

AUMC

A Community in Faith Where Active Adults Can Grow and Thrive

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

August, 2018

Dear Friends in Christ,

The summer is passing by very quickly – hard to believe we are already in August! I hope you have found time to rest and rejuvenate. In a recent sermon on Mark 6, I related how the disciples were tired and getting ready to go away to a secluded place with Jesus. But the crowds were not ready to let them go. They found out where the location was and were there to greet them when they arrived. I can only imagine how the disciples felt – tired, ready for a break, a bit annoyed perhaps. In any case, their time of rest wasn't to be because as Mark 6:34 says, 'When Jesus arrived and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd.' He and the disciples ministered to them.

Summers are very busy at Atlantic. It can be a tiring time for today's disciples of Jesus to deal with all the crowds in Ocean City, the visitors in our homes, the traffic - all of it. Yet minister you do! Thank you for your efforts and may God continue leading you through it all.

*Please keep an eye out for the new things that will start up at Atlantic in the fall. In preparation for one of them, the fast-track Disciple Bible Study, there will be an information meeting after each worship service on **Sunday, August 12th**. It will be held in the chapel. We hope to put together a meeting schedule, so it will help to hear from you. The schedule and other fall offerings will be included in the September newsletter. However, one event you may want to place on your calendar for September is the Bishop's Day on the District. It will be held at Community Church in Ocean Pines on Thursday, September 13th from 6:30-8:30 pm. Bishop Peggy Johnson will provide updates regarding The Way Forward. If you have questions about this ahead of time, you can find out more about The Way Forward on the Peninsula Delaware website: www.pen-del.org. Look for the "Commission on the Way Forward" heading on the home page.*

Thanks again to Sunny Trivits for her dedication to Atlantic's Children/Youth Sunday school this past year. Sunny, her dad, Mike, and their helpers did a great job! Starting at Atlantic as a small child herself, we watched Sunny grow into delightful young lady, poised, talented and welcoming everyone with a big smile. She is leaving to attend school away from home but promises to visit when she's in town. Our prayers go with her as she moves on to this next phase of her life.



Blessings and peace,

Pastor Patty

CHANCEL CHOIR – JUNE TODD

I hope you all are having a safe and healthy summer. I want to thank all those who sang and played for us during June and July. It was wonderful to have the young people – Sunny Trivits, Jeffrey Todd and McKenna King. Good luck and God's blessings as you begin another school year.

I think the congregation has been singing with more energy and enthusiasm since we have the words on the wall. Read John Wesley's directions for singing on page vii in the hymnal.

Pastor Patty and I have decided to use "members favorites" for the month of August. If you have a hymn that you really love write it down and put in in my box. You may choose from the United Methodist Hymnal or the Faith we sing.

"Sing lustily and with a good courage" (John Wesley – 1761).

FINANCE COMMITTEE – CLIFF BERG

The Finance Committee will begin working on the 2019 Budget at their August 21st meeting. Leadership should forward all budget requests to the church office as soon as possible.



Martha Circle News

I hope everyone is having a safe, memory filled summer!

Planning ahead to our fall meetings, there are two reminders:
Our first meeting is Tuesday, September 11th. The October meeting has to be switched to Tuesday, October 2nd. AUMC Women's Pecometh Retreat is Tuesday and Wednesday, October 9th and 10th.

Please pencil these dates on your calendar! At the October meeting, we'll be assembling "Soups in a Jar" for the November Bazaar! We need wide mouth jars! If you have and/or can purchase some jars to donate, bring them to church and we'll store them upstairs. We need 40 jars.

At the September meeting we'll be accepting monetary donations to purchase the "Soup" ingredients ~ ready for October assembly. Joanne Wayz is coordinating this project!

Blessings to all, Brenda Wimperis

On the Church Calendar

August 13 – 6:30pm - SPRC

August 21 – 5:00pm – Finance Committee

August 28 – 6:00pm – Administrative Council

September 4 thru 8 – AA Group Meetings in Tilghman Hall (morning & afternoon)

September 11 – 11:45am – Martha Circle

September 13 – 6:30pm-8:30pm – Bishop's Day on the District
Community Church in Ocean Pines

September 25 - 6:00pm – Administrative Council

October 1 – Worship time changes

8:15am – 9:15am – Informal Worship

9:15am – 9:30am – Fellowship time with refreshments

9:30am – 10:15am – Disciple Study

10:30am – 11:30pm – Traditional Service

October 9th & 10 – Women's Retreat – Camp Pecometh

October 16 – 5:30pm – Finance Committee

October 23 – 6:00pm – Administrative Council

November 9 & 10 – Christmas Bazaar

November 15 – 6:00pm – Church Conference

Dear AUMC Family,

I have been settled into my home for 3 weeks now and can't believe the transformation. I only had my clothes from OC. Everything else had to be bought. At first it was exciting to have a blank canvas to work with, but it also became a little overwhelming going out each day to buy "just one more thing". I can now say I am done! The Lord has blessed me abundantly.

I just joined Bethlehem United Methodist Church Sunday the 22nd. It is 125 years old and has a wonderful spirit filled congregation. It is a tiny church with an older congregation like AUMC. I feel right at home there.

I miss you all. Shirley and I continue to FaceTime several times a week so I am kept up to date on what's happening at AUMC and Ocean City in general. I would love to hear from you. My phone is still the same, (717)574-7876. So is my email, chocolatewhiz111@verizon.net.

My address is:
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Fishers, IN 46037

I will continue to pray for you all and lift you up to the Lord.

Love,
Diane Kleinfelter



August Birthdays

- August 1 - Nola Beadenkopf
- August 4 - Patti James
- August 5 - Mary Price
- August 11 - Delores Cook
- August 13 - Allison Klebe
- August 17 - Robert Nock, Sr.
- August 17 - Bo Spicer
- August 18 - Beth Truitt
- August 22 - Peg Ewancio
- August 27 - Billie Wall

Members have asked us about electronic giving as they rarely use checks or cash anymore. We encourage you to have your gift automatically deducted from your bank account or debit/credit card and sent directly to the church. Many people find this is a useful way to support their church because it allows for consistent giving, even when they cannot be here.

You can make a contribution to AUMC through the secure portal on our website, www.atlanticumc.org, just click on the *Online Giving* tab.

Or

You can set up automated contributions from your checking/savings . Call or stop pay the church office for form, Dot will set up your payment schedule.

Or

You can make a contribution to AUMC through a mobile app! To get started, download GivePlus Church for free from the App Store or Google Play. Simply search for “GivePlus Church” to quickly find and download the app today. Then, you can easily make donations directly from your smartphone using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account. You can also choose to donate as a guest or set up an account that allows you to securely and conveniently schedule recurring donations and manage and review your giving history.

Frequently Asked Questions about electronic giving

- How do automated contributions work?
 - You select a payment method, start date, frequency and contribution amount. On the scheduled date(s), donations will be processed and deposited into the church bank account.
- When will my contributions be processed?
 - Your contributions will be processed on the date(s) you authorize.
- What can I use to show I made a donation?
 - The itemized list of electronic transactions that appear on your bank or credit card statement can be used as proof of your donations.
- Will I receive a receipt?
 - Yes. You will receive a receipt via email, and you will also be able to view transactions in your giving history. Guest donors will receive a receipt if they choose to enter their email address when completing a donation.
- How can I participate in the offering during service?
 - Either write “I give electronically” on the outside of an envelope or contact the church office and request an “I Give Electronically” card to drop into the offering plate.
- How safe is electronic giving?

- Vanco Payment Solutions meets or exceeds all industry standards to safeguard your data. To help ensure your data stays safe, Vanco leverages technology such as tokenizing card data and encrypting sensitive information for transmission and storage.
- Can I cancel or place a hold on my donation?
 - You can cancel or suspend donations by notifying the church or by going online and signing into your account.
- I made a mistake and donated the wrong amount. How can I get a refund?
 - Contact the church office and they will be able to credit the amount donated in error back to your account – just like when you return an item you bought at a store or online.
- What payment methods can I use to donate?
 - Donations can be made with all major debit/credit cards currently accepted by your church. You can also give or pay using your checking or savings account.

Church Office Humor

