

Masonville-Rancocas United Methodist Church  
200 Masonville Road Mount Laurel, NJ 08054  
*"We are a Christ-Centered Church reaching out to the  
world transforming lives for the Glory of God."*

## May / June Newsletter

Greetings Church Family!

Isn't God good? While we live in challenging times, we must also remember that God is not bound by times (though they are stressful) or seasons (welcome Summer!) and that in all things, God is STILL a good God, and praising God is something that we ALL can and should do.

So often, we ONLY praise God when we see the answer that we want, but quite often in the Bible, we see how Praise should go first!

2 Chronicles 20:21-23 (NKJV) *21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed those who should sing to the LORD, and who should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army and were saying: "Praise the LORD, For His mercy endures forever." 22 Now, when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushes against the people of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah, and they were defeated.*

Clearly, in this portion of scripture, the army was poised and ready, but Jehoshaphat said, "hold on" because there's something far more critical than swords and spears, horses and chariots, and it's called Praise!

If you are waiting to thank God and offer Praise, I encourage you to stop waiting until every prayer is answered the way you feel it should be, and begin to walk and praise God in ADVANCE of the answer! Pray and Praise in Faith!

And remember as we enter into the season of Pentecost (May 23rd), we are called to not only pray and praise God, but to share ALL that God has blessed us with through the power of the Holy Spirit and to continue to *"make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."* (UMC Mission Statement)

*May you feel God's power this day and every day.*

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Karen Murray



### May Birthdays:

May 4 Jacob Bootsma  
May 7 JoAnn Paige  
May 13 Robert Baker  
May 14 Judy Rehn  
May 29 Pastor Karen Murray  
May 30 Michael Gerety



### June Birthdays:

June 7 Lois Pettorsson  
June 10 Amy Stinger  
June 14 Larry Potts  
June 27 Edison Aldridge



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*“Our vision is to share Christ’s love with all by ministering to those in need spiritually, emotionally, and physically with grateful hearts as demonstrated by God’s love for us.”*  
(1 John 4:19)

### **Financial Report** **January 1 - April 15, 2021**

#### **Income:**

General Offerings:	\$23,125.00
Fundraisers, etc.:	2,374.00
Caring Corner Other Ministries:	3,442.00
Building Fund:	<u>80.00</u>
Total:	\$29,021.00

#### **Expenses:**

Salaries and Benefits:	\$13,896.00
Utilities/Maintenance*:	8,687.00
Programs & Ministries:	4,498.00
Capital Improvement:	<u>1,366.00</u>
Total:	\$28,447.00

\*Includes Snow Removal = \$2,270.00



**Taylor Williams**

## Dates To Remember 2021

May 9 - Festival of the Christian Home/  
Mother's Day

May 23 – Pentecost

May 30 - Peace with Justice Sunday

June 20 - Father's Day

Oct. 3 - World Communion Sunday

Oct. 31 - Reformation Sunday

Nov. 7 - All Saints Sunday

Nov. 21 - Christ The King Sunday

Nov. 28 - 1st Sunday in Advent

Dec. 24- Christmas Eve Services Noon & 7PM

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Website: [www.masumc.org](http://www.masumc.org)

