

Please join us in worship at 10:00 a.m. Sunday. Pastor's sermon is titled "It Really Is the Thought that Counts" from [Matthew 5: 21-37](#).

Many thanks to Harold Hawkes and Vic Werner for providing our worship music.

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 Cents-Ability offering will be received Sunday. Please leave your donations in the containers at the doors to the sanctuary. Thank you!

Sunday is also our second soup sale of the year. Stop by the table in Madden Hall to make your selections, \$5 for a large container and \$3 for a small. You're sure to find your favorites! Many thanks to our Fellowship Committee and all of our soup-makers!

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Greg Buchanan's Sept. 16th Harp Concert DVDs are now available from Joan. (Louise & Ken Marshall photographed and made 25 excellent copies – donating their expertise, materials and countless hours!) The Fellowship Committee encourages you to give a donation for each one to be used toward an American Boychoir Concert planned for Spring 2018. (Note: Almost everyone in the audience is included in this unique video!)

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Schedule Changes:

The Tuesday afternoon Adult Bible Study has been canceled for Feb. 14.

Lunch Bunch will meet on **Wednesday, February 15th** at Fred and Ethel's Lantern Light.

The Martha Circle will meet at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, at Carol Thomas' (postponed one week due to weather).

The meeting of the Christian Readers Book Club scheduled for February 15 has been canceled. We will be meeting on March 15 and discussing the books The Mistletoe Promise and The Boston Girl. We will also be selecting the books for the next year. Please join us at 6:30 Wednesday March 15.

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Evergreens will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 22. Thought it would be fun to have a trivia game re Geo Washington since it is his birthday. Brush up on your history and bring your thinking caps! See you at noon and bring a friend!!

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that has donated their time and efforts into helping with the Sunday Morning Breakfast. I would also like to wish Melvin Washington and John Channell good luck on taking over the breakfast program. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. It has been a great experience working with everyone involved. As I get ready to move to Delaware, and embark on new endeavors, I can't help to think how lucky I was to make so many new friends here. I will definitely miss everyone and look forward to my many return visits for concerts and such. With that said I wish everyone Godspeed and a heartfelt farewell.

God bless you all,
Bill Hoesten, Former Breakfast Coordinator.

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6th Annual Pennies for Pins

WHEN: March 5th*, 2017 from 11:30 - 2 PM

WHERE: The Strike Zone on White Horse Pike
in Egg Harbor City

WHAT FOR? : Mission Project to provide Hygiene Kits for those in Challenging Circumstances - We made over 180 last year . . . Can we do it again!!!?

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- **BOWL** – sign up with JoAnn Sabo after service or with Priscilla at King of Kings
 - (\$6 per bowler for a team of 6 or more due by Sunday, Feb 26th)
- **SPONSOR or CO-SPONSOR A TEAM**

- (Get your donations to JoAnn Sabo after Sunday Service)
- **DONATE YOUR “SPARE” CHANGE:** Water bottle banks to be collected on bowling day*

➤ **BUY TICKETS FOR “THANK YOU” PRIZES**

(Available Sundays starting Feb 19th.

Drawings on March 12th.)

Thank you for all of your generous donations.

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Session Spotlight

- Committee assignments were approved as follows:
 - Christian Education – Linda Gillis, Chair; Bob J Hudak
 - Fellowship – Priscilla Schultheis, Chair; Donna Hughes
 - Mission/Evangelism – Leo Ransone, Chair; Bob J Hudak
 - Stewardship – Kirk Conover, Chair; Don Wong, Chair of Corp.
 - Worship – David Burgess, Chair; Anna Mae Werner
 - Nominating Committee – Priscilla Schultheis, Chair; Don Wong, Chair. of Corp.
 - Presbytery Commissioner – Leo Ransone; Linda Gillis, alt.
 - Clerk – Linda Gillis
 - Chairman of the Corporation – Don Wong
- Session has requested Presbytery’s approval to extend our current contract with Rev. Purchase by six months (April 15-October 15, 2017)
- Mr. Rick DeKarski has been hired as our Director of Music Ministry effective March 12, 2017
- Lenten services have been scheduled as follows:
 - March 8 Unity Dinner, Absecon Methodist Church
 - March 15 – Reformation Lutheran Church
 - March 22 - St Mark and All Saints Episcopal Church
 - March 29 - Absecon Presbyterian Church
 - April 5 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church
 - April 13 - Maundy Thursday Communion Service, Absecon Methodist Church
- “Jburg on the Road” daycamp has been approved for the week of July 31 – August 4, 2017

- Leo needs of volunteers for a coin drop fundraiser April 8 to benefit Family Promise of Atl. Co.

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Veterans History Project

US Veterans – Your story needs to be told.

The Atlantic County Historical Society in conjunction with the Veterans History Project of the Library of Congress is interviewing veterans of all eras and branches of service. For more information call 609/927-5218, or email VHP907@gmail.com.

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Sunday Servants

Lay Assistant

Priscilla Schultheis

Head Ushers

Elaine Risley, Naida Burgess

Acolyte

Kassie Little

Offering

Jack & Dee Heil

Nursery

Jennifer Platt

Deacon of the Month

Laurie McManus

Refreshments

Van Driver

Barbara Hughes

Breakfast Club Kitchen Crew

Set-up: Kris Jenoriki

Cook: John Channell

Clean-up: Vic & Rita Abelson

Please Remember in Prayer

Carol Kleiner

Jaynie Perry

Fran McManus

Nicholas

Ferd Morgan

Cathy Guenther

Barbara Hughes

Dottie Hanlon

Stan Weir

Jordan Torjussen
Susan Little
Chuck Inman-Sergott
Betsy Cunius

Joanna Howell
Ruth Carmen
Rose Scott
Kayla Storr

Virginia Loeb
Robin McBrearty
Essie Newell

Killebrew-Salmon Family

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

9:00 Sunday School

10:00 Worship

Monday

Tuesday

4:00 King of Kings

Wednesday

11:30 Lunch Bunch to Fred and Ethel's Lantern Light

6:00 Property Committee

7:00 Finance Committee

7:00 Adult Bible Study, manse

Thursday

10:00 Martha Circle at Carol Thomas' (postponed from last week)

Friday

Saturday

9:30 Mission/Evangelism Meeting

5:30 Family Game Night