

# Audubon United Methodist Church

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## Summer – July and August, 2018 Newsletter

### Sunday Worship Opportunities:

9:00 A.M. Contemporary Service  
9:00 A.M. Sunday School for adults  
10:30 A.M. Traditional Service

### From the Pastor:

Hebrews 13:5 NIV “because God has said, “Never will I leave you, never will I forsake you.”

One glorious summer God went walking in the cool of the day. He looked at his creation and saw the beauty, heard the sounds, smelled the fragrances that caused God to call his work “good.” God thought, “Wouldn’t it be nice if I could take the summer off to enjoy the work of my hands? Sabbath was a good time of rest, but there is so much out there for me to enjoy I could use the time off. I’m supposed to be with my children as they gather to worship and pray, but they wouldn’t notice if I took time for Myself. Anyway, many of them take the summer off and never darken the door of my house even if they are staying home. They forget to worship me wherever they go or stop in for a visit at another congregation when they travel. My children say they are just ‘enjoying God’s Creation,’ but it’s sad they forget the Creator. Oh well, I doubt I will be missed until fall. Summer stretches well into October these days so I should have plenty of time to take in the sights and catch up on my rest. I’ve been pretty busy dealing with the nastiness I see on earth, sometimes even in churches! Name calling, personal attacks, ignorance of my Word, declining numbers... where is it all heading? I know where; if only my people would call on me now we could turn things around together. But their minds and hearts are elsewhere. I guess I’ll start my vacation today. Souls can wait; prayer requests will be there when I return. I’ll be back in time for Christmas season when even my most neglectful children sing my praises for a few days. Creation will be just fine without me for a few weeks.”

*(pastor’s message continues on page 2)*



*Our Doors are always open!*

Our Church Building is Handicap Accessible.

Elevator access to the sanctuary and the lower level can be found on the Graisbury Ave. side entrance.  
Handicapped parking is available on Graisbury and also in the rear of the church house.



*The Summer Newsletter is presented by Joan Windston in loving memory of her husband, Owen and by Sarah and Pat Gibbons in loving memory of their parents, Mary and Robert Gibbons and Jim and Nancy Myers.*

### Upcoming Meetings and Events

July 3 Decorate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Float  
July 4 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade  
July 10 Church Council 7:30 PM Conover Parlor  
July 14 Church Picnic at Parvin State Park  
July 16 Trustees meeting  
July 29- Aug 3 Vacation Bible School  
Aug. 19 Deadline for the Sept. Newsletter—send to Marilyn Radley at [smradley@verizon.net](mailto:smradley@verizon.net)

### Weekly Meetings:

Mondays: Seekers (7-8 P.M.) Conover Parlor  
AA (7:30-8:30 P.M.) Adult Assembly  
Wednesdays: Midsummer Nights at the parsonage



*Join us to decorate our float on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and participate in the parade July 4<sup>th</sup>! See Colleen*

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Aren't you glad this will never happen? I mean the part about God going on vacation. Sadly, some of the other observations are correct. But they don't have to be! God is faithful. He said, "I am with you always, even to the end of the world." "I will never leave you nor forsake you." God isn't going anywhere. I've observed over the years how increasingly hard it is to get folks back from "summer vacation." November seems to be the new start of the fall church season! Wouldn't it be wonderful if this year folks stayed close to the Lord and Christian fellowship even though its summer? Sure, enjoy trips and family getaways. Appreciate the summer beauty of God's Creation. Just don't forget the creator. He will NEVER forget you. God never takes a vacation away from you!

*Pastor Walt*

### **Midsummer Nights on Wednesdays at 6 PM**

Come to the parsonage back yard, bring a covered dish to share as well as a chair for your comfort. A great time of food, fellowship and worship!

### **Welcome to our location**



The Pack is back! A new Cub Scout Pack...Pack 106, will be making its home at our church.

Bethany Christian Services, New Jersey office will be located on the second floor of the Church House.



### **See you in September**

Taking a break for the summer is:

- Sunday School ages 3- High School
- Children's choir
- The Link youth group
- Men's Group

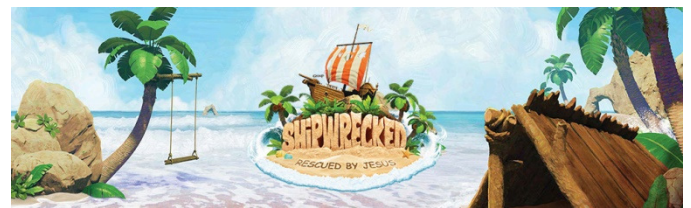
Join us for VBS this summer and in September when our classes begin again! Have a safe and fun summer.



Delanco Camp is near Medford, NJ. The first week of camp starts July 8<sup>th</sup>. For \$325 or less, your youngster gets to experience a week of camp in a Christian based program of fun camp activities. Our AUMC families can once again receive a \$75 reimbursement toward the camp fee after you register your child. First time campers receive a \$50 discount! Pick up a brochure in the narthex, or see Carol Tait or Bruce Krout for details. Check out their website for details as to the weeks that the different age groups are involved. The Jr. Camp (for kids going into 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grades).

The next age group is Jr. High 1 which is for 7<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup> graders. Groupings include all ages of teens. Check out the Delanco Camp website at Delanco.org (609-859-2262) for details. So many kids have grown spiritually through the Delanco Camp...think about sending yours!

### **Vacation Bible School is coming Sunday July 29–Friday, August 3 from 6-8:30 PM**



Get ready for an adventure to an uncharted island where kids are Rescued by Jesus! An island where kids learn to be anchored in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms

Rebekah and Sue are looking for volunteers to make a difference in the lives of children right here in Audubon. Please fill out the form in the bulletin or call the office to help. It's going to be a great time!

### **Annual Church Picnic July 14 at**

#### **Parvin State Park**



Planning is now going on and your help is needed with organizing games, music and cooking.

Please see Dan or Lindsy if you would like to help.

## Congratulations College Graduate

Zabrielle Holloway – Rowan University



## Our AUMC Scholarship recipient is:

Thomas Monteferrante, Jr. Thomas attends St. Rose of Lima and will be going to the University of Oregon to study Marine Biology. Congratulations!

## Boscov's Friends Helping Friends Day

is back and once again we are participating. This year Boscov's has designated **Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>** as the day to help area non-profits raise funds, while giving some great discounts to those who purchase a ticket. The tickets cost \$5.00 each and entitle the bearer to a discount of 25% all day! 100% of the ticket donation goes directly to the selling organization, (so please purchase your ticket through AUMC) and donors will have the opportunity to win fabulous prizes, while enjoying refreshments and entertainment throughout the store. See Linda Holonia or contact the church office to purchase one for yourself and a few for friends and family.



## Don't forget to order Gift cards.

Order forms are available in the narthex. This program gives a percentage of the value of the card right back to our church. Fill out the form and return it to Linda with your payment. Checks are payable to the church. Gift cards are usually available the following Sunday. See Linda Holonia or email [lhlonia@yahoo.com](mailto:lhlonia@yahoo.com)



## Are you traveling this summer?

If you have plans to travel this summer, electronic giving gives you a convenient way to keep up with your intended offerings. Simply complete and return the electronic giving authorization form, which can be found in the narthex, to get started.

You can designate your offering to any of the following funds and you can choose the weekly, semi-monthly or monthly options.

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| Tithes & Offerings                       | Repairs and Maintenance |
| Advent Offering                          | Christmas Offering      |
| Lenten Offering                          | Easter Offering         |
| Thanksgiving Offering                    | United Methodist Women  |
| AUMC Walker/Bowen/Betts Scholarship Fund |                         |

## July Shut-in of the Month

Jim Barrett  
Woodbury Mews Room 219  
122-124 Green Avenue  
Woodbury, NJ 08096



## August Shut-in of the Month

Bill Rittmayer  
460 Haddon Ave. Apt. 315  
Collingswood, NJ 08108



*Keep them in your prayers and let them know they are in your thoughts by sending a card.*

## July Birthdays

- 2 Peggy Lauk
- 5 Carol Jesuncosky
- 5 Jen Sammut
- 6 Peggy Cheney
- 8 Marilyn Radley
- 8 Fern Montesano
- 10 Diane Stanley
- 10 Helena Woodward
- 22 Peggy Bradshaw
- 23 Tyler Stanley
- 24 Sam Tait
- 29 Morgana Makuszewski
- 31 Peggy Schnyer



## August Birthdays

- 5 Don Lauk
- 8 Ellen Donahue
- 10 Marissa Whiteley
- 11 Mary Tharan
- 15 Mary Bundick
- 17 Peggy Keel
- 31 Mark VanArnam

## July Anniversaries

- 1 Carol and Sam Tait
- 2 Elaine and Bill Soulliard
- 27 Linsi and Dan Arcaini

## August Anniversaries

- 2 Laurie and Tim Bouch
- 2 Peggy and Don Lauk
- 24 Estelle and George MacCulloch



## Summer Communion Offerings:

Local Benevolence

### Those assisting in our ministries for July:

- Greeters:** Carol Tait and Ethel Marsik  
**Ushers:** Barb and Frank Cunane, Mark Van Arnam  
**Liturgist:** Bob Kondras  
**Counters:** Darlene and Chris Fitzgerald and Jean Whiteley  
**Trustee to open and close church:**  
Darlene Fitzgerald

### Those assisting in our ministries for Aug.:

- Greeters:**  
**Ushers:** Peg and Tracy Schnyer  
**Liturgist:** George MacCulloch  
**Counters:** Allison and Don Cox  
**Trustee to open and close church:**  
Ruslana Snyder

### Prayers – Praise – Thanks

*Pray in the spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere. Ephesians 6:18*

#### **Prayer requests from our weekly bulletins**

- Doug J. • Carol B • Charlie W
- Crystal • Mary L. • Mike & Tyler S.
- Shannon P. • Caitlyn C. • Anne and Joe
- George G • Mary P • Carol and Bill B.
- Tom H Sr. • Susan H • Ron & Samantha F.
- Beverly F (Chris's mother) • Ruslana's father

#### **Our Friends with Special Needs**

- Ginny A. • Dan A. • Doris K.
- Myrtle J. • Gwen E. • Eleanor T.
- Edith W. • Sandy A • Ronnie W.
- Gerry G. • Bill R • Joan W
- Janet K • Marge W • Peg and Don L

#### **Prayer Card Requests**

- World Gospel Mission ministries and the Crakers
- International Students ministries and the Mannons
- Campus Crusade CRU Alex Simpson
- Pray for our local missions—Kid's Alley and Fellowship House
- Our servicemen and women:
  - Walter J IV- US Coast Guard
  - Jim G –Army National Guard
  - James S, Madison S & Matt- US Army
  - Kyle Ross – US Marines

- Gerry G on the loss of her mom
- The families of Janet Kirsche and Ronnie Walker
- A miracle for husband Tom with cancer and cirrhosis and needs a transplant; for his Salvation. –Barbara
- Estelle's sister Ann following surgery
- My family --Helena
- Carol F for health concerns
- For those who pray for me -Carol F
- Tracy's mom with health issues
- Brother-in-law Bud with esophageal cancer
- Jen looking for a new teaching position –Carol T
- Sandy A for her pain and mobility issues.
- Edith W home on hospice
- My sister Lois recovering from a stroke – Barb C
- Joan receiving treatment
- Pat and Sarah for health issues
- For my friends Chaz and Jackie -Helena
- For my co-worker, Tim. -Peg S
- Cousin Devin - William
- Tracy's health

#### **Praises**

- Good surgical outcome for Peg S
- A great year for children's Sunday School

#### **Church Staff:**

- \* Pastor: Rev. Dr. Walter Jesuncosky, III
- \* Admin. Assistant: Linda Holonia
- \* Director of Music: Mia Reich
- \* Organist: David Reich
- \* Pianist: Jesse Deal
- \* Nursery helpers: Maggie B, Lauren F, Marissa W

#### **Church Office Hours**

Summer hours will vary. Please see a notice of hours in the bulletin.

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Pastor's email : [aumcpastor@verizon.net](mailto:aumcpastor@verizon.net)

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