OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 67 Central Ave., Ocean View DE 19970 October 27, 2024



Of course it is dark where you stand, if this is far from the crowd, and even those you love, as well as your memories, learning, and your will. These all will spread you thin. Who you are is not found out there, somewhere – or anywhere else.

Meister Eckhart

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THIS WEEK'S CHURCH CALENDAR

Church Security person(s) for this week is: TBD

SUNDAY	Worship Service – 9:30 am (S)		
Oct 27	Christian Ed Class – 10:30 – 12:00		
	AA Mtg. 8:00 – 9:00 pm (FC)		
MONDAY	Missions Committee Meeting		
Oct 28	5:00 pm – 7:30 pm (FC)		
TUESDAY	Bible Study – 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (FC)		
Oct 29	Seaside Serenity 6:45 – 8:00 pm (FC)		
WEDNESDAY	AARP Choir – 10:00 – 12:00 (FC)		
Oct 30	Choir Rehearsal – 6:30 – 7:30 (S)		
THURSDAY	Shuffles Bridge – 11:00 am – 5:00 pm (FC)		
Oct 31	AA Young – 7:00 – 9:00 pm (FC)		
FRIDAY			
Nov 1			
CATUDDAY	Vara Lica Valarea (410 401 7211) 0:15 0:45		
SATURDAY Nov 2	Yoga – Lisa Velasco (410-491-7311) 8:15 – 9:45 (FC)		
NOV Z	Grounds Clean Up 9:30 am – 11:30 am		
	Nar. Anonymous – 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm (FC)		
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SUNDAY	Daylight Savings Time Ends		
Nov 3	Worship Service – 9:30 am (S)		
	Congregation Meeting immediately after the		
	service.		
	Christian Ed Class 10:30 am – 12:00 pm (FC)		
	AA Mtg. 8:00 – 9:00 pm (FC)		

(S) Sanctuary (FC) Fellowship Center (MH) Memorial Hall

RINGING OF THE BELLS

SILENT MEDITATION

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC /PRELUDE

WELCOME

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Stephen Fearing

L: Take heart! For we are gathered in God's presence-

C: to proclaim the wonders of the Lord!

L: Get up! For we are beckoned by the risen Son-

C: to respond to grace undeserved!

L: God is calling us!

C: For we are united by the Spirit, to follow Jesus on the way!

ALL: Let us follow, and worship, together!

HYMN: #326 For All The Saints

GATHERING PRAYER

CONFESSION

Somebody's knockin' at your door; somebody's knockin' at your door; O sinner, why don't you answer? (Hymn 728, Glory to God). Let us confess our sins before God and our neighbor.

Holy God, come find us, and call us! We have been blind: blind to suffering, blind to injustice, blind to cruelty, and blind to our own indifference. We have gone on our way, telling others to be quiet, to be grateful, to be invisible – to absorb our unfeeling dismissal. In our families, in our friendships, in our work and in our worship, we have forgotten what it is to love selflessly, as you love. We have not offered the hand of friendship when we might have; we have not given the bread of compassion we could share; we have not wept with those who weep. Enter our hearts and heal them; teach us to walk in the world as you walk, we pray in your own holy name. AMEN.

Silent confession

The Lord hears us when we call for help, and rescues us from all our troubles. The Lord is close to the brokenhearted, rescuing the crushed in spirit. The Lord will redeem those who serve God; everyone who trusts God will be freely pardoned (ps. 34). In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God!

Forgiven, loved and freed, let us greet our neighbors with Christ's peace; may His peace be with you all!

And also with you!

Let us share the peace of Christ.

CENTERING MUSIC: #408 Sweet, Sweet Spirit

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OT READING Jeremiah 31: 7-9 (p. 569)

PSALM READING Psalm 34: 1-8 (p. 395)

ANTHEM: When in Our Music God is Glorified

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 10: 46-52 (p. 36)

L. The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON: Who Might You Be?

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Claudio Carvalhaes,

We believe in God Almighty, the Creator of heavens and earth, who blesses all people and every creature on earth. We believe in Jesus Christ, the only child of God, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and who suffered under the Roman Empire and was crucified, died, and was buried. He rose on the third day and is now seated at the right hand of God almighty. He will come to give justice to the oppressed and the oppressor. We believe in the Holy Spirit who guides the church to walk in the path of justice and righteousness and in the fellowship of the faithful. We believe in the power of love and forgiveness, which can bind and heal the church and community from the vileness of hatred among people groups, for the renewal of humankind. We affirm the life of every creature on Earth. 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: #693 Though I May Speak (The Gift of Love)

CHARGE

May we, with Christ, see others in a different way – see their possibilities, and not their liabilities; see them as lovable, not unloved. May we, in Christ, act in love and hope, today and every day! AMEN.

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."

Prayer List

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

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: Al Tamilio

SCRIPTURE READER: Alicia Tamilio

GREETERS: Jan and Jake Stavinga

SANCTUARY FLOWERS – donated by the Bartholomews in honor of family birthdays and anniversaries.

Announcements 10/27/2024

This Week

- Pastor Terry's Performance Review— The Session will be conducting their annual performance review of Pastor Terry in the November 11 Session meeting, and they invite and welcome written input from all who wish to submit comments. The feedback should be submitted to Ollie Robling, Clerk of Session, either in a sealed envelope to the office or by email to orobling@yahoo.com. The feedback must identify the author, as anonymous feedback will not be read or considered. Please get your feedback submitted by November 1st.
- Women's Sewing Circle update On Wednesday, November 6 at 10 AM, the Mission sub-committee of the Sewing Circle will meet to determine which missions to support. Please check your Annual Report to see who we supported last year.
 - Since all the congregation helped to "raise" these donations at the Heavenly Luncheon, we are asking if you have any pet projects. Please give information regarding the project to Marti Sommer and the group will consider it. Thank you for your support in all of our activities.
- OVPC Choir rehearsal has resumed and will continue weekly on Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. Returning choir members and new voices alike are welcome to attend. If you are planning to be part of the Choir for the 2024-2025 season, please let Shannon know via email (ShanFlynnMusic221@gmail.com) or text (443-405-5799). Looking forward to a great year of making music together!

Future Events

- **Food Pantry** Grocery shopping lists have been replenished. Pick up one today so you can take advantage of sales and keep our hungry neighbors fed. Thank you for each and every item you contribute!
- **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 Al in the office or any member of the worship committee to make these arrangements.

Eric Neumann, Susie Baer, Kathy Sheetz & Jane Bonbright

New Initiatives

- OVPC's ADVENT DEVOTIONAL Thank you everyone who signed up to share a meditation for this year's booklet! Special thanks to those who've already sent them in too! If you need a reminder of your scriptures, just let Gloria Bartholomew know. Then just send it in to either Gloria (rghbart@verizon.net) or Bob Wolf (wolfbo@comcast.net). All are due by Sunday, <a href="mailto:November 3rd, especially important as this is our season of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.
 - October Mission Peace and Global Witness
 - The Peace and Global Witness Offering is a special offering of the Presbyterian Church (USA) that supports the church's efforts to promote peace and reconciliation. Funds from this offering enable the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice locally and across the world. Peacemaking is central to the gospel and the

mission of the Church. Peace *is* possible, and it begins with us sowing the seeds of peace in every interaction and decision we make. Twenty-five percent of this offering will stay with our church to promote peace through our own ministries, and 25% is retained by our presbytery for peace and justice ministries in our region. The remaining 50% will go to the Presbyterian Mission Agency to support peacemaking efforts around the globe. For more information, please visit our home page (ovpc.org) to view an enlightening video about this mission. Please give generously, for when we all do a little, it adds up to a lot!

- Lawsons Tree Trimming reschedule to November 8th.
- **Ministerium Thanksgiving Service** November 26th @ 7:00 p. m. in the Sanctuary.
- **November** 3rd Congregational immediately following the service.
- November 3rd Daylight Savings Time ends.
- **Deacons Meeting –** Monday, November 4th @ 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Center.

Ongoing Events

- To work in Frankford Thrift Shop, contact Elaine Wolf.
- 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? Email the office at office@ovpc.org if you are interested.
- **Greeters -** If you are interested in volunteering, please use the signup sheet in the back of the church or call Pam Dougherty. Thank you!
- **Scripture Readers -** If you are interested in volunteering to read, please call the office or email at office@ovpc.org.

THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT TO THE CONGREGATON – 2024

As Of September 30, 2024

The Finance Committee reviewed the year-to-date results as of September 30, 2024, and compared them to the approved annual budget. The actual <u>Net Loss</u> for the 9-month period is \$25,461. This is primarily due to lower giving when compared to the approved budget.

The approved budget anticipated a net loss of \$23,896, and the trend for the remaining 3 months of the year will increase that net loss. For the past 3 years (2021-2023), the Net Losses from operations total \$62,712.

Also note that the funds available for the church's on-going operations, including the Checking and Investment Fund, are \$160,103 as of September 30, 2024.

Respectfully summitted, Randy Bartholomew Finance Committee Chair

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