



Mariners Bethel
United Methodist Church Ocean View, Delaware

*Navigating the seas of life together
with Christ at the helm*



Sunday, February 26, 2023
"Giving Up Control"
Pastor Becky Collison
Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

Family Service - 9:00 AM

*Praise and Worship, Inspiration for All Generations,
Optional ARMOR Kids 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.



SUNDAY PRAISE & WORSHIP MUSIC

February 26, 2023

We are thankful for the privilege and opportunity
to lead and join you in the praise and worship part of our service.
May our humble offerings bless our amazing
King & Savior as we sing together.
So that you may have the opportunity to prepare
for this week's music,
we are offering clickable links to the songs below:

9:00 AM Service

Beautiful One (By the Tree)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qG9pbbAuOqY>

Blessed Be Your Name (Tree 63)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sh2DmjvQW20>

Open the Eyes of My Heart (Sonicflood)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vP66N7H22pI>

Every Move I Make (Group Publishing, Kids song)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MPvnZILn6EY>

Our Father (Hillsong)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Scbo47yerDs>

11:00 AM Service

What Wondrous Love is This, #292

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zAsEvvBsOw4>

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot African Spiritual

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YOe8BHDxv2g>

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross, #298

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p_2oXMUQjCg

March 2023 Sermon Schedule

MARCH 5

"Giving Up Expectations"

Pastor Becky Collison

Scripture: Gen. 12:1-4

MARCH 12

"Giving Up Superiority"

Communion Served

Pastor Becky Collison

Scripture: John 4:5-24

MARCH 19

"Giving Up Enemies"

Pastor Becky Collison

Scripture: Luke 19:37-44

MARCH 26

"Giving Up Our Lives"

Gary Ringold

Scripture: Mark 8:34-38



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Mariners Disaffiliation Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

How did the Shepherding Council arrive at this position?

Since Mariners Shepherding Council originally submitted our June 2022 letter to the District Superintendent to explore disaffiliation, the congregation has spent months in investigation, prayer, and discernment to arrive at our recommendation to disaffiliate from the UMC. This discernment process ([Charting Our Course](#)) included all the [Listening Post](#) sessions, small group meetings, and classes to study the conference-mandated book, *Living Faithfully*, and twice weekly corporate prayer gatherings to seek God's guidance for the future of Mariners.

We are grateful that the leaders within our church have encouraged a thorough


exploration and prayerful discernment to generate an informed and Spirit-led decision about our future.

What if I don't agree with our stance on human sexuality? Is there still a place for me in this church or the GMC?

ABSOLUTELY! Mariners Bethel affirms the sacred worth of all persons, created in the image of God and that God's grace is available to all. With regard to human sexuality, the congregation will seek to live together in Christian community, welcoming, forgiving and loving one another, as Christ has loved and accepted us.

We believe that all persons need the ministry of the Church in their struggles for human fulfillment and the spiritual and emotional care of a fellowship that enables reconciling relationships with God, with others, and with self. We will continue to affirm that love for our neighbor - as an expression of God's infinite love for humankind - is a compelling command for us to work toward for the well-being of every single member of our communities.

Here is another opportunity to become more informed about the vote. We hope that you will make every effort to attend the forum this Saturday morning at 10 AM.



FORUM ON

LIVING FAITHFULLY

Human Sexuality and the United Methodist Church

Saturday, February 25th at 10:00 AM

IN-PERSON ONLY
THIS FORUM WILL NOT BE RECORDED OR LIVE-STREAMED

Path to the Vote

Ongoing - Discernment, Faith Formation & Prayer

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.

This event will not be live-streamed or recorded. In-person only.

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.

This event will not be live-streamed or recorded. In-person only.

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).



Volunteers Needed

We need a few people to join the counting team!

CONTACT BRENDA AT
TREASURER@MARINERSBETHEL.ORG

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you

Spaghetti Dinner

\$15 - Per Adult

Sunday, February 26th
5-7 PM @ The Hope Center

**\$7 - Per Child under 10
(5 and under eat free!)**



All Proceeds will go towards
CRASH Youth Ministry! ♥



81 Central Avenue, Ocean View, DE 19970
302.539.9510. www.MarinersBethel.org



Your help is needed to make this fundraiser successful!

Dinner will be served in The Hope Center on
Sunday, February 26th from 5-7 PM.

We need help setting up, serving, clean up,
cooking, and washing dishes.

Please bring a hat and apron if you will be
serving or working in the kitchen.

Wear a CRASH shirt of your choice (new or old logo)!

Register to help with the Spaghetti Dinner Here!

FEED MY SHEEP CAFE

Open from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm



FMS lunch on Tuesday, February 28

Grilled Cheese Sandwich with Bacon and Fig Jam



Choice of Soups:

Tomato Bisque or Ham & Bean

PRAYER, SOUP & SALAD 12:00 NOON ON WEDNESDAYS

February 21 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner
5-7 pm at Mariners Hope Center

March 1 - Ocean View Presbyterian Church

March 8 - St. Martha's Church @ Bethany Beach Christian Church

March 15 - Mariners Bethel United Methodist Church

March 22 - St. George's United Methodist Church

March 29 - St. Ann's Catholic Church

*A free-will offering
will be accepted for the
Emergency Fund of
the Southeast Sussex Ministerium
providing housing, utilities and medication
for those in need*

Lent & Easter Events 2023



Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tuesday, February 21, 2023 - 5-7:00 pm - Hope Center

Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, February 22, 2023 - 6:30 pm - Sanctuary

Wednesday Lenten Prayer, Soup & Salad at 12:00

Noon

February 21 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

5-7:00 pm at Mariners Hope Center

March 1 - Ocean View Presbyterian Church

March 8 - St. Martha's Church @ Bethany Beach

Christian Center

March 15 - Mariners Bethel United Methodist Church

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Sat. March 25	Community Easter Event for Kids - 2-4:00 pm
Sun. April 2	Palm Sunday Services at 9:00 and 11:00 am
Thurs. April 6	Maundy Thursday Service - 6:30 pm
Fri. April 7	Good Friday Cross Walk to Bethany 10:00 am
Fri. April 7	Stations of the Cross - 12-2:00 & 4-6:00 pm
Sun. April 9	Easter Sunrise Service - 6:30-7:00 am
Sun. April 9	Easter Sunday Services at 9:00 & 11:00 am
Sun. April 16	Healing Prayer Service at 6:30 pm
Sun. April 30	Easter Cantata in the Sanctuary at 4:00 pm



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WOMEN CENTRAL SPRING STUDY 2023

An 8-Week Study ~ "Amos: An Invitation to the Good Life"
March 8-April 26 Offered at 10 AM and 7 PM

*Join us for the Kick-Off Party
at 7 PM on March 1st
Women attending both sessions are invited.*



Everyone will make a wreath
at the party as a welcome invitation
into their home, sharing the good life!
All supplies provided.
Free-will donations accepted.



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

[Register for Women Central Spring Session Here](#)


Alpha



Mondays at 6:00 pm starting March 6th – May 15th
Mariners Bethel
81 Central Avenue, Ocean View, DE



**Join a conversation around life, faith,
and meaning**

-  **Connect with new people over a meal**
-  **Watch an episode on a question of faith**
-  **Share your thoughts and hear from others**

Sign Up at the All Hands on Deck Table or Online

[Click Here to Register for Alpha](#)

Alpha Volunteers NEEDED

*Everyone should play a part
in seeing others
come to know Jesus!*



Mariners is hosting Alpha on **Mondays at 6 PM**
March 6-May 15 (Not April 10)

Alpha is a series of conversations that explore the basics
of the Christian faith in a friendly environment.

Dinner is provided!

We're in need of a team of volunteers for:

- Set-up
- Kitchen prep
- Cook
- Greet
- Clean-up
- Prayer Warriors

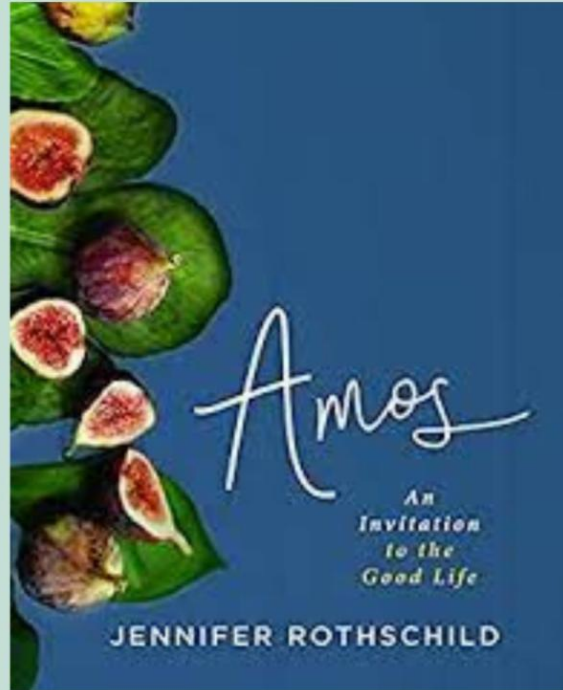
<https://registrations.planningcenteronline.com/signups/1626858>

[Click here to Volunteer for Alpha](https://registrations.planningcenteronline.com/signups/1626858)

WOMEN CENTRAL SPRING STUDY 2023

An 8-Week Study
Offered on Wednesdays
March 8-April 2
10 AM or 7 PM

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



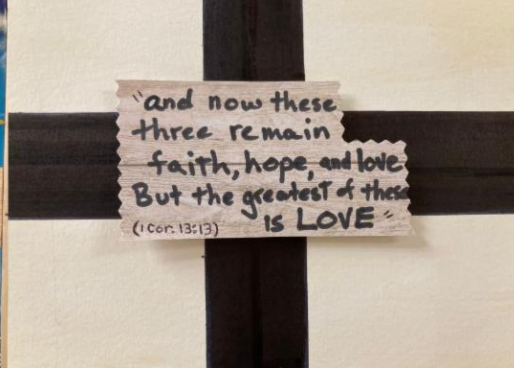
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Register for the Spring Women Central Study Here!



What Are Your Hopes and Prayers for Mariners???

Visit the Charting Our Course bulletin board by Pastor Becky's Office and place your hopes, prayers, or favorite scripture on the boat. Wooden planks provided for you to write on!

A 24-Hour Prayer Vigil for Mariners Bethel Church

Come pray for the future of our church!

Friday, March 10 beginning at 10 AM until Saturday March 11 at 10 AM

The Sanctuary will be open on Friday from 10:00 AM until 8:00 PM

There will be music, scripture, and corporate prayer at various times during the Vigil.

Please sign up to pray at the All Hands on Deck Table in the lobby.



BE INFORMED!

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

**SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2023
AT 10 AM**



healing prayer

SUNDAY March 12, 2023 at 6:30 PM

A Service of Scripture, Song, and Healing

**Healing our Lives, Healing our Church:
Part 2. Moving Forward in God's Love**



A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. John 13:34

The Lord's Supper will be served and healing prayer available before, during and after the service.



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WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT MARINERS BETHEL?

Join us for our

NEW MEMBER LAUNCH

A recommended prerequisite to our

May 20th VOYAGE
(Membership Class)

March 12 & April 2, 2023

Between Services - Upstairs in Room 205



FAMILY EASTER EVENT

Balloon
twister

SATURDAY MARCH 25TH

2:00 - 4:00 PM

MARINERS BETHEL CAMPUS

CRAFTS!



Glitter
Tattoos

DJ RANDY

STATIONS
OF THE
CROSS

AND MORE..



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

Register for our next

VOYAGE

through our Weekly Update or Church Center App

See our website for details

Saturday, May 20th
9am-3pm

Sunday, February 26

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)
12:00pm - 2:00pm	Rock of Ages (Martha #209/211)
4:00pm - 6:00pm	CRASH Youth (Hope Center Gym)
5:00pm - 7:00pm	Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser (Hope Center)

Monday, February 27

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 - 12:00pm	Page Turners Book Club (Martha #209/211)
10:30am - 1:30pm	Building Maintenance (Hope Center)
12:00pm - 1:30pm	AA Meeting (ARMOR #221)
4:00pm - 5:30pm	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)
6:30pm - 8:30pm	Boy Scout Troop Committee Training (Martha #209/211)
7:00pm - 8:30pm	Rooted Bible Study (Conference Room #205)

Tuesday, February 28

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 - 11:30am	Revelations Small Group Bible Study (Jonah #220)
10:00am - 12:00pm	Dorcas Circle (Martha #209/211)
11:30am - 1:00pm	Deaf Ministry ASL Class (Hope Center #3/4)
11:30am - 1:00pm	Feed My Sheep Lunch Served (Hope Center Gym)
11:30am - 1:00pm	Prayer Room Open (Hope Center)
1:00pm - 3:30pm	FMS - Frankford Ministry (Hope Center Kitchen/Garage)
5:25pm - 6:45pm	Taylor Handbell Practice (Sanctuary)
6:30pm - 8:00pm	Rooted Small Group (Conference Room #205)
6:30pm - 8:30pm	Worship Planning Meeting (Social Hall)

Mariners Bethel Schedule:

February 26 - March 4, 2023

Wednesday, March 1

8:30am - 10:30am	Tuning Up the Temple (Hope Center Gym)
11:00am - 1:00pm	Pickleball (Hope Center Gym)
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)
7:00pm - 8:30pm	Women Central Spring Study (Social Hall)
7:30pm - 9:30pm	Volleyball Ministry (Hope Center Gym)

Thursday, March 2

5:00am - 12:30pm	FMS Food Prep (Hope Center Kitchen/Garage)
10:30am - 11:30am	Food Pantry Pick Up (Vestibule)
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)

Friday, March 3

8:30am - 10:30am	Tuning Up the Temple (Hope Center Gym)
9:45am - 12:00 pm	Co-Eds for Christ (Martha #209/211)
11:00am - 12:30pm	Comfort Group (Conference Room #205)
11:00am - 1:00 pm	Pickleball (Hope Center Gym)

Saturday, March 4

CRASH BOYS CHRYSALIS

8:00am - 12:00pm	Building Maintenance (Hope Center)
7:00pm - 9:00pm	AA Meeting (ARMOR #221)
7:00pm - 9:00pm	AL-ANON Meeting (Jonah #220)



Sunday, February 26

Happy Birthday: Makenzie Harrington, Sharon Callahan,
Evelyn Miller, Greta Peterson, Mary Vogl,
Emily James, and William Rosier

Monday, February 27

Happy Birthday: Rylie Carie, Stephen Jacobs,

Steven Karpin, Benjamin McCabe,
Norm Amendt, Danny Andrews, Ace Karpin,
Thomas Campione, Liz Harris, and Pamela Morris

Tuesday, February 28

Happy Birthday: Grant Gano, Josephine Klinedinst,
Hilary Murray, Taryn Townsend, Marcey Kues,
Diashia Vann, and Tracey Bixler

February 29

Happy Birthday: Mike Tritapoe

Wednesday, March 1

Happy Birthday: Grace Levy, Delaney McCowan,
Charles Moore, Chase Ponton, Betty Kestner,
Sheila McCabe, Theresa Pitman, Maddy Gottschalk,
Riley Drosdzal, and Kieran Miller

Thursday, March 2

Happy Birthday: Nicole Berzins, Ryan McEwen,
and Christopher Foskey

Friday, March 3

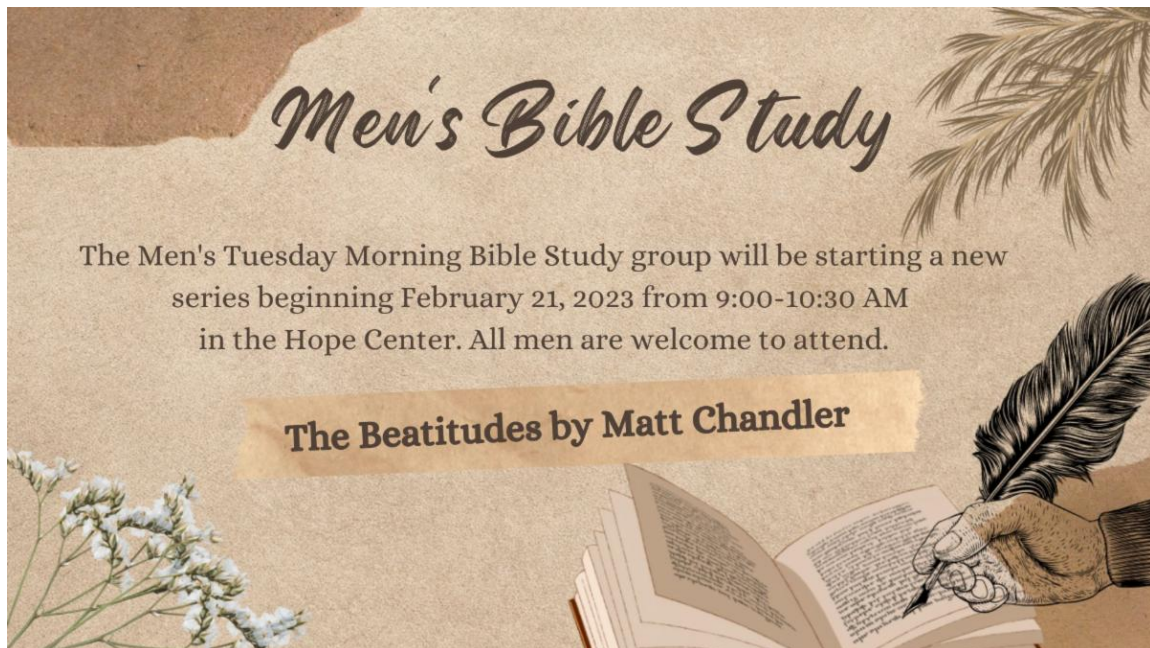
Happy Birthday: Dianne Archut, Denae Lobato and Wanda Powell

Saturday, March 4

Happy Birthday: Laura Hufford, Michelle Christopher,
Noah Cummings, Evelyn Roberts, and
Alexander Smith

*If we missed your birthday or anniversary, please
send an email to 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.



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

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.

Contact Michelle Christopher at kidschurch@marinersbethel.org

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

Pantry Partners

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

HERE'S A LIST OF ITEMS NEED FOR OUR TWO PANTRIES:

Beef Stew, Chili, Canned Meat
Pasta & Spaghetti Sauce
Canned Vegetables & Fruit.

Soup, Crackers
Pancake Mix & Syrup
Hamburger Helper

Suzanne Evans, 302-539-7515
devans911@yahoo.com

*Financial contributions are always appreciated.
Please note "Pantry Partners" in the memo section*

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.



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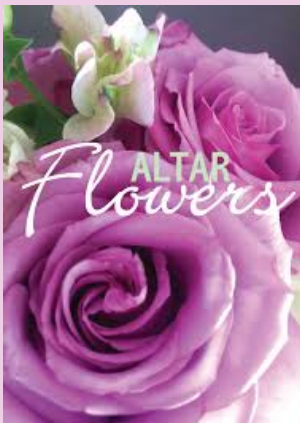


Miscellaneous

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

2023 Financial Status as of January 31 :

Annual Budget: \$1,250,006
YTD Contributions: \$81,273
YTD Expenses: \$93,936

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 <https://marinersbethel.churchcenter.com/giving>.

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 financialsec@marinersbethel.org.

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

Open Doors Sunday School Class

Meets at 8am Sunday Morning
in the Hope Center
@Mariners Bethel UMC

Contact Jack O'Day or the Church Office
for more information





Joy Adult Sunday School

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?

How Can We Pray for You?



GLORY
TO GOD

Prayer Cards are located on the back of the pew.

The **FRONT** is **Confidential**. The back is **NOT Confidential**.

OR Call (302) 381-0850

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Office Hours: 9AM-3PM

Rev. Dr. Rebecca Collison
Senior Pastor

Sunday Services

9:00 am in the Sanctuary

11:00 am in the Sanctuary

Livestream begins at 8:50 and 10:50

Facebook and YouTube

8:50 & 10:50am Phone-In 302-500-5391

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