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## HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING JUNE 2017

Dear Friends,

As summer arrives in Ocean City there are certainly days and times when those of us living here year-round need *Attitude Adjustments*. I notice the traffic is picking up, and it's taking me longer to go places. When I'm in a hurry, an *Attitude Adjustment* might be needed when that out of town visitor pulls out in front of me, not quite knowing where she's going. Or, when the lines are longer to buy my groceries and I'm feeling quite impatient. We all have those moments when we wish we had adjusted our attitude in certain situations. Maybe this summer we can all practice *Attitude Adjustment* when those trying times come?

In the book 100 Great Ideas to Simplify Your life, Candy Paull points out that just a small change in your routine can have surprising consequences. If you worry or make fearful prognostications about the future, the entire tone of your day is darkened by your thoughts. If you choose to walk on the sunnier side of the street, you'll find your brighter mental viewpoint colors your perspectives as well. When you choose a deep trust in God, you choose a new attitude toward life.

May your *Attitude Adjustment* be tempered by your faith in God's promises, and may you know God's presence in the good days and bad.

If you are traveling this summer our thoughts and prayers go with you. We look forward to seeing you when you return! If you have visitors and friends staying with you, please invite them to come to church. What better way to receive an *Attitude Adjustment* than in worshipping God with others. Also, in your travels if you attend other churches and like something they are doing, either in worship or in ministry, please let me know. I

would like to understand what kinds of things you connect with when you visit other churches.

A reminder that the 8:30 service will be held on Shenanigan's Porch, 4<sup>th</sup> Street and the Boardwalk. This year in addition to rain, we will also come inside if heat advisories are up, or we feel it's just too hot to be out. If this is the case, a sign will be placed on the boardwalk directing people to come to the church for worship. Also, please continue helping us the get the word out about our need for a lead Praise Musician for this service. We often come across people through word-of-mouth. Your prayers for this service and its boardwalk visitors are much appreciated.

May God bless and keep you all. *Pastor Patty* 



Pastors Patty and Andy Frick at the Annual Conference Chase Center, Wilmington, DE



MAY 21, 2017 BLESSING OF THE BADGE SERVICE

#### STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

Naming a loved one or your church as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy, annuity, or retirement plan assets is a profound way to make a future gift with lasting impact. Going a step further, it is helpful to notify those beneficiaries of your choices and protect the gifts you have made.

- Review your beneficiary designations periodically, as your financial circumstances may change over your lifetime.
- Alert your beneficiaries that you have a life insurance policy, annuity, or have named them as a beneficiary of a retirement plan.
- Share the location, numbers, and details of the policy or plan with your beneficiary.

As you maintain and update your beneficiary designations, consider making a gift of a life insurance policy, annuity, or retirement plan to Atlantic United Methodist Church so your church can continue to serve the faith community of Ocean City in the years ahead. You may wish to designate your gift for a specific program or mission that is close to your heart. Let us know of your decision so we can carry out your wishes as intended and thank you for your gift.

Never measure your generosity by what you give but rather by what you have left. – Bishop Fulton J. Sheen

#### CHANCEL CHOIR - JUNE TODD

The Chancel Choir will continue to sing at Sunday Worship until July 2.

The Pine Tones Choirs will present Spring Concert, "I Love a Piano", music of Irving Berlin & George & Ira Gershwin, Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm at the Community Church of Ocean Pines on Rte. 589. Admission - \$10.00 at the door.

June 11<sup>th</sup> will be Choir Recognition Sunday. I would like to give tribute to all the members who have given their time and talent for many years. The Chancel & Bell Choir names and years of service will be printed in the bulletin. Special recognition will be given to Les Munro (40 years) and Paul Wall (20 years), who are retiring from the choir. We will also be celebrating Les' 105<sup>th</sup>

birthday! Please join us for cake and coffee following the service.

#### HANDBELL CHOIRS - BILLIE WALL

The Handbell Choirs at Atlantic have been active for 10 years. The time has flown and we thank the congregation for its support. It has been a great 10 years and we will continue to rehearse and participate in worship. Members of the Bell Choirs will be recognized on June 11<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00 service. If there is anyone who would like to join the Bell Choir, just give me a call, Billie Wall, Director - 410-213-2804

#### MARTHA CIRCLE - JACKIE STERLING

The Martha Circle held our final meeting of the season on May 9 at Sunset Grille. Pastor Patty, Dot Simpson and Carolyn Godfrey were our guests of honor. New member, Karen Hook, was also there.

This year has been a very exciting year for us. Our Christmas bazaar was a huge success, we hosted the advent Christmas Dinner, sponsored a bus trip to see *Jonah* at Sight & Sound. Next year's trip is already scheduled for June. It will be the story of *Jesus*. This trip is open to the whole church. We held a reception for our confirmands as well as one for The Blessing of the Badges.

In October, we helped host the Atlantic UMC, women's retreat. In March, we held our yearly "birthday party" at the Berlin Nursing home. We also hosted The Bank of Ocean City luncheon, and the White Marlin fundraiser. When called upon, we also helped several families with funeral receptions.

As you can see, we are a very busy group of ladies. Our officers for the new term are; Jackie Sterling, President; Marci Will and Linda Jones Co-Vice Presidents, Sharon Rutherford, Secretary and Donna Berg, Treasurer. Brenda Wimperis is the chairman of the Christmas bazaar. I thank these ladies for their willingness to serve.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 12, at 11:45 in the fellowship hall. We look forward to seeing you there. Blessings, Jackie Sterling

### DONNA HOLDREN PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY JOANN WAYSZ

Prayer Shawl Ministry will not be meeting in the Chapel starting June 9th and will resume meeting in the chapel at 9:30 am on September 8th. Have a blessed and safe summer but don't stop knitting and crocheting!! The need never stops.

#### MISSIONS - BILL JONES

As we quickly approach the summer months missions' activities vary in their intensity. The School Backpack Program is winding down for the school year and the volunteers will take a well-deserved vacation for the summer. In the meantime, our Soup Kitchen is about to transition into its busiest period as the foreign students begin to arrive in Ocean City and they learn about our Friday offering. As usual we are anticipating our weekly participation will rise from our winter time average of 60-70 people to around 250 by mid-summer. In this regard, the Soup Kitchen can always use extra volunteers to help with cooking or serving. If you can spare sometime please let Chuck or Joan Strang know of your interest.

The Thrift Shop remains very busy and it is a blessing that we have so many local people donating items for us to sell. We are also blessed that we have a number of consistent volunteers who staff the shop on a regular basis. Hopefully our summer level of activity will equal the excellent record we have seen so far, this spring.

Throughout the summer, we are expecting to see our missionaries, Steve and Sheila Young, as they relocate to Ocean City to work with many of the foreign students. The Youngs have been working with several students from the Ukraine to help them get here for the summer and hopefully we can provide some extra support to their efforts to make this a beneficial experience for these students as well as to introduce them to our Lord.

#### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – BRENDA WIMPERIS, CHAIR LINDA JONES, CO-CHAIR

Martha Circle Members are excited about our twoday bazaar this fall! We've been working weekly on items for our Christmas Home Place; we'll be reaching out, beginning in June, to individuals and businesses for donations of items for the Silent Auction and purchasing ads for the Advertising Book; we're planning our menus for our Traditional Luncheon on Saturday and for our (new this year) Dinner on Friday!

We're busy! You can help by:

- Donating to the Silent Auction
- Purchase an Ad for our Ad Book
- Donating Items for the White Elephant Treasures and Finds
- Donating your new/or gently used Christmas items for us to "renew" (put them in the Christmas Box in the Meeting room)
- Saving some of your great jams, jellies and pickles for our Bakery Delights
- Saving the dates so you can "help" or definitely "attend"!

Thanks for all your support- we can't have a successful bazaar without everyone's help!

#### FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

#### **Notice from City Hall:**

There will be NO PARKING in the CITY HALL lot on Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup> – Father's Day. The lot will be closed to the public for Air Show support staff. The lot on 4<sup>th</sup> Street will remain open.

Thank you, Earl Robinson, for hanging the new brochure holder in the main hallway, making it easier to find the latest edition of the Upper *Room*, *What's Happening Newsletter* and other important information.

#### Church Office closed, May 29th

Please use the following email address for all correspondence to the church office: atlanticumc@atlanticumc.org

News articles for the July edition of "What's Happening" are due **June 26<sup>th</sup>**.

#### **Meetings & Special Events**

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

June 13- 5:30pm – Safe Sanctuary (CPR)

July 10 - 6:30pm – Trustees

July 11 - 6:30pm – Missions

July 13 – 6:30pm Leadership Development

July 18 – 5:30pm – Finance Committee

July 25 – 6:30pm – Administrative Council

November 10 - 3:00pm - 7:00pm - Bazaar

November 11 – 10:00am – 2:00pm - Bazaar

#### **Thrift Shop**

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#### Very Special Birthday wishes to:



Les Munro – June 15<sup>th</sup> (105) Frieda Bruce - June 22<sup>nd</sup> (101)

#### June Birthdays

June 2 - Sherry Dare

June 6 - Verla Hammond

June 8 - Kurt Marx

June 10 - Moira Biddle

June 10 - Bob Eastman

June 14 - Charlotte Montgomery

June 15 - Terry Hoption

June 26 - Adele Biel

June 29 - George Godfrey

June 30 - Ida Laynor

#### July Birthdays

July 1 - Pastor Patty Frick

July 2 - Jennifer Hoffman

July 4 - Paul Wall

July 6 - Larry Holdren, Sr.

July 7 - Frank Hoover

July 9 - Deno Vlachos

July 14 - Jimmy Carter

July 17 - Michael Truitt

July 20 - Joel Gorgodian

July 21 - Norman Biddle

July 24 - Diane Wright

July 27 - Pamela Buckley

#### June - July Anniversaries

June 15 - Charles & Joan Strang

June 19 - Grover & Debbie Collins

June 23 - Tom & Beth Zimmer

June 25 - Chris & Murrie Wall

June 27 - Fran & Earl Robinson

July 3 - Bob & Adele Biel

July 5 - Michael & Beth Truitt

July 13 - Jack & Phyllis Moore



Please join us for

An Evening of Music

with

#### KATERINA BURTON and JEFFREY TODD

Friday, June 16, 7:00 p.m. Bethany United Methodist Church, Berlin

or Saturday, June 17, 7:00 p.m. St Peter's Lutheran Church, Ocean City

Let's CELEBRATE Katerina's acceptance to Juilliard!

Free Admission

Donations for Katerina & Jeffrey will be accepted at the concert. For More Info: Call Lyn at 410-641-0772