

Please join us in worship Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Pastor's sermon is titled "The Condemning Heart" from [John 3:14-21](#).

Receiving the sacrament of baptism will be William Davenport, Jr, son of William & Lisa Davenport and grandson of Ginny Davenport. Let us welcome him to this community of faith!

We ask that as you enter the sanctuary to please use the Gathering as a time of prayer and preparation before worship. During Pass the Peace please remain at your seat to greet those just around you. You are welcome to come together for a time of Fellowship in Madden Hall before and after worship.

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Sunday is the deadline for all items towards John Risley's collection for military personnel. Thank you for your contributions.

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The church office will be closing at 1:15 Monday. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

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The first Wednesday night Bible Study was cancelled due to the weather so we'll try again next Wednesday week. Join us at 7pm in the lounge. See Leo for more information!

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Our Easter drama, "The Stones of Passion" will be presented Sunday, March 18. The service will be followed by a pot-luck luncheon and Easter egg hunt. **Please sign up** for donations of candy and eggs as well as your pot-luck specialties! See Tina H if you are available to help hide eggs.

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Family Promise guests will be staying with us March 18-24. Please keep these families in your prayers. See Leo if you are available to help during that week.

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WINTER/SPRING FUNDRAISER: - We are raising money to replace our aging church van. New seat belts! New brakes! Our van is 15 years old and has just under 90,000 miles. It is tired and deserves retirement. All the drivers and riders will appreciate a new seat. Please mark all donations "Winter Fundraiser". (Special envelopes are in your pew racks.)

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Services during Holy Week (March 25-April 1) are as follows:

- March 25 - Palm Sunday - regular worship schedule
- March 29 - Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Communion at our church
- March 30 - Good Friday 7:00 p.m. Service at our church
- April 01 - Easter 10:00 regular worship schedule

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Our Sandwich Makers are running low on **JAM** for our monthly donation to Sister Jean's kitchen. If you can provide a jar or two please leave them in the kitchen marked PBJ.

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All are welcome to attend the Community Easter Hymn Sing at America's Keswick in Whiting, NJ on Thursday, April 5. Special Guest will be Michael Faircloth. The church van will leave Absecon at 8:30 a.m. and return at 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$12 (cash please) payable to Fran Weir. A continental breakfast and delicious luncheon are included. See Fran today!

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America's Keswick is also sponsoring a bus trip Sept. 19 - 27 to Mackinac Island, MI and Wisconsin Dells. See Fran if you are interested in hearing more!

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Congregational Event
Saturday, April 7th at 5:30 pm
Madden Hall

Name That Tune

Music by our own
Rick DeKarski

Master of Ceremonies
Rob Perry

A night of music, fun, and food
Contests, Prizes

Sign- up sheets are on the board.

Contact Donna Hughes or Kris Jenoriki with questions.

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Red Cross Blood Drive

Advance Notice!

*United Methodist Church at Absecon
Monday, April 9
1 p.m. to 6 p.m.
in our Great Hall*

Sign up now! Call 1-800-REDCROSS
or visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: UMCAbsecon.

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Sunday Servants

Lay Assistant
Scott Sabo

Head Ushers
Elaine Risley, Ginny Davenport

Acolyte
Jackson Harvey

Offering
Jack & Dee Heil

Nursery
Jennifer Platt

Deacon of the Month
Loretta Metz

Refreshments
Vic & Anna Mae Werner

Van Driver
Tina Brown

Breakfast Club Kitchen Crew
Set-up: Kris Jenoriki
Cook: John Channell
Clean-up: Vic & Rita Abelson

Counting Team
Leo Ransone, Nancy Conover

Please Remember in Prayer

Carmela Thomas	Dorie Keener	Ilsa Smith
Zach Perry	Barbara McLaughlin	Jim Mong
Bob Gillis	Mildred Felsberg	Gus & Doris Steele
Ethel Washington	Isaac Umoren	Ruth Bird
Russ Adkisson	Barbara Hughes	Ferd Morgan
Jordan Torjussen	Virginia Loeb	Susan Little
Ruth Carmen	Robin McBrearty	Rose Scott
Betsy Cunius		

The poor and homeless
Victims of fires, earthquakes and other disasters around the world
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

Please Note: Names on our prayer list will be removed after three weeks unless the office is notified of an update or a request to remain. You are encouraged to continue to remember each one during your daily time of prayer and meditation.

This Week in Our Church . . .

Sunday

8:30 Breakfast
8:50 Adult Sunday School, lounge
9:00 Bridges
10:00 Worship
11:00 Refreshments

Monday

4:45 Rock Solid

Tuesday

4:30 King of Kings

Wednesday

7:00 Bible Study, lounge

Thursday

7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PNC, chapel

Friday

Saturday