

A Community of Faith-

Where all are welcome. At MUMC, there is something for everyone; children, youth or adults.

Where faith in God is nurtured, no matter where you might be on the spiritual journey.

Where you have a choice: Worship in a contemporary style at 9:00 a.m. or in a traditional style at 10:30 a.m.

Where faith is reflected in our commitment to minister to the needs of the world; locally, nationally, and internationally.

Where caring for the children is a priority. We use a "Safe Sanctuaries" policy that protects children and vulnerable adults.



In Mission-

We are blessed to have a very active Ministry Team that continually calls and challenges our congregation to be in mission to our community and to the world. We participate in both mission support and hands on mission work. Each year a team of youth and adults participate in the RISE program. They travel to the mountains of New York state where they assist the needy who live there in building or fixing roofs, floors, and whatever else will improve the quality of their lives.

We participate in the effort to feed the poor of our area, assisting with community food banks. We are also helping to give shelter to those who are homeless by being very involved in the Family Promise program that actually provides housing in the church building for families struggling to get back on their feet.

We also reach out in support of mission projects throughout the world. Recently we have undertaken support for the hope Secondary School in Beit Jala, Palestine. The school is a Christian presence in the area of Bethlehem and serves both Christian and Muslim young people.

These are just a few of the many ways we are touching the world for Christ.

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Making
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Ministering to
the World*



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

The People of the United Methodist Church

Welcome to Middletown UMC

The Middletown United Methodist Church is a family-oriented church in which we strive to meet the needs of all ages as we gather to worship our Loving God and try to learn about how God relates to us personally and to our world.

Our Mission

We seek to be the Body of Christ ministering to the needs of the world and to contemporary culture. We invite you to join us in worship, Christian education, and fellowship. Our programs and events are designed to reach out to every member of your family. Our strength comes from God's love for all of us, our love of God, and our love for each other.

Program Teams

Discipleship— This team sees to the education and spiritual nurture of our congregation. The Sunday School for all ages, Vacation Bible School, adult education, Disciple Bible Study, Stewardship Education and Youth Ministries are all part of this team's work.

Worship— This team creates worship services that reach out to the broad spectrum of spiritual experience and interests represented in the congregation. We have two main Sunday services: a contemporary style Praise Service at 9:00 a.m. and a traditional style service at 10:30 a.m.

Ministry— This team focuses on reaching out to the world around us; supporting local programs like the Keyport Food Pantry and Habitat for Humanity, regional and national missions such as Ranch Hope for Boys, the RISE project, Aslan Youth Ministries, and New Creations in Christ. We also touch the lives of people around the world through our denominational giving to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) and specific support of the Gospel for Asia, Iris Ministries (Africa), the Russia Initiative, and the Hope Secondary School in Palestine.

Fellowship— This team brings us together as a family for suppers, picnics, coffee hour between the Sunday services, and other times of fun and fellowship. We have an active **Men's Fellowship** that meets primarily on a Saturday morning each month for breakfast, devotions, speakers, and service to and through the church. There is a newly formed **Women's Fellowship** that also meets on a Saturday morning each month. Traditionally, the ministry focus of the women's group is Missions.

Youth Fellowship



Our youth programs meet the wide variety of needs of today's young people. On **Wednesday** evenings there is a program available for those in grades 3 through 8. Food, fun, learning, and crafts are all a part of the experience. The Senior High group (grades 9-12) will be starting at 6:00 p.m. on **Sundays** and will include dinner, devotions, group time, and fun.

Music Ministries

At MUMC, there are several opportunities to share your musical gifts. The **Babcock Bells** handbell choir practices on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. The **Chancel Choir** practices, also on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. Our **Praise Band** plays each week from September to June at the 9:00 a.m. service and is always open to having new people joining in. A new **Youth Praise Band** is being formed and is looking for any high school youth who can play an instrument or sing. In the summer and at times throughout the year, **special music** is performed. Make a joyful noise!



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