

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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

10 O'clock in the Morning November 15, 2026

"Generosity is the most natural outward expression of an inner attitude of compassion and loving-kindness."
~Dalai Lama

Please silence cell phones

The Prelude

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

The Call to Worship (from Psalm 92) Sonya Bertini

Leader: It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
People: To sing praises to your name, O Most High;
Leader: To declare your steadfast love in the morning,
People: And your faithfulness by night,
Leader: For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work;
People: For all your blessings, we are thankful and sing for joy.
All: Let us worship God together!

The Hymn: #73 O Worship the King (vs. 1, 4, 5)

Unison Prayer:

Almighty God, we want to be followers of Jesus, but we cling to our own desires and plans. We want to be filled with joy, but we are weighed down by worry and anxiety. We are often swept up in the tide of our culture. We want to have more and do more, so we run faster and harder, but we fail to see the needs of our neighbors and ignore the needs of our own souls.

Revive us and reshape us in your image so that we can be your holy people, set apart for your divine purposes. Rekindle faith, compassion and generosity in us. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen

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

Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
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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 at 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 11/15/26

Joe & Sue Clark

Deacons' November Communion Offering

Our November Deacons' Communion Offering is designated for:
Jewish Family Services.
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** **Audrey Owen**

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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.

We Welcome All Visitors to
The Margate Community Church
and ask that you prayerfully consider using the QR code
to make a donation online.
God Bless You and Thank You for your Generosity!

Time with the Children **Christina Lascheid**

Affirmation of Faith **(from A Brief Statement of Faith)**

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.
In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
Even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth.

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

The Anthem Father We Worship You

***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 Scripture Lesson **Mark 10:17-22 (NLT)**

As Jesus was starting out on his way to Jerusalem, a man came running up to him, knelt down, and asked, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Why do you call me good?" Jesus asked. "Only God is truly good. But to answer your question, you know the commandments: 'You must not murder. You must not commit adultery. You must not steal. You must not testify falsely. You must not cheat anyone. Honor your father and mother."

"Teacher," the man replied, "I've obeyed all these commandments since I was young."

Looking at the man, Jesus felt genuine love for him. "There is still one thing you haven't done," he told him. "Go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

At this the man's face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions.

This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

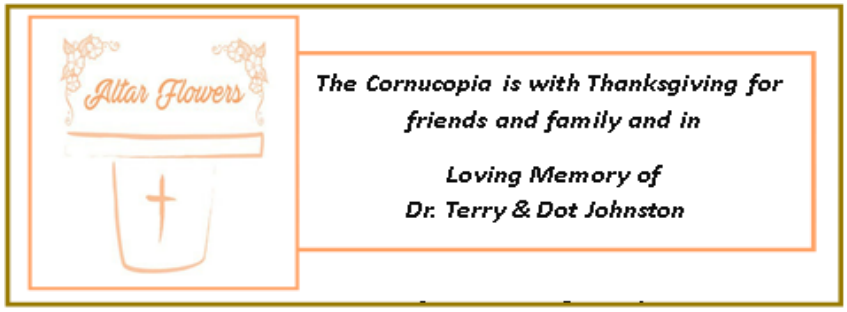
The Sermon: Alligator Arms **Reverend Vicky Ney**

***The Hymn: I Have Decided to Follow Jesus (see insert)**

Benediction

Benediction Response

The Postlude **Colin Walker**



~ THIS WEEK AT MCC ~

Gratitude Cafe
Today *Sunday November 15, during coffee hour*
Fellowship Hall

Hope SNJ
Monday November 16, 4:00 pm Parlor

Trustees' Meeting
Tuesday November 17, 7:00 pm Library

Recorder Group
Wednesday November 18, 4:00 pm Sanctuary

Bell Choir
Wednesday November 18, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Chancel Choir
Wednesday November 18, 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Men's Breakfast
Thursday November 19, 12:00 pm Fellowship Hall

~ UPCOMING EVENTS~

PB & J Project
Sunday November 22, after worship Fellowship Halll

Hope SNJ
Monday November 23, 4:00 pm Parlor

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service
Monday November 23, 7:00 pm Shirat Hayam

Happy Thanksgiving
Thursday November 26 & 27 Office & Nursery School Closed

Join Us for Worship – In Person or Online!

Can't make it to church on Sunday? Join us online! Our worship service is livestreamed every Sunday at 10:00 AM on Facebook and YouTube. The service recording will also be emailed on Monday so you can enjoy it at your convenience.

Gratitude Cafe
You're Invited
To A Special Coffee Hour
Sunday November 15th

You're Invited!

Our Church School Kids are inviting you to a very special coffee hour celebration...

"THE GRATITUDE CAFE"

we will be serving some special items to let you know how grateful we are for your caring and support. Please join us Sunday November 15th in Fellowship Hall

With warm thanks,
The Church School Staff



*The Hymn: I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
No turning back, no turning back.

Though none go with me, still I will follow;
Though none go with me, still I will follow;
Though none go with me, still I will follow;
No turning back, no turning back.

The cross before me, the world behind me;
The cross before me, the world behind me;
The cross before me, the world behind me;
No turning back, no turning back



Come Celebrate the Season with Members and Friends of Margate Community Church
Sunday December 13, 2026, 5-9pm

BYOB
5:00pm Butler Hors d'oeuvres in Parlor
6:00pm Sit down Dinner Service Fellowship Hall

Caesar Salad & Dinner Rolls
Entrée choice of:
Eggplant Rollatini
Grilled Salmon in Tequila Lime Sauce (GF)
Stuffed Chicken w/ Spinach, feta and Buerr Blanc Sauce
(can be GF upon request)
Assorted Desserts, Coffee, Tea
Dancing to music arranged by Jim Glenn
Tickets $45 (limited seating)
Deadline Monday December 7th
For tickets or further information contact:
Karen Morelli 609-938-9397
Leave message with # of tickets and entrée choice
Or call the church office 609-822-7147