

Please join us Sunday as we continue our preparations for the coming of the King! Pastor's sermon is titled "Another Annunciation and a Warning" from [Matthew 1: 18-25](#).

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).

The administrative assistant will be out of the office tomorrow.

Pastor Tom will be out of the office December 26 – January 2. Bob Gillis will be preaching on January 1.

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This Sunday is the first Fellowship Sunday for our Sunday School kids. This is an opportunity for all the children to come together for some creativity, praising and fun. Grades Pre K-6 will be reporting to Madden Hall once dismissed from service. This first lesson will be on gifts and the children will be creating things to share with those less fortunate. We will be caroling at the Absecon Manor at 2pm so we will be flip-flopping our schedule as follows:

- 10:00 am – 11:00 am Service
- 11:15 am – 12:00 am Sunday school
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm Practice
- 1:45 pm – 2:45 pm Caroling

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The Memorial Tree for Christmas is in the hallway outside the sanctuary. Pictures of your loved ones will be placed on an ornament to be hung on the tree. Pictures should be 3"x4" or 4"x5" – no larger. Please contact Dee and Jack Heil at 264-1179.

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Evergreen's Christmas Luncheon is Noon Wednesday at Smithville Inn. The church van will leave at 11:30 for those who need a ride. Lisa Whitaker will be sharing her missionary experiences.

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The Chancel Choir will meet with Harold Hawkes on Thursday, Dec. 22, at 6:00 p.m. to prepare for Christmas Eve service.

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Special service times for Christmas and New Year's are listed below. The sacrament of communion will be observed on January 8.

Christmas Eve - 1 service at 7 pm

Christmas Day - 1 service at 11 am, Service of Lessons and Carols

New Year's Day - 1 service at 11 am

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The annual meeting of the congregation and corporation has been called for Sunday, January 29. **All end-of-year reports must be in the office no later than Wednesday, January 4.**

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**The Church of The Holy Innocents
Marine Street, Beach Haven, NJ
Please join us – all are welcome**

**Lessons and Carols
Friday December 16, 7pm**

**Choral and congregational singing
featuring vocal and instrumental soloists**

**Free will offering will be taken at each event
A reception will follow**

For more information please call 609/492-7571

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Absecon Senior Citizens are invited to attend a Holiday Gathering

Monday, December 19
Absecon School District
Attales Tech Lab (Library)
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch followed by
Entertainment

R.S.V.P. today to Sue Antorino-Perry,
Office of the Superintendent
641-5375, ext. 1012

Note: An R.S.V.P. is required to attend.
Limited seating
All seniors are welcome!!!

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Sunday Servants

Lay Assistant

Linda Gillis

Head Ushers

Mary Bew, Betty Lloyd

Acolyte

Kassie Little

Offering

Tina Brown, Greg Hamaty

Nursery

Jennifer Platt

Deacon of the Month

Bob Hudak

Refreshments

Van Driver

Tina Brown

Breakfast Club Kitchen Crew

Set-up – Donna Hughes

Cook – Bill Hoesten

Clean-up – Dirk Williamson

Please Remember in Prayer

Ginny Davenport

Barbara Hughes

Jaynie Perry

Elizabeth Britland

Ferd Morgan

Dottie Hanlon

Fran McManus

Cathy Guenther

Stan Weir

Jordan Torjussen	Joanna Howell	Virginia Loeb
Susan Little	Ruth Carmen	Robin McBrearty
Chuck Inman-Sergott	Rose Scott	Essie Newell
Betsy Cunius	Kayla Storr	

Grunwald, Hunter and Hamaty Families
Victims of storms and fires
Christians in Pakistan & the Middle East, People of South Sudan
Pastor Udo, his Churches & all Christians in Nigeria
Conflict and unrest throughout our nation and around the world

This Week in Our Church . . .

Sunday

8:30 Breakfast
10:00 Worship
11:15 Sunday School Fellowship Sunday
12:00 Lunch
12:30 Worship Committee meeting
1:00 Practice
1:45 Caroling

Monday

Tuesday

9:00 Good News Deadline
1:30 Adult Bible Study, lounge
4:00 King of Kings
7:00 PNC meeting, chapel

Wednesday

Noon Evergreens Christmas Lunch, Smithville Inn
7:00 Adult Bible Study, manse

Thursday

6:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday

Saturday

7:00 Christmas Eve Worship