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Romans 8:1-5

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**Sunday Worship
at 10:30 a.m.**

In Person

OR

**Online on APC's Facebook page at
www.Facebook.com/AbseconPresby**

Rev. Joel Buckwalter
"The New Creation Begins Within You"

Isaiah 2:1-5
Romans 8:1-5

Lay Assistant: Louise Speitel
Ushers: Rita and Vic Abelson

Attendance Last Week:
Worship – 60

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2023

WISHING EVERYONE

A HEALTHY, SAFE, HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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It was so nice to see everyone at the candlelight Christmas Eve Service,
especially Marge McGuigan.

Thanks to Bob Hudak for bringing her.

Just a reminder:

The Church Office will be closed
on Monday, January 2, 2023.

For those of you who did not receive your
TITHE ENVELOPES for 2023,
you can find them in the Chapel on the 2nd floor.

There are still **CHRISTMAS CARDS**
that have not been picked up.

The Red Cross had a blood drive on Friday, December 23, 2022, in Madden Hall.

They collected 24 pints of blood.

Upcoming January Events

ADULT BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Two groups are meeting in Cobb Lounge and studying "The Chosen."
Wednesday morning at 10:30 am with Rita Abelson
Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm with Tina Harvey.

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

The Family of Katie Beem, Olive Brown, Don Croneberger, Robin Deaver, Julie Dougherty, Jerry Falivene, Cathy Follansbee, Christopher Green, Michael Guerrieri and Family, Hackney-Will Family, Alex Hall, John Harvey, The Hughes Family, Carol Johnson, Betty Lloyd, Carol McDowell, Marjorie McGuigan, Jim McManus, The Morris Family, Lisa Nagle, Gary Price, Minerva Stadlmeir, Stan Weir.

Continued prayers always for:

Rita Abelson, Kathy Boyte, Edith Budd, Emilia Carboy, Lucy Cronberger, Darryl, Kristen and Quentin, 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

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Please join us each Sunday for

Coffee Mingle

All are welcome to gather in Madden Hall
following Sunday worship
brought to you by your Church Family and Fellowship Committee.
If you are able to provide baked goods, cookies, etc. (homemade or from the store)
and juice please sign up on the clipboard in the vestibule.
Helpers are also needed for set up and clean up.

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Word Search Puzzle

From WhenWeWordSearch.com

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

January 1, 2023



Words in the puzzle are printed in *bold italics*

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desires.

Deposit made December 23, 2022

General

| | |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Loose | |
| Envelopes Undesignated | \$996.15 |
| Envelopes Designated | \$795.00 |
| Per Capita | \$38.00 |
| Initial Offering | |
| Energy | |
| Christmas Donation | \$300.00 |
| On-line Undesignated | |
| On-line Designated | |
| On-line Fuel | |
| General Total | \$2,129.15 |

Benevolence

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| Loose | |
| Envelopes Undesignated | \$114.50 |
| Envelopes Designated | \$170.00 |
| Mission Bouquet | |
| On-line Undesignated | \$100.00 |
| On-line Designated | |
| On-line Sister Jean's | |
| Benevolence Total | \$384.50 |

Capital Expenditures

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| Loose | |
| Envelopes Undesignated | \$34.35 |
| Envelopes Designated | \$360.00 |
| Bricks (Memorial) | |
| On-line Undesignated | |
| On-line Designated | |
| Capital Total | \$394.35 |

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|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Combined Total | \$2,908.00 |
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Please know that we love each and every one of you, and you continue to be in our prayers.
Stay safe – Follow Official Guidelines – and Know You Are Loved!

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.

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive
Lolla Chiropractic Center
Absecon Presbyterian Church

Hall
208 New Jersey Ave.
Absecon, NJ 08201

Wednesday, February 8, 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.

Warm hearts. Warm thoughts. Give in February for a \$10 Gift Card by email, thanks to Amazon. And, automatically be entered for a chance to win a trip for 2 to Clearwater Beach, FL. Includes travel, hotel, gift card and more! Terms: rcblood.org/heart

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