



Audubon United Methodist Church

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February 2020 Newsletter



Sunday Worship Opportunities:

- 9:00 A.M. Contemporary Service
- 9:00 A.M. Sunday School for all ages
- 10:30 A.M. Traditional Service



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 February Newsletter is sponsored UMW in honor of all VICTORIOUS WOMEN

Upcoming Meetings and Events

- Feb. 2 Scout Sunday
- Feb. 7 & 8 Photos for the new Directory
- Feb. 11 Church Council 7:30 PM Conover Parlor
- Feb. 16 Deadline for March Newsletter—*send to Marilyn Radley at smradley@verizon.net*
- Feb. 17 Trustees meeting
- Feb. 27 Cancer with Hope

Weekly Meetings:

Mondays: Seekers (7-8 P.M.) Conover Parlor
AA (7:30-8:30 P.M.) Adult Assembly

Wednesdays: Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:30-9 PM

Fridays: The Link 6:30 – 8 PM

CUBS: Bears, Tigers and Arrow of Light meet
Tues and Thurs. Pack meeting 3rd Friday of the month.

A note from the Pastor:



Pastor Jisun will preach a study on the book of Romans from January 26th until Lent begins on Feb 23rd.

Mark your calendars! Scout Sunday is February 2.

We are happy to celebrate this Sunday with Cub Scout Troop 106 and Boy Scout Troop 106. The Scouts will be actively participating in many parts of the service.



A reception of coffee, juice and doughnuts will be held in Hoffman Room afterwards. Hopefully you will come and support them at the 10:30 service.

Bible 101 returning & refreshed.

It's been over 5 years since we have had a Bible Basics study. Many of you maybe didn't participate last time or weren't in our church family at that time. All are welcome. It will be a 6-week study possibly after 10:30 service on Sundays. Beverages & snacks will be provided. This study will be our Lenten Study. Pastor Jisun and Anne Simpson will conduct the class.

Looking forward to seeing old & new faces.

The photographer for our new pictorial directory will be here

FEBRUARY 7 & 8. Please be on time. If you do not have a date and time for your photographs please see Barbara Cunane asap.



Pastor Jisun looks forward to visiting with you!

If she has not yet visited you, please sign up in the lobby. Each week there will be a sign-up sheet for you to select a date and time for her visit. If you do not see a time that is convenient for you, please leave your name and contact information so she can reach out to you.

Mission News by Bruce Krout

Here is the definition of “hope” by Wikipedia. “Hope is an optimistic state of mind that is based on an expectation of positive outcomes with respect to events and circumstances in one's life or the world at large”.

Ranch Hope was started in the 1960's by Rev. David Bailey to serve and educate boys in South Jersey who had gotten in trouble with the law. In the late 80's the school added programming for classified students, as well. One of the key elements to the school's success involves offering shop classes which includes woodworking, glassmaking, and print graphics with computers. In recent years, Jr./Sr. high schools in N.J. have put less attention on vocational skills and are more focused on reading, writing and math to meet or improve State testing outcomes. This limits the opportunities for students who enjoy “working with their hands”. Ranch Hope is a residential program that has cabins for groups of five boys where life-skill lessons are also taught. Counseling intervention is also available for students.

Our Church has supported Ranch Hope of Alloway, N.J. for decades. A portion of our Missions fund and certain communion offerings go to this school each year. One of our AUMC families has a grandchild that attended the school a couple of years ago. They are quick to share how well the program was in helping to meet the needs of this young teenager who was struggling socially and academically at the time. The support he received from Ranch Hope gave this boy new direction and **hope** for the future. This teen is doing well in his local school now and participates on the cross-country team and is running indoor track presently. Reverend Bailey's Ranch Hope was well named and has been a true blessing for many teens in our area.

[\(https://www.ranchhope.org/\)](https://www.ranchhope.org/)

Sharing God's word and love, however we can, is our mission.

Ushers needed...Men and Women to serve as ushers. Could you spare a few minutes before the traditional worship each Sunday for 4 months of the year (not consecutive)? Please contact the church office or **Chris Fitzgerald** if you are interested.

Ladies Day at America's Keswick

May 13th 9A.M. -3 P.M. Cost: \$22 for group and includes 3 sessions with **Susie Larson** and a gourmet box lunch. Susie is a talk show host, national speaker, and author of fifteen books and many articles. In both 2016 and 2017, Susie was nominated and voted into the top ten groups for the National John Maxwell Leadership Award. Susie has been married to her dear husband Kevin since 1985 and together they have three wonderful sons, three beautiful daughters-in-law, one amazing grandson, and one adorable pit bull named Memphis. Susie's passion is to see women everywhere awakened to the value of their soul, the depth of God's love, and the height of their calling in Christ Jesus.



If you are interested, please see Lyn Radley.

VBS 2020–Rocky Railway-July 5-10, 2020



Pam Alekseyev will be the VBS Coordinator and she looks forward to hearing that you want to be a part of the adventure!

From the Treasurer

Thank you to the volunteers who serve as counters and head counters.

These individuals spend approximately a half hour after the second service counting the offering, filling out a form, and depositing the funds in the church's account. Their names are listed in the bulletin each week. If you would like to join this exclusive group, please see Bill Simpson.



Giving Envelopes

Did you know that it is not necessary to be a member of the church or to make a faith promise (pledge) to AUMC in order to receive a box of envelopes? If you give via envelopes, you will receive an end-of-year statement for use with your tax returns. Let Linda Holonia or Bill Simpson know that you would like to receive a box.

No need to remember to write your check for Church. Electronic giving gives you a convenient way to keep up with your intended offerings. Simply complete and return the electronic giving authorization form to get started which can be found in the lobby.

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

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

Altar Flowers

There are several openings available for altar flower sponsors. Please see Linda Holonia or send an email to the office to be a sponsor. Feb.2, July 12, July 26, Aug.9, or Oct. 25.

February Shut-in of the Month



Gail Lore
1323 Keswick Ave.
Haddon Heights, NJ 08035

Keep her in your prayers and let her know she is in your thoughts by sending a card.

February Birthdays

- 5 Barb Hertfelder
- 6 Alexa Campling
- 6 Chris Stanley
- 18 Christian Reich
- 19 George MacCulloch
- 17 Caden Reich
- 23 Lori Ryan
- 25 Christy Schnyer
- 27 Allison Cox



February Anniversaries

- 7 Cheryl and Bill Laxton

February Communion Offering:

Ranch Hope

Those assisting in our ministries for Jan.:

Greeters: George and Peg Keel

Ushers: Dan and Lindsa Arcaini, Sam Arcaini

Liturgist: William Betts

Counters: Darlene and Chris Fitzgerald and Jean Whiteley

Trustee to open and close church:

David Reich

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. • Crystal • Mary L.
- Shannon P. • Caitlyn C. • Mike & Tyler S.
- Mary P • Tiara C • Anne and Joe
- Tom H Sr. • Susan H • Ron & Samantha F.
- Charlie W and family • Marti W
- Carol F • Miles J • Youngsoon Choi
- Ruslana’s father Karl • Dr. K and wife Bernice

Our Friends with Special Needs

- Carol F • Dan A. • Gwen E.
- Joan W • Bill R • Peg and Don L
- Sandy A • Marge W • Peg and George K.
- Cass Kyler • Gerry G • Keeyoung K

College Students to keep in your prayers :

- Maggie B • Holly F • Emily W
- Becca V • Colin R • Jake V
- Kevin F • Tyler S

Prayer Card Requests

- World Gospel Mission ministries and the Crakers
- International Students ministries and the Mannons
- Campus Crusade CRU Alex Simpson Aponte
- Our servicemen and women:
Walter J IV- US Coast Guard, Jim G – NJ Army National Guard, James S. and Madison S US Army, Kyle R – US Marines
- 3 yr. old Autumn in treatment for Leukemia
- Helena’s sister Elsie
- A miracle for husband Tom with cancer and cirrhosis and needs a transplant; and for his Salvation.
- Connie and family on the passing of her son
- A friend struggling with depression, that God’s love may warm her heart.
- Mary B gives thanks for a part-time job
- Pray for a family experiencing strife
- Sister-in-law Judy awaiting CT Scan results
- Pastor Jisun’s mom, Youngsoon Choi, who is recovering from knee replacement surgery

- Mia sick with pneumonia
- Colin R studying abroad in Italy this semester
- Praise God! Walter V made his debut Monday at 3:32 a.m. He is 7 lbs. and 21.5". Mom and baby are doing well, as is daddy!
- A friend of Mary T who needs temporary housing

Prayers for our church

- Please pray for our church leaders as we move forward in our 2020 vision for AUMC
- Please pray that AUMC will continue to grow in spirit and be seen as a beacon in the neighborhood.
- Please pray for Pastor Jisun; for good health, strength, protection, and guidance.
- Please pray that others will see Jesus' spirit flowing from us.
- Please pray that we will each experience a deeper spiritual walk with the Lord.
- Please pray that the leaders of AUMC would be led by the spirit to know God's will for our church.
- Pray that we can attract more families and others in the area who aren't attending church elsewhere.

Church Staff:

- * Pastor: Rev. Dr. Jisun Kwak
 - * Admin. Assistant: Linda Holonia
 - * Director of Music: Mia Reich
 - * Organist: David Reich
 - * Pianist: Jesse Deal
 - * Nursery helpers: Lauren F, Marissa W
- Church Office email : audubonumc@verizon.net
 Pastor's email : pastorjisun@gmail.com

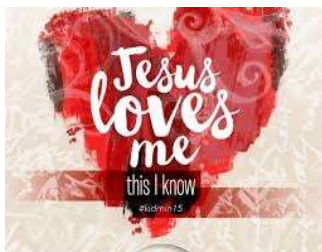
Church Office Hours

Monday & Wed. 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.
 Friday 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Check out our website: audubonumc.com



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JOHN 3:16