"I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep."

John 10:14-15

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Worship Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
In Person
OR

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

Rev. Dr. Cheni Khonje will be leading us in worship this week. Her sermon is titled "The Good Shepherd" from Psalm 23 and John 10:11-18 available in the attached bulletin.

Lay Assistant: Laura Puglise Ushers: Joan Nale & Tina Brown

Attendance Last Sunday: 34

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#### Please Keep These Requests In Prayer

For God's guidance as we begin the process of calling a new pastor.

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 renewed commitment to your purpose in us all.

For us to come together in the bond of self-giving love.

For renewed energy in finding our place in your church, as people who pray, share and volunteer.

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:

Teresa, Jim, Patti & Devon Morris, Jim McManus, Richard Older, Robert Mellon, LilyRose Cramer, Luca Leech, Ethel Washington, Carol Thomas, Jean Delesantro, Jerry Hoenes, Cathy Follansbee, James Beatty, Jun & Family, JoAnn Sabo, Olive Brown, Marilyn & Tito Rosado, Dan Hughes, Stan Weir, Christopher Green

#### Continued prayers always for:

Rita Abelson, Desiree DePasquale, Gail Driscoll, Mary Umoren & Family, Dorie Keener, Judy Stebbins, Rob Perry, Robin McBrearty, JoAnne Morgan, Minerva Stadlmeir, Marge Loeb, Kavonna & Essence, Darryl, Khristen 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, Virginia Loeb

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Plan on joining us for a

Welcome Back BBQ

Sunday, August 15 On the End Lot Noon – 2:00 pm

Cost is One Covered Dish to Share Hamburgers, Hotdogs & Drinks provided

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## **Mission Study Team Members Needed!**

Presbytery is providing a Transitional Pastor Process Coach to advise the Mission Study Team on the updating of our five-year old Mission Statement.

Wendy Frisby, Chair of the Commission on Ministry, is making herself available to be the link between the Commission and our Team.

## So, YES, all is ready to begin! We only need:

- 1. A team of five to meet between now and December to update the study and obtain Presbytery for Southern New Jersey's approval.
- 2. A team which will meet weekly and which will require members'

dedication. The end result will be calling a new minister, hopefully, as early as the summer of 2022. (Yes, the summer of 2022!)

- 3. SO Session is asking members of all ages who would be willing to serve on the Mission Study to submit their names to Ann Wallace (<u>awallace1sander@gmail.com</u> or cell phone: 201 991-1340).
- 4. Applicants will meet with Session who will select five members to work with the Transitional Pastor Process Coach, who will ONLY work with the Mission Study committee for the purpose of updating the Mission Study. Once the Mission Study is complete, this committee's work is done and a Pastor Nominating Committee can be elected.

The Presbytery for Southern New Jersey is ready to help us begin.

Now it is up to you!

Who is willing to accept this call and allow the Church

to take its first steps forward?

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#### **Fun Times Ahead!**

Aug 21 Pool Party - Gall. Swim Club 1-4pm - Cost: Covered Dish + \$7 - BBQ & drinks provided

Sep 10 Outdoor Movie Nite "Luca" - End Lot 7-9pm - Snacks provided - Rain date Sep 17

Sep 19 Cape May Zoo Trip after Worship Service – Meet at Pavilion #5

**See Tina Harvey for More Info!** 

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Thank You!
Deposit made on August 6, 2021

<b>General</b> Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$378.45
Envelopes Designated	\$1,167.00
Per Capita	γ1,107.00
Memorial - Diane Ford	\$150.00
On-line Undesignated	Ψ=00.00
On-line Designated	
General Total	\$1,695.45
Benevolence	
Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$43.50
Envelopes Designated	\$80.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	·
On-line Undesignated	
On-line One Great Hour of	
Sharing	
On-line Sister Jean's	
Benevolence Total	\$123.50
Capital Expenditures	
Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$13.05
Envelopes Designated	\$120.00
Spring Fund Raiser	
On-line Undesignated	
On-line Designated	
On-line Spring Fund Raiser	4400.05
Capital Total	\$133.05
<b>Combined Total</b>	\$1,952.00

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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!