



Audubon United Methodist Church

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May 2021 Newsletter



Sunday Worship Opportunities:



Our Doors are 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.



9:00 A.M Seekers Adult Sunday School in person and Zoom. Face masks required.
10:20 A.M. Traditional Service in person and streaming live on our Facebook page and posted later on YouTube.

*Please call the church office to reserve your place in a pew. **FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED.***

Weds. *Comfort Food* on Zoom 7:30 PM
Tues. Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 PM on Zoom
Tues. May 11 Church Council 7:30 P.M. Zoom
Tues. May 25 Cancer with Hope 7:00 P.M. Zoom
ZOOM MEETING ID: 732-520-3940
PASSWORD: audubon
PHONE DIAL-IN: 646 558 8656 JOIN US!

The May Newsletter is sponsored by Mary Tharan in memory of her parents, Elmer and Evelyn.

Our Vision Statement:

“We are a Christ-centered family of Christians. We are actively seeking to grow the kingdom of God by bringing the Word and Love of God to the community. We may not always think alike, but we always love alike as God has taught us.”

Cancer with Hope

Join our Journey of Hope Cancer Care Ministry **Tuesday, May 24** on Zoom. Call Bruce Krout, 609-605-5450, for more information.



Mission News by Bruce Krout

It's that time of year to think about summer camp experiences for your kids. Consider sending your child to the Delanco Christian Camp in Tabernacle, N.J. The campers spend a week connecting with other kids, enjoying outdoor sports, games, and activities, as well as taking Bible classes and singing songs around the campfire. The first week of camp starts July 11th. For \$350 or less, your youngster gets to experience a fun week of camp in a Christian based program. First time campers get a \$50 discount by Delanco Camp. Our AUMC families can also receive a \$100 reimbursement from AUMC toward the camp fee after you register your child. Simply give Carol Tait a copy of your registration receipt or put it in the church office mailbox to get your reimbursement. The Jr. Camp is for kids going into 4th to 6th grades – July 11-17. The next age group is Jr. High which is for the 7th through 9th graders and their week is July 18-24. Groupings include all ages of teens. Check out their website (Delanco.org) for details about the Camp and the weeks scheduled for each group. All registrations are done online. So many kids have grown spiritually through the Delanco Camp experience, consider sending yours.

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

The annual Bethany Walk/Run will be held virtually this year. You may register as a family or as an individual. The virtual event spans 3-weeks, May 7-21, allowing you to set your own walking or running goal. The cost to register (by May 7) is \$25.00 for individuals; \$80 for family or friend group of 4; or \$200.00 for a group of 10. You may get sponsors for your walk. Go to Bethanay.org/gofurther



What are apportionments?

The United Methodist Church is connectional. The connectional nature of the church commits us to support its leadership and ministries of the Church. One way to do this is through our connectional apportionment system. This is when the Church pools its dollars and connects local churches around the world to create bigger and lasting impacts. Together, through our connectional congregations and apportionment system, we accomplish what no single church, district, or annual conference could ever hope to do alone. Our monthly bill is \$462.42.

Apportioned giving is a term which describes how the money given at the local church level is distributed throughout The United Methodist Church. When you give, more than 90% of local giving stays at the local church level. A smaller portion – around 2% - makes a collective difference in the world through the seven apportioned funds:

- Africa University Fund
- Black College Fund
- Episcopal Fund
- General Administration Fund
- Interdenominational Cooperation Fund
- Ministerial Education Fund
- World Service Fund

Let's highlight some of the area where these funds go and what they do. We begin with the General Administration Fund, which finances the administrative function of the denomination's general activities and is what enables The United Methodist Church to function most effectively. The General Administration funds several important denominational responsibilities as outlined in The Book of Discipline including:

Expenses of the General Conference

- The Judicial Council
- The administrative functions of the General Council on Finance and Administration
- The operating costs of the General Commission on Archives and History whose work is the maintenance of United Methodist historic shrines, landmarks, and sites.
- Funds the safeguarding of the legal interests and rights of The United Methodist Church

Interestingly, the General Administration Fund was established in the United Methodist Church's

original financial plan at its creation in 1939. This fund helps implement a transparent and trustworthy system of administrative oversight and financial accountability.

The General Administration Fund is a necessary fund that helps the administrative aspects of our denomination run effectively by providing the infrastructure that supports and aids us in making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Collingswood Food Pantry

We continue to collect paper and plastic grocery bags for the food pantry at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Collingswood. Please leave them on the porch leading to the pastor's office at the church house, not the front porch. If you or anyone you know is in need, please contact Elaine Soulliard who is our liaison with the pantry and may be reached at 609-280-4792.

You probably noticed that the lilies on the altar looked a little . . . well, a lot different this year. There was a shortage of Easter Lilies this year and after trying to get them from many different outlets, we were worried there may not be any on our altar. I finally found a retailer who had lilies however, the flowers had not yet bloomed, and when they did, we realized that they were not white Easter lilies, but beautiful yellow lilies. I hope that you were not disappointed with your lilies this year. Next year, although the price will most likely be higher, we plan to order the plants much earlier. Plant your lily in the ground and when it blooms in future years let it be a reminder of all that you endured during the pandemic. Thank you for understanding! Linda

Sunday, May 9, 2021



Annual Conference is Virtual this year.

May 24-25 via Zoom. If interested, contact Carol T. for log-in info.

Each week you may place your offering in a designated place in the rear of the sanctuary either upon entering or leaving worship. There will be no collection during the service. You may also leave it in the mailbox in front of the church office.

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 narthex.

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
- R&M Capital Improvements
- Advent Offering Christmas Offering
- Lenten Offering Easter Offering
- Thanksgiving Offering United Methodist Women
- Shared Ministry/Missions and the AUMC
- Walker/Bowen/Betts Scholarship Funds

May Shut-in of the Month



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

Keep him in your prayers and let him know he is in your thoughts by sending a card.



We received a lovely thank you note from Gail Lore, thanking her church family for the many cards and get well wishes she received. She is slowly recovering.

May Birthdays

- 2 Lauren Fitzgerald
- 8 Dan Goslin
- 9 Kimmee Williams
- 14 Pat Gibbons
- 15 Jisun Kwak
- 18 Eleanor Scott
- 22 Jesse Deal
- 22 Bill Makuszewski
- 26 Cole Reich
- 29 Emma Wine
- 30 Colin Reich
- 30 Marge Watson



May Anniversaries

- 13 Anne and Bill Simpson
- 22 Tom and Rebecca Hertfelder
- 24 Janet and Paul Acker
- 30 Darlene and Chris Fitzgerald



May Communion Offering:

United Methodist Communities

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
- Miles J • Susan H • Ron & Samantha F.
- Charlie W and family • Ruslana's father, Karl
- Dr. K and wife Bernice • Bill D.

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.
- Gerry G • Gail Lore • Keeyoung K

College Students to keep in your prayers :

- Maggy B • Holly F • Emily W
- Becca V • Colin R • Kevin F

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- U.S. Coast Guard, Jim G – NJ Army National Guard, James S. -US Army
- The family of Laurie Deschler, a friend of Laurie Scott. She has just passed away due to Covid.
- Holly W- her cancer is not improving
- Estelle with health issues
- Lauri M. for continued good health
- Kevin H. for continued healing and good health.
- William's friend Mickey healing from trauma
- William lost his pet, Sox of 20 years.
- Barry Zane recovering from surgery
- Gail R waiting for a kidney transplant
- Bill D. having procedure soon

Prayers for our church

- Please pray for our church leaders as we move forward in our 2021 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 we will each experience a deeper spiritual walk with the Lord.

Church Staff:

- * Pastor: Rev. Dr. Jisun Kwak
- * Admin. Asst.: Linda Holonia
- * Director of Music: Mia Reich
- * Organist: David Reich
- * Pianist: Jesse Deal

Church Office email : audubonumc@verizon.net

Pastor's email : pastorjjsun@gmail.com

Church Office Hours

Monday 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Wed. and Thursday 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Check out our website: audubonumc.com



AudubonUMC

Vision 2021

Writing Acts 29



Lindsay Arcaini's Outreach Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h4F51XGqSjk&t=10s>

Sandy Albrecht's Outreach Video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O8w_6X6Vpwc

Canon of Praise Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RfOyoRULHP8>

Carol Fennimore's Outreach Video

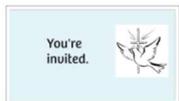
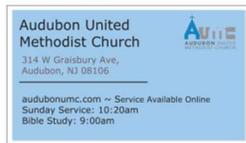
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Helena Woodward's Outreach Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5cxCgMgZVu8>

Don't forget about our Outreach cards!

Use them to share with others inviting people to reconnect to their faith and also to our church.



VACCINATIONS FOR COVID-19

Do you help making an appointment or do you need a ride to get your Covid-19 vaccination? Please call the church office.

