



Making Waves

***St. Peter's of Ocean City
Welcome Friends!***

At the 'Making Waves Church' we are growing in faith, hope, and love as we follow Jesus in ministry and mission. Maybe you have been looking for God, and you sense God's presence here in our midst. Maybe you are new to the city and are looking for a church home. Maybe you are looking to reconnect with your faith. The important thing is that you are here, Jesus loves you, and maybe God has a plan for us to journey in faith and life together!

Take a moment to connect with our pastors, staff, greeters, or church leaders today and let's get to know each other. You can also contact Pastor Erik Hall during the week. We are excited for all God is doing and we look forward to seeing you again at St. Peter's UMC



***~ Welcome to our Sunday Services, March 30, 2025
with Pastor Erik Hall***

Sermon Title – Follow Jesus: Serve

The essence of serving is that we put the needs of others before our own. We sacrifice for the sake of the other, we risk ourselves for the sake of the other.

When we serve, we create a world oriented towards love and expressed in works of sacrificial generosity. To follow Jesus means to regard other's needs before our own.

Scripture Reading: Luke 10:29-37

8:00AM - WORSHIP AND COMMUNION SERVICE - SANCTUARY

9:00AM - CONTEMPORARY - STANTON ROOM

10 - 10:45 - SUNDAY SCHOOL

11AM - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP - SANCTUARY

YOU CAN LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR WORSHIP, MINISTRIES, AND OTHER EVENTS ON OUR WEBSITE, WWW.MAKINGWAVES.CHURCH.

YOU CAN ALSO STOP IN OR CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 609-399-2988 IF YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE, IF YOU NEED HELP, OR IF YOU ARE ABLE TO DONATE YOUR TIME AND ENERGY!

WE INVITE YOU TO STAY CONNECTED, GROW YOUR FAITH, AND JOIN US IN “MAKING WAVES” OF DIFFERENCE BY SHARING JESUS WITH OCEAN CITY AND THE WORLD.

Forgive them for they know not what they do

Holy Week Worship Services

Maundy Thursday Service

7:00pm—8:00pm

The last night of Jesus' life. It's always darkest before the dawn. Holy Thursday begins the hours of Jesus' betrayal and death, but holds the promise of resurrection and new life. Come observe this solemn night and participate in Holy Communion as we remember Jesus just the way he asked us to.

Good Friday Service

12:00pm—1:00pm

As we follow Jesus, our Journey of faith takes us from bright peaks to the valley of the shadow of death. Jesus lived faithfully, loved fully, and died horribly and unjustly. Is this the end of the story?

I am the resurrection and the life.

Easter morning brings great joy and spiritual renewal as we celebrate the Risen Jesus with inspirational music and words of praise.

St. Peter's invites you to rejoice with believers throughout the world.

Easter Sunday Celebrations

Easter Boardwalk Service

8:00am - 8:30am

Greet the morning with faith, hope and love! Jesus is alive... and because he is, we can live a new life too! Our Easter Boardwalk Service will be held at the 11th St. Pavilion.

Contemporary Easter Service

9:00am - 10:00am

Join us for this festive Easter celebration led by our praise band. We will tell the Easter story and Jesus' invitation to life, life to the fullest, and life eternal.

Traditional Easter Service

11:00am - 12:00pm

Join us for this traditional Easter celebration. Hymns, bells, and choir. We will tell the Easter story and why it gives all of us freedom to live a grace-filled, healthy spiritual life.

For questions or more information, call **(609)399-2988**

Andrea, Marilyn Aishton, The Abbott Family, Abby, Amelia, (Baby) – Jett Ruff, Brandon, Charlie, Huey, Nicole, Peter, Lee Allen, Carol Angelo, June Appleton, Matt Bechta, Bill Bender, Alice Brown, Bill Z, Ed C., Donna Chapman, Josie Chivalette, Linda Coyle & Family, Bob Cantz, Tina Curione, Evelyn Defazio, Carol DeMill, Shirley Deming, Shirley Doerrmann & Family, Rosemarie Duncan, Daniel Durkin, Eilenberg Family, Kim Ford, Denise Gaskill, Emma May Goddard, Frank J. Grass, Kim Gremo, Julie Mason Groob, Nick Hand, Clara Hanjian And Family, Chris Harris, Shirley Haskell, Bob Hill, Betty Herzberg, Lukasz Hrabski, Sharon Hotchkiss, Annie Houdart, Kevin Hrtyanski, Sandy Hrtyanski, Sue & Ozzie Jordan, Lois King, John, Judy, Norma Juzwiak, Ed Kenney, Constantine Kokkinos, The Laird Family, Normalee Linforth, Mike Kubaska, Wayne Maguire, David (Mac) Mascione & Family, Bobbie Mario, Chris Marple, Don Marple, Kenny Marple, Wanda Marple, Andy Martin, Paul M., Bill McCord, Helen McNamara, Olga Messina, Helen Miller, Al Nicolosi, Bernice Nolte, Peggy & Steve Oden, Charlene Oldfield, Marianne Oliver, Della Ostien, Eleanor Parker, George Pierpoint III, David Powell & Family, Haley Raineer, Sandra Rigg, Joan Robertson, Zacci Robertson, Barbara & Joe Rodrigues, Gary Rushmer, Rev. Edward Rusk, Gloria S., Margaret Schock, Jillian Schoenstein, Carol Schoff, Joe Skultin, Barbara Smith, Robin Smith, Jacob Snow, Manfred Stahl, Spear Family, Swen Swenson, Tom Thompson, Ken Thorpe, Bob Vallerschamp And Family, Pauline Wallace, Dawn Wassinger, Bill Woods;

All People With Cancer Diagnose; And All Unspoken Requests.

The Power of Prayer . . .



We want to thank you for all of your thoughts and prayers for our son-in-law, Patrick Withers. He had serious health problems, and after 18 months, he is doing very well. Your prayers lifted him up and gave him strength and perseverance for healing. We are thankful!!

Marsha and Paul Tarves



*In Memory of Irene (Rene) Reeves
September 18, 1939 – March 21, 2025*

*The Family will be holding a
private celebration of life at a later date.*



THANK YOU!
¡Y GRACIAS...

Our Missions team would like to THANK YOU very much for your support of our DR Team fundraisers in February and March!!

Thank you to all those who made or purchased those delicious and soul warming soups. Thank you to everyone who contributed to our silent auction and to those who had bid on your favorite items. Also, we need to thank all the children in Kids with a Mission for taking the time to learn about our mission in the DR, and decorating and selling house ornaments to help us with our mission! All of you helped us build another house in the Dominican Republic and give another family protection from the elements and safe shelter.

We leave for the Dominican the day after Easter. Please keep us in prayer that week for safety, love shared with the people we meet, and deepening of faith in Jesus, our rock and salvation.

DINING TO DONATE

**APRIL 9TH
4:00-8:00**

DINE-IN OR CARRY-OUT



RANDAZZO'S PIZZA

609-814-1600

34th & Asbury Ave. OCNJ

**RANDAZZO'S WILL DONATE
15% OF YOUR PURCHASE TO
US WHEN YOU MENTION ST.
PETER'S UMC.**

**Support Our Mission Trips to Red Bird, Kentucky and Give Kids
the World While Letting Randazzo's Do The Cooking for You!**



Travel in England and pilgrimage to Wesley sites!

**Join St. Peter's for a faith, fun, and fellowship filled
10-day trip to England!**

The dates are October 10th - 19th, 2025.

Led by the Rev. Dr. Bob Williams (former general secretary of the united Methodist commission on archives and history) and Rev. Erik Hall (lead pastor at St. Peter's UMC in Ocean City), we will visit sites important in the life of John and Charles Wesley and our Methodist heritage. Be inspired by seeing John Wesley's prayer room in his home in London, visit the church in Epworth where he was baptized, his family home, and worship in the chapel he had built in London. Also, travel will take us to the tower of London, the Cotswold's, Shakespeare's home, Coventry cathedral, Oxford University and Bath (a city of roman origin).

Trip cost will be \$3998 and includes airfare, first-class hotels, deluxe motorcoach, taxes, tips, and entrance fees, and most meals. Go to: makingwaves.church to download a brochure and register, or contact Pastor Erik.



St. Peter's UWF
2nd Annual Spaghetti Dinner
Thursday, April 3rd from 5-7pm
Adults - \$20 / Children - \$10

LAST DAY TO PURCHASE IS
MARCH 31st!!!

Tickets are on sale at the Church Office
Mon. - Thur. 9M - 3PM / Friday - 9AM Noon



2025 Asbury Scholarship Season is Here!!!

Applications are NOW AVAILABLE!!

PICK UP IN OFFICE OR EMAIL US AT:

churchoffice@stpoc.org

Deadline for All Applications is on May 11th!

St. Peter's UMC's

HOMELESS FOR A NIGHT

Think About it: A cardboard box or tent may be someone's only home.

Do Something About It: Join Us for Our Indoor Cardboard/Tent City Event:
Friday, April 4th, 6:30 PM to
Saturday, April 5th, 8:00 AM
\$25.00

**MONEY RAISED WILL GO TO FAMILY
PROMISE OF CAPE MAY COUNTY**

Contact Amy for More Information:
Amy@STPOC.org / 908-278-7076

VBS 2025
SAVE THE DATES



JOIN THE FUN
AUGUST 18TH - 22ND, 2025

9:30 - 12:30

“The Lord your God is with you wherever you Go.”
Joshua 1:9

**You are invited on an exciting journey to discover
new places, new friends, and ways to discover God’s
goodness and presence everywhere!**

Registration Opens May 25, 2025



MUSIC AT 11 . . .

WEDNESDAY'S IN LENT - APRIL 2ND AT NOON

**MEDITATION WITH THE CLERGY
MUSIC FOR ORGAN AND HANDBELLS**

**LUNCH IN THE STAINTON ROOM FOR
THE BEST SOUP IN TOWN!!**

ST. PETER'S UMC

2025 CONFIRMATION CLASS

Sundays
March 9 - May 18th
10:00-10:45
Grades 6-12



You are invited to participate in this year's Confirmation Faith Journey!

Through Scripture, theology, history, relationship-building, conversation, worship, service projects, and spiritual disciplines, youth are invited to CONFIRM their faith, hope, and trust in God in Jesus Christ, their love for God and others, and discern God's will and purpose for their lives.

All of this culminates in 'Confirmation Sunday' (which occurs on Pentecost Sunday) when our confirmands will reaffirm the promises made at their baptism, and make a commitment to Jesus and the church, and accept their faith in Jesus for themselves. In the process, they will become members of the United Methodist Church in general, and members of St. Peter's United Methodist Church specifically.

Email Pastor Erik at Erik@stpoc to register for the class

Serving on Sunday!

The Missions Sunday Team

Meets in the Fox Room each Sunday at 10:00 am!

Join us in being the hands and feet of Jesus!!



ST. PETER'S HOSPITALITY

COMMITTEE



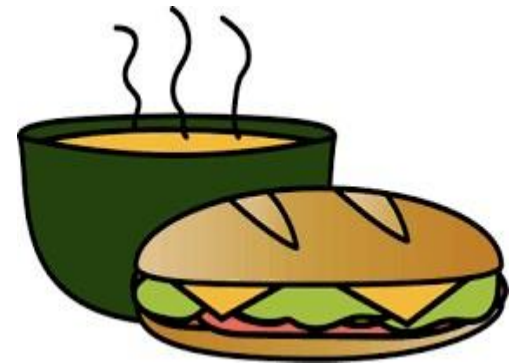
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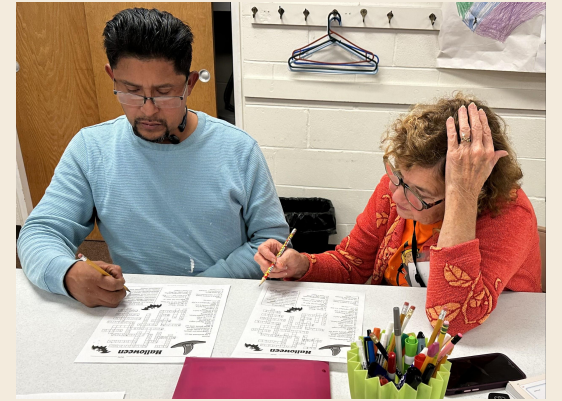
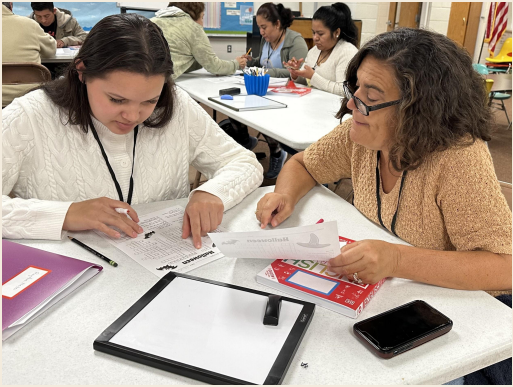
Prepare Meals

Deliver Meals

Be a Calling Captain

Call the office for more info!





CONGRATULATIONS ELL STUDENTS ON YOUR GRADUATION!!

***ELL CLASSES ARE HELD TUESDAY NIGHTS FROM
6:30 TO 8PM ROOM 101***

***HELP US TO CONTINUE TO GIVE THE
GIFT OF LEARNING!***

YOUR TIME OR DONATIONS ARE WELCOMED!

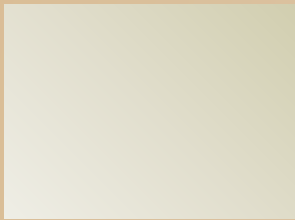
METHODIST MEN'S MINISTRY

MEETS THE LAST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH!

9AM IN THE FOX ROOM!

ALL ARE WELCOMED!!

NEXT MEETING - APRIL 26, 2025



***Veterans Coffee Club (aka)
"A Cup of Joe"***

Saturday, April 5th, at 9am

Enjoy coffee, pastries, and fellowship with other veterans who meet on the first and third Saturday of each month.

ST. PETER'S UMC
WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP
~ APP AND CHAT ~

THIS MONTH'S PICK . . .

THE ALICE NETWORK

BY: KATE QUINN

APRIL 28, 7PM TO 8PM

WE'LL ENJOY AN **APPETIZER** AS WE CHAT ABOUT GREAT BOOKS!
EMAIL AMY WITH ANY QUESTIONS: AMY@STPOC.ORG

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MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, & FRIDAY'S

9:30 - 10:30 AM

LOCATED ON THE THIRD FLOOR.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

FOR INFORMATION EMAIL GINNY AT

V.STRANG@ICLOUD.COM

Grace Circle

Come join us on

Thursday, April 10th at 12:30

***in the Stainton Room for our
Special Guest Speaker***

***Mrs. Loretta Thompson Harris of Ocean City
sharing the history of the
Tabernacle Baptist Church***

All Are Welcomed!!!

Grace Circle meets the Second Thursday of each month!



***Eve Circle will meet on
April 24th at 1:00pm
at the home of
Kathy Heller***

***Mary's Circle
Next Meeting is April 16, 2025
at 7pm at St. Peter's!
All are welcome!***



Grief Support Group Meeting

**Our group meets every other Tuesday
from 6:30pm to 8pm.**

**The group is open to all adults who are grieving the death of a loved one.
For more information call Jane Taylor 609-412-1855 or
email: Janeht927@yahoo.com**

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 1, 2025

Where: St. Peter's UM Church

**Please spread the word that we are holding space for everyone and their grief.
I always say: "I'm sorry you are here, but I'm glad we are here for you."**

CALLED TO CARE

One of the important ministries of St. Peter's UMC throughout the years has been the visitation ministry.

This vital outreach to our members and friends by making “check in” calls and visits has served to express our care and support.

If you would like to be a part of this group of visitors please call the church office (609-399-2988) or contact Pastor Kathleen (609-432-2726) or email her at kathleen@stpoc.org to express your interest.

Just Us Together
Meets the Third Wednesday Each Month
6:30-7:30pm in the Mary Marr Room

AA Meetings Held at St. Peter's UMC
Monday through Saturday from 7:30am to 8:30am in
Room 121

**EQUAL EXCHANGE - Fairly Traded
Organic Chocolate and Coffee for Sale!**

Visit the Mission's Team chocolate and coffee cart to purchase a variety of delicious flavors and blends! All grown by Small Farmer Co-ops! All proceeds benefit St. Peter's Missions!

Coffee \$12 or (2) for \$20 - Chocolate Bars \$6 or (2) for \$10

Checks payable to: St. Peter's UMC
Mission's General in memo Line or exact cash.
Thank you so much for your support!

Website



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Venmo



Wallets



General



TITHES AND OFFERINGS

You can send in checks to 501 E. 8th Street, Ocean City, NJ 08226
or donate online via the church website: makingwaves.church

NEEDS?

Please contact the church office at 609-399-2988 if you need food or assistance.
St. Peter's invites you to stay connected, grow your faith and "Make Waves"
of difference in this hurting world.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Regular Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday 9am to 3pm; Friday 9am to Noon