Absecon Presbyterian Church

PRESBY BITS AND PIECES

Sunday, May 21, 2023

ACTS 1:3-5

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CHOIR SINGERS

If you would like to be part of our new Choir, please see Rick DeKarski after the church service.

SERVING THIS MORNING:

<u>Lay Assistant:</u>
Ann Wallace
<u>Ushers:</u>
Tina Brown and Loretta Metz

Attendance Last Week:
Worship - 47
Sunday School - 7

Sunday Worship at 10:30

In Person or Online on APC Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ abseconpresby

Rev. Joel Buckwalter

is with us again this Sunday as our Temporary Pulpit Supply Minister

Sermon Title:

"The Sign of the Ascension:

Acts 1:1-11

UPCOMING EVENTS

ADULT BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Two groups are meeting in Cobb Lounge for a review of "The Chosen".

Wednesday morning at 10:30 am with Rita Abelson

Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm with Tina Harvey.

BBQ

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Immediately following the service in Madden Hall Church will supply hot dogs, hamburgers and beverages.

Attendees to bring a side dish or dessert to share.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Friday, June 9, 2023

BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, June 13, 2023 in Madden Hall 1:00-6:00 pm *******

GRADUATE SUNDAY

June 18, 2023



MARGE LOEB

DON CRONBERGER

If anyone would like to send Don a card, his new address is: Don Cronberger, c/o Spring Home at Galloway Room D9 Galloway, NJ 08205

Prayers of the People

Each week the people of God at APC join in prayers of thanksgiving, praise and petition to pray as one community for needs in the church. Praying for others keeps our focus outward and opens us up to know the will of God in our own lives. Consider making these prayer lists part of your daily prayer life. Doing so, may just help your feelings of isolation. Through prayer, the Holy Spirit brings others, even strangers, closer to you.

Please Keep These Requests In Prayer

The prayer book is on the table in the vestibule by the side entrance to the sanctuary. Please write any requests/praise items you wish to be included in prayer during worship.

Keep in mind that Facebook comments and requests read by the minister during worship are being recorded for broadcast and can be heard by the general public worldwide. For the privacy of those you are praying for, consider using just a first name or making your prayer requests general in nature.

- † For victims of gun violence and their families
- † For the situation in Ukraine and World Leaders
- † For the refugees and children of Ukraine and for the Ukrainian Church
- † For God's guidance as we continue the process of calling a new pastor.
- † Members of our armed services.
- † For an end to this pandemic, protection for those most at risk.
- † For confidence to know that in the struggle, God is with us.
- † For renewed commitment to God's purpose in us all.
- † For us to come together in the bond of self-giving love.
- † For renewed energy in finding our place in God's church, as people who pray, share and volunteer.
- † For wisdom and discernment when facing the unknown.
- † For God's church to embrace the poor and marginalized, to see God's image and be God's image in this broken world.
- † For a revival in our faith to live boldly for God's Kingdom.
- † For these individuals and families in acute need right now who are connected to your church in Absecon.
- † For those on our standing prayer list and for the needs of your church not listed here, including those intentions held in our hearts and those shared in the comments of Facebook.

For these the individuals and families in acute need right now who are connected to your church in Absecon:

Skip and Sarah Bellino, Kathy Bordanora, Olive Brown, Maddie Caracozzo, Don Croneberger, Robin Deaver, Julie Dougherty, Jerry Falivene, Cathy Follansbee, Wendy Garwood, Christoper Green, Carol and Dave Guenther, Mike Guerrieri, Margareta Gustafasson, Alex Hall, John Harvey, Jack Heil, The Hughes Family, Carol Johnson, Carol McDowell, Jim McManus, The Morris Family, Lisa Nagle, Kelly Primarolo, Minerva Stadlmeir, Sue, Stan Weir, Margaret Yeager, Bill Young.

Continued prayers always for:

Rita Abelson, Kathy Boyte, Edit Budd, Emilia Carboy, Lucy Crongerger, Darryl, Khristen and Quetin, Olga Davies, Carol DeLaurentis, Jean Delesantro, Marie C. and Carmen Devece, Gail Driscoll, Kavonna and Essence, Dorie Keener, Eric Lajeuness, Aiden and Wendy Licolli, Marge Loeb, Robin McBrearty, JoAnn Morgan, Essie Newell, Rob Perry, Joyce Pfeiffer, Marilyn Rosado, Irene Smith, Judy Stebbins, Doris Steele, Georgina Umoren, Mary Umoren and Family, Ethel Washington, Frances Weir, Dirk Williamson

Please join us for Coffee Mingle

All are welcome to gather in Madden Hall following Sunday worship.

Brought to you by your Church Family and Fellowship Committee.

Help is needed with set up, clean up, and providing baked goods, cookies, etc.

If you are able to assist in any way please sign up on the clipboard in the vestibule.



Word Search Puzzle

From WhenWeWordSearch.com

Words in a straight line left to right or top to bottom

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Words in the puzzle are printed in **bold italics**

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Deposit made May 12, 2023 and April online giving

General	
Envelopes Undesignated (includes Loose Offerings)	\$3,012.81
Envelopes Designated	\$945.00
Initial Offering	
Energy	
General Total	\$3,957.81
Benevolence	
Envelopes Undesignated (includes Loose Offerings)	\$346.30
Envelopes Designated	\$90.00
Benevolence Total	\$436.30
Capital Expenditures	
Envelopes Undesignated (includes Loose Offerings)	\$103.89
Envelopes Designated	\$350.00
Fund Raiser - Sanctuary mini wall	\$1,225.00
Capital Total	\$1,678.89
Combined Total	\$6,073.00

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Sister Jean's Food & Clothing Pantry

Believe it or not, the otherwise helpful government program SNAP, does not cover these essentials!?!

There is a big demand for dish soap and toilet paper and other cleaning products. They need the sizes for home use, not bulk containers as these are for individuals. Even just grabbing a few items at a dollar store will help. Don't forget dish cloths and sponges... you know, the essentials.





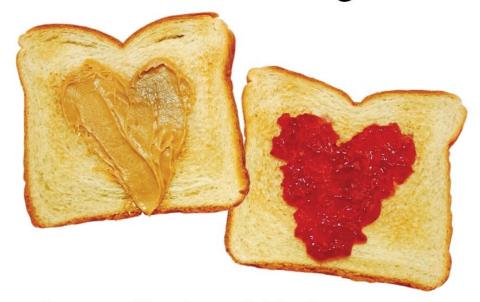








Peanut Butter and Jam Sandwiches Ministry



Would you like to volunteer making the sandwiches?

Would you like to donate peanut butter and/or jam?Just leave the jars in the kitchen with a note saying it's for PB&J Ministry!

Monetary donations will help with our purchases of fresh bread.

Questions?

Please see or call Betty Price at 609 457-5155.

Your gifts and/or time will be very much appreciated!

How fortunate the Church is to have John Harvey, Betty Price and Jo-ann Weller who meet every other Thursday at 8 a.m., in the Church kitchen and make peanut butter and jam sandwiches for the Rescue Mission in Atlantic City. Maybe you could give them a helping hand

Be assured, the Rescue Mission patrons appreciate everything that they receive.



Please help replenish our homemade soups and breads for our shut-in members.

LABEL your soups and breads and please, DO NOT use nuts in your receipes as many people have an allergy to them.

Please put DATE on label.



Blood Drive Lolla Chiropractic Center Absecon Presbyterian Church

Hall 208 New Jersey Ave. Absecon, NJ 08201

Tuesday, June 13, 2023 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Lolla Chiro to schedule an appointment.

Do good this summer! Come give in June for a \$10 gift card by email to a merchant of your choice.

Be part of something big. Make an appointment.

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