

**CONNECTING, GROWING, SERVING, LOVING
AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

October 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

Summer in Ocean City allows Atlantic UMC to connect with many new people. Comments about the worship services often speak of uplifting music and messages, the chance to pray together, and the warm welcome that is received. I am grateful that the church welcomes so many not only through worship, but through the other ministries that happen at Atlantic during the week. I know it means a lot to those who come. It also means a lot that you are willing to give your time and energy to make sure they happen. My continued thanks for your efforts.

For those that have been traveling this summer, we look forward to welcoming you back. Your presence is God's way of helping the church community to thrive. I especially welcome you to drop by the Wednesday bible study opportunities at 8:30 am and 6:30 pm. There are also other bible studies that take place during the week. Check the bulletin and website for meeting times.

We personally invite all women to attend the annual women's retreat at Camp Pecometh on October 10th and 11th.

Registration forms should be turned into the office by October 1st.

On Friday, October 13th at Temple Bat Yam in Berlin, there will be a special service at 7:30 pm and we are invited! It's called *Simchat Torah*, which generally means *Dancing with the Torah*. As I understand it, The Torah scroll is unrolled and joyfully carried around the temple with music and singing. A time of fellowship follows. Temple Bat Yam hosted an earlier service called *Take Back the Light* that provided a chance for different worship communities to gather together for prayer, reflection and a chance to get to know each other. It was a very uplifting time, and I'm sure this will be, too.

Atlantic is also offering several new fellowship opportunities at the church as a way of bringing the congregation together. The first one, a picnic on the church lawn, was great! The next opportunity is on Sunday, October 29th at 5 pm in the John Tilghman Fellowship Hall. It's a potluck. Come share a dish and a conversation. God is providing so much to be thankful for. To God be the glory for the things He has done!

Pastor Patty

In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.
Matthew 7:12



**The People Of
Atlantic United Methodist Church
Invite You To Fall Services
& Programs**

GATHER to worship

8:30 am: Informal Praise Service
10 am: Traditional Service
With Chancel Choir & Bell Choir

GROW in faith

Bible Study Wednesday
8:30 am & 6:30 pm
September 20-November 15

GIVE your gently used items to
the Thrift Shop and shop for bargains
Support the Friday soup kitchen and
back pack food program for children

GO to the Annual Christmas Bazaar
November 10 and 11

Over 100 Years Of Ministry In Ocean City
Atlantic United Methodist Church
105 4th Street Ocean City, MD
www.atlanticumc.org

BELL CHOIRS – BILLIE WALL, DIRECTOR

It seems that the seasons are marching on and that our handbell choirs are marching with them! October is upon us.

We will be playing for worship on Sunday, October 1 and both choirs are preparing selections. The Morning Glories will be offering *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*, English Country Songs, 1893, adapted by Ralph Vaughan Williams and arranged by Sandra Eithum. June will play a piano accompaniment to this selection. I am sure you will enjoy this offering by the Morning Glory Handbell Choir.

The Atlantic Bell Choir will be offering *You Raise Me Up*, music by Brendan Graham and Rolf Lovland. This contemporary selection features handbells and hand chimes. Enjoy these selections as they add to the service by adding the sound of bells in worship.

We are continually looking for new players. Those who are interested, but not the least bit experienced may join us on Tuesday mornings, 10 a.m. in the sanctuary for the Morning Glory rehearsal.

Linda and Bill Jones are planning an Advent Potluck dinner for Sunday, December 10. The Bell choirs have been invited to play our Christmas Concert on this evening. Please mark your calendars for this Sunday in December to enable you to join us as the Bells, joined for the choir present music of the season.

May the blessings of the Lord be with each of you as the season of harvest is celebrated.

CHANCEL CHOIR – JUNE TODD, DIRECTOR

Welcome back to all the dedicated choir members. We are still rehearsing on Wednesday at 7:00pm. New members are always welcome – age 14 and up!!!

We want congratulate Anne Kramer and Chris Dickinson on their approaching wedding, October 21. Anne is the daughter of Charlotte Nash and has played trumpet and clarinet for us many times. Best wishes to you both!

A Chorister's Prayer

*You ask each of us to offer what we can for
fellowship of Your church and the glory of
Your name.*

Through song, we can stir and excite the hearts of all with the message of Jesus, just as well as through a rousing sermon. Through song, we can help set the mood of a Service for the deep sorrow or Your death and the festive joy of Your resurrection. Through song, we worship throughout the day, humming, the lines of our favorite hymn.

*Through song, dear Lord, You have given us a truly special gift. Thank for this gift and bless us as we gather here in Your name, for Your glory.
Alleluia, Amen*

FELLOWSHIP CONNECTION – BILL & LINDA JONES, COORDINATORS

The first event of our new fellowship program was a Church Picnic on September 17th. It was a wonderful afternoon with 58 members attending and another 12 people passing by being invited to join us for dinner. Many thanks to everyone who pitched in to help in any way.

The next event will be held on Sunday, October 29th and will be a pot luck supper followed by a sing along with our Praise Team leader Mike. We are also encouraging Halloween costumes for those who feel brave but it is certainly not a requirement to attend.

MARTHA CIRCLE – JACKIE STERLING, CHAIR

The Martha Circle held its first meeting of the year on Tuesday, Sept. 12. Our hostesses were B.J. Cain and Sharon Rutherford. Linda Jones did devotions on "Friendship". We're busy planning the bazaar which will be held TWO days this

year, Nov. 10th from 3 - 7, and Sat. Nov. 11th 10 - 2. Meals will be provided at both.

Next month we meet Tuesday, October, 3rd, due to the Women's Retreat being held the following week at Camp Pecometh. We hope to see all ladies at our meeting as well as the retreat next month. Any questions, please call me 410-726-2221.

MISSION TEAM – BILL JONES, CHAIR

With Fall upon us we are seeing some of our missions projects really getting active. The Backpack Program is quickly identifying children at Ocean City Elementary School who could benefit from taking home backpacks with food each weekend. The Prayer Shawl Ministry is actively seeking new members to make prayer shawls and our Soup Kitchen is seeing more and more of our "regular" clients as the number of students decreases. The Thrift Shop remains very active selling items, at reduced prices, to members of our community as well as offering bibles and consolation to those with special needs. Soon we will begin our involvement with the Cold Weather Shelter and our Thanksgiving Food Box programs.

I want to thank everyone who donated to our recent offerings for UMCOR. The monies have been sent to them so they can be used in Texas and in Florida. I know we are all keeping these people in our prayers and hopefully we will find other ways to provide support.



Our 39th Annual Church Bazaar is coming! Martha Circle Members are so pleased to offer our first two-day Bazaar in November! We've been

preparing for months!

We're asking for your help and support!

We need donations for The Silent Auction. Bidding for the Auction will begin Friday afternoon at 3:00 when we open our doors and continue through Saturday till 2:00 when bidding ends! We will offer a few special items Friday that will be awarded to lucky bidders on Friday night! ***If you own a business ~ please help us by donating a gift certificate or merchandise!*** If you don't own a business AND would like to donate ~ donate cash and we'll buy gift certificates! Contact Coordinators Donna Berg at 302-598-7050 or Sharon Rutherford at 240-372-0080.

We need donations of baked goods for three areas

~ ***Bakery Delights and Gifts*** which will be in the Choir Room

~ Simple desserts for Friday dinner ~ cupcakes, cookies, bar cookies etc.

~ Cakes and pies for our Traditional Lunch on Saturday!

Questions? Contact Coordinator, Joanne Harner at 410-251-1522

We need volunteers to help serve Friday night dinner (4:30 – 6:30) and Saturday lunch (11:00 – 1:00). Contact

Dining Room Coordinators, Susan Lauer or Joann Wayz.

If you'd like to help in the kitchen Thursday for prep, Friday for prep or the dinner and/or luncheon on Saturday, please contact Kitchen Chairs: Becky or Larry Yates, Terry Hoption, Chuck or Joan Strang or Joe Cain.

Linda Jones and her team have created beautiful holiday decorations and gifts ready for purchasing in our ***Christmas Home Place!*** And new this year ~ we'll have a [LuLaRoe Boutique](#) ~ great clothing at very reasonable boutique prices! Don't forget our ever-popular ***White Elephants Treasures and Finds***, Coordinated by Adele Biel ~ always a fun market place!

As you can see this is a church wide event! It's taking a village! Please support us with your donations and baked goods. Come volunteer and join the fun!

Brenda Wimperis, Chair

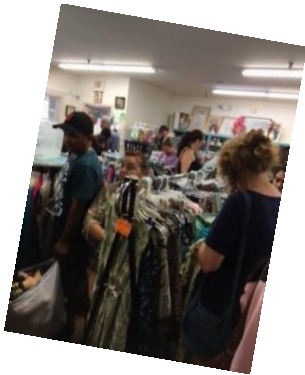
Linda Jones, Co-Chair

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

- Articles for November Newsletter due October 25th.
- Soup sales return in January, look for details in November *Here's What's Happening*.
- If you do not need/use contribution envelopes for 2018, please notify the church office.
- There will be reassignment of **some** contribution envelope numbers for 2018. Notification will be included in *Third Quarter Contribution Statement*, to be mailed mid-October.



FALL ARRIVES AT THE THRIFT SHOP



Recurring Events

Music

Mondays – 6:30pm Atlantic Bell Choir

Tuesdays – 10:00am – Morning Glories

Wednesdays 7:00pm – Chancel Choir

Bible Studies

Tuesdays-9:30am with Bob Johnson & Jack Moore

Wednesdays -8:30am with Pastor Patty

Wednesdays – 6:30pm with Pastor Patty

Missions

Thursdays – 8:30am Backpack

Fridays – 11:00am – 1:00pm – Soup Kitchen

Thrift Shop

Monday thru Saturday

10:00am – 2:00pm

Meetings & Special Events

**Meeting times are subject to change; committee chairs will notify members of meeting cancellations.*

Martha Circle

October 3 – 11:45am

Women's Retreat

October 10,11

Finance

October 19 – 5:30pm

Administrative Council

October 24 – 7:00pm

Charge Conference

October 26 – 7:00pm

Potluck Supper/Sing Along

October 29

Christmas Bazaar

November 10 – 3:00pm – 7:00pm

November 11- 10:00am – 2:00pm

SPRC

November 13- 6:30pm

Trustees

November 13 – 6:30pm

Missions

November 21 – 6:30pm

Administrative Council

November 28 – 6:30pm

Advent Potluck/Bell Choir

Christmas Concert

December 10

BIRTHDAYS

October 1 – Deb Hanson

October 1 – Charlotte Nash

October 2 – Virginia Harmon

October 4 – Steven Hoffman

October 17 - Jim Almand

October 18 – Joann Waysz

October 22 – Jean Marx

October 23 – Beverly Steen

October 25 – Charlotte Meyers

October 26 – Art Perry

October 27 – Sue Harting

October 30 – B. J. Cain

November 4 – Debbie Priestley

November 7 – Liz Steedman

November 7 – Beth Zimmer

November 8 – Jeff Facello

November 8 – Nancy Thomas

November 9 – Sara Jarmon

November 10 – Debbie Collins

November 10 – Bill Russell

November 12 – Sarah Purnell

November 14 – Brian Bankert

November 19 – Grace Hoption

November 24 – Nancy Sitskorn

November 25 – Penny Miller

November 27 – Carol McGuire



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PRESENT

FAITH AND FILM **FALL MOVIE SERIES**

A SERIES OF **FREE** MOVIE SHOWINGS
THE **1ST WEDNESDAY** OF EACH MONTH

7:00 P.M.

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
10301 COASTAL HWY., OCEAN CITY
(ACROSS FROM THE CLARION)

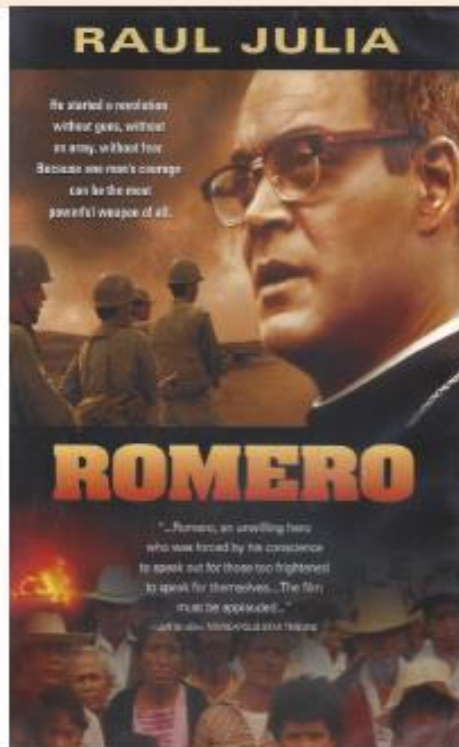
OCTOBER 4TH

NOVEMBER 1ST

DECEMBER 6TH



The true story of Dr. [Martin Luther King, Jr.](#)'s epic march from Selma to Montgomery, Alabama, in 1965.



The life and work of Archbishop Oscar Romero who opposed, at great personal risk, the tyrannical repression in El Salvador.



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OCTOBER 4TH, 7PM**

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10301 Coastal Hwy.
Ocean City
(across from the Clarion)**



The true story of
Dr. [Martin Luther King, Jr.](#)'s
campaign to secure equal rights
via the epic march from Selma to
Montgomery, Alabama, in 1965.

Part of the ***Faith and Film*** series to be held
the 1st Wednesday of each month this Fall.

Sponsored by the Clergy United for Reconciliation & Equality (C.U.R.E.)

