

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

- 1 John 3:1-3 (NRSV)

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**Worship Live Online
Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
on APC's Facebook page at
www.Facebook.com/AbseconPresby**

Pastor Drew is on vacation this week, and Elder Leo Ransone will be leading worship on Sunday. Leo's sermon is titled "*It Had To Be This Way*" from Luke 24:36b-48 (NRSV) and 1 John 3:1-7 (NRSV) available for you in the attached bulletin.

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If you or someone you know from church is sick or hospitalized, please notify the office at 609/641-3759 so Pastor Drew can reach out to you.

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Please Keep These Requests in Prayer

For an end to this pandemic, protection for those most at risk.

For confidence to know that in the struggle, you are with us.

For patience, kindness, humility and empathy, that these might live into the calling to which you have called us.

For a spirit of holy community among us to embrace new ways to serve and share in your ministry of reconciliation.

For wisdom and discernment when facing the unknown.

For your church to embrace the poor and marginalized, to see your image and be your image in this broken world.

For a revival in our faith to live boldly for your Kingdom.

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

Rev. Chris Miller & Family, Carol Thomas, Pam Blair, Jo-ann Weller, Jack Little, Nancy Pederson, Barbara Mellon, The Family of John King, Rita Abelson, Ben Werner, Donna Hughes, Roy Birkbeck, Olive Brown, Jerry Hoenes, Marilyn & Tito Rosado, Bob Gillis, Dan Hughes, Stan Weir, Jim & Patti Morris, Christopher Green, Diane Ford, Dorie Keener

Continued prayers always for:

Judy Stebbins, Rob Perry, Teresa, Robin McBrearty, JoAnne Morgan, Minerva Stadlmeir, Marge Loeb, Kavonna & Essence, Darryl, Kristen and Quentin, Dirk Williamson, Jim Price, Elaine Risley, Frances Weir, Emilia Carboy, Irene Smith, Aiden & Wendy Licolli, Kathy Boyte, Jean Delesantro, Betsy Cunius, Marjorie McGuigan, Doris Steele, Essie Newell, Joyce Pfeiffer, Don & Lucy Croneberger, Marie C. & Carmen DeVece, Olga Davies, Jim Mong, Edith Budd, Carol DeLaurentis, Mildred Felsberg, Virginia Loeb

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Spring clean up day is Saturday April 24th. All are welcome and no appointment needed. We will be meeting at 9 a.m. There is outside cleanup and some inside work as well. We should be able to wrap things up around 12 noon. It will be good to get out of the house and get some fresh air and to have some fellowship. (Yes, there will be donuts.)

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The Upper Room devotionals for May/June are now available in the vestibule. Call the office weekdays during office hours (11a-2p) to arrange pickup or delivery.

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Love One Another as I Have Loved You

In this season of Easter, the Session is asking you to consider a gift to help the Community Food Bank of New Jersey, Southern Branch, in their work to feed our hungry neighbors in need. The summer months can be the hardest on food pantries since school-aged children lose access to meals at school.

Please consider a financial donation, since the Food Bank can purchase food in bulk and at discounts allowing for \$1 to pay for three meals. You can make your donation to the church by mailing it, dropping it off, or going to AbseconPresby.org/give, which will send our total gift in late May, or you can donate to the Food Bank directly at www.cfbnj.org.

Non-perishable food donations and hygiene items will still be accepted at the church to be used for distributing to individuals who come directly to the church, If you wish to donate for people who come to the church, consider foods high in protein, low in sodium, and low in sugar, as many

of those who come in need are diabetic or have other health concerns.

Together, we can share the love of Christ by meeting the most pressing needs of the children, families and individuals who are our neighbors in Southern New Jersey.

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Deposit made on April 9, 2021

General

Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$1,313.70
Envelopes Designated	\$355.00
Per Capita	
Initial	
Fuel	
General Total	\$1,668.70

Benevolence

Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$151.00
Envelopes Designated	\$65.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$25.00
Mission Bouquet	\$25.00
Benevolence Total	\$266.00

Capital Expenditures

Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$45.30
Envelopes Designated	\$15.00
Capital Total	\$60.30

Combined Total \$1,995.00

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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!