



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

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday

10 O'clock in the Morning October 4, 2026

"We thank the Lord for the birth and the growth of the ecumenical movement over the past century. Our encounter with Christians from other traditions and our common prayer for Christian unity encourage us to seek mutual forgiveness, reconciliation and acceptance. We must not allow the baggage of our past to hinder us from drawing closer to one another." ~ World Council of Churches

Please silence cell phones.

The Prelude

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

The Call to Worship

Nancy Young

Leader: All around the world,

People: People rise to greet the morning and sing praise to the Creator.

Leader: All over the earth,

People: People hold hands around a table and offer thanks.

Leader: All around the globe,

People: Some cry for food, some are filled with laughter, all search for truth and love.

Leader: All around the world,

People: Hearts hear a sacred melody and yearn for peace.

Leader: Throughout this day, across many lands,

People: Sisters and brothers touch the bread of life and drink the cup of joy.

Leader: All around the world,

People: People sing, and we join the unending chorus of praise.

All: Let us worship God!

** 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

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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

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Our Greeters this week 10/4/26

John & Brenda Taube

Deacons' October Communion Offering

Our October Deacons' Communion Offering is designated for -
Atlantic County Association of Mental Health.

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.

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



Hymn: # 568 Christ for the World We Sing

(vs. 1-3)

The Prayer (Unison)

Majestic and mighty God, we gather around your Word and your table as your people. We are awed and humbled that you call each of us by name, that you are always present with us, and that your love for us knows no limit.

Open our eyes to see your promises more clearly. Open our ears to hear the good news of your love for all your children. As Jesus invites us to his table this day, remind us that the whole world is present. As we are fed, lead us forward in faith to care for all your children. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith

(from the Masai People of Africa)

We believe in the one High God, who out of love created the beautiful world and everything good in it. He created humanity and wants us to be happy in the world. God loves the world and every nation and tribe on the earth. We have known this High God in the darkness, and now we know him in the light. God promised in the book of his word, the Bible, that he would save the world and all the nations and tribes.

We believe that God made good his promise by sending his Son, Jesus Christ, a man in the flesh, a Jew by tribe, born poor in a little village, who left his home and was always on safari doing good, curing people by the power of God, teaching about God and humanity, showing that the meaning of religion is love. He was rejected by his people, tortured and nailed, hands and feet, to a cross, and died. He lay buried in the grave, but the hyenas did not touch him, and on the third day, he rose from the grave. He ascended to the skies. He is the Lord.

We believe that all our sins are forgiven through him. All who have faith in him must be sorry for their sins, be baptized in the Holy Spirit of God, live the rules of love, and share the bread together in love, to announce the good news to others until Jesus comes again. We are waiting for him. He is alive. He lives. This we believe. Amen.

The Offering

Anthem: Come to The Table

***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

Ephesians 1:15-23 (NLT)

Ever since I first heard of your strong faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for God's people everywhere, I have not stopped thanking God for you. I pray for you constantly, asking God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give you spiritual wisdom and insight so that you might grow in your knowledge of God. I pray that your hearts will be flooded with light so that you can understand the confident hope he has given to those he called – his holy people who are his rich and glorious inheritance.

I also pray that you will understand the incredible greatness of God's power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms. Now he is far above any ruler or authority or power or leader or anything else – not only in this world but also in the world to come. God has put all things under the authority of Christ and has made him head over all things for the benefit of the church. And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself.

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

The Sermon: Holy Autocorrect

Reverend Vicky Ney

***The Hymn: Surely the Presence**

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.
I can hear the brush of angel's wings
I see glory on each face;*

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.
Truly the spirit of our God is ever near.
In an intimate compassion we may hear:
Vibrant melodies of angel-songs,*

Quiet yearning for your cheer.

*Tell us, O Spirit, of a sacred atmosphere.
Deeply communion's invitation sings of grace!
Everlasting arms uphold us: God's embrace!
There's a bread of life to nourish us;
And a healing wine to trace,
Truly, Christ's presence! What a joyous meeting place.*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

***Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love You and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Invitation and Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

The Prayer after Communion and The Lord's Prayer ("trespass"/"trespasses")

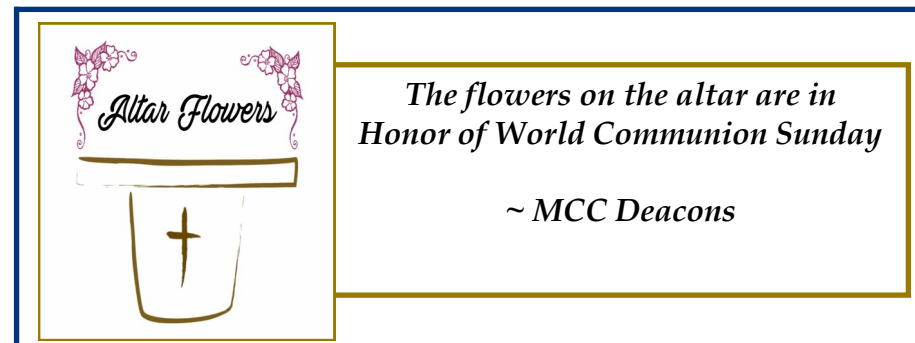
***The Hymn: #**

The Benediction

The Benediction Response

The Postlude

Colin Walker



~ THIS WEEK AT MCC ~

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday 4, 1:00 pm Sumner Lawn

Hope SNJ

Monday October 5, 4:00 pm Parlor

Fall Bible Study Begins

Tuesday October 6, 6:30 pm Fellowship Hall

Bell Choir

Wednesday October 7, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Chancel Choir

Wednesday October 7, 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

DiPentino/Baran Wedding

Saturday October 10, 2:30 pm Sanctuary

~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

Happy Columbus Day

Monday October 12, Office and Nursery School Closed

Fall Bible Study Continues

Tuesday October 13, 6:30 pm Fellowship Hall

Bell Choir

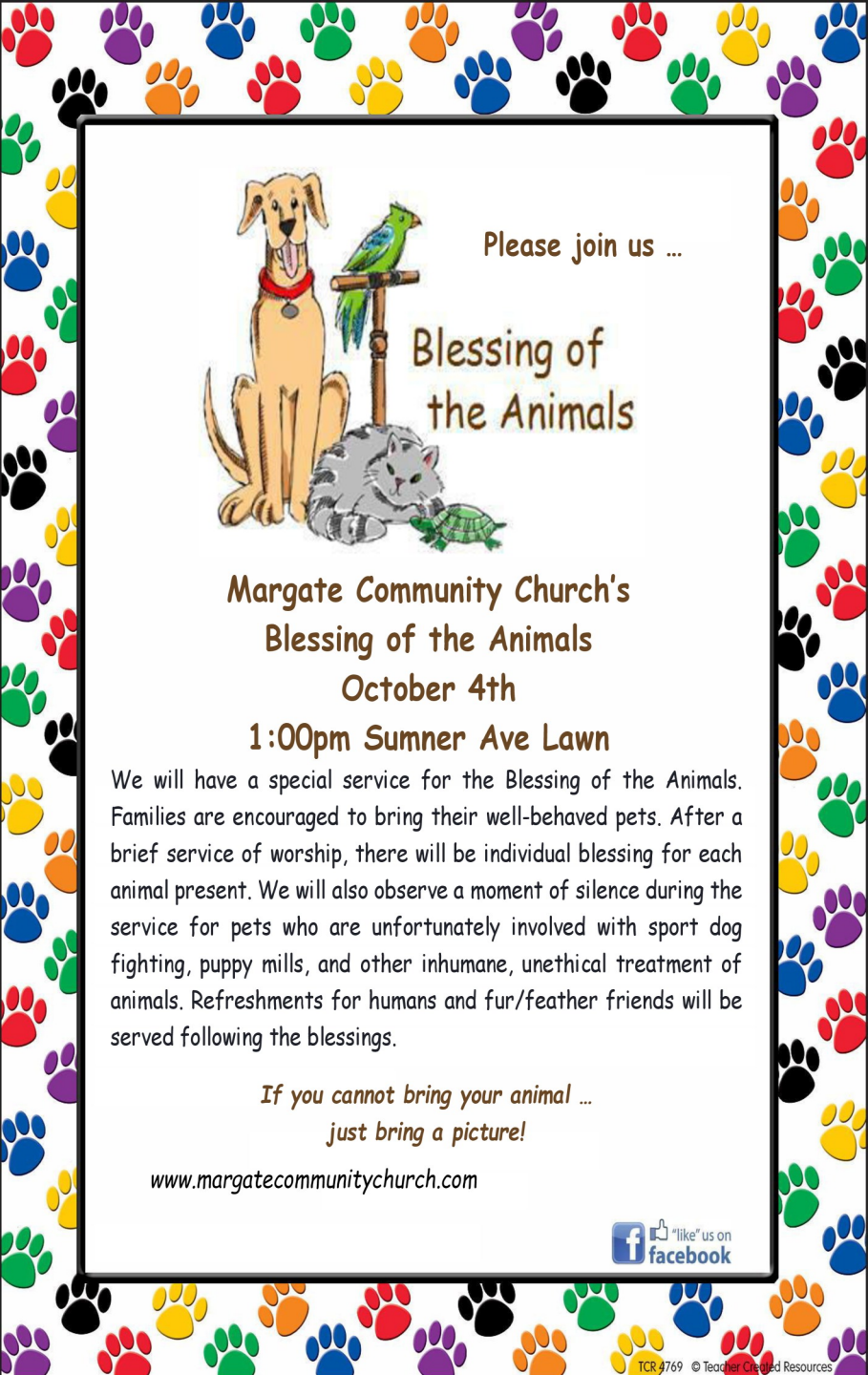
Wednesday October 14, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Chancel Choir

Wednesday October 14, 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Men's Breakfast

Thursday October 15, 8:00 am Fellowship Hall



Please join us ...

Blessing of the Animals

**Margate Community Church's
Blessing of the Animals
October 4th
1:00pm Sumner Ave Lawn**

We will have a special service for the Blessing of the Animals. Families are encouraged to bring their well-behaved pets. After a brief service of worship, there will be individual blessing for each animal present. We will also observe a moment of silence during the service for pets who are unfortunately involved with sport dog fighting, puppy mills, and other inhumane, unethical treatment of animals. Refreshments for humans and fur/feather friends will be served following the blessings.

*If you cannot bring your animal ...
just bring a picture!*

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