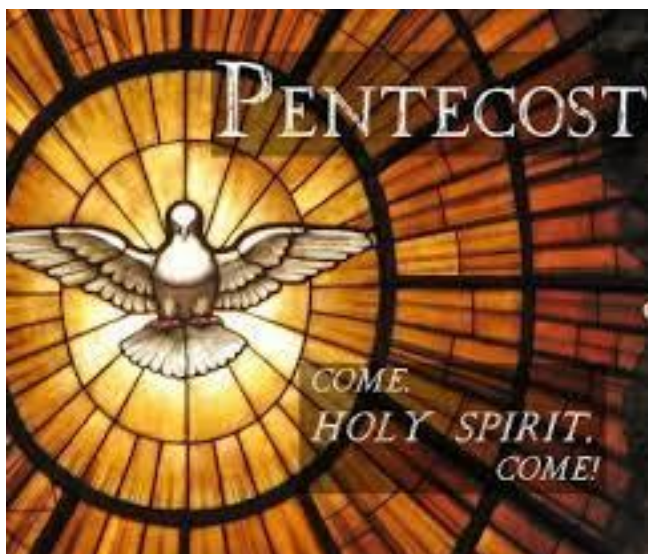


# OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

67 Central Ave., Ocean View DE 19970

May 28, 2023

Pentecost



## ***SILENT MEDITATION***

*Love, unchangeable tranquility and our adoption as children of God are different from each other only in name. As light, fire and flame are present in the selfsame operation, so are these three manifestations of the Spirit. When someone is completely permeated with the love of God, the brightness of their soul is reflected by their whole personality as in a mirror. Therefore, the one who loves God also loves their sister or brother. Indeed, the second love is the proof of the first.*

*John Climacus*

## **RINGING OF THE BELLS**

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

## **WELCOME**

## **REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM**

### **\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: The day of Pentecost has arrived!

**C: And we're all gathered together in one place!**

L: We celebrate the birth of Christ's church.

**C: We open ourselves to the gift of the Spirit.**

L: Bless us, O God,

**C: To be your true church, on fire with your Spirit!**

L: Work in us, O God,

**C: Make of your church a gift to the world!**

**ALL: Let us worship God our Maker, Jesus our Savior, and the Holy Spirit, a fire in our hearts!**

### **\*HYMN: 66 Every time I Feel the Spirit**

## **GATHERING PRAYER**

## **CONFESSION**

On Pentecost, God poured out the spirit on gathered disciples, creating boldness of thought, speech and action. Yet we restrain the force of the Spirit among us. Let us confess our sins before God and our neighbor.

**Loving God, your Spirit is always with us and within us, for strength, courage and insight. Yet we doubt the Spirit's prompting, doubt your Word's sufficiency, doubt your will for our good, and believe we must do things our way, alone. We wonder where you are, as we see all that happens in our world, near and far. We struggle to trust with our whole hearts, even as we speak our trust in your goodness and love. We struggle to not fear our neighbor, and so we do not welcome them. Disbelieving in human goodness, we lose sight of Jesus' human goodness, the very goodness He told us we are empowered to share. By your Holy Spirit within us, build up our trust, cast out our fear, fill us with goodness and love, we pray in Jesus' name, and for His sake. AMEN.**

**\*\*\*\*\*Silent Confession\*\*\*\*\***

Friends, our Lord sets a table before us, even in the presence of our enemies, within and without. God anoints our heads, and causes our cups to overflow. God's goodness and mercy will follow us, all our days.

**Thanks be to God!**

Let us share the peace of still waters and abundant pastures with our sisters and brothers. 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: 285 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song**

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

## **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**OT READING** Numbers 11: 24-30 (P. 127; p. 128)

**EPISTLE LESSON** 1 Corinthians 12: 3b-13 (P. 164; p. 1006)

**ANTHEM** **God's Gonna Set This World on Fire**

**NT LESSON** Acts 2: 1-21 (P. 112; p. 956)

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

**SERMON** Now He Said This About the Spirit...(*John 7: 39a*)

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in church and culture, to hear the voices of people long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace. 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](mailto:tdougherty@ovpc.org)

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

## THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION

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

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

The bread of love, a large table are waiting. The cup, the wine, and the triune God. Who will not come? Struggles, hardships, tiredness have a place here; so do dreams and hopes. They will break bread together. Equity, a just table, bread of freedom! In each embrace, joy! Community! This is the celebration of people who believe, and embrace tomorrow, renewing their faith. Renewing their faith. *(Claudio Carvalhaes)* All are welcome here!

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.**

Most holy God, in the beginning your Spirit hovered over the waters, blew over the waters, with you creating all things seen and unseen. Every living thing on earth was put on earth by you! Every nation and every people were made by you, belong to you! All look to you, to give them their food in due season; when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things. When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground. So, together with all creation, everything on earth and in heaven, we raise our voices and join the eternal song of praise:

**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.**

When the right time had come, you sent your son, Jesus; you filled Him with the Holy Spirit in the waters of the Jordan, so he could show us the way to live. Full of wisdom, He showed us the truth about you, and about your creation. 2,000 years ago, when He knew the time had come, Jesus sat at table with His disciples, sharing His love and all that He knew with them, promising them the Spirit as another Advocate. During the meal, He took bread and, giving thanks to God, blessed and broke it, sharing it to His disciples, saying “take, eat, all of you: this is my body, broken for you”. After supper, He took the wine, and having given thanks and blessed it, shared it, too, with 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 drink it, do so remembering me”. Friends, every time we share this bread and drink this cup, we declare the Lord’s death, until He comes again. Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ dies. Christ lives. Christ is coming again.**

Living, active, Holy Spirit, fall upon these elements, fall upon us; make them and us new in Christ, sharing in His very self. As we take them in, make us the body of Christ, for the world, so that all may know you set things right, overcoming every wrong. 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: **Holy Spirit, you have joined us this day as Christ's body in the world. With Christians everywhere, strengthened by this meal, let us proclaim God's grace and newness of life for all who seek it. AMEN.**

## MINUTE FOR MISSION

### CALL FOR THE OFFERING

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

**\*DEDICATION**

**\*HYMN: 290 O Day of Joy and Wonder**

**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.”

**LITURGIST** – Jake Stavinga

**SCRIPTURE READER** – Bev Bailey

**GREETERS** – Nancy & Bob Turner

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** – Donated by Don & Cindy Benjamin in celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

### **Prayer List**

John Burris	Alex Rhodes	Dottie Nicholson
Khaled & Nouha Dabaj, their Children, and Mother Nohad	Elaine Jackson Ruth Schafer	Peggy Schaffer George Price
Charlotte Wheatley	Family of Dick Regester	Robert Poetsch
Mo Gittman (Maureen)	Jeff Neihammer	Family of Brooks Goldman
The Family of Janice Parris	Dr. Stephen Steurer & Family	Karen Berrie
Pat Robinson	Ray Turner	Elsie Young

*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](mailto: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 5/28/2023

### This Week

- **Geraniums for Sale** – After the service today, the geraniums that adorn our worship space will be available for \$9.00 per plant. If you are paying by check, please make it payable to OVPC. Please see Kathy Sheetz.

### Future Events

Save the Date - returning after 3 years!

DEACON DINNER

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2023, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

OVPC Memorial Hall



The Ocean View Presbyterian Deacons want to thank you for  
your support of the church's monthly Missions!

Main dishes and beverages will be provided, please bring a side  
dish to share.

#### 2023 Deacon Missions

Time and Talent

Southeast Rural Community Assistance Program

One Great Hour of Sharing

Crisis House

Pentecost Special Offering

La Esperanza

Operation Seas the Day

Pyle Center Emergency Fund

Selbyville Middle School

Peacemaking & Global Witness

Southern Delaware Education Foundation

Christmas Joy Offering

## Ongoing Events

- 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](http://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](mailto: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 June 4, 2023 is:

- Micah 7: 18-20
- Psalm 133
- 1John 1: 1-4, 2: 12-17

## New Initiatives

### **DEACON'S MONTHLY MISSION for June – *La Esperanza***

Member, Board of Deacons

The Deacons' mission for June is La Esperanza. For those who don't speak much Spanish, esperanza means "Hope." Based in Georgetown, La Esperanza is a Sussex County nonprofit agency

whose purpose is to give our Spanish-speaking neighbors hope for becoming fully part of the American dream.

According to the organization's website, La Esperanza's mission is to integrate Latino individuals and their families into the community through advocacy, education and support services. Founded in 1996 to stand as a beacon of hope for the growing number of immigrants in Sussex County, Esperanza has evolved into the only multiservice nonprofit focused on building family empowerment among Latinos.

Among the services provided by La Esperanza are immigration counseling, victims' services and resource navigation and family coaching. The organization provides counseling on steps toward becoming citizens, processing of documentation for citizenship and community information sessions to educate Latinos and other immigrants on immigration rights and resources available to them. The group also provides counseling and support for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, as well as mental health counseling and support.

La Esperanza's Resource Navigation and Family Coaching Program works to connect the Latino immigrant community to available resources, to create an interagency system that removes barriers and ensures that clients can access services, and to create personal and family goals that will enhance education and literacy and move families toward self-sufficiency and integration into the larger community.

You should know that 100 percent of funds donated to La Esperanza go to locally run services. There's no national bureaucracy to create overhead costs.

This coming month, please prayerfully consider donating to the Deacons Fund and its mission to support La Esperanza.

By Jim Berrie

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### THIS WEEK’S CHURCH CALENDAR

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

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>May 28</b> Worship Service – 9:30 am (S)
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>May 29</b> Memorial Day – Office Closed
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>May 30</b> Bible Study – 10:00 am – 12:00 (FC) & 6:00 – 8:00 pm (S)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>May 31</b> ESL Classes – 4:30 – 5:30 pm (FC) Choir Rehearsal – 6:30 – 7:30 pm (S)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>June 1</b> A Quiet Place -6:00 – 6:30 pm (S)
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>June 2</b> Deacon’s Dinner – 6:00 – 8:00 pm (MH)
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>June 3</b> Weekly Work Day – 9:30 – 11:30 am
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>June 4</b> Worship Service – 9:30 am (S) Membership Orientation – 10:30 am – 12:00 noon (MH)