

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

Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Thanksgiving Sunday

10 O'clock in the Morning November 22, 2026

"Enjoy the little things, because one day you may look back and realize they were the big things." Charles Dickens

Please silence cell phones

The Prelude

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

Bell Choir: Simple Gifts

The Call to Worship (from Psalm 100) Kathy Westhafer

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.
Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is God that made us, and we are his.
People: We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.
Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise.
People: Give thanks to God, bless God's name.
Leader: For the Lord is good.
People: God's steadfast love endures forever.
All: Let us worship God.

The Hymn: #694 Come, Ye thankful People, Come (vs. 1, 2, 4)

Unison Prayer:

Loving God, in the eternal scheme of things it seems that you are always the giver and we are the takers. All we have to offer in return is our thanks and ourselves for your service. We thank you, Lord, not only for the common blessings of our lives, but the greatest blessing of all—for your Son,

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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 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

Our Greeters this week 11/22/26

Bill Schweitzer & Karen Morelli

<u>Deacons' November Communion Offering</u>

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 making a donation to the church by using cash, check or the QR to make a donation online.

God Bless You and Thank You for your Generosity

our Savior, who welcomes us into your family through the waters of Baptism.

Loving God, 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

Affirmation of Faith
We believe in God, the Almighty, the Creator, maker of heaven and earth.
We affirm the goodness of all that God has made.
We give thanks for the endless variety of the earth, seas and skies.
We give thanks for the bounty of creation, bounty that sustains our life.
We affirm our responsibility to be good and faithful stewards of God's creation and all of God's blessings.
We affirm that creation is God's gift to us, a gift that is for the benefit of all peoples everywhere.
All praise, glory and honor belong to God, the Almighty, the Creator, maker of heaven and 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.

Offering

Anthem We Gather Together

***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 **Luke 19:11-19 (NLT)**

As Jesus continued on toward Jerusalem, he reached the border between Galilee and Samaria. As he entered a village there, ten men with leprosy stood at a distance, crying out, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" He looked at them and said, "Go show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed of their leprosy. One of them, when he saw that he was healed, came back to Jesus, shouting, "Praise God!" He fell to the ground at Jesus' feet, thanking him for what he had done. This man was a Samaritan. Jesus asked, "Didn't I heal ten men? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" And Jesus said to the man, "Stand up and go. Your faith has healed you.

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

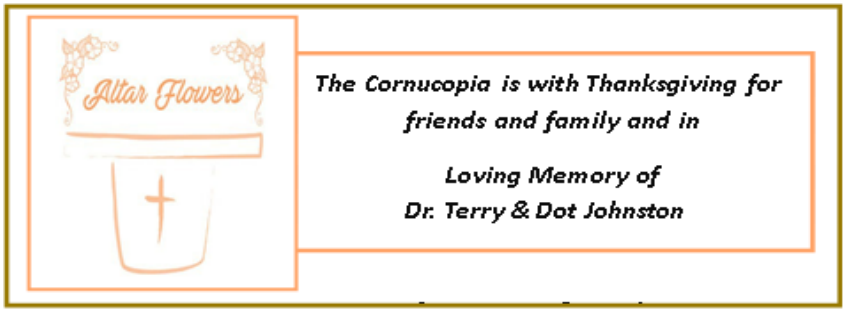
The Sermon: Not One of the Guys Reverend Vicky Ney

***The Hymn: #92 For the Beauty of the Earth (vs. 1, 2, 4, 6)**

Benediction

Benediction Response

The Postlude **Colin Walker**



~ THIS WEEK AT MCC ~

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

~ UPCOMING EVENTS~

Hope SNJ
Monday November 30, 4:00 pm Parlor
Deacons' Meeting
Monday November 30, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall
Bell Choir
Wednesday December 2, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall
Chancel Choir
Wednesday December 2, 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall
Men's Breakfast
Thursday December 3, 8:00 am Fellowship Hall
Bell Choir Performance
Friday December 4, Ventnor City Hall
Church Decorating Day
Saturday December 5, 10:30 – 12:00 Lunch to follow in Fellowship Hall

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.



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 Beurre 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

PRAYER - MUSIC - COMMUNITY

Thanksgiving

Interfaith Service of Gratitude & Hope

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 23
7:00 PM
SHIRAT HAYAM
700 N Swarthmore Ave Ventnor 08406
contact: rabbi.kremer@ShiratHayamNJ.org

Please bring
canned goods
for local food pantries
no glass containers, please!

BRIDGE of FAITH



Giving Tree

Sunday, November 22nd ~ Tower Narthex
Return Unwrapped Gifts to MCC by Monday, December 7th

The Board of Deacons are once again asking for your help in giving the children of our area a Merry Christmas. "The Giving Tree" has been a feature of MCC's holiday ministries for over 30 years.

The Deacons have solicited tags from the Salvation Army of our area and received the ages and wishes of the children who may go without this Christmas. We then ask you to take a tag and go out and buy a toy or a gift card for the child and return the items to the church for distribution through the agencies.

The Salvation Army is requesting no clothing this year as they find the sizes end up not fitting the children.

The "Giving Tree" will be set up in the Tower Narthex and ready for your participation on Sunday, November 22nd. Return the unwrapped gifts no later than Monday, December 7th or sooner if possible.

Do not wrap the gifts as the agency needs to know what each child is receiving. However, wrapping paper and ribbon can be included in the bag for their use.

*** Gift cards should be turned in to the Church Office.**
Suggested gift card stores: Shop Rite, Acme, Walmart and Target







Deacons' Advent Individual Family Food Collection

Each day of Advent put the listed item into a box at your house. The collected items will be given to:

Grace's Place (Food Bank) of Somers Point

November 29th	Boxed Potatoes
November 30th	Box of Mac and Cheese
December 1st	Canned Fruit
2nd	Box or Bag of Cookies
3rd	Canned Tomatoes
4th	Canned Tuna
5th	Dessert Mix
6th	Jar of Applesauce
7th	Canned Sweet Potatoes
8th	Canned Cranberry Sauce
9th	Canned Beans
10th	Box of Crackers
11th	Package of Rice
12th	Oatmeal / Box of Cereal
13th	Package of Pasta
14th	Spaghetti Sauce
15th	Chicken Noodle Soup / Tomato Soup
16th	Peanut Butter /Jar of Jelly
17th	Canned Corn
18th	Can of Mixed Vegetables
19th	Can of Carrots
20th	Can of Green Beans