

Navigating the seas of life together with Christ at the helm



Sunday, January 22, 2023 "Unshakeable: Writing on the Wall"

Pastor Becky Collison Scripture: Daniel 5:1-9

Family Service - 9:00 AM Praise and Worship, Inspiration for All Generations, Optional Armor Activity for Ages 4-11

Traditional Service - 11:00 AM Hymns, Scripture, Prayer, and Encouragement for All

> View our live-streamed services 10 minutes before the start of the service by logging on to our website.

Phone-In to Hear the Services Call 302.500.5391 at 8:50 am and 10:50 am

If you would like to have a copy of the sermon notes, please contact the church office.

January 2023 Sermon Schedule

JANUARY 1 - HAPPY NEW YEAR! JANUARY 8

"It's Time"

One Service at 10:00 AM

Scripture: Ecc. 3:1-13

JANUARY 15

"Unshakeable: Trial by Fire"

> Scripture: Daniel 3:13-27

JANUARY 29

"Unshakeable: Dare to be Different"

> Scripture: Daniel 6:14-28



"Unshakeable: Defying Normal" Communion Served

Scripture: Daniel 1:1-8

JANUARY 22

"Unshakeable: Writing on the Wall"

> Scripture: Daniel 5:1-9

Path to the Vote Ongoing - Discernment, Faith Formation & Prayer

Saturday, January 21, 2023 - Information Session with DS Rev. Joseph Archie at 10 AM - Required by the conference.

January & February, 2023 - Mondays 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13 at 10 AM - "Living Faithfully" Study - in case you missed the first offering.

Saturday, February 25, 2023 - Forum on Human Sexuality and the Church at 10 AM. This is a conference requirement in order for a conference representative to unpack and debrief the 4-week study for participants.

Saturday, March 11, 2023 - Special Charge Conference at 10 AM to vote on whether or not to disaffiliate from the UMC; members must be present to vote. Following the vote, if the disaffiliation motion is passed, the DS will conclude and a separate vote will be held among the members present to determine if Mariners will be going with the Global Methodist Church upon completion of all requirements.

June 8-10, 2023 - Peninsula Delaware Annual Conference at location TBD/online viewing of proceeding will be offered. At the Conference, delegates will vote on the disaffiliation resolutions from churches in the conference. If passed by a simple majority vote, then churches will be considered no longer part of the UMC once all paperwork and payments have been made (by December 31, 2023 deadline).



REMINDER The Path to the Vote

There will be a special information session with District Superintendent Rev. Joseph W. A. Archie III on <u>Saturday, January 21 at 10:00 AM</u> in the Sanctuary.

We hope you will take the time to attend this important session, which is required by the Conference.





MARINERS IS OFFERING THIS 4-WEEK STUDY (IN JANUARY)

LIVING FAITHFULLY

Human Sexuality and the United Methodist Church Mondays at 10:00 AM on 1/23, 1/30, 2/6 & 2/13

Register on Church Center or at the All Hands on Deck table.

Registration is available online at Church Center now Books are available from the office at no charge

Register Here for the January Study

FEED MY SHEEP CAFE

from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm







Menu for Tuesday, January 24: *Bacon Cheeseburgers

> *Soups: Taco or Potato Lentil

Takeout available



If you would like to become a **MEMBER** of Mariners Bethel UMC...

Register for our next



through our Weekly Update or Church Center App

See our website for details

Saturday, January 28th 9am-3pm

CRASH January Schedule

Sunday, Jan. 1st - No CRASH (Happy New Year) Wednesday, Jan 4th - No Bible Study Sunday, Jan. 8th - No CRASH Wednesday, Jan. 11th - Bible Study 6-7:30 PM Sunday, Jan. 15th - CRASH 4-6 PM Wednesday, Jan. 18th - Bible Study 6-7:30 PM Sunday, Jan. 22nd - CRASH 4-6 PM Wednesday, Jan. 25th - Bible Study 6-7:30 PM Friday, Jan. 27th through Sunday, Jan 29th -Youth Rally Weekend! Sunday, Jan. 29th - No CRASH

WOMEN CENTRAL **SPRING STUDY 2023**

An 8-Week Study on Wednesdays March 8-April 26 Offered at 10 AM and 7 PM

Join us for the Kick-Off Party at 7 PM on March 1st

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Register online at: https://marinersbethel.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1598632

Ocean View, DE 19970 www.marinersbethel.org

302.539.9510

Register for the Spring Women Central Study Here!

Pick up the handout materials at the All Hands on Deck Table so you can make the best choice at our church's Charge Conference Vote on

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SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023 AT 10 AM



Mariners Bethel Schedule:

Sunday, January 22

8:00am - 8:45am	Open Doors Adult Sunday School (Hope Center #3)
9:00am - 10:00am	Praise & Worship Service (Sanctuary/Online)
9:00am - 10:00am	Kids Church (Sanctuary/ARMOR #221)
10:00am - 10:50am	Joy Adult Sunday School (Martha #209/211)
10:15am - 11:15am	Young Adult Bible Study (Library #201)
11:00am - 12:00pm	Traditional Service (Sanctuary/Online)
4:00pm - 6:00pm	CRASH Youth (Hope Center Gym)

Monday, January 23

7:00am - 12:00pm	FMS Food Prep (Hope Center Kitchen)
8:30am - 10:30am	Tuning Up the Temple (Hope Center Gym)
10:00am - 11:00am	Zumba with Women Central (Social Hall)
10:00am - 11:30am	Living Faithfully (Conference Room #205)
10:00am - 12:00pm	Page Turners Book Club (Martha #209/211)
10:30am - 11:30am	Cheer Center Winter Stroll (Hope Center Gym)
10:30am - 1:30pm	Building Maintenance (Hope Center)
12:00pm - 1:30pm	AA Meeting (ARMOR #221)
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Milio Small Group (Hope Center Meeting Room)
5:30pm - 7:00pm	Cub Scouts (ARMOR #221)
6:00pm - 8:00pm	Girls Indoor Soccer Practice (Hope Center Gym
7:00pm - 8:30 pm	Rooted Bible Study (Conference Room #205)

Tuesday, January 24

8:00am - 10:30am	FMS Food Pantry Distribution (Social Hall /Kitchen)
8:30am - 2:00pm	FMS Food Prep (Hope Center Kitchen)
9:00am - 10:30am	Men's Bible Study (Hope Center #5)
9:45am - 11:45am	Women's AA Meeting (ARMOR #221)
10:00am - 12:00pm	Dorcas Circle (Martha #209/211)
11:30am - 1:00pm	Feed My Sheep Cafe Lunch Served (Hope Center Gym)
11:30am - 1:00pm	Prayer Room Open (Hope Center)
11:30am - 1:00pm	Deaf Ministry ASL Class (Hope Center #3/4)
1:00pm - 3:30pm	FMS - Frankford Ministry (Hope Center Kitchen/Garage)
1:30pm - 3:00pm	Better Together Small Group (Jonah #220)
2:30pm - 5:30pm	Enrichment of Hope (Hope Center Gym and Garage)
6:30pm - 8:00pm	Rooted Small Group (Conference Room #205)
6:30pm - 8:00pm	Worship Planning Meeting (Social Hall)

Mariners Bethel Schedule:

January 22-28, 2023

Wednesday, January 25

8:30am -	10:30am	Tuning Up the Temple (Hope Center Gym)
11:00am -	1:00pm	Pickleball (Hope Center Gym)
2:30pm -	5:30pm	Enrichment of Hope (Hope Center Gym and Garage)
4:00pm -	7:00pm	Community Bible Study Leaders Meeting (Martha #209/11)
5:00pm -	6:30pm	YOGA (ARMOR #211)
6:00pm -	7:30pm	CRASH Bible Study (Hope Center #3/4)
7:30pm -	9:30pm	Volleyball Ministry (Hope Center Gym)

Thursday, January 26

5:00am -	12:30pm	FMS Food Prep (Hope Center Kitchen/Garage)
10:30am -	11:30am	Food Pantry Pick Up (Vestibule)
2:30pm -	5:30pm	Enrichment of Hope (Hope Center Gym and Garage)
6:00pm -	7:30pm	Girl Scouts (Martha #209/211)
6:30pm -	8:00pm	Choir Practice (ARMOR #221)
6:30pm -	8:30pm	Community Bible Study (Various Rooms)
6:45pm -	8:30pm	Boy Scouts (Hope Center/Pavilion)
6:45pm -	8:30pm	Praise Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
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Friday, January 27 **YOUTH RALLY WEEKEND - Away**

8:30am - 10:30am	Tuning Up the Temple (Hope Center Gym)
10:00am - 11:30 pm	Co-Eds for Christ (Martha #209/211)
11:00am - 12:30pm	Comfort Group (Jonah #220)
11:00am - 1:00 pm	Pickleball (Hope Center Gym)

Saturday, January 28 **YOUTH RALLY WEEKEND - Away**

8:00am -	12:00pm
9:00am -	3:00pm
7:00pm -	9:00pm
7:00pm -	9:00pm

Building Maintenance (Hope Center) New Member VOYAGE (Social Hall) AA Meeting (ARMOR #221) AL-ANON Meeting (Jonah #220)



Sunday, January 22 Happy Birthday: Kathleen Barnes, Pamela Pridgeon, Esta Rigakos, Payton Long, and Ruth Ramplin

Monday, January 23

Happy Birthday: Nicky McCowan, Danielle Mease, Bob Verse, David Knight, Rhys Trait, and Jonathan Garbic

Tuesday, January 24 Happy Birthday: Peggy Messina and Luke Williams

Wednesday, January 25 Happy Birthday: Belle Meade, Jessica Moore, Elaine Gates, Gabrielle Hudson, Thomas Lowe, and Jillie Thompson

Thursday, January 26 Happy Birthday: Craig Courter, Irene Lagrotteria, Marjorie Fletcher, and Sally Baker

Friday, January 27 Happy Birthday: Wendy Megee, August Hall, and Natalie Wolfe

Saturday, January 28 Happy Birthday: Bastian Perry, Jillian Thompson and Claire Sieber

If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please send an email to administrator@marinersbethel.org

Ukraine Family Donations

We want to thank all who made donations to our Ukrainian family, for the "warm kits" for newborn babies displaced by the war, and pajamas for the children. Through your generosity, we have been able to donate over \$4,000 to help support these families and children. We are truly grateful.



Blessings to all! Jim & Barbara Rindfuss



Please take a look!

There are all types of items that have been left behind at the church... hats, water bottles, gloves, scarves, and Bibles.

Please check the box across from the elevator in the mail room if you have lost anything.

Unclaimed items will be donated to ACTS.



Question: What church activities are coming up regarding disaffiliation?

Answer:

1. A summary and discussion of all previous Listening Post Sessions will be held Wednesday, January 11 at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. (Handouts from this session are in the lobby.)

2. An information session will be held with District Superintendent Rev. Dr. Joseph Archie on Saturday, January 21 at 10 AM in the Sanctuary

3. A second opportunity is being offered for the 4-week "Living Faithfully" study in January and February.

4. A forum on "Human Sexuality and the Church" will be held by District Superintendent Rev. Dr. Joseph Archie on Saturday, February 25 at 10 AM in the Sanctuary.

5. A Special Charge Conference will be held Saturday, March 11 at 10 AM in the Sanctuary to vote on the issue of disaffiliation from the UMC. If it is approved, a second vote will be held to determine if our congregation will join the Global United Methodist Church

Do you have a question to Ask Mariners? Email your question to: Communication@MarinersBethel.org



STANDin the GAP - \$210,000 to Go!



The picture is not complete without YOUBECAUSE ALL PEOPLE DESERVE HOPE

22% of our bank loan for the Hope Center, representing 5% of the total project cost, remains to be paid. If you have already donated, *thank you* for your Generosity! If you have yet to commit, we need your help to Stand in the Gap!



Allention Ministry Leaders

Please contact Cindy Hawkins in the Church Office to reserve your space and times for meetings and classes planned in 2023.

The 2023 calendar is now being developed and we need to know if you plan to meet during the coming year. The current calendar does not carry over to 2023.

> Email preferred: administrator@marinersbethel.org

Opportunities

"Angels on the Go"

We are pleased that Gail Lewis has restarted the Angels on the Go ministry. If you have some time to spare, won't you please consider helping? Even if you're only able to drive occasionally, that would help greatly.

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Offering



Contact Gail Lewis if you can help or if you need a ride. Please give as much notice as possible for ride requests. 443.614.1493

We could use a few more team members for evening lock-up...



Our church lock-up team is looking for a few more folks to secure the church buildings in the evening after events have ended (usually by 9PM).

If you're willing to help with this task for a week several times a year, contact Elliott Workman at: ceworkman@verizon.net

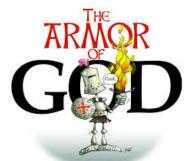
Email to Volunteer

We need some help with Mariners littlest kids during Sunday services! Sign up sheets are posted outside of the nursery.

Team up with a friend to work together or sign up to help as a substitute when you can.

Contact: Jessica King jking121307@yahoo.com

You'll have so much fun!



Kids Church Volunteers are Needed on Sundays during the 9:00 Service

Mariners Bethel

You can sign up for one week or for as many as you are able. Volunteers guide the kids upstairs to the ARMOR Room once they are dismissed from the service. They assist with the crafts and games upstairs. Sign-ups are created through the end of this year for now.

Click the link below to register.

Volunteer to Help with Kids

Mariners Bethel UMC

Fit for Christ

Tuning Up the Temple (Pre-registration required) Monday-Wednesday-Friday from 9-10:30 AM in the Hope Center Gym

Yoga (\$5 drop in fee) in the ARMOR Room Wednesday from 5-6 PM

Contact Carol Lynch to pre-register and for more details: cklynch03@gmail.com

Mission Outreach



Join us for coffee & fellowship

Stop in the Social Hall after services on Sundays to share conversation and coffee with others! It's an opportunity to meet new folks and greet old friends.



Clean My Sheep



Please consider donating any unused/unopened hotel toiletries or personal care items, which will be distributed to The Pyle Center and other groups that help the homeless and those in need, on a monthly basis. Collection area in Fellowship Hall.



Miscellaneous

Hearing Difficulties?

We have devices available that can assist.

Please ask one of the Red Vests for a "Personal PA Receiver" to use during services in the Sanctuary.



Altar Flowers

Altar Flower Sign-Up Sheets are posted on the bulletin board in the mail room.

The cost is \$20 per arrangement (or \$40 for both arrangements) and you may designate in honor or in memory of a loved one. You may keep the arrangement after Sunday's service, or we will deliver them to someone who is homebound.

Finance Information

2022 Financial Status:

 Annual Budget:
 \$1,329,448

 YTD Contributions:
 \$965,261

 YTD Expenses:
 \$1,097,227

There are several ways you can give to Mariners

Banking Online – Have a check mailed to Mariners through your bank.

Online with Church Center - Online giving provides you with a quick and effortless way to donate to Mariners on a one-time or recurring basis. Set up is simple: download the Church Center App on your phone or access the Church Center on your personal computer. There is a small fee for processing your donations through this method, but you will be given the opportunity to donate funds to cover the fee. Below is the QR code or link to set up your giving account.



Register for Church Center Giving Here

By Text - Send a text to 84321. Placing a dollar amount in the text area with no words will apply the donation to the current expenses of the Church, the dollar amount followed by the word "gap" will go to the Stand in the Gap – Hope Center Fund to pay down the debt of the building.

Cash or Check - Checks made out to Mariners Bethel United Methodist Church can be mailed directly to 81 Central Ave., Ocean View, DE 19970. Cash or checks may be dropped off at the church and placed into the locked collection box located outside of the front office or placed into the church collections during services.

Throughout the year you can monitor and track your donations by visiting the Church Center located at <u>https://marinersbethel.churchcenter.com/giving</u>.

Have a question on your donations on Church Center? Marty Quillen, our Financial Secretary, will be glad to help you and can be reached by calling the church or at the following email address <u>financialsec@marinersbethel.org</u>.

Thank you for your generosity. It enables us to keep the church operating, supports the Ministries of the church, and allows us to continue to grow and spread the word of God.

Adult Sunday School





The Joy Adult Sunday School is back!

Join us in #209/11 on Sunday mornings from 10:00 - 10:45!

Contact Elliott Workman ceworkman@verizon.net or call the office for more details.

Young Adult Bible Study Share, encourage and grow in faith in a small group setting

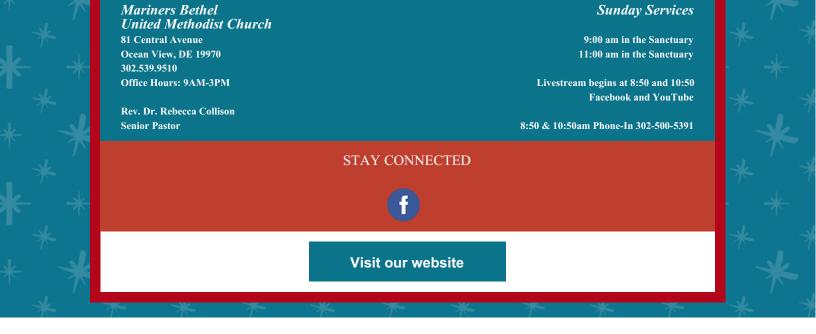
This Bible study is geared to 20-somethings up to pre-retirement adults Contact Bret Shue 717.676.8713 bretshue@carolina.rr.com

Join us on Sundays from 10:15-11:15 AM in the Library Bible Study formerly called Basic 2:42

Need Prayer?



OR Call (302) 381-0850



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