



Join us in worship this Sunday **at 9:30 or 11:15**. And plan on being here at 10:30 for our first brunch of the season!

Pastor's sermon is titled "I Just Don't Understand God" from [Jonah 3:10-4:11](#).

There will be a Minute For Mission on the CROP Walk at both services.

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Menu for Brunch
Sunday, September 21

French Toast

Pineapple Soufflé

Polish Sausage with Mustard & Cheese

Chicken Blanquette with Biscuits

Scrambled Eggs

Oatmeal

Fruit Salad

Cake

Cookies

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Evergreens will have their first fall meeting next Wednesday at noon. Bring your lunch and a friend.

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The Applefest will be held Friday, Oct. 10, from 6-8pm. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children ages 12 and under. Enjoy a hotdog with or without sauerkraut, a homemade apple dessert and beverage. There will be additional hotdogs for sale at \$1 each. John Channell and his friends will be providing music as usual.

If anyone is interested in donating baked apple goods, ice cream, or whipped toppings, please sign up in the vestibule.

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Our Women's Circles are making their purchases for their first College Care Box mailing next month. If you have a college student in your family, be sure to fill in the form in your bulletin (or [download from our website](#)) and return it to Pastor Gerry or one of the Circle Ladies.

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It's not too late to sign up for our new message system. Reminder postcards for groups and committees will no longer be mailed. (Sunday Servants will still receive reminders.) This system will also be used for last minute cancellations (think SNOW) or changes in dates/times. Don't be left out – use the form your bulletin (or [download from our website](#)) to sign up. *If you have already signed up and would like to make a change to your delivery preference please contact the office.*

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The Cemetery Committee will meet Saturday, Sept. 27, at 9:30 a.m.

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Local Outreach

Along with our donations to world missions through CROP and Real Partners Uganda there is also a growing need here at home. With unemployment on the rise the need for local assistance is growing quickly. Here are some ways you can help:

1. Join **Club172** and provide a family of 4 with 10 days of service in the Family Promise program. For the cost of \$172.00 you can help Family Promise of Atlantic County make a difference. Make a one-time donation of \$172, or \$86 semi-annually, or \$43 per quarter. That's just \$3.31 a week. Or give a gift in the amount of your choice. Commitment cards are available in the church office.
2. **Friends of Jean Webster** will be having their annual dinner Wednesday, Sept. 24, at 6:00pm. This event will be held at Laguna Grill in Brigantine. Auction items will be available as well as a great buffet dinner. See Gay Channell to purchase tickets (\$30 ea.)
3. The **Deacons** will have an ongoing **food drive** until the end of December. There will be various ways to contribute including an online virtual food drive and monetary donations and of course we will still be collecting non- perishable food and personal items. The greatest need at this time is for canned tuna, spam,

chicken, ham and any meaty soups, chili, stews and mac & cheese. There will be a complete list of foods needed on our Harvest Home Table in the vestibule.

- 4. The annual Boscov’s “Friends Helping Friends” program will be **Tuesday, October 21st**, from 9am to 11pm. Discount shopping passes cost \$5 each and are available in the church office. Get some good deals on things you need (or things you don’t need but can’t pass up) and help support the cause. **Family Promise of Atl. Co. keeps the entire \$5 from every shopping pass sold.**

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Representatives from Absecon Emergency Services will be visiting the Absecon Community Center for Seniors on Tuesday, Sept. 23, at 10:15 a.m. in the Great Hall at Absecon Methodist Church. They will be providing clarification of the new ambulance squad service plan.

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Family Service Association will be holding their 3rd Annual TOUCH-A-TRUCK event on Saturday, Sept. 27, from 11:00-3:00 at the Cardiff Shopping Center. It is a day of fun and food for the entire family. See, touch and learn about dozens of vehicles (vintage & new fire trucks, police cars, ACUA ECO Friendly truck, Magnum racing boat). Pick a minnow and race them in a saltwater track. Live music, food vendors and a family fun tent! Cost is \$5.00 for adults with children under 12 free. Net proceeds benefit Family Service to serve our community families in need.

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The Women’s Guild – Breakfast Club of St. John’s United Church of Christ, Egg Harbor City will be offering their Annual Apple Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, Oct. 4, from 7:30-11:30. Also for sale will be an assortment of cakes, pies, soups, jellies, pickles, and even mums for your yard! There will be baskets at the Chinese Auction, too. Breakfast tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 10. The church is located at London Ave. & Beethoven St. in Egg Harbor City.

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By Our Talents...

Lay Assistants
9:30 Scott Sabo
11:15 Linda Gillis

Deacons Guest Book
9:30 Anita Brown
11:15

Head Ushers
9:30 Ilsa Smith, Barbara Hughes
11:15 Jean Delesantro, Tina Brown

Acolyte
9:30 Franklin Nale

Collection

9:30 Roy Birkbeck, Jo-ann Weller

Nursery

9:30 Fran Tanner

Refreshments

Join us for brunch!

Van Driver

Tina Brown

Breakfast Club Kitchen Crew

No Breakfast

Please Remember in Prayer

Joe Marshall

Desiree Williamson

This Week in Our Church . . .

Sunday

9:30 Sunday School & Worship

10:30 Brunch

11:15 Worship

4:00 New Members Class

Monday

1:15 Bible Study

6:00 Senior Youth

7:00 Voices Of Praise Rehearsal

Tuesday

Wednesday

12:00 Evergreens

Thursday

6:30 Christian Education Committee

7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday

Saturday

9:30 Cemetery Committee