



# ***THE CROSSWORD***

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**March/April 2016**

*Open Hearts*  
*Open Minds*  
*Open Doors*

## **2016 - The Year of Prayer**



*He is Risen*

**Prayer is not a Religion**  
**Prayer is a Relationship**

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**PASTOR'S CORNER**

Nowadays, I thank God for one thing in particular: prayer. Praying time used to be a great burden to me (every pastor would understand) to the point where I often felt guilty that I didn't spend enough time in prayer. Today, that guilt is gone and prayer turns into a time of joy communing with God. I return to this time of being alone with God with great anticipation.



My prayer begins with the time of thanksgiving followed by the time of petition, and it ends with the time of waiting on the Lord in silence. One night in January, while I was waiting on the Lord, a thought came to my mind. The thought was actually a question: *What did I give to the Lord today?*

That question made me re-examine my prayer pattern. I realized that I would spend 90% of prayer time in asking favors from God and as soon as my list is done, I sign off for the night. I realized too that seldom I think of what I can give and give back to Him. Of course, everything is from Him, but it is very special for me to give something back to Him. Since then, I try to ask myself daily, *"What have I given to the Lord today?"* So far, here's the things that I find myself giving Him every day: I give **thanks** to Him for all the blessings He has bestowed on me. I also show my **love** to His name by ministering to my family and church family. Well, it's rather a short list, but that's about it for now. However, I would like to grow the list of things that I give back to the Lord. I am sure the Lord will help me be creative in my giving back to Him in the future.

I was thinking of Jesus who might have expressed His love for His Father in the same way: In the beginning, God was looking for the best way to redeem humanity from their sins. Jesus, knowing and loving His Father, volunteered His service by coming down into a human body even though He was equal to God. God became human. Incarnation. Then, He became a ransom for all. He died on the cross to pay the wages of our sins. God was pleased with Jesus' service on behalf of humanity, which completed God's redemption plan. All began with Jesus' question: *what can I do for My Father?* All ended with God's saving grace for humanity. The most serious breach in the relationship between God and humanity was bridged by Christ's simple offering to the Lord. It brought forth the most profound benefit to humanity for eternity: salvation and eternal life in the presence of the Lord.

Easter is fast approaching. Easter is all about Christ's victory over death. It is all about our hope of the same resurrection as Jesus. This Easter season, may we too imitate Christ's spirit to offer ourselves to God and to others to serve so that it may bring forth a profound

impact on the lives of our loved ones and in the community we are living in. Where to start? Ask the Lord *"What can I give to You Lord today?"* He will give you wisdom; then you run with it, humbly and with gusto. The Lord will bless you and the people in your lives.

(Read more on **"Loads of Love"** in the following pages. It's the result of a question: *what can we give back to the Lord?* It led our church to this ministry of giving back to our community.)

See you at church on Easter. Kyewoon

**WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

Kathleen M Tunes, Chairperson

Hello to all of our frozen families looking forward to the spring thaw. Your Worship Committee met in January to plan all of our exciting services. Easter will be on the 27<sup>th</sup> of March. Here are some of the fantastic services that we will be looking forward to.

**\*March 13<sup>th</sup>. Anniversary Sunday-** We welcome our **213<sup>th</sup> year** of Ministry! Praise God! As our custom, we will add 50 year members to our list of faithful servants. If you are one who will hit this awesome, historic milestone, please make sure we have your name by contacting Cheryl or Kathleen. We would like to thank you for your witness and service to the Lord. Also: Don't forget- Daylight Savings Time- get those clocks turned **forward!!**

**\*March 20<sup>th</sup>. Palm Sunday-** Hosanna to the Highest!! Come worship with us and our beautiful choir. Our Sunday school will be presenting their Easter Pageant after the early service.

**\*March 24<sup>th</sup>. Holy/Maundy Thursday-** We will have a Communion/Hand Washing service at 7:00p.m in our Sanctuary.

**\*March 25<sup>th</sup>. Good Friday-** Our service will be held 7:00p.m in our sanctuary.

**\*March 27<sup>th</sup>. Easter Sunday-** He is Risen! Risen Indeed! Come celebrate with us.

**\*April 24<sup>th</sup>. Awesome service** with our Choir & Holy Spirit Ringers. The late service will be blessed with special music being provided by Pastor Occiphiniti, who will also speak for a few minutes.

As always we will be in need of Greeters, Ushers, Acolytes and Readers etc. We pray our church will be visited by many during this season. Last but not least, worship committee is looking for volunteers for some special dates as we prepare our sanctuary for Easter. March 19<sup>th</sup> – Saturday we will need people for palm cutting. March 26<sup>th</sup> – Saturday decorating the sanctuary with our lovely Easter flowers. Also April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Saturday for undecorating. Thank you to everyone who supports and prays for the Worship

Committee. May all who enter our doors, feel the presence of the Lord through our love and joy.

### Help Wanted



Candle Lighters

Sign

Readers

sheets in Narthex



up



Greeters,  
Ushers

### MUSIC NOTES by Vel



We are delighted to welcome four new members to our Choir: Trish Chambers, Anne Albiez, Dick Watson and Jazmin Kruger. If you enjoy "making a joyful noise to the Lord" please come and join us.

During Lent the choir is joining with Pastor Choi in doing a series of numbers on the Lord's Prayer. They are from the cantata "Our Father" by Pepper Choplin. We plan to do the cantata in its entirety on Sunday afternoon, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM. Please plan on coming to hear this beautiful work and bring your friends. The Youth Groups plan to provide an Italian dinner following the cantata at 5:00 PM. Suggested donation for the dinner is \$2.00 for an individual and \$5.00 for a family. The choirs from LBI have been invited to join us for the cantata presentation, and Dennis Linde will play an organ/piano duet with Vel as a prelude to the cantata.

Praise Bells will join with the Junior Bells to play on Palm Sunday, March 20th and Mother's Day, May 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Schedules:

Feb 29: Junior Bells 4:30 PM

Feb 29: Praise Bells 6:00 PM

March 2: Choir 7:00 PM

March 6: Choir for both Worship Services

March 7: Junior Bells 4:30 PM

March 7: Praise Bells 6:00 PM

March 9: Choir 7:00 PM

March 13: Choir for both Worship Services

March 14: Junior Bells 4:30 PM

March 14: Praise Bells 6:00 PM

March 16: Choir 7:00 PM

March 20: Junior and Praise Bells for both Worship Services

March 23: NO CHOIR REHEARSAL

March 24: Choir 6:30 for 7:00 Maunday Thursday Service

March 24: Choir 8:00 PM for practice following service

March 25: Choir to sing at Community afternoon Service, Time TBD

March 25: Choir 6:30 for 7:00 PM Good Friday Service

March 27: 8:00 AM Choir for Easter Services

March 28: NO JUNIOR OR PRAISE BELLS

March 30: NO CHOIR

April 4: Junior Bells 4:30 PM

April 4: Praise Bells 6:00 PM

April 6: Choir 7:00 PM

April 10: Praise Bells at 7:45 AM to ring both services

April 11: Junior Bells 4:30 PM

April 13: Choir 7:00 PM

April 17: Choir

April 18: Junior Bells 4:30 PM

April 18: Praise Bell 6:00 PM

April 20: Choir 7:00 PM

April 24: CHOIR CANTATA AT 4:00 PM

April 25: Junior Bells 4:30 PM

April 25: Praise Bell 6:00 PM

April 27: Choir 7:00 PM

May 1: Choir

May 2: Junior and Praise Bells Combined at 4:30 PM

May 4: Choir 7:00 PM

May 8: Junior and Praise Bells Combined for Mother's Day Services ( Last day for childrens bells for season )

Long Term Choir Member Eileen Francis honored before she retires to Florida



A note of thanks to Vel and the choir...

I wish to say a special thank you to Vel and the choir members for their thoughtful surprise at the Feb.14, 2016 service. The flowers, card, and plaque are beautiful. I have loved being a part of this choir for all these years... not sure how many....20 years?? Each week has been lots of fun singing, laughing, and having get-togethers' with food of course! You will all be missed very much. I take a part of you with me and will always "hear" your voices singing in my heart. Thank you for your caring ways and showing God's love to all with joyful voices.

Blessings to each one of you! Eileen Francis

**\*\*I encourage everyone to become a part of this wonderful choir and come out to sing God's praises and love.**



**2016 HOLY SPIRIT RINGERS SCHEDULE**Practices

\*\*March - 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>

\*April - 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>

\*May - 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>

Performance Dates

\*January 24<sup>th</sup> - both services

\*February 28<sup>th</sup> - both services

\*March 27<sup>th</sup> - Easter Sunday - both services

\*April 24<sup>th</sup> - both services

\*May 22<sup>nd</sup> - both services

\*\*\*ANY practice or performance you CANNOT attend please call Joe at 609-488-1786

**PRAYER GROUP**

I am convinced that "Jesus is the answer for the world today!" Your prayer group believes this. That is why notice of a prayer event taking place in Texas in May, gave us the idea to have a prayer meeting here with a similar title **"Wake Up America and Pray"** We would like to combine repentant prayer with prayers for our persecuted brothers and sisters all over the world. God is also a God of Justice. Israel's history shows us He always gives us many chances to repent. It is we who step out of this protection and are now dangerously close to no longer being **"One Nation Under God"**. An eye opener is Rabbi Cahn's N.Y. Times best selling book "The Harbinger"!

We will be reaching out to other churches to come and join us. Corporate prayer is very effective. We want you all to mark your calendars now for May 5<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM to noon. Please pray about this meeting now.



**Isaiah 58:1** "Shout it aloud, do not hold back. Raise your voice like a trumpet. Declare to my people their rebellion and to the hoard of Jacob their sins"

**2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles 7:14** "However, if my people who are called by my name, will humble themselves, pray for me and turn from their evil ways, then I will hear their prayer, from heaven, forgive their sins, and heal their country"

**Good Morning!**

**This is God,**

**I will be handling all of your problems today**

**I will not need your help**

**So, relax....and have a great day**



**ON OUR CROSS**  
(Thoughts to live by)  
by Kenneth Schorr

When a friend said she would not watch pro basketball because they were all ex - convicts I had to challenge and ask if they did not deserve a second chance? Forgiveness? Must there be continued retribution even after timed served? Have we, as a society and a church, become so callous, without conscience? When I suggested that she would not watch if Jesus were playing, the puzzled look on her face said it all. Although she attended church and claimed to be a Christian (just because you attend church does not make you one) she still wanted to practice selective forgiveness, salvation, even attendance that is not of God!

How quickly or conveniently we forget a criminal died on the Cross for our sins; for all, no selectiveness. Although Jesus did nothing wrong He was still subjected to perverted justice. Accused, tried, convicted, sentenced; yes, He was a criminal! His civil and human rights violated by a non-caring society. Yet even on the Cross, Jesus forgave not only another criminal but also those who would put Him to death! Do we think ourselves better than God?

Over the years it has been troublesome to hear so many who claim to be Christian talk about, and even clergy preach on doing for the "least of these," yet leave out any reference to prisoners. Both must set the tone for their congregations and in the community. It is not enough to say they can forgive but cannot speak for their congregation. If the church (like society) puts up road blocks perhaps that is why there is continued recidivism; perhaps that is why my friend really doesn't know who Jesus was, why He came or what He (and the Cross) stood for? Are we in denial of the Cross? Would Jesus the criminal be welcome at MUMC? Are we building our own crosses because of our criminal indifference toward one of the "least of these"; in apathy, allowing their civil and human rights to be violated? Do we think God will not hold us accountable? Let's never forget an inmate died on the Cross for all, not just for a select few!

May the Holy Spirit move every heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Happy Easter.

**MUMC Resident Poet Norma Paul****COLOR ME DAWN**

Color me Dawn.

Slide silver beams  
along spider's leap  
from Juniper branch  
to amber frond  
while I drink in  
morning's greening.

Color me wonder with intake of breath.  
Color me blessed beyond meaning.

Color me Dawn.  
Slip slivers of dreams  
between merging clouds—  
conscious reminder of time's ebb and flow—  
pressing their presence into my scheming.

Color me Daylight.  
Dawn came but once.  
Once I opened to New, overwhelming,  
arms flung wide to beauty indwelling.  
In dwelling between Dawn's remarkable thrust and  
Day's soft continuum, its real line defined,  
brings me that joy I crave to remember.

Color me Dawn—I refuse to surrender.

**SHOPRITE GIFT CARD PROGRAM**

This is the program we have with Shop Rite. We purchase gift cards from them at a 5% discount, then re-sell them to the congregation and friends at face value, so essentially, Shop Rite gives us 5%

of everything purchased with these cards. Since starting this program in January of 2014, Shop Rite has given us \$1,612.50 for the year of 2014, \$1,417.50 for 2015 and so far in 2016, \$170.00, for a grand total of \$3,200.00. Orders are taken on the first Sunday of each month, with the cards being given out, and money collected, on the second Sunday. We thank the thirteen families who participate on a regular basis and another five or seven who participate occasionally. We all have to eat, so why not help the church while doing so. See Millie Plant or Lovisa Hill if you would like to try this way of shopping. Cards are good at any Shop Rite and never expire. They come in denominations of \$25.00, \$50.00

Authorization was received from the Trustees to proceed with a firm estimate for Stair lift chairs for the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall..

A Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex to show your support of the project. There is also a pledge box if you would like to contribute to offset the costs.

Contact John Smith 609-698-0657 or  
Edna Winans 609-304-3403

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN UPDATE**

Having begun our year January 12 with our annual program "a Call To Prayer & Self-Denial" under the excellent leadership of Dottie Silvestri & Emilie Spendiff, UMW was able to send a substantial sum in support of the mission subject presented, and enjoyed a very special lunch as part of their presentation.

Our February meeting continued the UMW Study based upon the book, The New Jim Crow, by Michelle Alexander. This year the emphasis of the School Of Christian Mission study under the title, "The Church, The Police & The New Jim Crow" emphasized a little different take on the book, and we emphasized Mercy.

Our group is working on our UMW Reading program in order to keep us informed on those missions which call us in today's world as followers of Jesus. Reading this year includes "I Am Malala," "Climate Justice," "The Bible & Human Sexuality," "The Round House," "Americana," "Eco-Literate" and "Just Mercy" (by Bryan Stevenson, a look at the new Jim Crow and racial issues from a legal perspective). These books represent a variety of current explorations into where informed missionary emphasis might be. Our UMW is working hard to keep abreast of the major issues in today's world. (I am so proud of them!!)

We look forward to our March Meeting program with Pastor Choi presenting a Lenten/Easter message. We always invite members of the congregation to join us – especially to hear Pastor Choi – at 1:00, March 8<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall. We would love to welcome one and all!

Presently, Lovisa Hill is diligently working on our May, Mother/Daughter dinner evening. She is collecting names of those who have bridal gowns of the past – and the stories that go with them! It should be an evening of nostalgia and fun!

We would love more women to join with us – you are always welcome, even for a visit – do come! Remember: the second Tuesday of each month at 1:00 in Fellowship Hall

Joyce Trainor, UMW

**YOUTH GROUP**

The Youth Group has been having a great year. We have many wonderful memories. Here is what we have done so far:

In October we were apple picking at Argo's Farm and then went back to the Church to make baked apple goodies. We had a bake sale on Sunday and raised close to \$300. Then the Youth Group went out and picked out coats and toys for the children in need and brought them over to Stafford Police Department for their toy and coat drive.

In November we had our Annual Spaghetti Dinner. We served 215 meals and made over \$500. All proceeds will be used for sponsoring our youth on a mission trip.

In December we went Christmas Caroling to our church shut ins. We loved singing for them and seeing the smiles on their faces. We saw 9 families. We also held our annual New Years' Eve Party for our Sunday school families. We had 24 children attend. It was a fun night.

Up coming events that we have planned are:

April 24<sup>th</sup> we are hosting a dinner after the Cantata

May 21<sup>st</sup> Is our annual car wash for the Scholarship Fund. So come on out with your dirty cars.

We look forward to seeing everyone come out. Once again thank you for your continued support.

Youth Group Leaders Vanessa and Randy Estelow



### **FAMILY PROMISE**

**Keeping YOU in the loop: Family Promise July 31<sup>st</sup> through August 7<sup>th</sup>**

In August our church will be serving as the Host Congregation for Family Promise of Southern Ocean County. Our hosting week is July 31<sup>st</sup> through August 7<sup>th</sup>.

Pauline McShea will be our church Volunteer Host Coordinator and will be the main contact person for the local Family Promise of Southern Ocean County, Inc. Director, Cheryl Polo. As a reminder our commitment is to open our doors in the spirit of compassionate hospitality to nurture the homeless. We will be asked to feed and provide sleeping arrangements for as many as 14 or as few as 2 homeless individuals during our Hosting Week.

Here are the needed Volunteer Coordinator positions:

Meal Coordinator – oversees meal planning – schedules volunteers for prep and serving

Supply Coordinator – food donations, paper products, clean up items & linens

Activities Coordinator – activities or evening fellowship

Donations Coordinator – collects items needed for the hosting week

The task of hosting our FP guest families for seven nights requires many volunteers. We had amazing support from the congregation last year and hope to have the same enthusiastic support this summer.

If you offered to lend a hand last year please consider lending us support again this year.

Here are a few ways you may lend a hand.

Set Up - help needed for about one to two hours July 31<sup>st</sup> 4:00PM

Tear Down - help needed for about one hour August 7<sup>th</sup> about 7:00 AM (before 8:30 church service)

Sleep Over volunteers - (needed 2 congregation members per night)

Evening meal – provide food, set up, serving, and clean-up

Morning clean-up – trash removal, tidy up kitchen ...

Evening fellowship or activities (several volunteers each evening)

Bedding linen washing – to begin Sunday August 7<sup>th</sup> (several volunteers needed)

Donate: Breakfast & Lunch items – bagels, butter, cream cheese, cereal, bread, lunchmeat/cheese, individual chip snack bags ...

Donate: Beverages - water, milk, coffee, juice sip boxes, ice tea ...

Donate: Evening Snacks - cookies, pretzels, brownies ...

Please consider lending a hand to help us reach our hospitality goals for the homeless.

Reaching out, lending a hand, and opening our hearts ... this is our commitment to the local Family Promise organization. If you have any questions or want to volunteer, donate or help in anyway please contact Pauline McShea at 609-296-0346 or email [Mcshea.oceanmist@gmail.com](mailto:Mcshea.oceanmist@gmail.com).

Volunteer Host Coordinator, Pauline McShea



We will March into Literacy Month with some great events; I hope you will consider joining us. We are excited to be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair again the first week in March. Last year this was a very successful fundraiser for us- we earned over \$1000! You can shop our fair on Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup> and Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> from 9am-3pm and Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup> in between services. Princess Belle will be here on Friday from 12-1 so bring your favorite little princess and your camera!



Registration will begin on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Forms will go home with all current students and are also available on our website [manahawkinpreschool.com](http://manahawkinpreschool.com). Please pray for a full roster.

Dr. Bernard came to us with a message of Healthy Habits that included eating healthy foods, getting plenty of rest and exercising. The children really enjoyed his visit so we will welcome him back in April to discuss ways that we can stay safe. Our friend, Kristy Pantano, from Speech Pathology Solutions will also come back in April to conduct speech screenings.

Lisa Mower, Director

### **Calendar of Events:**

Scholastic Book Fair Thursday March 3- 9am-3pm

Friday March 4- 9am-3pm

Princess Belle Visit- Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> - 12pm-1pm

Scholastic Book Fair Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup> - between services



On January 31, we had our annual Sunday School Sunday, where the teachers, children and their parents are totally involved in each service. This year, in my absence, Marissa Barry and Holly Kadlubowski, our PreK/Kindergarten teachers, did an amazing job in organizing everyone and making sure each service had everyone in place. The children are really beginning to be pros at greeting, ushering, and collection. Pauline McSchea, our 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, gave a beautiful sermon on her faith journey and told how her Grandfather knew his journey was ending and the Lord was calling him home; he knew he was going home. Pauline touched everyone's heart. Since I was away and could not be at service, I asked the Pastor at the church I was attending to pray for everyone that day. I listened to Pauline's sermon on our webpage. Even as I write this message, I still well up with tears at how touching her story was. Thanks to Marina Melia, our "in-house photographer," I was able to enjoy pictures from each service. Thank you to everyone for making this another blessed and meaningful Sunday School event.

Coming up in February will be our Bible Challenge for all classes. This is the time when the children can compete with each other about what they have learned during the year. They are all winners with their answers!

March 20<sup>th</sup>, Palm Sunday, will be our Easter Pageant performed in between services in Fellowship Hall. This year's title is "The Glorious Rainbow of Easter." Please plan to join us. Following the pageant will be our Easter Egg hunt that is open to all children in our congregation.

I'm sure you have all noticed our children's artwork displayed on the covers of our weekly bulletin. Even down to our youngest students, they are excited to show their love for Jesus.

Thank you, all, for your support of the Sunday School program and please continue to keep us in your prayers as we lead the children in their faith journey.

### **Sunday School News Submitted by Rosemary Molinaro Sunday School Superintendent**



January and February may be two of the coldest months of the year, but inside our church we are warmed by the love of Jesus and the teachers, children and parents who come out each week to share time together at Sunday School. On the first Sunday of each month, we have a Communion service during class time. The children read the Gospel passage, we extend the Sign of Peace to each other, express our joys and concerns, and we pray together. Pastor Choi joins us with the distribution of communion and a special blessing. It is always such a special time for all of us to be together.

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY**



### KIDS IN CHURCH

While sitting in church, a little boy opened a bible from the pew. He was fascinated as he fingered through the pages. Suddenly, something fell out of the Bible. He picked up the object and looked at it. What he saw was an old leaf that had been pressed in between the pages. He whispered to his mom "look what I found!" "What have you got there, dear?" With astonishment in the young boy's voice, he answered, "I think it's Adam's underwear!"

### MISSIONS

It is almost Spring and the garden is getting ready. Rich Mueller and Jim McShea will spread new topsoil and the Schovanecs will rototill it. April we will be planting and if you would like to help, please come on Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM or Tuesday evenings at 5:00PM.

Mission trips are being planned to help ASP (Appalachian Service Project) in West Virginia. We are looking for people interested in spending four days there. Please contact Mike or Jody Turi for more information.

If you would like to help locally, the Methodist church has groups going out for the day, to help fix houses. We will be going on a Saturday, May 7th, leaving from the church. Please see Art Hill if you can paint, hammer, etc. and would like to join us.

A laundromat project will be starting soon. For two hours once a month, our church will invite those people who use this service on Millcreek Road, next to the Magic car wash, and in front of TD Bank, to wash their clothes for free. We would like to have volunteers to be attendants and give out the money, detergent, and dryer sheets as needed. (see below)

Hope you join our busy Spring!!  
Art and Lovisa Hill



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"Loads of Love" mission will begin the last  
Thursday of April 2016 .

The time will be from 6:00 P.M. through 8:00 P.M.

The location is at the Magic Wash Laundromat  
(next to Car Wash)

On the last Thursday of each month those needing  
to use a Laundromat can come between the  
designated times to receive free Washer/Dryer  
Service. Coins, detergent, and softener will be  
provided *free of charge* for Washers/ and Dryers.



**March 2016 Calendar**

- Worship Hours: Two Services 8:30 and 11 A.M.
- Communion: Sunday, March 6, both services
- Shoprite Gift Cards: Sunday, March 13
- UMW Meeting: Tuesday, March 8, 1 P.M.
- Baptism: Sunday, March 13, 11 A.M.
- Daylight Saving Time starts on Sunday, March 13
- Worship Committee: Monday, March 14, 7 P.M.
- Trustees Meeting: Tuesday, March 15, 7 P.M.
- Sunday School Easter Pageant and Egg Hunt, March 20, 9:45 A.M.
- Church Council: Monday, March 21, 7 P.M.
- Maundy Thursday Service: Thursday, March 24, 7 P.M.
- Good Friday Service: Friday, March 25, 7 P.M.
- Easter Service: Sunday, March 27, 8:30 and 11 A.M.
- Men's Breakfast: TBA
- Choir Practice: every Wednesday, 7 P.M.
- Bell Choir Practice: every Thursday, 7 P.M.
- Quilters: every Wednesday, 9:30 A.M.
- Prayer Group: every Thursday, 11 A.M.
- Youth Group: every Monday, 6:30 P.M.
- Pastor's Office Hours: Monday and Thursday 9:30-11:30 A.M.
- Secretary Hours: Monday and Wednesday—9 A.M. to 12 Noon. Thursday 9 A.M. to 1 P.M.

**April 2016 Calendar**

- Worship Hours on Sunday: Two Services 8:30 and 11 A.M.
- Communion: Sunday, April 3, both services
- Shoprite Gift Cards: Sunday, April 10
- UMW Meeting: Tuesday, April 12, 1 P.M.
- Choir Cantata: Sunday, April 24, 4 P.M.
- Loads of Love Kick Off: Thursday, April 28, 6 P.M. @Magic Wash in Manahawkin
- Men's Breakfast: TBA
- Trustees Meeting: TBA
- Choir Practice: every Wednesday, 7 P.M.
- Bell Choir Practice: every Thursday, 7 P.M.
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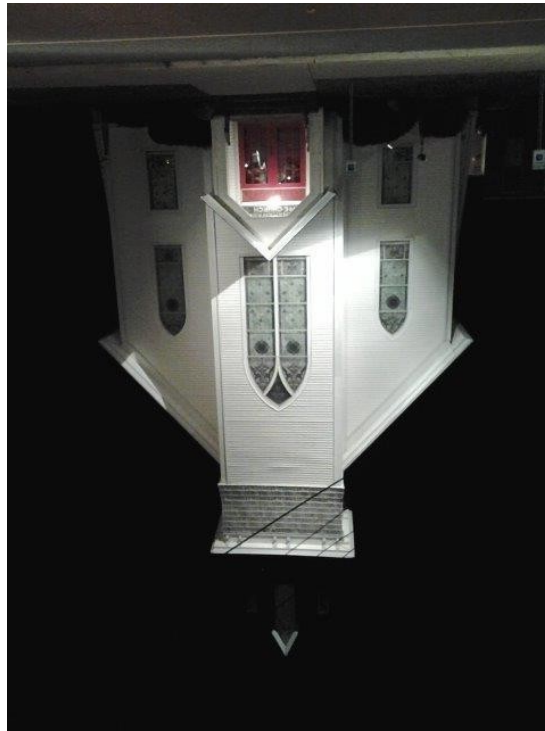
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