

Absecon Presbyterian Church

PRESBY BITS AND PIECES

Sunday, April 2, 2023

PSALM 81: 1-5

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SERVING THIS MORNING:

Lay Assistant:
Louise Speitel

Ushers:
Rita and Vic Abelson

Attendance Last Week:

Worship - 47

Sunday School - 12

Sunday Worship at 10:30

In Person or Online on
APC Facebook page at
[www.facebook.com/
abseconpresby](http://www.facebook.com/abseconpresby)

Rev. J.W. Gregg Meister
is with us again this Sunday
as our Temporary
Pulpit Supply Minister

Sermon Title:
“The Trumpet Sound You’ve
Not Yet Heard”

Psalm 81:1-5
Luke 19:28-38

REV. J.W. GREGG MEISTER

The Rev. J.W. Gregg Meister has been the President of Interlink Media LLC since 1988. In addition to his commercial clients, he has videotaped frequently in Cuba, Haiti, the Dominican Republic, and Mexico, producing fundraising and volunteer recruitment videos on behalf of impoverished communities. He has also produced Christian educational videos in Israel and video programming on behalf of the Israeli Defense Forces.

Prior to founding Interlink Media, Rev. Meister served as Pastor of the Lakeside Presbyterian Church in San Francisco from 1975 to 1986. A graduate of Williams College, Gregg earned his M.Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary and has a MA degree in Radio and Television Production from San Francisco State University and a MA degree in communications research from the Annenberg School of Communications at the University of Pennsylvania.

Gregg lives in Merchantville. His wife, Gail, died in 2022 after a brief illness. Their daughter Miriam has a Ph.D. in neuroscience from the University of Texas, Austin, and is currently a researcher for Microsoft in Redmond, Washington.

Gregg has published two books, “The Psalms: The Prayer Book of Jesus,” and “Searching For Jesus,” both of which are available on Amazon for \$9.95 each under his full name, J.W. Gregg Meister.

Upcoming Events

ADULT BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Two groups are meeting in Cobb Lounge and studying “The Chosen” Season 2.

Wednesday morning at 10:30 am with Rita Abelson

Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm with Tina Harvey.

BLOOD DRIVE

April 7, 2023 - 1:00-6:00pm

HOLY THURSDAY / GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

will be held at Absecon United Methodist Church

April 7, 2023 at 7:00 pm

COMMUNITY EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

will be held at Heritage Park

April 9, 2023 at 6:30 am

SPRING BREAKFAST

Sunday, April 16, 2023 at 9:00am.

Please reserve the date and sign up in the Atrium.

Menu: Sausage, pancakes and scrambled eggs

SISTER JEAN’S KITCHEN

Saturday, April 22, 2023

Mission Evangelism

will be going to do some light work

Sign up sheet is in the foyer today

See Rita and Vic Abelson for details.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

on April 27, 2023

LIFELINE HEALTH SCREENING

They will be returning on Tuesday, May 9, 2023

8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

EASTER FLOWERS

Pat Allen: In Memory of Her Parents - Blanca and Joel Allen

Mary Bew: In Memory of Dorothy and Alfred Bew and Cameron Lockard

Gay and John Channell: In Memory of Loved Ones

In Honor of Family and Friends

Janet Gee: In Memory of Catherine and Joseph Oteri

In Honor of My Children and Grandchildren

Bob and Barb Hudak: In Memory of Marge McGuigan

Betty Lloyd: In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lloyd and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lloyd

Loretta Metz: In Memory of Bill Metz and Beatrice Johnson

Gwen Monhollen: In Loving Memory of her Twin Brother Guy

In Honor of her Children Alisha and Michael

Ann Wallace: In Memory of Loved Ones.

EASTER MISSION BOUQUETS

Betsy Eberhard: In Memory of Her Parents: Ruth and Gus Eberhard

Dottie McCafferty: In Memory of The Mong Family—Harry and Pearl,

Jean, Jim, John, Donald and Wayne

In Honor of My Children Bob McCaffrey and Theresa McElwee

In Honor of My Grandchildren Tyler and Kelsea McCffrey,

Madison and Rylee McElwee

ROBO CALLS

"If anyone is getting a Robocall that leaves a voice message on their cell phone and would like texts instead, they can text ALERT to 22300 and OneCallNow will switch it over to texts automatically.

If anyone is not receiving messages and would like to they can give their info to the church office."

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.



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:

The Family of Katie Beem, Skip Bellino, Kathy Bordanora, Olive Brown, Maddie Caracozzo, Don Croneberger, Robin Deaver, Julie Dougherty, Jerry Falivene, Cathy Follansbee, Wendy Garwood, Christopher Green, Carol and Dave Guenther, Mike Guerrieri, Hackney-Will Family, Alex Hall, John Harvey, The Hughes Family, Carol Johnson, Carol McDowell, The Family of Marjorie McGuigan, Jim McManus, The Morris Family, Lisa Nagle, Gary Price, Sue, Minerva Stadlmeir, Stan Weir, Dirk Williamson, 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.

Deposit made March 17, 2023

General

Loose *(included with Envelopes Undesignated)*

Envelopes Undesignated \$1,722.60

Envelopes Designated \$1,025.00

Per Capita

Initial Offering

Energy \$20.00

Memorial Gifts - M. McGuigan \$100.00

Easter Flowers \$15.00

General Total **\$2,882.60**

Benevolence

Loose *(included with Envelopes Undesignated)*

Envelopes Undesignated \$198.00

Envelopes Designated \$50.00

One Great Hour of Sharing \$200.00

Benevolence Total **\$448.00**

Capital Expenditures

Loose *(included with Envelopes Undesignated)* \$59.40

Envelopes Undesignated \$300.00

Envelopes Designated

Capital Total **\$359.40**

Combined Total **\$3,690.00**

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!

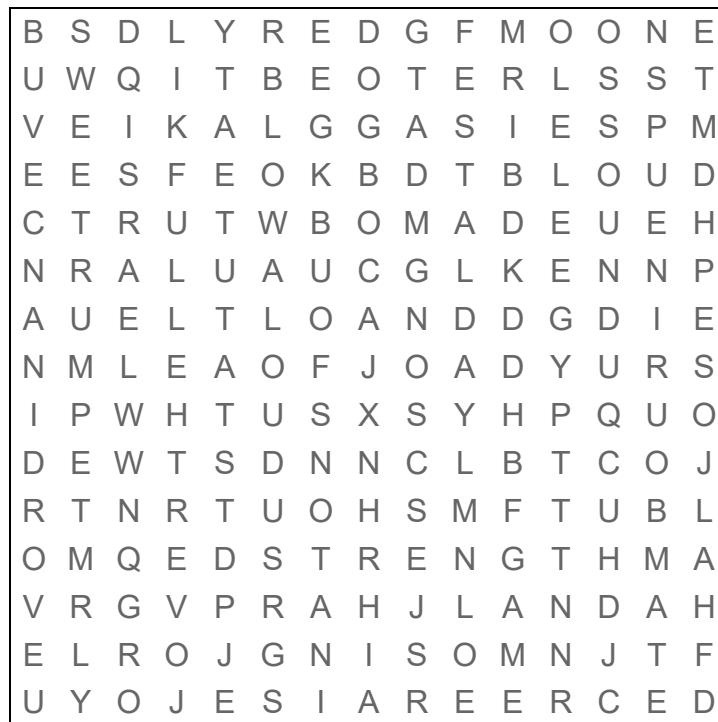
Word Search Puzzle

From WhenWeWordSearch.com

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

April 2, 2023

Psalm 81:105



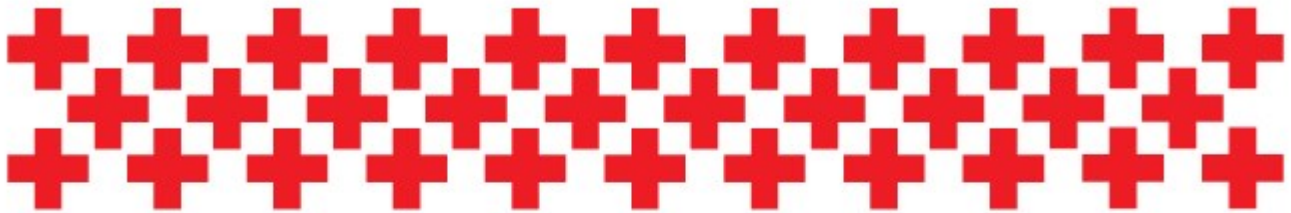
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American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive **Lolla Chiropractic Center**

Hall
208 New Jersey Ave.
Absecon, NJ 08201

Friday, April 7, 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.



Be cool. Give blood. Come give April 1-23 for an exclusive American Red Cross and PEANUTS T-shirt featuring Snoopy as the coolest beagle in town, Joe Cool! Get yours, while supplies last – then show off your cool, kind spirit.

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | redcrossblood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

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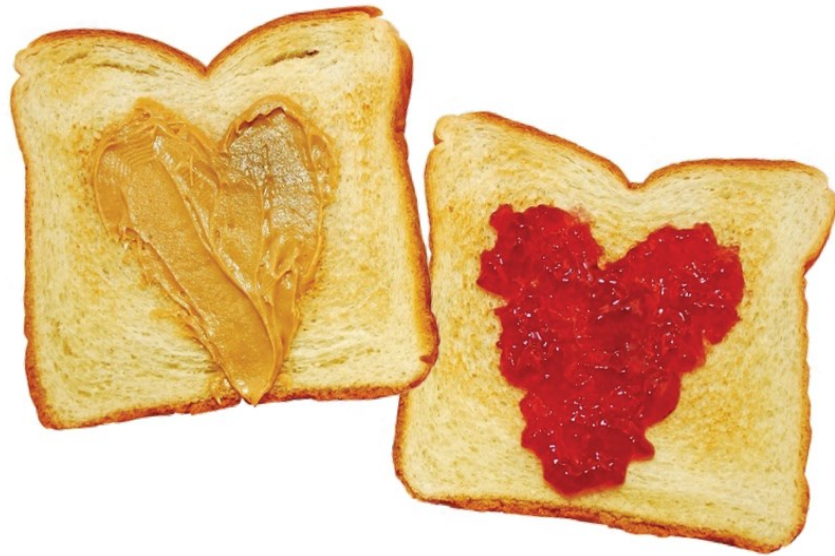
*Sunday, April 16
at 9 AM*

Free will offering



*Pancakes, Sausage and
Scrambled eggs*

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.

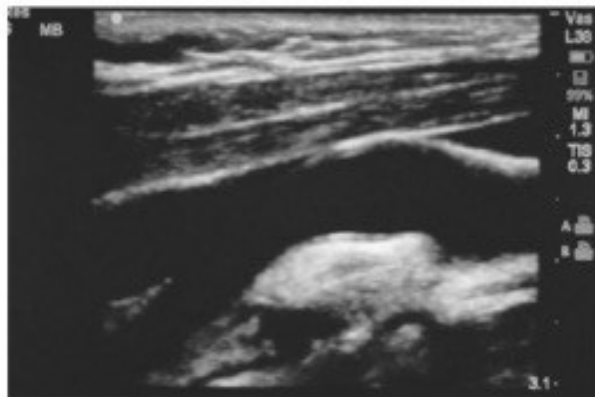
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| LABEL your soups and breads and |
| please, DO NOT use nuts in your |
| recipes as many people have an |
| allergy to them. |
| Please put DATE on label. |
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Take a step toward staying **Healthy & Active**

Life Line Screening goes beyond regular checkups to provide a more thorough look at your health.

Be Smart: Do More For Your Cardiovascular Health

No Plaque Buildup



Plaque Buildup



Advanced ultrasound technology looks inside your arteries for signs of plaque buildup.

That's why **9 out of 10 cardiovascular doctors** support preventive screenings for those with key risk factors.¹

Adults age 50+ and those 40 and older with one or more risk factors for cardiovascular disease should be screened.

¹Key Risk Factors include: *High blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, obesity, smoking, family history.

We are coming to your neighborhood.

When

Where

To register for your appointment and to receive the special discount,
please call **1-800-640-6307** or visit **LLSA.SOCIAL/HC**

