Please join us in worship at 10:00 Sunday. Pastor's sermon is titled "One Came Back" from <u>Luke 17: 11-19</u>.

Many thanks to Rick DeKarski for again providing our worship music. Rick will return again next week. Dot Ryan will be at the console October 23, 30 and Harold returns for our communion service on November 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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There will be a special meeting of the congregation on Sunday, October 16, following worship. This meeting has been called by session for the sole purpose of electing one elder to fill an unexpired 2-year term.

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Our Cents-Ability offering will be received Sunday. Please use the lunch containers at the entrances to the sanctuary for your donations. Thank you!

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Monday is our bus trip to Lancaster and Sight and Sound Theatre. The bus loads at 9:45 and leaves promptly at 10:00 am. DO NOT be late.

Depart APC: 10 am

First stop: Kitchen Kettle Village 11:30 am

Second Stop: Samson 2:45 show

Third Stop: Dutch Way Family Restaurant dinner buffet 6:00

Arrive APC: 10 pm

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Lunch Bunch will be heading to Allen's Clam Bar in New Gretna on Wednesday. Meet at the church at 11:30 or at Allen's at noon.

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The Annual Applefest will be held on Friday Oct 14th from 5:30 - 7:30. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children ages 12 and under. The price includes a hotdog with or without sauerkraut, an apple dessert with ice cream and whipped topping, a beverage and great music. Additional hotdogs will be available at \$1 each. Please join us for great fellowship, food, and fun. Also there is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule if you are able to donate baked apple goods, ice cream, or whipped toppings. There is also a sign-up sheet if you are able to volunteer to help that day.

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Work Day is scheduled for Saturday, October 15th from 9 am - 12 noon and many hands are needed to complete various chores around the church. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer where you can sign up for whatever job you would like to do. Refreshments will be provided!!! Hope to see a lot of your smiling faces there!!

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Mayor John Armstrong will be speaking on the "Future of Absecon" on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM in Madden Hall following Evergreens' monthly meeting/sandwich luncheon, (12 noon). Dessert and coffee provided. Everyone is welcomed to come and bring a friend.

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Earlier this year our member date base had a "meltdown" following an update. Files had been backed up, but some information was lost. In order to be sure our files are up to date, please download the form from our <u>website</u> to submit your current contact information. An updated church directory will be available in December. Thank you!

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Inspiring DVDs of Greg Buchanan's Sept. 16 harp concert will soon be available! Thanks to Louise Speitel who is making 30 copies. Many requests have already been received (contact Joanie to get on the list – 641-1839). The Fellowship committee is simply requesting a donation for each one with all money received being put toward the cost of a return concert by The American Boychoir! 90% of the boys receive financial aid for housing, schooling and travel to concerts world-wide. Again, we thank you for the continued support of our concert series. (Mark Dec. 9 for our Christmas event with John Taylor.) Dawn Duran, Fellowship Chair.

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Donations of dinner plates, forks and plastic tumblers (all dishwasher safe) for Sister Jean's Kitchen can be left in the designated boxes in Madden Hall. Our volunteers will make certain they are delivered to Frank and his staff. Thanks so very much for all your gifts, which are very much appreciated and needed.

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## **Session Spotlight**

- A special meeting of the congregation has been called to elect one elder to an unexpired term. See announcements and postings.
- Nominating Committee continues its search for new officers for next year. Please prayerfully consider if called.
- Worship Committee has expanded the advertising for a new director of music.

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Rite Aid is coming to the Absecon United Methodist Church on Friday, October 14, from 10 a.m. until 12 Noon for a Flu Shot Clinic. The clinic will be held in the Great Hall. The pharmacist, Robert Fusco, will have flu shots, along with pneumonia and shingles vaccines.

We will also give a pint of soup to shot recipients that day!

Questions? Call Donna Hill at 609-645-2413.

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Annual Friends of Jean Webster's Fundraising Dinner Wednesday, October 19, at 6:00 PM at Laguna Grill, Brigantine. Tickets are \$30.00 for dinner, an auction of gift baskets and various prizes and the distribution of an ad book. Other opportunities to help raise funds are: donating a gift basket or auction item or purchasing an ad (prices range from \$25 - \$300.) Contact Rev. John Scotland at jrscotland@aol.com or 609-404-0290 for tickets, donations, and/or ad purchase.

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## A Night of Music

Ocean Heights Presbyterian Church October 29 – 7:00 p.m.

One Piano Many Hands – featuring 4 and 6 handed compositions with Heera Ghorashi, Alice Groome and Scott Breiner

Special guest musicians: Roberta Beckler and Robert Helsabeck

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#### **Sunday Servants**

<u>Lay Assistants</u> <u>Head Ushers</u>

David Burgess Elaine Risley, Carol Thomas

<u>Acolyte</u> <u>Offering</u>

Jacob Sabo Jack & Dee Heil

Nursery <u>Deacon of the Month</u>

Jennifer Platt Russ Adkisson

<u>Refreshments</u> <u>Van Driver</u>

Alice Smith, Nancy Sooy Dirk Williamson

Breakfast Club Kitchen Crew

Set-up – Kris Jenoriki Cook – John Channell

Clean-up – Vic & Rita Abelson

#### Please Remember in Prayer

Patti Morris Jordan Torjussen Bob & Irene Hunter

Joanna Howell Virginia Loeb Susan Little

Ruth Carmen Robin McBrearty Chuck Inman-Sergott
Rose Scott Essie Newell Lucy Croneberger

Betsy Cunius Kayla Storr

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# This Week in Our Church . . .

#### Sunday

8:30 Breakfast

9:00 Sunday School

10:00 Worship

11:15 Nominating Committee

### Monday

10:00 Bus leaves for Lancaster

### Tuesday

4:00 King of Kings

7:00 Trustees

### Wednesday

11:30 Lunch Bunch to Allen's Clam Bar

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

# Friday

5:30 Applefest

#### Saturday

9:00 Fall Clean-up

9:30 Mission/Evangelism Committee