

Please join us at 9:30 or 11:00 on this second Sunday in Advent. Pastor's sermon is titled "Prepare the Way of the Lord" from [Luke 3: 1-6](#).

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; (fax 856/935-9145).

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Following the 9:30 service Sunday, there will be a special meeting of the congregation to elect new officers. Pastor will also be introducing the mission study process.

The Nominating Committee is pleased to report the following full slate of nominees:
Elder, 3 yr. term: Kirk Conover, Linda Gillis, Anna Mae Werner
Trustee, 3 yr. term: Nancy Conover, Ed Little
Deacon, 3 yr. term: Russ Adkisson, Jr, Laurie McManus, Loretta Metz

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The December Good News is now available online. Follow [this link](#) or visit our [website](#) anytime to read and/or download to your desktop.

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There will be two inserts in your bulletin which need your attention! One is the Christmas poinsettia order due in the office by December 13. The other is a brief survey regarding our Sunday worship schedule. Please take a few minutes to review and respond. Thank you!

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Bowling at the Strike Zone in Egg Harbor City - Sunday from 1-3 PM. Cost = \$35 per lane (shoes, pizza and beverage included). If you get 6 people on your lane, that's only \$6 each. Hope to see you there. Fondly, JoAnn Sabo (cell # 233-8952)

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Hats & gloves for Sister Jean's are due Sunday. Gift bags and tissue paper will be available in Madden Hall.

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Mainland Choral Society Concert – Saturday, Dec. 12, 7:30 p.m. Tickets are nearly gone! **Please** call Joanie (641-1839) if you must cancel. **Desserts are still needed.** There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule or call Dawn Duran at 287-2411. Thanks for your wonderful support.

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The Angel Tree gifts are due back next Sunday, December 13. They will be delivered to the Salvation Army next week. **MAKE SURE THE TAG IS SECURELY ON the gift!** Any questions ask any member of the Mission Committee. The mission team and the Salvation Army appreciate your help in making Christmas merrier for many children.

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Sunday, December 20, there will be one service at 10:00 a.m. so that we may all enjoy our young people in their Christmas program. The birthday party for Jesus will follow with games and food. **Desserts are needed please!** See Tina Harvey. (A continental breakfast will be available at 8:45.)

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Our Christmas Eve family worship will be at 6:00p with our traditional service at 7:30. There will be a live nativity staged out front between services. Donations of cookies for refreshments before the second service are needed. See Tina Harvey.

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Session Spotlight

- ⌘ Annual meeting has been called for Sunday, January 24, 2016. All reports are due in the office by Monday, January 4.

- ⌘ Save the date for our annual golf tournament on May 22, 2016!

- ✦ Our Christmas Eve offering has been designated to Family Promise this year.
- ✦ The 2016 General Fund and Benevolence budgets were adopted.
- ✦ The purpose of our winter fund raiser has been changed to replacing the windows in the nursery. Necessary manse repairs need to be done soon and will be covered by the Capital Fund.

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December 05 – Kris Kringle Craft and Gift Show (9:00-4:00), Zion Lutheran Church, 312 Philadelphia Ave., Egg Harbor City. Along with crafts and other items for sale there will be a silent auction of gift baskets as part of this fund raiser for Family Promise.

December 12 – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton’s Cookie Walk (9:00 - ?), Parish Hall, 591 New Jersey Ave., Absecon. Buy homemade Christmas cookies for \$8.00 per pound. Cookie Walk begins at 9:00am and ends when cookies are sold out. Over 100 bakers. Plus over 100 gift baskets available at \$5, \$10, & \$15. Visit the Cocoa Café. For more info: Carol, 609/703-2802

December 12 – Christmas Extravaganza! (10:00 – 5:00) Victory First Presbyterian, Pennsylvania & Pacific, Atlantic City. Purchase your gifts for your loved ones and friends from the best local vendors! For more info: 609/674-1235

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Sunday Servants

Lay Assistants

9:30 Dennis Scardilli
11:00 Linda Gillis

Head Ushers

9:30 Vic & Rita Abelson
11:00 Mary Bew, Betty Lloyd

Acolyte

9:30 Franklin Nale

Offering

9:30 Joan Nale, Franklin Nale

Nursery

Deacons Guest Book

9:30 Jennifer Platt

Naida Burgess

Refreshments

Fellowship Committee

Van Driver

Tina Brown

Breakfast Club Kitchen Crew

Set-up – Jack Little

Cook – Ed Little

Clean-up – Ginny Davenport

Please Remember in Prayer

Irene Hunter

Joanna Howell

John Harvey

Ilsa Smith

Julie Seltzer

Virginia Loeb

Mildred Felsberg

Bill Davenport

This Week in Our Church . . .

Sunday

8:45 Breakfast

9:30 Sunday School & Worship

10:30 Special Meeting of the Congregation

11:00 Worship

1:00 Bowling

Monday

Tuesday

11:00 M. Downer memorial service, Wimberg in Galloway

1:30 Bible Study in the lounge

4:00 King of Kings

7:00 Property Committee

Wednesday

7:00 Bible Study at the manse

Thursday

9:00 PB & J
10:00 Martha Circle at Carol Thomas'
12:00 Serve at Sister Jean's
6:30 Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday

Saturday

9:30 Mission/Evangelism Committee
7:30 Mainland Choral Society Concert