

Please join us at 9:30 or 11:00 Sunday as we gather at our Lord's Table.

Pastor's sermon is titled "Abiding in Christ" from [John 15:1-8](#).

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*Pastor Tom is in the office Tuesday through Friday. If you need to get in touch with him at any other time, he can be reached at 856/935-9140 (home), 609/970-0865 (cell) or by email at [tpurchasesnj@comcast.net](mailto:tpurchasesnj@comcast.net). (Fax 856/935-9145)*

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Sunday is our Freedom USA event at 7:00 p.m. on the end lot. Join us as we sneak past the guards to deliver Bibles to secret drop off locations. Don't get caught! Wear dark clothing and bring a flashlight. There will be a campfire to sing around and s'mores to make. Come for a great time.

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2<sup>nd</sup> Monday Lunch is May 11. Be sure to sign up.

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Lunch Bunch will be heading to the Windjammer on Wednesday, May 13. If you can make it we'd love to have you join us!

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Our cemetery drives from W. Church Street are closed due to curb and sidewalk work. Please enter and exit from the New Jersey Avenue driveway.

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The next Movie Night Under the Stars is scheduled for May 15. See Tina H. for details.

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Thursday, May 7, is the National Day of Prayer. This annual event was established in 1952 by Congress and President Truman. This year's theme is "Lord, Hear Our Cry." All are welcome to meet at the flagpole of the Galloway Twp. Municipal Complex Thursday at 12:10 p.m.

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Our annual Strawberry Festival will be Friday, June 5, from 6-8 (Cost \$5 adults/\$3 children 12 and under). We are looking for donations of short cakes, pound cakes, ice cream and whipped toppings. Watch for the sign-up sheets or see Dawn Duran.

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The church yard sale will take place Saturday, June 6, in conjunction with Absecon's city-wide yard sale. If you'd like to reserve a space be sure to sign up! Cost is \$10 or \$15 for space with a table.

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For all those wanting to join us for dinner or for golf & dinner, please know that I will be turning our head count in to Greate Bay on Friday May 8th. We would appreciate if you would turn monies in by May 11th. Please feel free to call me, send me an email or flag me down at church.

We are so excited about this year's event. Our auction items are fabulous: a foursome at Greate Bay, a foursome at Stone Harbor, a foursome at the Links in Brigantine, a lesson with John Petronis, a his or her watch, a beach cruiser bike, a Weber Smokey Joe Grill and soooo much more. Do your Father's Day shopping or buy yourself a gift; plenty of items to bid on. We will have a complete list (or as complete as we can, donations are ALWAYS coming in) prior to the event. Make sure we have your email so that you can arrive with a game plan! Checks are preferred and should be made out to the church.

For the Non-Golfer, we will be playing BINGO while the golfers finish their round. Plenty of great prizes: handbags, gift cards and so much more.

Hope to see you May 17th at Great Bay!!  
Karen & the Golf Committee

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### **Sunday Servants**

#### Lay Assistants

9:30 Kirk Conover

11:00 Priscilla Schultheis

#### Deacons Guest Book

Kris Jenoriki

#### Head Ushers

9:30 Rita & Vic Abelson

11:00 Mary Bew, Betty Lloyd

#### Acolyte

9:30 Jordan Hawkes

#### Collection

9:30 Jack & Dee Heil

#### Nursery

9:30 Gloria Achamizo

#### Refreshments

Nancy & Kirk Conover, Joanie Hoenes

#### Van Driver

John Channell

#### Breakfast Club Kitchen Crew

Set-up – Libby Little

Cook – Ed Little

Clean-up – Ginny & Bill Davenport

### **Please Remember in Prayer**

Melissa Wooding

Marguerite Downer

Shirley Smith

Frank Loeb

Ruth Champion

City of Baltimore  
Relief efforts in Nepal

**This Week in Our Church . . .**

Sunday      *Communion*  
8:45 Breakfast  
9:30 Sunday School & Worship  
10:30 Refreshments  
11:00 Worship  
7:00 Freedom USA

Monday

Tuesday  
6:00 Deacons  
7:00 Session

Wednesday  
6:30 Sarah Circle  
7:00 Trustees

Thursday      *National Day of Prayer*  
6:30 Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday

Saturday