

## AUMC

### *A Community in Faith Where Active Adults Can Grow and Thrive*

#### HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

April, 2019

Dear Friends in Christ,

We are in the most sacred seasons of the Christian year – Lent and Easter. As we have gathered as God's people week after week, I pray you have been blessed and encouraged in your faith. I pray that you have felt God's presence and been refreshed and renewed through it. May God continue to be with all of us on this journey toward the cross and the triumphant Easter resurrection.

Easter is a glorious season for Christians! We celebrate God with Us – God who loves us and walks with us in our troubles. As the old hymn goes, “there are some things I may not know, there are some places I can't go, but I am sure of this one thing, that God is real for I can feel God deep within” (Kenneth Morris, *Yes, God is Real*). God's Easter people proclaim - Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! May this teaching of our faith be real for you. May it provide a sense of assurance as you continue your journey in faith. Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!

Blessings and Peace, Pastor Patty

#### LENT/EASTER WORSHIP EVENTS

*SERIES OF LENTEN WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS AND SERVICES - MEAL 5:30pm/Service 6:30pm:*

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>** –St. Paul's Episcopal, Ocean City

**April 10<sup>th</sup>** –Holy Savior Catholic Church, Ocean City

**April 14<sup>th</sup>** – **Palm/Passion Sunday** at Atlantic UMC, Rev. Bill Sterling Leading Worship

**April 19<sup>th</sup>** – **Good Friday Cross Walk**, Noon (details follow)

**Good Friday Service** – 7:00pm – First Presbyterian – 1301 Philadelphia Ave.

AUMC Family is invited to attend this service

**April 21<sup>st</sup>** – **Easter**

Easter Sunrise Service, 6:00 am, North Division St & Boardwalk (details follow)

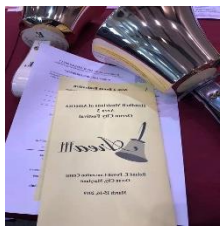
8:15 Informal Worship/Atlantic UMC

10:30 Traditional Worship/Atlantic UMC

Everyone is invited to celebrate Good Friday by participating in a **Cross Walk** on the Ocean City boardwalk on Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, at noon. The Christian community will meet at The Son'Spot on Worcester Street at noon for a short time of ministry, and then proceed down the boardwalk, past the sand sculpture, and end at Atlantic United Methodist Church on Fourth Street. We will walk together, carrying a cross, singing songs, and having a brief time of ministry at several stops along the way. This is a great opportunity to lift up the name of Jesus to the community and we encourage you to participate. Afterwards, refreshments will be served at Atlantic Methodist. We plan to walk rain or shine. If the weather is severe, the last segment at the Methodist church will be expanded inside. This Good Friday ministry is coordinated by the Ocean City Christian Ministers Association.

Everyone is invited to our community's **Easter Sunrise Service** on Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6am on the Boardwalk at North Division Street. Ministers, musicians, and singers from many of Ocean City's Christian churches will participate. This service will celebrate our risen Lord with singing, scripture, and preaching. This is always a wonderful service and we hope you can attend. Bleachers and chairs will be provided, but you may want to bring a blanket. If there is rain, the service will relocate to Atlantic United Methodist Church on 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

### **BELL CHOIR – BILLIE WALL, DIRECTOR**



The Handbell Festival was one of excitement and learning for the members of the Atlantic Bell Choir that participated in the classes, rehearsals, fellowship, and massed performance at the Powell Convention Center. Each year we prepare, we ponder, count, clap, and repeat the difficult passages, we pray that we all finish together and we gather to celebrate the completion of another job well done as the Lord and our guest conductor whip us into shape for the 20-minute concert!



Sounds like a lot of work . . . it is . . . as with anything that is worth doing, it is worth doing to the best of our ability. Thank you all for your support of the bell choir and for encouraging words of appreciation when we participate in worship.

I will, once again, make an appeal to those who might want to learn this handbell skill, that we do have room for players. Private classes, or smaller classes in preparation for playing are available. You may contact me at 410-213-2804 if you are interested.



### **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – PAM ZORN, CHAIR**

There will be an organizational meeting Wednesday, April 17 at 9:00am in Tilghman Hall everyone interested in helping with this fall's Christmas Bazaar. You do not have to be a member of Martha Circle to come out and help!

### MARTHA CIRCLE – BRENDA WIMPERIS, CHAIR



The Martha Circle Meeting for April will be our *AUMC Ladies Night Out Dinner* on April 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 in the church social hall. We've had a wonderful response from our congregation and we're expecting about 45 ladies to participate!

Immediate future dates to remember are:

Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> ~ Martha Circle Luncheon at Sunset Grille

Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> ~ Birthday Party at the Berlin Nursing Home, Penny Miller, Chair



Martha Circle is proudly hosting the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Church Bazaar on Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. Save these dates on your calendar! Pam Zorn, Chair.

### THRIFT SHOP – BILL & LINDA JONES

We want to thank everyone who helped with the recent Bag Sale and Turnover in the Thrift Shop. We were blessed to have a really large turnout of people to help, throughout the week, and it certainly made our job much easier. So now we are in our Spring/Summer mode and have seen some large crowds coming into the shop to get their bargains. We expect to gradually see increased sales as it gets warmer and especially when the students begin arriving for the summer.

With this said we are always looking for new people who would like to work a few hours in the shop. During the summer it would be especially helpful to have a few people, on call, who could work an occasional Saturday as vacations take away our regular staff. If you are interested please see one of us.

### BOOK CLUB – JACKIE STERLING

The book club will meet, Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in my home. We will be discussing the novel "Small Great Things" by Jodi Picoult. All are welcome. Jackie - 410-726-2221

Atlantic United Methodist Church  
**Monthly Report of Trustees Activities and Work Projects Status**  
**Month of April 2019**

Board of Trustees of Atlantic United Methodist Church reports the following:

Hello all. We appreciate and thank everyone who continues to give us feedback and ideas of repairing and improving our Church building and campus. We appreciate and welcome your ideas and suggestions.

We have entered our long overdue Spring season. We are starting to enjoy some better weather, we are all looking forward to the summer beach and boardwalk time.

The Church grounds have been cleaned up, everything has been pruned, dead plants and bushes removed, flower and plant beds have been edged and mulched. The campus is beautiful and ready for the season.

We ask everyone to help us out by continuing to be vigilant when you are in or around our building. We ask if you see something that should need the attention of the Trustees such as a leaking water source, lights out, broken window(s), equipment or appliances not working, heating or air conditioning not working, or any other concern to please let us know.

The Kitchen and Scullery continues to be a source of our concern and attention. It gets a lot of use, we ask everyone using the kitchen to please be extra attentive to the needs of these 2 areas.

On a positive note, we received a lot of comments and compliments from the county health inspector, vendors and repair people, and congregants on how clean and efficient our kitchen has become. This is due to everyone's cooperation and help. We thank everyone for your continued support with this effort. Were still working on improving the Kitchen and Scullery.

We continue to work very hard to stay on top of the repairs and address everything we can as quickly as we can. As the old saying goes **"If You See Something, Say Something"**.

**Since our March report, below is an updated status report of our activities work projects:**

**Repair of broken window in classroom upstairs:**

Broken window needed to be replaced

**STATUS:     COMPLETED                     February 18, 2019**

Work done by Master Jack Company

**Repair to Church Surveillance System:**

The current CCTV camera surveillance system needed repair and repositioning of our cameras.

**STATUS:     COMPLETED                     February 19, 2019**

Work done by ADT at same time of the install of the above alarm upgrade and connectivity project.

**Repair of broken Garbage Disposal in Kitchen Scullery:**

Broken Garbage Disposal was old, rusted out in the bottom and leaking needed to be replaced.

**STATUS:     COMPLETED                     February 22, 2019**

Work done by 5 Star Plumbing

**Replacement of Knives in Kitchen:**

Broken, worn out knives were replaced.

**STATUS: COMPLETED February 22, 2019**

Work done by Trustees.

**Replacement of Soup Server Station in Kitchen:**

Broken, would no longer heat. – Needed to be replaced.

**STATUS: COMPLETED February 22, 2019**

**ADT Fire Alarm Upgrade & Connectivity:**

ADT Fire Alarm System upgrade throughout Church building to have direct connectivity to Ocean City Emergency Operations Center in the event of a fire event:

Work was supposed to be Completed week of December 3, 2018. They ran into several problems with hardware, building issues and additional requirements by the Fire Marshall's office (Tamper Proof Covers over pull stations, Magnetic door releases, Duct work indicators & monitoring, etc.) during this installation.

**STATUS: COMPLETED March 1, 2019**

Work Done by ADT.

**Replacement of Lock, Handle and key mechanism on Double Door Storage Closet in Hallway:**

The lock/handle mechanism to the double door closet was broken beyond repair and needed to be replaced. – Keyed same as previous system.

**STATUS: COMPLETED March 1, 2019**

Work Done by RJ Locksmith Company.

**Handicap Wheel Chair Accessible Entry Button for Glass Entry Doors off Parking Lot:**

Installed exterior and interior access buttons for Handicap/Wheelchair access at the double glass entry doors off the parking lot.

These doors will now both open upon activation of the access buttons when the doors are unlocked by the switch inside or the remote button in the office.

**STATUS: COMPLETED March 20, 2019**

Work to be done by R.J. Locksmith.

**Repair the Hymnal, Bible, Pencil, envelope holders, etc. on all Sanctuary Pews:**

Several of the larger racks need remounting. They tend to fall off easily. Some smaller pencil/pen racks are either broken or missing. We will be remounting the larger racks to make them stronger and sturdy. We have received the order of the smaller pencil/pen, envelope racks. They have been mounted, this part of this project was completed on Friday March 8, 2019.

**STATUS: IN PROGRESS HOPEFULLY TO BE COMPLETED BY END OF MARCH 2019**

Work being done by Trustees

**Kitchen Pot Replacement:**

Replacement of 8 of our 10 of aging aluminum soup/stock pots and lids in the Kitchen with Stainless-Steel pots:

They are much more efficient in heating and heat retention and, less cumbersome.

We are working with different committees within the Church (Martha's Circle, Missions, Soup Kitchen, etc.) to help fund the purchase of these pots.

**STATUS: IN PROGRESS HOPEFULLY TO BE COMPLETED IN MARCH 2019**

**Pull Out Shelves for Kitchen:**

Plan to install at least Six (6) more pull out shelves in the Kitchen:

These shelves make working in the kitchen much easier and convenient.

**STATUS: IN PROGRESS HOPEFULLY TO BE COMPLETED IN MARCH 2019**

Work to be done by Jay Hastings

**Windows in the Church Administrator's Office & the Pastor's Office:**

Plan to replace the 4 windows in the Church Administrator's office and the Pastor's Office. They are not functional, they will not properly lock and create a security risk and vulnerability to break-in's, they all leak the outside elements of rain, snow, air, heat, and cold to enter and escape.

**STATUS: IN PROGRESS HOPEFULLY TO BE COMPLETED IN MARCH 2019**

Work being done by Master Jack Company.

**Replace the Roofing of the Church Building:**

This roof replacement will be to the West end of the Church Building. The roof is very old and has been patched and repaired several times. There has been over \$30,000.00 spent in the past 10 years and the roof still leaks every time we have a large rain or snowfall. We feel the company that had been performing our roof repairs and work (Peninsula Roofing) was not performing a satisfactory job. They were replaced in January of 2019 by (Chesapeake Roofing). We requested bids and found Chesapeake the most reasonable and reliable. Council approved this repair and expense on 2-26-19 at Council Meeting.

**STATUS: IN PROGRESS HOPEFULLY TO BE COMPLETED BY END OF APRIL OR EARLY MAY 2019**

Work to be done by Chesapeake Roofing.

---

**NEAR FUTURE/PLANNED PROJECTS & WORK – SHORT TERM:**

**Kitchen Spice Rack:**

Plan to purchase and install a larger more efficient Spice Rack in the Kitchen.

**STATUS: PENDING Work to be done in 2019 After Kitchen Painting and Reorganization**

To be purchased and installed by Trustees

This rack will hold all our essential spices and be much easier to access It also keeps us in Health Department compliance by keeping them up off the counter shelves where they are currently. This is another step making working in the kitchen much easier, and convenient.

**Church Wide Work Day/Clean-Up, Fix Up - SPRING:**

The Church campus has needed a through cleanup/fixup for a long time. We plan on starting on the lower level in the Spring. We are hopeful we will have enough volunteers to get everything done within a couple of days.

Plan to do a complete cleanup, and painting of the Kitchen Cabinets and storage spaces in the Kitchen and Scullery. This will be done in coordination with our planned Spring Cleanup/Fixup days in the spring of the year.

**STATUS: PENDING Work to be done in Spring 2019 by way of Church Wide Workday to be held**

**Saturday May 18, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

**(PLEASE PLACE THIS SAVE THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR)**

Work to be done by Trustees and other Church Volunteers

**Church Wide Work Day/Clean-Up, Fix Up - FALL:**

The Church campus has needed a through cleanup/fixup for a long time. We plan on finishing on the upper level in the Fall. We are hopeful we will have enough volunteers to get everything done within a couple of days.

Plan to do a complete cleanup, painting (as needed), and fixup. Of the meeting/classrooms on the upper level. This will be done in coordination with our planned Fall Cleanup/Fixup days in the Fall of the year.

**STATUS: PENDING Work to be done in Fall 2019 by way of Church Wide Workday to be held**

**Saturday October 5, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

**(PLEASE PLACE THIS SAVE THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR**

**Work to be done by Trustees and other Church Volunteers.**

)

---

**EXTENDED - FUTURE/PLANNED PROJECTS & WORK – LONG TERM:**

**Plan to renovate and remodel our Kitchen to make it more functional and user friendly:**

This will include the purchase of an additional standup commercial refrigerator to be placed in the kitchen if possible, and the replacement of the two current older residential rated refrigerators that are currently located in the scullery. These units are very old and not compliant with use in our commercial kitchen.

**STATUS: PENDING 2020 if possible**

To be included in the 2020 budget requests and if funds are available and approved, we would like to proceed early in the year, perhaps January or 2020. We are working in coordination with professionals diligently on this project. We will keep everyone posted on the status of this project.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTE: WE RECEIVED OUR ANNUAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT INSPECTION ON OUR KITCHEN FACILITIES ON TUESDAY JANUARY 15, 2019. – WE HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO GET THE REFRIGERATION UNIT UNDER THE WORK COUNTER FIXED ASAP BEFORE USEAGE AND TO REPLACE THE NON-COMMERCIAL GRADE REFRIGERATORS CURRENTLY IN THE SCULLERY REPLACED ASAP. – THEY ARE NOT COMPLIANT TO A COMMERCIAL KITCHN OPERATION.**

**Plan to reduce the size of 4 pews in the Sanctuary to accomodate space for 4 Wheelchairs:**

This will include the reduction in size on 4 pews in the Sanctuary it will occur on 2 pews in the far rear of the sanctuary 1 on each side and 2 pews, 1 on each side approximately ½ way in the center of the sanctuary. This will require a carpenter to cut them down and reattach the end caps.

**STATUS: PENDING 2020 if possible**

To be included in the 2020 budget requests and if funds are available and approved, we would like to proceed early in the year, perhaps January or 2020. We are working in coordination with professionals diligently on this project. We will keep everyone posted on the status of this project.

**Plan to have all brick work on the Church building tipped (cleared and filled), and the cracks in all the exterior walls repaired.:**

This will include all exterior brick and stucco walls. They currently have several cracks in the walls and causes rain, snow, etc. to leak in the walls and building.

STATUS: PENDING 2020 if possible

To be included in the 2020 budget requests and if funds are available and approved, we would like to proceed early in the year, perhaps January or 2020. We are working in coordination with professionals diligently on this project. We will keep everyone posted on the status of this project.

Plan to paint the Kitchen walls and cabinets, Scullery, and Tilghman Hall walls:

This will include the painting of the walls in the kitchen, cabinets in the kitchen, walls in the scullery, and walls in Tilghman Hall.

STATUS: PENDING 2020 if possible

To be included in the 2020 budget requests and if funds are available and approved, we would like to proceed early in the year, perhaps January or 2020. We are working in coordination with professionals diligently on this project. We will keep everyone posted on the status of this project.

\*\*\*\*\*  
\*\*\*\*\*



Support *Atlantic United* when you order from Amazon.

You shop. **Amazon gives.**

**AmazonSmile** is a website operated by **Amazon** with the same products, prices, and shopping features as **Amazon.com**. The difference is that when you shop on **AmazonSmile**, the **AmazonSmile** Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to Atlantic United when you select *Ocean City Atlantic United Methodist Church* at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/52-1314137) or use this link <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/52-1314137>



April 5 - Marci Will  
April 7 - Michelle Bankert  
April 9 - Grover Collins  
April 11- Martha Bennett  
April 24 - Kathleen Geary  
April 27 - Shirley German  
April 29 - Gary Thomas  
April 30 - Christine Parks



Location:

Atlantic United Methodist Church  
105 4th St, Ocean City, MD

# “Writing Your Memoir”

## Introductory Class

Thursday, 5/16/19 from 6:00 pm ~7:00 pm



RSVP to Dot Simpson by Friday, 5/3/19:

410-289-7430 or [atlanticumc@atlanticumc.org](mailto:atlanticumc@atlanticumc.org)

## Easter Flowers Order Form

The AUMC family is invited to help beautify the altar for Easter Sunday. Potted lilies, tulips, and daffodils will be placed on the altar in honor or memory of loved ones. Please complete this order form, include payment - you may drop your order in offering plate, mail to AUMC, or leave at church office. *Deadline to order is Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>.* Please remove flowers from altar immediately following Easter Sunday Service.

\_\_\_\_ Lilies @ \$8.75 ea.  
\_\_\_\_ Tulips @ \$8.75 ea.  
\_\_\_\_ Daffodils @ 8.75 ea.

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### IN HONOR OF:

(Please print clearly.)

\_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

### IN MEMORY OF:

(Please print clearly.)

\_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

## AUMC INFORMATION FORM

**\*\*To ensure we have correct contact information on file, the AUMC family is asked to please complete this *AUMC Information Form* and return it to the Church Office: 1.) place in Dot's mailbox (outside of Church Office), 2.) email to Church Office [atlanticumc@atlanticumc.org](mailto:atlanticumc@atlanticumc.org) , 3.) mail to Church – 105 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Ocean City, MD – 21842,4.) hand deliver to Church Office.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers:

*Cell:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Home:* \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Attend

\_\_\_\_\_ 8:15am Worship

\_\_\_\_\_ 10:30am Worship

**AUMC Mascots welcome** visitors to the Church Office. Stop by and pet them. Very friendly, but may bark when they sense negativity!

**A POSITIVE  
ATTITUDE  
CHANGES  
EVERYTHING.**

*PictureQuotes.com*

