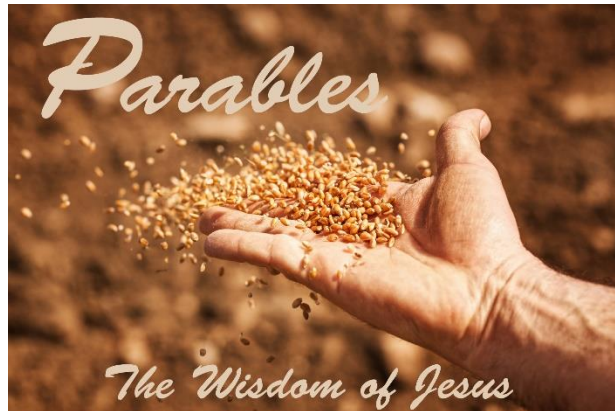




July 25, 2024



~ Join Us This Sunday, July 28, 2024 ~

with Pastor Erik Hall

Sermon Title - Weeds & Wheat

Good and evil often coexist together in the world. Our knowledge and judgment are limited. Only God knows all hearts and all ends. So, we remain faithful in the good and wait patiently for the day when evil will be defeated once and for all.

Summer Worship Schedule

8:00am - Boardwalk - 11th St. Pavilion

9:00am - Contemporary - Stainton Room

10:30am - Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

You can learn more about our worship, ministries, and other events on our website, www.makingwaves.church. You can also stop in or contact the church office at 609-399-2988 if you want to know more, if you need help, or if you are able to donate your time and energy. St. Peter's is located at 501 E. 8th Street in Ocean City. We invite you to stay connected, grow your faith, and join us in "Making Waves" of difference by sharing Jesus with Ocean City and the world.

Matching Gifts 2024

A Legacy of Past Successes

As we begin Matching Gifts 2024, we *introduce* our “legacy of past successes” by our Trustees President, Dick Strang. Presented at the June 30 services, the pictures highlight the MANY improvements enabled by your generosity over the years. Your generosity continues “making waves” in Ocean City and beyond.

Matching Gifts 2024 is August 11th!

This year we focus on improvements to Fellowship Hall (both roof and flooring) with a goal to raise \$100,000 by August 11. Successful completion will enable our theme of “Glorious Gatherings” both within and between our services.

We encourage you to contribute early as we take on this next challenge.

Blessings from co-Chairs Erik and Grant



Please remember those who need your prayers this week.
Pray for all of our church family who are sick, isolated, disconnected and afraid.
Pray for members of our church family servicing in our military.
Pray for our leaders and our healthcare workers.
Pray for those struggling with addiction and mental health.
Pray for all who grieve this day.
Pray for all students and teachers.

Andrea, Marilyn Aishton, The Abbott Family, Abby, Amelia, Brandon, Charlie, Neddy, Nicole, Megan Atkinson, Lee Allen, Matt Bechta, Bill Bender, Alice Brown, Bill Z, Ed C., Donna Chapman, Josie Chivalette, Christopher Copeland, Linda Coyle & Family, Bob Cantz, Christine Crist, Tina Curione, Patricia Custard, Evelyn DeFazio, Evelyn DiMartino, Carol DeMill, Shirley Deming, Rosemarie Duncan, Daniel Durkin, Dee Evangelisti, Eilenberg Family, Dawn Ford, Kim Ford, Denise Gaskill, Emma May Goddard, Greg Goodwin, Frank J. Grass, Kim Gremo, Julie Mason Groob, Nick Hand, Clara Hanjian and Family, Chris Harris, Shirley Haskell, Bob Hill, Lukasz Hrabski, Sharon Hotchkiss, Annie Houdart, Kevin Hrtianski, Sandy Hrtianski, Lois King, John, Sue and Ozzie Jordan, Judy, Norma Juzwiak, Ed Kenney, Sally Kinnamon, The Laird Family, Normalee Linforth, Joan Lovette, Mike Kubaska, Wayne Maguire, David (Mac) Mascione & Family, Bobbie Mario, Chris Marple, Don Marple, Kenny Marple, Wanda Marple, Andy Martin Paul M., Helen McNamara, Olga Messina, Helen Miller, Dick Nash, Al Nicolosi, Bernice Nolte, Tracey O'Brien, Peggy & Steve Oden, Charlene Oldfield, Marianne Oliver, Della Ostien, Eleanor Parker, George Pierpoint III, Haley Raineer, Sandra Rigg, Joe Rizzo, Joan Robertson, Zacci Robertson, Barbara & Joe Rodrigues, Rev. Edward Rusk, Gloria S., Carol Schoff, Margaret Schock, Joe Skultin, Barbara Smith, Robin Smith, Colleen Snodgrass, Manfred Stahl, Spear Family, Swen Swenson, Ken Thorpe, Bob Vallerschamp and Family, Pauline Wallace, Dawn Wassinger, Patrick Withers, **all people with cancer diagnose; and all unspoken requests.**

Please note: Names will only be listed if permission is obtained. Please confirm friends and family are comfortable having their name sent on the electronic mailing list. If you would like your name to be added (or removed), please email or call the church office.



What is Home?

Reflecting on the Garden of Eden and
your place called “Home” with Psalm 23

Join us on August 13th 10:00 - 11:45 at St. Peter's UMC Fox Room
(across from office)

A Group Spiritual Direction offering led by Rev. Beth Mallozzi
Prior to August 13th, you are invited to prayerfully read:

Genesis 2:4b-3:24 and Psalm 23

Journaling encouraged but not required. RSVP Requested:

beth.mallozzi@gmail.com or text 302-745-9904



Christian Mindfulness & Meditation

Beginning the week of June 10th -

Mondays 9:00-9:30am; Wednesdays 7:00-7:30pm

**Location: Northernmost beach in Ocean City (park in lot on
E. Newcastle Rd)**

Be still and know that I am God (Psalm 46:10)

Our hectic lives rarely seem still. This can lead to stress, distraction, and anxiousness. As we seek to grow in faith, and develop our relationship with God, it is healthy to center our bodies, minds, and spirits daily. Through relaxation, mindful breathing, spiritual music, scriptural reflection, silent prayer, and listening for God learn and practice Christian mindfulness and meditation and become more aware of the divine presence of God in every moment. Contact Pastor Erik (erik@stpoc.org) for details.

***The Altar Flowers are in Celebration of
Phyllis Giles – 92nd Birthday
Given by her daughters and son
Kimberly, Donna, Pamela, Scott
And Penny her cat!***

***We love you so much , we are grateful to God
for you life as our mother!***



Altar Flowers

Do you have a special event to celebrate or someone special to recognize? Would you like to brighten someone's day? Is there are a loved one you would like to remember?

Consider purchasing the chancel flowers in their

Honor or Remembrance of them!

- Call (609-399-2988) or email the Church Office (churchoffice@stpoc.org) to secure your special date for the 2024 calendar year.
- Provide your information. Chancel flower recognition is published each week in Tidings and announced during the service.
- Vases (2) and Urn - \$45 / Vases only (2) - \$30 / Urn only - \$15
- Special Basket \$25
- Mail or drop off your payment to the church office.



Music at 11 . . .

THIS FRIDAY, JULY 26th - Be sure to get the Phillies game on early and hear the Masterworks Choir sing "The Star Spangled Banner" at the start of the game. They will be the other people on the field wearing red!! 6:45pm!!

WEDNESDAY, August 7th - 7:30pm The Masterworks Choir presents

The Chichester Psalms - Leonard Bernstein

Goin Home - Anton Dvorak

Sure on This Shining Night - Morton Lauridsen

If I Were a Bell (From Guys and Dolls)

The Summer Handbell Choir

MONDAY, August 12th - at 12 NOON

John Bate will play the worlds largest musical instrument; the organ at Boardwalk Hall. Phil and Candy Young are driving the van. Call the church office to reserve a seat. There is a tour of the organ at 10:00am. Join us all for lunch at Duck Town Tavern after the recital.

AND..... Coming events include:

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th

St. Peter's Annual Art Show. There will be a talent show for YOU to participate in after the Art Show! See Tidings for further information this fall.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24th - 4:00pm

The Masterworks Choir presents "Jubilate Deo" by Dan Forest

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7th (time to be announced) St. Peter's will host the Philadelphia Bronze Handbell Choir

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th - 4:00pm

The women of the St. Peter's Choir will present

"Ceremony of Carols" by Benjamin Britten

St. Peter's Friday choir rehearsals begin Sept. 13th at 6pm

YOU should come sing!

Watch this space for more stuff!!



SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR

Fourth Annual Golf Outing

"FORE GUATEMALA"

benefitting St. Peter's Missions!

**This will be held at HERITAGE LINKS GOLF CLUB (Ocean View) on
Saturday, September 21, 2024 at Noon!**

More information will be forthcoming.

**Any questions, please contact
Marilyn Curley, 610-299-2001**

JOIN OUR
Sunday
School
Team
Teachers Needed

PROGRAM YEAR BEGINS 09/08

WHAT TO EXPECT

SUNDAYS 10:00-10:45

- Joy
- Team Teaching
- Fun Curriculum
- Meaningful Relationships
- Spiritual Growth

Contact Amy if interested at
amy@stpoc.org or 908-278-7076
www.makingwaves.church

**VBS 2024
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**



**JOIN THE FUN
PRE-K - GRADE 5
AUGUST 19TH -23TH, 2024
9:30- 12:30**



**ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED
ONLINE BY AUGUST 11, 2024
TO REGISTER, SCAN THE QR CODE
OR FIND US ON EVENTBRITE: ST. PETER'S UMC 2024 VBS**

**VBS 2024
VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT**



**JOIN THE FUN
AUGUST 19TH -23TH, 2024
9:00- 12:30**

**To sign up for opportunities to serve, lead,
and most of all, HAVE FUN at Camp Firelight,
Contact Amy: 908-278-7076 / Amy@stpoc.org**



Thank you church family for all of the love, time, talents, and donations that you give to our Vacation Bible School program every year! Because of you, we reach hundreds of children!

The list will be updated as items are donated and classes plan their activities and update their lists.

Please drop donations off in the bins located at the back of the room.

Thank You Church Family!

Donation List

We are preparing for around 120 children. We will need many units of each item listed below.

Amazon Gift Cards

Plastic Table Cloths: Green, Blue, Red, Yellow, and Black Plastic

Streamers (Crepe Paper): Green, yellow, red, pink, blue

Multi-Packs of Crayons

Colorful Tissue Paper Packages

Multi-Color Sharpie Markers (Packs of standard thickness)

200-Count Packs of Coffee Filters (Round Standard Size)

List Continued: Recyclables

Empty Toilet Paper Tubes

Recycled Brown and/or Honeycomb Packing Paper (Used in Amazon Boxes)

Amazon Cardboard Boxes (Only Big Sizes Please!)

Empty Coffee Tins

Greenery (Trees: Christmas or Other, Vines, etc.)

Food Items:

Oreo Cookies (individually wrapped snack packs)

Soft Shell Flour Tortilla (Burrito Size)

Pretzel Rods (Long, Thick Kind)

150 Cheese Slices (Contact Amy)

150 Individual Apple Sauce Cups

Gummy Worms / Mini Marshmallows

150 Clear Small Punch Cups

Rice Crispy Treats (Individually Wrapped Size)

Semi-Sweet Chocolate Chips

Teddy Bear Crackers

Chex Cereal (Rice or Corn)



KOOKIE KIDS ARE BACK!!

Cookies are for sale at the Farmers Market in OC and outside the church office at St. Peter's! Get them while supplies last!!





Grief Support Group Meeting

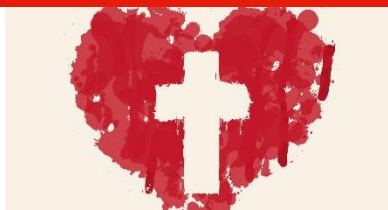
Our group meets every other Tuesday. The group is open to all adults who are grieving the death of a loved one.

For more information call Jane Taylor 609-412-1855

Next meeting: **Tuesday, July 30, 2024**

Time: 6:30pm to 8pm

Where: St. Peter's UM Church



Called to Care

One of the important ministries of St. Peter's UMC throughout the years has been the visitation ministry. This vital outreach to our members and friends by making "check in" calls and visits has served to express our care and support.

If you would like to be a part of this group of visitors please call the church office (609-399-2988) or contact Pastor Kathleen (609-432-2726) or email her at kathleen@stpoc.org to express your interest.



Veterans Coffee Club (aka)

"A Cup of Joe"

Saturday, August 3rd, at 9am

Enjoy coffee, pastries, and fellowship with other veterans who meet on the *first* and *third* Saturday of each month.

AA Meetings Held at St. Peter's UMC

Monday through Saturday from 7:30am to 8:30am in

Room 121

Organic Coffee and Chocolate Bars



Visit the Mission's cart on Sunday morning located in Fellowship Hall! Our Mission's team offers a variety of Equal Exchange Fairly-Traded organic candy bars and assorted blends of coffee - all grown by Small Farmer Co-Ops. All proceeds benefit St. Peter's Missions.

Coffee - \$10 per bag - Chocolate Bars - \$4.00

Pay by check (payable to St. Peter's UMC) or have correct amount. If you would like to place an order for pick-up or delivery, please email

Judy Kelly at: judyk49@comcast.net

Thank you so much for your support.



By saving the tabs on aluminum cans, you can help our environment and help families in need. The Ronald McDonald House helps families with seriously ill children who are receiving medical treatment far from home by providing food, housing, and so much more. The Ronald McDonald House raises charitable revenue by recycling aluminum can tabs. Can tabs have significant value in the recycling industry, representing the purest form of aluminum. The aluminum that is donated to the Ronald McDonald House is taken to a local recycling station where it is weighed and cashed in by the pound. The money netted is used to assist the Ronald McDonald House with operational expenses such as household supplies.

Please prayerfully consider saving aluminum can tabs and dropping them off at church. Collection tubs will be available in the Stainton Room and other locations around the church. The Southard Family, who were recently guests at the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House while their son Richard was receiving medical treatment, will collect the can tabs on an ongoing basis.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

You can send in checks to 501 E. 8th Street, Ocean City, NJ 08226
or donate online via the church website: makingwaves.church

NEEDS?

Please contact the church office at 609-399-2988 if you need food or assistance.
St. Peter's invites you to stay connected, grow your faith and "Make Waves"
of difference in this hurting world.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Regular Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 9am to 3pm; Friday 9am to Noon



For more information check us out @

<http://makingwaves.church>

OR

Use the QR code.

DIVING DEEPER IN FAITH - REACHING WIDER WITH GOD'S LOVE
MAKING WAVES OF DIFFERENCE BY SHARING JESUS
WITH OCEAN CITY AND THE WORLD.

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