



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

Seventh Sunday of Easter

10 O'clock in the Morning May 17, 2026

"God is far more interested in your character than he is your career, because you're not taking your career to heaven, but you are taking your character." ~ Rick Warren

Please silence cell phones.

The Prelude

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

The Call to Worship

Sonya Bertini

Leader: Children of God, welcome!

People: Welcome to this place of love and grace.

Leader: Welcome to this place of hope and dedication.

People: God invites all of us to be part of this beloved community.

Leader: We are marked by water and claimed by the Spirit.

People: We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are.

Leader: God invites all of us to share in the good news.

All: In gratitude for all these blessings, let us worship God!

Hymn: #369 Blessed Assurance

The Prayer (Unison)

Holy God, we enter this sacred space in your presence with

** 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

Michelle Cook-Stewart, Soprano Soloist

Visit our website for current news and information :

www.margatecommunitychurch.com

Our Greeters this week 5/17/26

Joe & Sue Clark

Deacons' May Communion Offering

Our May Deacons' Communion Offering is designated for

The Community Food Bank.

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

† **PRAYER LIST** †

SAY A PRAYER

SEND A CARD

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Pleasantville, NJ 08232

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22 N Jimmie Leeds Road
Galloway, NJ 08205

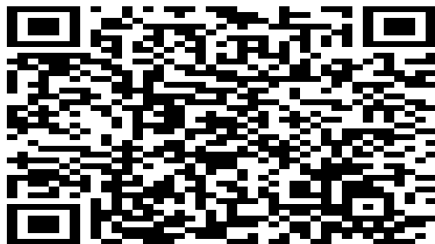
AT HOME

David McCann Carl Ekstrom Kay Lee

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.

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praise for your loving presence in each of our lives. You sit enthroned as Lord over all, yet you entered this world as one of us, walking and working, praying and preaching, healing, feeding and forgiving. Your words to your followers remind us that we share in your ministry and in your resurrection and new life. We are awed by the privilege of being called your disciples. We are challenged to continue the good work you began. We are grateful for the Spirit who empowers us to follow you. We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. Amen.

Time with the Children

Affirmation of Faith

Romans 8:35, 37-39 (NLT)

Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death? No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us.

And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow – not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. No power in the sky above or in the earth below – indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

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

~ THIS WEEK AT MCC ~

Anthem: They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

***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

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

Choose a good reputation over great riches; being held in high esteem is better than silver or gold. The rich and poor have this in common: The Lord made them both.

Those who plant in justice will harvest disaster and their reign of terror will come to an end. Blessed are those who are generous, because they feed the poor.

Don't rob the poor just because you can, or exploit the needy in court. For the Lord is their defender; he will ruin anyone who ruins them.

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

The Sermon: Paparazzo Profile Reverend Vicky Ney

***The Hymn: Take My Life and Let It Be (See insert)**

The Benediction

The Benediction Response

The Postlude Colin Walker

Advisory Council

Sunday May 17, 11:00 am Library

Book Club Trip to Holocaust Center

Sunday May 17, 11:15 am from the Church

Confirmation Class Continues

Sunday May 17, 11:15 am Youth Room

Hope SNJ

Monday May 18, 4:00 pm Parlor

Trustees' Meeting

Tuesday May 19, 7:00 pm Library

Bell Choir

Wednesday May 20, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Chancel Choir

Wednesday May 20, 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Men's Breakfast

Thursday May 21, 8:00 am Fellowship Hall

MCC Nursery School End of Year Program

Friday May 22, 10:00 am Nursery School

~ UPCOMING EVENTS ~

New Members Welcomed

Sunday May 24, during Worship Sanctuary

Happy Memorial Day

Monday May 25, Office and Nursery School Closed

Deacons' Meeting

Tuesday May 26, 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Bell Choir

Wednesday May 27, 6:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Chancel Choir

Wednesday May 27, 7:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Ladies Night Out

Thursday May 28, 6:00 pm Bonefish Grill

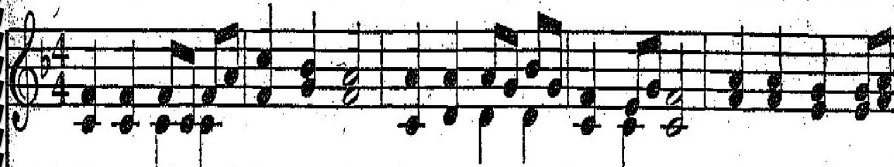
Recorder Group

Friday May 29, 3:00 pm Sanctuary

Take My Life, and Let It Be Consecrated 310

Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874

HERNDON: 7. 7. 7. 7.
H. A. César Malan, 1827



1. Take my life, and let it be Con-se - crat-ed, Lord, to Thee. Take my mo-ments
2. Take my hands, and let them move At the im-pulse of Thy love. Take my feet, and
3. Take my voice, and let me sing, Al-ways, on-ly, for my King. Take my lips, and
4. Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no long-er mine. Take my heart, it
5. Take my love; my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treas-ure store. Take my-self, and



and my days; Let them flow in cease-less praise, Let them flow in cease-less praise.
let them be Swift and beau-ti - ful for Thee, Swift and beau-ti - ful for Thee.
let them be Filled with mes-sa-ges from Thee, Filled with mes-sa-ges from Thee.
is Thine own; It shall be Thy roy-al throne, It shall be Thy roy-al throne.
I will be Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee, Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee. A-MEN.



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LIFE IN CHRIST: STEWARDSHIP

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.