OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 67 Central Ave., Ocean View DE 19970 June 19, 2022



SILENT MEDITATION

"Sankofa": "Go back and fetch it".

Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world. Now I've been free, I know what a dreadful condition slavery is. I have seen hundreds of escaped slaves, but I never saw one who was willing to go back and be a slave".

Harriet Tubman

PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC / SILENT MEDITATION/PRELUDE

WELCOME

* CALL TO WORSHIP

L: When Moses gathered the people of Israel, God said:

C: "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery".

- L: As we gather here today, let us worship the Lord,
- C: Who continues to be our God, and who still brings us out of the places of our bondage.

ALL: Let us worship the Lord God, who for freedom has set us free! AMEN.

*HYMN: 821 My Life Flows On

GATHERING PRAYER

CONFESSION

Redeeming God, in a world of violence we acknowledge our own selfishness and prejudice, which are contrary to your all-embracing love. We need your help to act justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with Christ, in respect for all your children. Let us confess our sins before God and our neighbor.

In this worship and when we leave this place, we pray for more than conviction. We pray, O Lord, for change. Change the easy peace we make with ourselves into discontent, because of the oppression of others. Change our tendency to defend ourselves into the freedom that comes from being forgiven, and empowered through your love. Change our need for disguises, excuse and images into the ability to be honest with ourselves and open with one another. Change our inclination to judge others into a desire to serve and uplift others. And most of all, Lord, change our routine work and worship into genuine encounter with you and with our better selves, so that our lives will be changed, for the good of all. AMEN

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

Take heart! God's Spirit empowers us to move from the ways of death to the ways of new life. Our sins are forgiven. Let us therefore forgive one another, and give ourselves to one another in the joyful community of love and peace.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow! CENTERING MUSIC PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION *Please stand in body or in spirit

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 19: 1-15a (P. 319; p. 321)

ANTHEM

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 8: 26-39 (P. 64; p. 911)

L: The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Fear and Demons

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Our World Belongs to God, st. 5-6

God holds this world in sovereign love. God kept God's promise, sending Jesus into the world. He poured out His Spirit and broadcast His news that sinners who repent and believe in Him can live and breathe and move again as members of the family of God. We rejoice in the goodness of God, renounce the works of darkness, and dedicate ourselves to holy living. As covenant partners, called to faithful obedience and set free for joyful praise, we offer our hearts and our lives to do God's work in God's world. With tempered impatience, eager to see injustice ended, we expect the day of the Lord. And we are confident that the light that shines in the present darkness will fill the earth when Christ appears. Come. Lord Jesus! Our world belongs to you!

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

Almighty God, we praise your name, for you alone are God. There is none like you; gracious, compassionate, slow to anger, full of love, truth and justice. You care for orphans and widows, and look upon the immigrant with affection. Your love is not threatened by the way we diminish, marginalize and destroy each other. There is no one like you. You have made your faithfulness known from generation to generation. And you declare it is better to do justice than to make sacrifice. Throughout the biblical story we hear again and again how you have continued to rescue your people, releasing us from bondage so we might live fully and freely as your children. We remember Moses and Exodus; cycles of deliverance and repentance under the judges; the prophets and the returns from exile. We remember when you declared in Isaiah 10 woes to those who legislate evil, robbing the poor and making women and children their prey. *(Rev. Dr. William Barber II)*

And yet...

We have grasped this world's goods, and been arrogant toward those who have little.

Have mercy on us.

We have not shared the good things we have been given, and blamed the poor for their poverty. **Have mercy on us.**

*Please stand in body or in spirit

We have been fearful and distrustful of those who are different from us.

Have mercy on us.

We have divided ourselves from others, and refused to listen to or believe their experience.

Have mercy on us.

We have been indifferent to the pain and suffering of our sisters and brothers.

Have mercy on us.

We have held in contempt those who need our help, and not loved them with our whole hearts.

Have mercy on us.

We have been self-satisfied in our privilege, and denied our oppression of others.

Have mercy on us.

We have preferred order over justice, and isolation over the struggle for peace.

Have mercy on us.

We have quietly held good intentions, and kept silent the message of reconciliation.

Have mercy on us.

We have failed to act with courage for the sake of love.

Have mercy on us.

May you make us into one people. Grant us the strength in your name to spend ourselves on behalf of those who are still entangled in slavery so that together we might experience the full reconciliation and new life you desire for all peoples. We offer this prayer that your glory and honor might be made known through the freedom of all people. AMEN. *(Rev. Dr. William Barber II)*

THE LORDS PRAYER

MINUTE FROM SESSION

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY: 606

***DEDICATION**

*HYMN: 649

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

CHARGE

Creator of all, Savior of all, Spirit in all,

Stay with us now.

Where there is apathy,

Kindle the flame of your love.

Where there is deceit,

Confront every lie with your truth.

Where there is hopelessness,

Reveal deep wells of compassion.

Where there is joy,

Let your kindly protection be known.

Where we hesitate to serve you,

Make us restless until we change. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. 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."

LITURGIST – Bev Bailey

SCRIPTURE READER – Kathy Sheetz

GREETER – Jake Stavinga

SANCTUARY FLOWERS - Donated by Amy Donahue in memory of her Mother, Martha Thompson Donahue.

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

Prayer List

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 <u>office@ovpc.org</u> 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.

<u>This Week</u>

- Tuesday Bible Study: 10 AM, Fellowship.
- **Choir Rehearsal**: Wednesday, 6:30 PM, in the Sanctuary.
- **Samburg Tennessee Tornado Relief** This Sunday is the third Sunday of the month of June. The Mission Committee with the support of the Session has dedicated the third Sunday of each month as support Sunday for the town of Samburg, Tennessee while they recover from the tornado that wiped out the entire town last December. Will you each pray about supporting this small town with your donation this Sunday. There will be envelopes near the offering plate if you need one. The Mission Committee and the Session thank you.

Future Events

- **Southeast Sussex Ministerium –** celebrating 35 years Thursday, June 30, 2:00 5:00 PM. (See attached flyer for additional information).
- **Newsletter- Summer Edition** will be printed on August 1 and will cover both July and August. Deadline is July 20.

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.
- **Sharing Pantry**: OVPC encourages you to drop off needed items during office hours. Contact Ellen Neumann for information.
- **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.

Looking Ahead – The Lectionary for Sunday June 26, 2022 is:

- 2 Kings 2: 1-2; 6-14
- Luke 9: 51-62

<u>New Initiatives</u>

- **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 <u>OVPC.org</u> to see what time the last user of the facility is done so you can start security. Email Diane at <u>office@ovpc.org</u> to get your name on the email scheduling list.
- **Gaza Water Project:** The Mission Committee has received permission to ask for your monetary support for this project. If you want to support this project, make your check payable to OVPC and on the memo line put "Gaza Water Project". Thanks for considering this mission project as part of your giving.

• Deacon's Mission for June: LA ESPERANZA 2021

The Deacons are pleased to offer La Esperanza as our June Monthly Mission.

The Mission of La Esperanza is to assist Sussex County Latinos in their journey to achieve stability, integration and success.

"2021 saw La Esperanza tentatively emerging from the shadow of COVID-19. We celebrated the availability of vaccines and supported the community's choice to be vaccinated and use community-based testing. Our services continued nonstop as we learned new ways to help and connect with clients."

Here is a link to the 2020 report: https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/?tab=Cm#starred/KtbxLxgGCTzsfQrvRsPTrGnNmPNgPPCwRL?pr ojector=1&messagePartId=0.1

Scroll to the end and there is an update on 2021.

Please consider supporting this important mission any way you can. Make your check payable to OVPC. In the memo line, indicate "June Mission". Thank you.

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Thursday, June 30, 2:00-5:00 PM John Evans Park Clubhouse, Millville, DE 32517 Dukes Dr., Millville, DE 19967 POT LUCK

r.s.v.p. by June 23 to Pete Maurer @ mediacombb.net, bring your spouse or friend from the church.

If anyone is able to provide a desert in addition to your dish

it would be appreciated



MARINERS BETHEL UBS SUMMER 2022 JULY 11-15 FROM 8:30 AM - NOON DAILY



Go "off-road" for a monumental adventure where kids will form a rock-solid foundation for the road ahead!

Each day includes songs, skits, Bible stories, crafts, snacks, games, videos and so much more.

CEP R.S

Register online at: https://marinersbethel.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1222736 or in person at the church office

All kids ages 4 · finishing 4th grade are welcome! We have a few additional spots for youth who have finished 6th grade and above.



Contact the Church Office 302.539.9510 or kidschurch@marinersbethel.org