

# The Last Days of Summer

“What are your favorite summer memories?” This is a question I remember asking a woman I had met at Memorial House while I was there serving as the clergy person in residence at the beginning of summer. The reason I asked this question, was that I had just been informed that this woman and her family have been coming to Rehoboth Beach specifically memorial house for nearly fifty years. I remember thinking that fifty years’ worth of summers would give a person quite a few memories to choose from, and I heard a number of wonderful stories that confirmed my thoughts. Summers are certainly a wonderful time. As my family has been settling into the rectory, I have enjoyed watching my son get to know his surroundings. We have explored the church grounds looking for buried pirate treasure. We have gone swimming. I got to watch as Leo had his first cotton candy (Newsflash, he loved it; the cotton candy didn’t stand a chance!) We have also watched movies on the lawn, and participated in water day where Leo got to experience all sorts of summer fun and games.

But all good things must come to an end, and summer is quickly winding down. We are now moving into fall and there are lots of exciting plans in the works here at St. Barnabas’s. There will be concerts (including an opera singer!) Our kick off Sunday will be September the 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be potlucks, movie nights, book clubs, bible studies, and all sorts of community building opportunities. I am looking forward to all The Holy Spirit has in Store for us at St. Barnabas’s in the coming months!

Faithfully,

Fr. Kenn+