



THE MARGATE COMMUNITY CHURCH
8900 Ventnor Avenue
Margate, New Jersey 08402

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

10 O'clock in the Morning July 19, 2026

"We are so busy working on God, we forget God is trying to work on us. That is what this life is all about ... We are so busy praying to change things that we have little time to allow prayer to change us," ~ David Wilkerson

Please silence cell phones.

The Prelude

The Words of Welcome and Announcements Kim Tucker

The Introit

The Call to Worship

Leader: All good gifts around us are sent from heaven
 above, so thank the Lord,

People: For joy in living,

Leader: And patience in trouble;

People: For rainbows after clouds,

Leader: And moonlight on the darkest night,

People: For wisdom to walk the right path,

Leader: For peace to calm anxious worry,

*People: All good gifts around us are sent from heaven
 above,*

Leader: So let your song arise and give thanks for all God's
 love.

All: Let us worship God!

Hymn: # 73 O Worship the King (vs. 1-3)

** Indicates standing for those who are able*

MARGATE COMMUNITY CHURCH
INTERDENOMINATIONAL - ECUMENICAL
"A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL PEOPLE"
8900 Ventnor Avenue, Margate, NJ 08402

Office Hours: Monday - Friday; 9 am - 3 pm
Office Phone - (609) 822-5050 Fax Number - (609) 822-5974

Founded in 1929, MCC is an interdenominational congregation with membership in the American Baptist Churches and the United Church of Christ. Through these affiliations our church participates in a seniors residence at 610 N. Fredericksburg Avenue and is a Covenant church with Habitat for Humanity. We are lifetime members of the Holocaust Resource Center, Stockton University.

Reverend Victoria Ney, Pastor

Rob Tucker, Director of Music

Colin Walker, Pianist

Carmella Marcheski, Administrative Assistant

Betty Nathanson, Director of Christian Education

Luis Meneses, Sexton

Michelle Cook-Stewart, Soprano Soloist

Visit our website for current news and information :
www.margatecommunitychurch.com

Our Greeters this week 7/19/26

George & Barb Kyle

Deacons' July Communion Offering

Our July Deacons' Communion Offering is designated for
Grace's Place Food Pantry.

Please be generous in supporting the Deacons as they support
those in need.

✠ PRAYER LIST ✠

SAY A PRAYER

SEND A CARD

NURSING /CONVALESCENT HOME/REHAB FACILITY

Julie Duncan Mira Vie at Warren
274 King George Road,
Warren, NJ 07059 (908) 647-3005

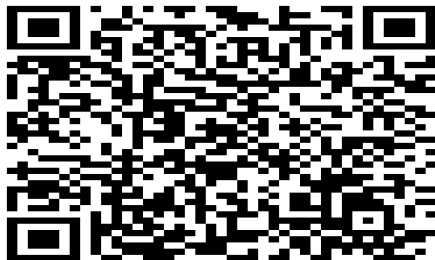
Lois "Jean" Ponteri C/O Villa Raffaella
917 S Main Street
Pleasantville, NJ 08232

AT HOME
David McCann Kay Lee Ken Heck

Prayer Requests

We are happy to include names of hospitalized persons or others with special concerns in the liturgy of prayer each Sunday. If you wish to have a name included, please provide us with a first name, the length of time requested to be on our prayer list, and the name of the person requesting the prayer. Thank you.

If you would like to make a donation to the
Margate Community Church
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The Prayer (Unison)

Loving God, you always hold us so gently and listen to us so intently. Be with us as we worship you here this morning. Lead us to a deeper sense of gratitude and a growing sense of trust in your ability to provide for us. Teach us what treasures will truly last. Show us the blessings of giving with joy, loving without conditions, and sharing from our abundance. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Time with the Children

Christina Lascheid

The First Lesson

Psalm 86:11-17 (Responsively)

Leader: Teach me your ways, O Lord, that I may live according to your truth!

People: Grant me purity of heart, so that I may honor you.

Leader: With all my heart I will praise you, O Lord my God.

People: I will give glory to your name forever, for your love for me is very great.

Leader: You have rescued me from the depths of death.

People: O God, insolent people rise up against me; a violent gang is trying to kill me. You mean nothing to them.

Leader: But you, O Lord, are a God of compassion and mercy, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love and faithfulness.

People: Look down and have mercy on me. Give strength to your servant; save me, the son of your maidservant.

Leader: Send me a sign of your favor.

People: Then those who hate me will be put to shame, for you, O Lord, help and comfort me.

Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (trespasses/trespass)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Offering

Anthem: Give Me Jesus

*The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

The Second Lesson Romans 8:12:25 (NLT)

Reverend Craig Peterson

Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. For if you live by its dictates, you will die. But if through the power of the Spirit you put to death the deeds of your sinful nature, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father." For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children. And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering.

Yet what we suffer now is nothing compared to the glory he will reveal to us later. For all creation is waiting eagerly for that future day when God will reveal who his children really are. Against its will, all creation was subjected to God's curse. But with eager hope, the creation looks forward to the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay. For we know that all creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. And we believers also groan, even though we have the Holy Spirit within us as a foretaste of future glory, for we long for our bodies to be released from sin and suffering. We, too, wait with eager hope for the day when God will give us our full rights as his adopted children, including the new bodies he has promised us. We were

given this hope when we were saved. (If we already have something, we don't need to hope for it. But if we look forward to something we don't yet have, we must wait patiently and confidently.)

This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

The Sermon: Growing Pains

Reverend Craig Peterson

***The Hymn: # 670 Go Forth For God**

(vs. 1, 2, 4)

The Benediction

The Benediction Response

The Postlude

Colin Walker



Christmas in July!

Pastor Vicky and Richard Ney invite you to their annual open house. This year, Christmas in July will be on – Thursday, July 23, at their house:
2002 West Riverside Drive, Atlantic City.
Open house from 4-7 p.m.

~ THIS WEEK AT MCC ~

Book Club Meeting

Sunday July 19, after Worship Fellowship Hall

Hope SNJ

Monday July 20, 4:00 pm Parlor

Trustees' Meeting

Tuesday July 21, 7:00 pm Library

Chancel Choir

Wednesday July 22, 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Christmas in July

Thursday July 23, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Pastor Vicky and Richard's House

2002 West Riverside Drive, Atlantic City.

FMT Presents: The Drowsy Chaperone

Friday & Saturday July 24 & 25, 7:30 pm

Sunday July 26, 2:00 pm Fellowship Hall

~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

OCMC Mini Craft and Bake Sale

Sunday July 26, 11:00 am Fellowship Hall

Hope SNJ

Monday July 27, 4:00 pm Parlor

Fool Moon Theatre Co.
Presents

Winner of Bronze
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Best Live Theater

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The Drowsy Chaperone
A MUSICAL WITHIN A COMEDY.

Talk to the cast
after the July 19th
performance!

FRI JULY 17, 7:30 PM
SAT JULY 18, 7:30 PM
SUN JULY 19, 2:00 PM

FRI JULY 24, 7:30 PM
SAT JULY 25, 7:30 PM
SUN JULY 26, 2:00 PM

Margate Community Church
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Tickets \$35, Seniors \$30, Students \$20
at foolmoontheatre.org or at the Door

Group sales available for 10 tix or more - **Text 609-457-0903**

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*The flowers on the Altar are in
celebration of Christmas in July!*

~ From Nancy Young

Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to run the Sunday video live streaming. This is not difficult and quick training will be provided.

We are also looking for volunteers to help in the office, to answer phones and help with small office tasks. The hours are 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Please call the office at 609-822-7147 if you are interested.



Heirloom Booth ~ Summer Market Place

Hi, Friends- I have volunteered to run a scaled back heirloom booth at the summer sale on behalf of MCC. I will look for some volunteers to help staff as we get closer to the date. We will accept donations only after August first - because we do not have any room until then. So, if you have some items you have been meaning to find a home for - please gather them for delivery to the church stage any time after 8-1. All proceeds will go to the church of course, and anything left over will be donated to Angels in Motion for their thrift shop.

If you have any questions - please feel free to email me at EMEGLATH@COMCAST.NET

Church Directory Update

The new church directory is almost complete.

We need you to check your picture and information before we make some printed copies. If you would like to have a printed version, rather than the one online, please call the office and let them know so that we will order enough copies.

If your profile is missing a photo, we'd love for you to upload one so everyone can put a face to the name.

<https://www.margatecommunitychurch.com/>

How to Access the Directory:

Website: Visit margatecommunitychurch.com and look for the link in the top right-hand menu.

- ♦ Getting Started: To log in, simply enter the email address we have on file for you.
- ♦ If your email isn't recognized or needs to be updated, please reach out to Greg Walters at:
gregswalt@gmail.com.
- ♦ Once you enter your email, follow the on-screen prompts to create your login and secure your account. The online directory syncs in real-time, so you will always have access to the most up-to-date member information.

For any questions, feel free to contact Greg at the email address above.

For those livestreaming:

A special welcome to everyone streaming with us today! To help you engage with the service from home, you can now find our weekly Sunday bulletin directly on our website. It's a great way to stay connected and follow along with the liturgy and announcements.



Nominations Start: July 8 - July 29

How to Participate: go.pressofatlanticcity.com/bestof26

Nominate: Scroll down and select a category.
If the business you want to nominate is listed, just hit Nominate!

Write-ins: If they aren't listed, write them in! For people, you must include their full name and workplace.
(Approval can take up to 72 hours).

Voting Phase: The Top 5 with the most nominations in each category advance to the voting round on **September 2**.

Contest Timeline 2026:

Nominations: July 8 - July 29

Voting: September 2 - September 23

Winners Announced: Saturday, November 7

A poster for the Summer Marketplace event at Margate Community Church. The top half features the church's exterior with a large steeple. Text on the poster includes "SUMMER Marketplace", "CELEBRATING 28 YEARS! A MARGATE TRADITION", "SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 2026 10 AM - 4 PM Rain or Shine", "MARGATE COMMUNITY CHURCH 8900 VENTNOR PARKWAY • MARGATE, NJ", "SHOP LOCAL • SUPPORT LOCAL • CELEBRATE COMMUNITY", "Vendors STILL WANTED! INDOOR & OUTDOOR SPACES AVAILABLE", "BE PART OF MARGATE'S LONGEST-RUNNING SUMMER TRADITION! Reserve Your Space Today!", "CONTACT GEORGE KYLE 609-432-1566", and "Great Shopping • Good Food • Friendly Faces".

SUMMER
Marketplace

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