

I am not really a "beach" person, but I know that for many others this is the beginning of a wonderful season of visits to the beaches in the

area. We do enjoy going to Rehoboth and walking the boardwalk and people watching. Of course, the visits to seafood restaurants are certainly enjoyable. Even though Summer doesn't really roll in until Friday, June 21, we all know that after Memorial Day and graduations, Summer is here.

In the life of the church, Summer brings new opportunities for each of us to invite friends and acquaintances to join with us for Sunday School and Worship on Sunday mornings. Early in the month, the teachers and the members of the Board of Christian Education shared a morning of learning and encouragement of the importance of Sunday School and Discipleship. On Sunday, June 16, Father's Day, there will be some very special music and a wonderful lunch being planned to honor the men of the congregation. During the third week of June the Music and More Camp for children will be held with special times for Bible stories, crafts and learning a musical that will be presented on Sunday, June 23. June is filled with many other fun and inspiring occasions – take advantage of them and join together to learn, love and grow together.

Also, this year in June, our American Baptist family holds the Biennial Mission Summit and it is close enough to drive in Virginia Beach. Three of us from the church will be representing you as delegates at this gathering. Carolyn McIlnay, Rebecca and I will be traveling on June 20 for the meetings that will be held June 21-23. Look on the ABCUSA website (abc-usa.org) to see what will be happening at this event. Thank you for the privilege of representing you.



A special thank you to those of you who assisted in the worship service on Mother's Day while Rebecca and I benefitted from a visit

with our granddaughter, her parents and her uncle. It was a delightful time and as you know, Rebecca spent an extra week being a hands-on grandma. Thank you to Mike Renz for preaching that day and thank you to the men for preparing and serving a wonderful lunch for the women of the congregation that day.

This congregation is one that enjoys sharing worship, meals and fellowship together. These Christ followers are doing their best to serve as the hands and feet of Christ and are constantly striving to love God and love others each day. Come join us.

In the Hope of Christ, Rev. Taylor