

**THE MARGATE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
*"An Ecumenical Family of Faith"*  
*"All Welcome"*

8900 Ventnor Avenue  
Margate City, New Jersey 08402

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Founded in 1929, MCC is an interdenominational congregation, with membership in the American Baptist Churches and the United Church of Christ. Through these affiliations, our church participates in national and global ministries. MCC is a sponsor of Margate Terrace, a seniors residence at 610 N. Fredericksburg Avenue, and is a Covenant Church with Habitat for Humanity. We are lifetime members of the Holocaust Resource Center, Stockton University, Pomona, New Jersey.

**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

**10:00 a.m. - Service of Worship**

**10:00 a.m. - Sunday School**

(Ages 3 years to 12th Grade)

**Nursery and Toddler Care**

(Ages 1 month to 3 years)

**CHURCH OFFICE PHONE - (609) 822-5050; FAX - (609) 822-5974**

**Reverend Victoria Ney, Pastor**

**Rob Tucker - Choir Director**

**Chris Simonini - Organist**

**Barbara Parks - Administrative Assistant**

**Betty Nathanson - Church School Coordinator**

**Evelyn Gross - Wedding Coordinator**

**Victor Gutierrez - Sexton**



*A message from your Pastor ...*

As we are all well aware, we are not living or worshiping in normal times - to say the least! At least we're worshipping together outdoors each Sunday and still streaming/videoing the service for those who cannot be with us on Sumner Avenue each week.

One of the topics we recently discussed at our Deacons' Zoom meeting was the fact that we have lost some long-time members of our church during the pandemic, and we have not been able to honor and remember them with our church family gathering together for a memorial service.

This past week, I was given the opportunity and the honor to conduct a small graveside service for our dear Ted Moore with just a few of his family members in attendance.

As a way of remembering Ted for our congregational family, I'd like to share with you what I said at Ted's graveside.

I began with a short reading of the familiar Ecclesiastes passage.  
(Ecclesiastes 3:1-8)

There is an appointed time for everything.

And there is a time for every event under heaven -

A time to be born, and a time to die;

A time to plant, and a time to pull up what was planted.

A time to weep, and a time to laugh;

A time to mourn, and a time to dance.

A time to keep, and a time to throw away.

A time to be silent, and a time to speak.

A time to love, and a time to hate;

A time for war, and a time for peace.

We are all here this morning because it is a time of remembrance. We're here remembering and giving thanks for the life of a wonderful man - brother, uncle, great-uncle, family member and true friend - Charles Theodore "Ted" Moore. We're here to honor his life - a long productive life of 97 years, a life well-lived, a life with varied occupations, a life that put service and love above self, a life that touched so many people, and certainly highest praise, a life that served Jesus Christ.

Ted's long life had many facets to it. One of the reasons I chose to read the Ecclesiastes passage is because it speaks to all the seasons of life. So, particularly, I was thinking about Ted in terms of all the different seasons he lived in his 97 years.

He was born in Philadelphia, moved to North Jersey, and then settled in Ventnor and Margate for the last 60 years. He served his country in World War II and was awarded various medals for his service. He was a Mason, Vice President and Trustee of the Save Lucy Committee, a volunteer with the American Red Cross and a devoted member of the Margate Community Church.

Ted was also a talented stock market investor (who gave great advice!) and an entrepreneur. His different careers and businesses really intrigued me! He owned a paint store in Ocean City, then a motel on Frontenac Ave in Margate (where lots of family memories were made), and then a clothes cleaning business on Granville Avenue - Coronet Cleaners.

His nephew Ted remembers that he was always quite the "ladies' man" and didn't settle down early in life. He married Marion in our church when he was 69 years old.

The Ted I knew was committed to two things - his family and his faith. I also knew he was faithful and reliable, someone you could always count on.

He spent countless hours in the Margate Community Church that he loved so well—serving God as a Deacon and Trustee, a member of countless committees, and being part of a wonderful social group known as the MerriMates.

Needless to say, Ted wore a lot of "hats" in the church. When I came to the church nearly 2 years ago, he was a dedicated worker in the church office every Friday and a faithful church attendee EVERY Sunday. I knew exactly where Ted would be sitting, and if Ted wasn't there, something was REALLY wrong!

To me, all of that speaks volumes about someone when they make their Time, Talents, and Treasures available to God to be used however God sees fit.

When I think about Ted, I see a description of a man from the Old Testament

### Prayer List

*Please remember the following members and friends of MCC with your cards and prayers.*

### Nursing/Convalescent/Retirement Facilities

Virginia Scheetz	Marie Beuttenmuller	Lorraine Koshak
Jean DiMarco	Eleanor Raymond	Mary Forbes
Kay Myers	Julie Duncan	Evelyn Gross

### Home

Betty Ingram	Paul McKay	George Young
Marlise Siracusa		

### RETIREMENT HOME/OTHER

Joanne Cort



**Happy Birthday to all of our July Birthday Members**



Susan Harrell (8/1)	Jessica Palasch (8/18)
Susan Iacovone (8/1)	Roger Hansen (8/20)
Abigail Lyon (8/1)	Ginny Beck (8/21)
Mary Lou Crimbring (8/2)	Krista Compolatano (8/21)
Frank Punzo (8/3)	Jennifer Farrell (8/22)
Wendy Finkenauer (8/4)	Dean Hall (8/24)
Kal Heyman (8/6)	Scott Lyon (8/24)
Joan Kaichen (8/6)	Patricia Herron (8/27)
Jean DiMarco (8/8)	Terry Pancho (8/27)
Howard Applegate (8/9)	Lynne Daley (8/29)
Brad Jungles (8/9)	Joey Johnston (8/29)
Kelli Kyle (8/11)	Olivia Lovett (8/29)
Bobbi Klingensmith (8/12)	Samantha O'Brien (8/29)
Peyton Polini (8/12)	Marina Zappone (8/29)
AJ Sher (8/12)	Mitchell Zappone (8/29)
Chase Fogletto (8/17)	Carol Zerbe (8/30)
David Fleming (8/18)	Richard Lovett IV (8/31)
Jenna Palasch (8/18)	Sue Zavaglia-Werner (8/31)

*That we know of!*

**Deacons' August Communion Offering**

*The Wounded Warrior Project*

**Zoom Meetings**

**Advisory Council Meeting** - TBA

**Trustees' Meeting** - Tuesday, August 11th at 7:00 pm

**Deacons' Meeting** - Monday, August 24th at 6:00 pm

**BOOK CUB**

*Zoom Meeting*

*Sunday, August 23rd ~ 11:30 am*

**The Book of Longings** by Sue Monk Kidd

Please email Dara at [daraquat@comcast.net](mailto:daraquat@comcast.net) if you would like to be invited.



**Notary Public Service**

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book of Micah that says: "What does God require of you? Only to do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with God." (Micah 6).

I think that describes Ted to a "T." I believe they were the guiding principles of his life.

Ted has given all of you, given all of us, a wonderful legacy – a legacy of the value of service to others, of genuinely caring for others, of generosity in every sense of the word, and a legacy of faith.

Ted lived his faith every single day - not that he was an evangelist - although one of his favorite greetings was, "God loves you and so do I" - but Ted lived as a follower of Jesus - using Jesus' example of kindness and love to live his life in this world. And we were all the beneficiaries of the way he lived his life.

I remember that Ted also loved the familiar Psalm 23. I always say the King James Version, so if you know it and would like to say it with me, please do. "The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures. He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me.

Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou annointest my head with oil. My cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

One of the reasons, I believe Ted loved this Psalm is that it's so simple - a simple expression of faith. Just as a shepherd guides the sheep, so the Good Shepherd guides us through life. Just as a shepherd guards the sheep, so the Good Shepherd guards us along the way of life. Just as the shepherd provides for and protects the sheep, so the Good Shepherd provides for and protects us. Just as the shepherd takes the sheep home to the fold when night comes, so the Good Shepherd takes us home to the fold called heaven when the night of life comes and day is over.

Last February 20, Ted's Good Shepherd, our Lord Jesus, took him home to heaven just as he promised in John's Gospel: "Let not your hearts be troubled. In my Father's house are many rooms. I go to prepare a place for you. I will take you to myself so that you will be where I am." (John 14:1-4 condensed).

Jesus led Ted by the hand to his heavenly home, and I believe he heard those wonderful words: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy that has been prepared for you."

We obviously feel sadness as we lay Ted in his final resting place. But we are here to remember the promises we have from God—the promises Ted believed—to give thanks to God for the gift God gave us in Ted, and to celebrate the life he shared with us.

Let me just close with the words of a lovely hymn that Ted actually requested for his memorial service entitled “His Eye is on the Sparrow.” (I think these are words that Ted would say to us this morning.)

“Why should I feel discouraged: Why should the shadows come?

Why should my heart be lonely, and long for heaven and home.

When Jesus is my portion? My constant Friend is He;

His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

I sing because I’m happy, I sing because I’m free;

For His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.”

Let us have hope and courage as we remember that God will hold Ted and all of us forever, until we meet again. Amen.)

~ Reverend Victoria Ney

## THANK YOU

A heartfelt thank you to our former pastor, Rev. David Fleming, for leading our worship for last weeks of July when Pastor Vicki was taking a break. It was wonderful to see and hear David preach once again. We are certainly blessed that he and Sharon live close by and could help us.

### Member News

✠ Congratulations to **Jim and Donna Cramer** on the birth of their grandson, Shane Jase Cramer, on July 16, 2020. Baby Shane and family are doing well.

### In-Person Worship Continues

We are happy to report that our “in-person” outdoor worship is continuing at 10 a.m. on the Sumner Avenue side of the church each Sunday morning. The Advisory Council has postponed a definite timetable for indoor worship at this time, as we continue to consider proper sanitation, safety issues, and possible indoor capacity for the sanctuary and other areas of the building.

While we worship outdoors, we provide socially distanced (sanitized!) chairs and some tents - or you may bring beach chairs and umbrellas, if you desire.

Each Sunday, we are blessed to enjoy the beautiful music provided by our keyboardist/organist Chris Simonini and vocal solos by Michele Cook. Rob Tucker continues to organize the music and has been doing a wonderful job with our sound production and camera equipment. We are, of course, indebted to Barbara Parks and Melanie Zappone for working with our video and social media production. Also, a word of thanks to our custodian Victor Gutierrez for his Sunday help with chairs, tents and sanitation. This is truly a team effort.

We will celebrate the Lord’s Supper on Sunday, August 2nd during the service. Individually wrapped communion elements (commercially packaged wafer and cup of juice) will again be distributed for use. If you view the service from home, you may want to have a piece of bread or cracker and some juice or wine available to partake with us.

If you are unable to attend Sunday worship in person, the service is still being live-streamed on Facebook at 10 am and available via email after 11 a.m. each Sunday. The children’s message is available at 11:30 am. on Sunday as well.

Daily prayers and Wednesday meditation continue online at their usual times.

### Scholarship Recipient Awards

Sunday, August 9th

### Wisznat/LaFave Scholarship

Congratulations to the following recipients:

Zoe Alford, Jimmy Barr IV, Olivia Becker,  
Sophia Gresham, Emery Hurst, Alana Sanchez

Thank you to the Scholarship Committee and especially Frank Punzo for arranging the Zoom interviews!