7, 34-41

<sup>1</sup>Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: <sup>2</sup>"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? <sup>3</sup>Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

<sup>4</sup>"Where were you when I laid the foundation earth? Tell me, if you of the have understanding. 5Who determined its measurements — surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? 60n what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone <sup>7</sup>when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

<sup>34</sup>"Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? <sup>35</sup>Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, 'Here we are'? <sup>36</sup>Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? <sup>37</sup>Who has the wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, <sup>38</sup>when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together?

<sup>39</sup>"Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, <sup>40</sup>when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? <sup>41</sup>Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?"

#### Mark 10: 35-45

<sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" <sup>39</sup>They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

<sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

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## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PROGRAM AND SURVEY

To acknowledge the contribution made by Harriet Tubman in helping the enslaved escape during the Civil War Era, the CE Committee is offering the following sequence of events for OVPC members and others.

- I. Movie night will be held on 2 Friday nights, January 7 and 14, 2022. The film, "Harriet", which is 2 hours in duration will give a complete visual experience of Harriet Tubman's challenges and conflicts in her pursuit of freeing enslaved people. Members will have the choice of watching the film on either date.
- II. A class will meet after church on January 16, 2022 to discuss the film.
- III. On Sunday, January 30, 2022, OVPC will host guest lecturer, Sylvester Woolford, a local historian on African American history. Following the lecture, Syl will lead a discussion of Harriet Tubman's life.
- IV. Sometime in late April or May, OVPC will schedule a one-day bus trip to the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park in Church Creek, MD; plus lunch. It is anticipated that members of other local churches will join us.
- V.

Your response to this survey will allow CE to plan according to congregational interest. Please circle one answer for each question and RETURN TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY OCTOBER 31, 2021.

- 1. Would you be interested in participating in this program? Yes No 2. Are you willing to watch the entire movie, in a group or on your own? Yes No 3. Would you attend the January 16<sup>th</sup> discussion of the movie? Yes No 4. Would you attend the one-hour lecture on January 30, 2022 after worship? Yes No 5. Would you visit the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Park in the spring of 2022 at your own expense? Yes No 6. Would you be interested in the church chartering a bus for the trip, including a lunch stop? Yes No Thank you for your participation. Result of survey will be distributed in November, 2021
  - Name: (Please print)