

Please join us in worship Sunday at 10:00am. Pastor's sermon is titled "She Knew and She Believed, So We Believe".

Spiritual Food for Thought

[1 Samuel 1:27-2:10](#)

[Luke 1:39-56](#)

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We are deeply saddened by the news of the passing of our dear friend, Norman Johnson. But we take comfort that he is now at rest. Our prayers go with Marjorie and the family. Funeral services will be tomorrow at 11:00am in the Rocap Shannon Memorial Home, 24 N 2nd Ave, Millville, with visitation beginning at 10:00. Burial will follow in Greenwood Memorial Park, 1001 E Broad Street, Millville. The church van will be leaving Absecon at 9:00a for anyone who needs a ride. See Barbara Hughes.

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Last week was very busy and full of Christmas Joy with the pageant presented by the youth of the church followed by a lunch and birthday party for Jesus on Sunday and last night's Mainland Choral Society concert and dessert reception. Many thanks to everyone from the organizers, participants and volunteers to those who attended and supported these events in every way. Without each of you taking a part these events would not have happened. Thank You!!!

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The Keener family would again like to thank everyone for holding the Apple Fest in Dorie's honor. Also, thanks to everyone who worked to make it a great success. They felt very Blessed to be a part of the church family. The proceeds will be donated to Gilda's Club.

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Adult Bible Study Leadership Training will begin January 14 at 7:30p. All interested parties who would like to lead future Bible Studies please sign up on the **GREEN** clipboard or see Pastor.

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New this Year! Share your Christmas Spirit by contributing to the new "**Magi Fund**" which will collect donations for a cause each year during the season of Advent. A warm Christmas letter will be shared in every mailbox on Epiphany Sunday to announce how much was raised and list each of you who contributed. This can be done in addition to your Christmas cards, or for those who cannot put a card in every mailbox, it is a way to express your holiday joy to everyone in the church. **To donate:** Put a Christmas Card from you and addressed to the Church in the collection basket with your donation (cash or check payable to the church) enclosed. This year, the 'Magi Fund' will benefit the work of your Deacons to provide support for your neighbors in need within your congregation.

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There will be an informational meeting and planning discussion to develop the new "**Loaves and Fishes**" dinner program on Tuesday, December 18 at 7 p.m. in the Cobb Lounge. This new program is funded by a gift of the Presbytery, which your session decided to use to bring people of every walk of life in your community together to share a delicious quality meal.

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Angel Tree gifts are due today! Many thanks to everyone who took a tag from the tree!

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Your **church family mailboxes** are up and ready in the hallway across from the coatrack. Use them to exchange holiday greetings, etc. Be sure to check yours regularly!

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Save the Dates: Soup Sales January 13 & February 10

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Following Sunday School and lunch today the youth and anyone wishing to join them will be Christmas caroling through the halls of Absecon Manor then meeting with some of the residents in a community room to continue their Carol Sing. Please join the fun!

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In need of ideas for Christmas gifts? As part of APC's 150 Anniversary celebration **Commemorative Christmas Ornaments** depicting the church were offered. They are again available to you at a cost of \$5.00 each. The "**A Taste of Heaven**" cookbook consists of tried and true recipes submitted by your friends from APC. Copies are limited so check them out today. (\$5 per copy)

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Picture Directory

Photos will be taken Sundays after services in the foyer for families who want to be included in the directory.

Lifetouch portraits will be distributed after Sunday Services.

Notify Louise if you have a family member in the military so she can include their portrait in the 2019 directory.

Please submit your business card and or that of a family member to Louise with a check for \$40 if you would like to have it in the directory. Give your name, the owner's name and the relationship to you.

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Remember, Deadlines are Important!

Sunday bulletin announcements – Noon Wednesday

“The Presby Post” (Friday email) – Noon Thursday

“Good News” (monthly newsletter) – the 20th of the month

All articles should be **in writing** and submitted to the office (email preferred) by the due date. Please keep in mind it may be necessary to edit articles due to space limitations in our printed publications.

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Please Remember in Prayer

Families of Margorie McGuigan & Norm Johnson - Ferd Morgan - Barbara Furguson - Caplan Family - Jinny Wolcott - Don & Lucy Croneberger - Ruth Bird - Susan Little -

Frank Havens - Mae Sterling - Dee Heil - Joni Williams - Josh Howling - Fred Winterbottom -

Ginny Davenport - Robert Bieda - Bob Gillis - Nancy Shaw - Russ Adkisson -

Carol DeLaurentis - Linda Gonzales - Dorie Keener - Barbara McLaughlin - Jim Mong -

Mildred Felsberg - Barbara Hughes - Virginia Loeb - Robin McBrearty - Betsy Cunius

The poor and homeless

Members of our Armed Forces

Victims of fires, storms, earthquakes and other disasters around the world

Christians in Pakistan & the Middle East, People of South Sudan

Pastor Udo, his Churches & all Christians in Nigeria

Conflict and unrest throughout our nation and around the world

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"ALL ABOARD FOR CHRISTMAS!"

Come “Fly” with Suite Inspiration as the Choral Band celebrates their 23rd Annual Christmas Concert with a magical, musical trip to the North Pole!

Hop aboard Suite Airlines for a whirlwind “flight” around the globe to pay a visit to Santa Claus! Along the way, your “Suite” crew will present a wonderful mix of Christmas music. From traditional to devotional, international to Doo-Wop, and a tribute to the Andrews Sisters, this program is one that the whole family will enjoy.

On its way to the North Pole, the airline-themed “All Aboard for Christmas” will touch down for holiday interludes from England, France, Italy, Russia, the Ukraine, the Caribbean, and even Christmas Island. “Passengers” can even join in a few singalong songs before we

head back home, just in time for delicious home-made refreshments served after the concert.

This "flying concert" boards on Sunday, December 16, 2018 at 3:30 pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, New Jersey Avenue and Mill Road in Absecon. Admission is free, and donations will be gratefully accepted to benefit the Maureen Senese Memorial Scholarship fund, in honor of the Suite's sister, friend and founding bandmate. For more information, go to www.suiteinspiration.org

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Sunday Servants

Lay Assistant

Lee Wolff

Head Ushers

Ann Wallace & Jo-ann Weller

Offering

Tina Brown & Greg Hamaty

Acolyte

Jacob Sabo

Nursery

Karen & Libby Little

Van Driver

Tina Brown

Breakfast Club

Set-up: Donna Hughes

Cook: Dirk Williamson

Clean-up: Rob Perry

Refreshments

Darla Hand

Counting Team

Leo Ransone & Nancy Conover

This Week in Our Church

Sunday

8:45a Breakfast

9:15a Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:00a Worship

11:00a Congregational Meeting

11:15a Sunday School

12:00p Soup & Sandwich Lunch

9:00p God Is Faithful Church

Monday

9:00a Van leaves for Johnson funeral

9:00a AA Support Group

11:00a Funeral service, Norman Johnson

4:45p Rock Solid

Tuesday

8:30a APC Prayer Time, lounge

4:30p King of Kings

9:00p God Is Faithful Prayer Mtg

Wednesday

10:00a AA Support Group

7:00p Bible Study, lounge

7:00p Teen Bible Study, teen lounge

8:00p AA Support Group

Thursday

5:30p Girl Scout Troop 11446

7:00p Chancel Choir Rehearsal

7:45p Bell Choir Rehearsal

Friday

10:00a AA Support Group

8:00p AA Support Group

Saturday

7:30p AA Support Group

9:30p AA 3rd Step Support Group