



THE MARGATE COMMUNITY CHURCH

**8900 Ventnor Avenue
Margate, New Jersey 08402**

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

10 O'clock in the Morning June 21, 2026

*"Every father should remember one day his son will follow his example,
not his advice." ~ Charles F. Kettering*

Please silence cell phones.

The Prelude

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

Kim Tucker

The Introit

The Call to Worship

Leader: Love circles around us,

People: Joining hands, linking hearts,

Leader: Flowing from parent to child,

People: From friend to friend,

Leader: From one beloved to another.

People: Love circles around us,

Leader: Never giving up,

People: Always reaching out.

Leader: Love circles around us.

People: God's love embraces all.

All: Let us worship God!

Hymn: #445 Happy the Home When God Is There (vs. 1, 3, 4)

The Prayer (Unison)

Merciful God, you search our hearts, and you know us from the beginning of life. You see more good and beauty in us than we have dared to believe. You call us by name and beckon us to do more than we have dared to try.

Shine your light into our hesitancy. Embolden us to live with such

** 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
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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, 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 6/21/26

Dara Quattrone & James Glenn

Deacons' June Communion Offering

Our June Deacons' Communion Offering is designated for
Angels in Motion.

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
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Pleasantville, NJ 08232

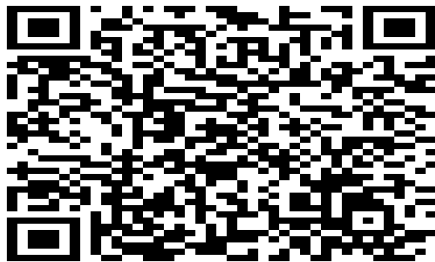
AT HOME

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
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joy and enthusiasm that the world around us will know of your love through us. Use our hands and arms and words so that we may be partners with you in this world. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Time with the Children

Betty Nathanson

Affirmation of Faith (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God,

whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

*In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.*

In everlasting love,

*the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.*

Loving us still,

God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,

*like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful
still.*

With believers in every time and place,

we rejoice that nothing in life or in death

can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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: As The Deer

*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*

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 10:24-39 (NLT)

“Students are not greater than their teacher, and slaves are not greater than their master. Students are to be like their teacher, and slaves are to be like their master. And since I, the master of the household, have been called the prince of demons, the members of my household will be called by even worse names!

“But don’t be afraid of those who threaten you. For the time is coming when everything that is covered will be revealed, and all that is secret will be made known to all. What I tell you now in the darkness, shout abroad when daybreak comes. What I whisper in your ear, shout from the housetops for all to hear!

“Don’t be afraid of those who want to kill your body; they cannot touch your soul. Fear only God, who can destroy both soul and body in hell. What is the price of two sparrows – one copper coin? But not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it. And the very hairs on your head are all numbered. So don’t be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows.

“Everyone who acknowledges me publicly here on earth, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven. But everyone who denies me here on earth, I will also deny before my Father in heaven.

“Don’t imagine that I came to bring peace to the earth! I came not to bring peace, but a sword.

‘I have come to set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. Your enemies will be right in your own household!’

“If you love your father or mother more than you love me, you are not worthy of being mine; or if you love your son or daughter more than me, you are not worthy of being mine. If you refuse to take up your cross and follow me, you are not worthy of being mine. If you cling to your life, you will lose it; but if you give up your life for me, you will find it.”

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

The Sermon: First Things First

Reverend Craig Peterson

***The Hymn: # 710 Faith of Our Fathers**

(vs. 1 & 3)

The Benediction

The Benediction Response

The Postlude

Colin Walker

~ THIS WEEK AT MCC ~

Happy Father’s Day

Sunday June 21st

Hope SNJ

Monday June 22, 11:30 Library

OCMC Game Night

Wednesday June 24, 6:00 pm

Chancel Choir

Wednesday June 24, 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

PB & J Project

Sunday June 28, after worship Fellowship Hall

Hope SNJ

Monday June 29, 4:00 pm Parlor

Deacons’ Meeting

Monday June 29, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Men’s Breakfast

Thursday July 2, 8:00 am Fellowship Hall

Happy 4th of July

Friday July 3, Office will be closed



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.

**Volunteers
needed**

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.