

As our journey to the cross draws to a close, please plan on attending our final worship services of the season.

Tonight: 7:00p Holy Thursday Communion at our church joint with Absecon Methodist Church

Friday: Noon Good Friday service at St. Mark & All Saints

Sunday: 7:00a Easter Sunrise Service at Heritage Park
9:30 & 11:00 Sunday School & Worship

Pastor Tom's sermon titles are:

Tonight - "Why Was Jesus Tried?" from [John 13: 1-17, 31b-35](#)

Easter Sunrise - "An Idle Tale" from [Luke 24: 1-12](#)

Easter Sunday - "Woman, Why Are You Weeping?" from [John 20: 1-18](#).

There will be no breakfast served on Easter Sunday.

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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Our Lenten Cross in the front yard has been draped in purple throughout Lent. But Sunday as we celebrate the resurrection we hope to have a glorious flower filled cross! Please bring a small bunch of fresh cut flowers with you on Sunday to add to our annual Easter display to share with our community the Good News that Jesus Christ is Alive! Alleluia!

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Many thanks to all who donated Easter plants to decorate our sanctuary this Sunday. You may take your plants home following the second service.

Thanks also to those of you who donated "Mission Bouquets" (funds given to benefit the work of our Mission/Evangelism Committee). Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

A complete list will be in the Sunday bulletin.

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The church office will be closing at noon on Good Friday and will reopen Tuesday, March 29. We wish you a blessed Easter!

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The April Good News has been published and will be available online and in the pew racks on Sunday. Be sure to check it out!

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APC/Beacon Summer VBS forms are due to Scott Sabo Sunday morning - forms cannot be accepted late.

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Evergreens will be meeting at noon on Wednesday for their sandwich luncheon; dessert and coffee provided. As seen on Public Television, a historic journey throughout Israel will be shown with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Peter Greenberg as leaders. You won't want to miss this!!

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Work day is scheduled for Saturday, April 9th, from 9 am to 12 noon. A sign-up sheet is on the board in the foyer to sign up for clean up inside and outside at the church and on the outside of the manse. The more people who sign up the better it will be. Refreshments will be provided so we hope to see you there!!

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April 16th Dinner/Bryan Popin piano concert tickets are available from Joanie. Call her at 609/641-1839 – or – see her personally on Sunday. (No table in the vestibule on

Easter. Look for her there the following Sunday.) Seats going FAST! Cost is \$15 Adults/\$5 18 & Under.

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Tickets are on sale for an Italian themed dinner for April 30th. The cost is \$13 for adults and \$7 for children ages 12 and under. The proceeds will go to the new windows that the church desperately needs. Please see Dawn Duran or Bill Hoesten for tickets. The menu includes stuffed shells, chicken parmesan, baked ziti, meatballs, etc.

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Absecon's 9-11 Memorial Committee is sponsoring a trip to Philadelphia on Sunday, May 1, 2016. Bus leaves the American Legion Post 28 at 10:15AM and returns at 6:00PM. The trip includes a 2 hour cruise on the Spirit of Philadelphia, brunch and a visit to the Camden Aquarium. Cost is \$130 all inclusive. RSVP Terry Iaconelli (609/383-1010) by March 28.

AtlantiCare Hospice and Palliative Care is having a Hospice Volunteer Training on Saturday, April 9, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Training will be held at the hospice office in the Airport Commerce Center, 6550 Delilah Rd, Suite 210, Egg Harbor Twp. To register or for information call Kathleen Donadio or Maureen Hope at 609/407-2002.

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Sunday Servants

Lay Assistants

9:30 Dennis Scardilli
11:00 Priscilla Schultheis

Head Ushers

9:30 Bob & Barbara Hudak
11:00 Betty Lloyd, Mary Bew

Acolyte

9:30 Jordan Hawkes

Offering

9:30 Ilsa Smith, Jo-ann Weller

Nursery

9:30 Jordan Hawkes

Deacons Guest Book

Anita Brown

Refreshments

Jackie Bhatti, Mousa Bhatti
Naida & David Burgess

Van Driver

Vic Abelson

Breakfast Club Kitchen Crew

No Breakfast Served

Please Remember in Prayer

Grace Gras

Virginia Loeb

Robin McBrearty

Rose Scott

Elizabeth Brittlund

Josh Howling

Bob & Irene Hunter

Susan Little

Chuck Inman-Sergott

Rev. Kate Killebrew

Gus & Doris Steele

Denise Lenz & Gabriel

Joanna Howell

Ruth Carmen

JoAnne Morgan

Essie Newell

Lucy Croneberger

Davenport family

This Week in Our Church . . .

Sunday

7:00 Sunrise Service at Heritage Park Gazebo

9:30 Sunday School & Worship

10:30 Refreshments

11:00 Worship

Monday Office Closed

Tuesday

1:30 Bible Study in the lounge

4:00 King of Kings

Wednesday

12:00 Evergreens

7:00 Bible Study at the manse

Thursday

6:30 Handbell Choir Rehearsal

7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday

1:00 Ruth Circle at Ethel Washington's

Saturday

9:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry