

Absecon Presbyterian Church

PRESBY BITS AND PIECES

Sunday, July 2, 2023

ROMANS 6:17-20

But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness.



WELCOME KUNDAN NASIR!

Kundan is a hospital chaplain at Virtua hospitals and a graduate of Princeton Seminary. He is the proud father of his 11 year old daughter Lana Olivia and blessed to have a wonderful life partner in Anastasia to share his life with.

His hobbies include being a big Philadelphia Eagles Football Fan and for Mustang and Muscle car enthusiast. Lastly, he loves trying new food and going new places.

**SERVING
THIS MORNING:**

LAY ASSISTANT:
Louise Speitel

USHERS:
Rita and Vic Abelson

ATTENDANCE

LAST WEEK:

Worship - 47

Sunday School - 6

SUNDAY WORSHIP

at 10:30 In Person or Online
on APC Facebook page at

[www.facebook.com/
abseconpresby](http://www.facebook.com/abseconpresby)

PASTOR KUNDAN NASIR

is with us this Sunday
as our Temporary
Pulpit Supply Minister

SERMON TITLE:

“Free Gift of God”

Romans 6:12-23



FROM THE GARDEN...

It's that time of the year again to plant delicious vegetables and herbs in the APC garden. The garden located between the manse and the cemetery was lovingly started by Lee Wolff and has provided the local food bank with hundreds of pounds of fresh vegetables. Volunteers are needed and welcome to help with watering, weeding, etc. Anyone who wishes to help with a monetary donation or plants, seeds, their time or talents, please see Tina Harvey or Deb Wong. Benefits Rescue Mission.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ADULT BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Two groups are meeting in Cobb Lounge for a review of "The Chosen".
Wednesday morning at 10:30 am with Rita Abelson
Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm with Tina Harvey.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

On July 4th in observance of Independence Day.

POT LUCK DINNER

July 15, 2023 Details to Follow

BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, August 16, 2023
American Red Cross

BBQ

August 27, 2023

BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday August 30, 2023

Lolla Chiropractic



CONGRATULATIONS Once Again to Our Class of 2023 Graduates!

COLLEGE GRADUATES

Katherine Little

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Haroon Bhatti

Maryiam Bhatti

Kwame Gyasi

Rylee McElwee

Erik McClain

Aubrey Puglise

Nicholas Sabo

Hallie Jadin Walden

MARGE LOEB

If anyone would like to send Marge a card, her new address is:

Marge Loeb, Floral Creek Room 25A
600 Township Line Road, Yardley, PA 19067

DON CRONBERGER

If anyone would like to send Don a card, his new address is:

Don Cronberger, c/o Spring Home at Galloway Room D9
Galloway, NJ 08205

Prayers of the People

Each week the people of God at APC join in prayers of thanksgiving, praise and petition to pray as one community for needs in the church. Praying for others keeps our focus outward and opens us up to know the will of God in our own lives. Consider making these prayer lists part of your daily prayer life. Doing so, may just help your feelings of isolation. Through prayer, the Holy Spirit brings others, even strangers, closer to you.

Please Keep These Requests In Prayer

The prayer book is on the table in the vestibule by the side entrance to the sanctuary.

Please write any requests/praise items you wish to be included in prayer during worship.

Keep in mind that Facebook comments and requests read by the minister during worship are being recorded for broadcast and can be heard by the general public worldwide. For the privacy of those you are praying for, consider using just a first name or making your prayer requests general in nature.

- † For victims of gun violence and their families
- † For the situation in Ukraine and World Leaders
- † For the refugees and children of Ukraine and for the Ukrainian Church
- † For God's guidance as we continue the process of calling a new pastor.
- † Members of our armed services.
- † For an end to this pandemic, protection for those most at risk.
- † For confidence to know that in the struggle, God is with us.
- † For renewed commitment to God's purpose in us all.
- † For us to come together in the bond of self-giving love.
- † For renewed energy in finding our place in God's church,
as people who pray, share and volunteer.
- † For wisdom and discernment when facing the unknown.
- † For God's church to embrace the poor and marginalized,
to see God's image and be God's image in this broken world.
- † For a revival in our faith to live boldly for God's Kingdom.
- † For these individuals and families in acute need right now who are connected to your church in Absecon.
- † For those on our standing prayer list and for the needs of your church not listed here, including those intentions held in our hearts and those shared in the comments of Facebook.

For these the individuals and families in acute need right now who are connected to your church in Absecon:

Skip and Sarah Bellino, Kathy Bordanora, Olive Brown, Maddie Caracozzo, The Carpenter Family, Don Croneberger, Robin Deaver, Julie Dougherty, Jerry Falivene, Cathy Follansbee, Wendy Garwood, Janet Gee, Christopher Green, Carol and Dave Guenther, The Family of Mike Guerrieri, Margareta Gustafasson, Alex Hall, John Harvey, Jack Heil, The Hughes Family, Carol Johnson, Walt Koteles, Susan Lobrano, Dottie McCaffrey, Carol McDowell, Jim McManus, The Morris Family, Lisa Nagle, Kelly Primarolo, Minerva Stadlmeir, Stan Weir, Margaret Yeager, Bill Young.

Continued prayers always for:

Rita Abelson, Kathy Boyte, Edit Budd, Emilia Carboy, Lucy Crongerger, Darryl, Khristen and Quetin, Olga Davies, Carol DeLaurentis, Jean Delesantro, Marie C. and Carmen Devece, Gail Driscoll, Kavonna and Essence, Dorie Keener, Eric Lajeuness, Aiden and Wendy Licolli, Marge Loeb, Robin McBrearty, JoAnn Morgan, Essie Newell, Rob Perry, Joyce Pfeiffer, Marilyn Rosado, Irene Smith, Judy Stebbins, Doris Steele, Georgina Umoren, Mary Umoren and Family, Ethel Washington, Frances Weir, Dirk Williamson

PRAYER SHAWL GROUP

Will not be meeting during the months of June, July, and August.

However, they will continue to create beautiful shawls and throws over the summer.

If you have a request, please see Loretta Metz.

**Please join us for
*Coffee Mingle***

All are welcome to gather in Madden Hall following Sunday worship.

Brought to you by your Church Family and Fellowship Committee.

Help is needed with set up, clean up, and providing baked goods, cookies, etc.

If you are able to assist in any way please sign up on the clipboard in the vestibule.



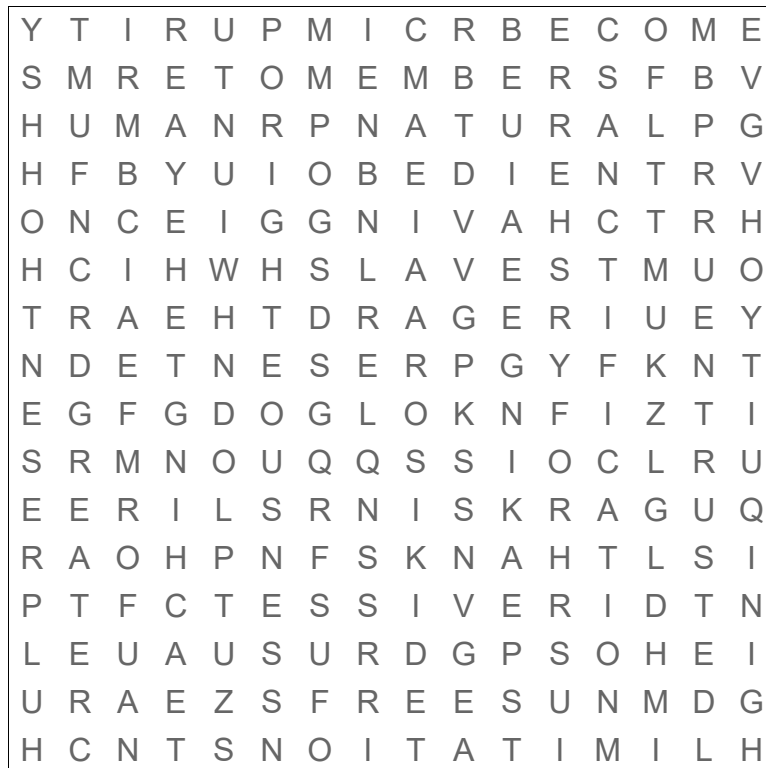
Word Search Puzzle

From WhenWeWordSearch.com

Words in a straight line left to right or top to bottom

July 2, 2023

ROMANS 6:17-20



Words in the puzzle are printed in **bold italics**

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Deposit made June 23, 2023

General

Envelopes Undesignated (includes Loose Offerings)	\$762.99
Envelopes Designated	\$3,650.00
Initial Offering	
Energy	
Strawberry Festival (Fellowship)	

General Total	\$4,412.99
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Benevolence

Envelopes Undesignated (includes Loose Offerings)	\$87.70
Envelopes Designated	\$20.00

Benevolence Total	\$107.70
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Capital Expenditures

Envelopes Undesignated (includes Loose Offerings)	\$26.31
Envelopes Designated	\$900.00
Online - Undesignated	
Online - Designated	
Fund Raiser - Sanctuary mini wall	

Capital Total	\$926.31
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Combined Total	<u>\$5,447.00</u>
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Presbytery *For* Southern New Jersey
CAMP JOHNSONBURG
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Send completed application to:

Email to: admin@presbysnj.net or mail to 1701 Sycamore Street, Haddon Heights, NJ 08035
856-547-5100. Attention: Mission Committee

Scholarships are available to attend Camp Johnsonburg, for members of the Presbytery *For* Southern New Jersey. The scholarships available are \$250.00 for a one week campership or \$500.00 to attend a 3 week LTP session. (Only one campership per child per summer.) Camp will be paid directly.

Name of camper _____

Age _____ Grade _____ Dates of camp _____

Parent(s) name _____

Mailing address _____

Email _____

Church name _____

Cost of camp \$ _____ Scholarship amount requested \$ _____

(see above amounts)

Parent contribution \$ _____ Church contribution \$ _____

Camper contribution \$ _____ (when age appropriate)

THE FOLLOWING ARE REQUIREMENTS IF A SCHOLARSHIP IS AWARDED:

10 hours of "service " are required within the following school year. Service being defined as work around the church, with other facilities such as nursing homes, helping neighbors, etc. A documented list of activity, date and hours should be given to your pastor when completed.

A 50 WORD ESSAY ON "What I learned at camp" is to be given to your pastor by the first week in September.

Sister Jean's Food & Clothing Pantry

Believe it or not, the otherwise helpful government program SNAP, does not cover these essentials!?!

There is a big demand for dish soap and toilet paper and other cleaning products. They need the sizes for home use, not bulk containers as these are for individuals. Even just grabbing a few items at a dollar store will help. Don't forget dish cloths and sponges... you know, the essentials.



Peanut Butter and Jam Sandwiches Ministry



Urgent need for jam!

Would you like to volunteer making the sandwiches?

Would you like to donate peanut butter and/or jam?

Just leave the jars in the kitchen with a note saying it's for PB&J Ministry!

Monetary donations will help with our purchases of fresh bread.



Questions?

Please see or call Betty Price at 609 457-5155.

Your gifts and/or time will be very much appreciated!

How fortunate the Church is to have John Harvey, Betty Price and Jo-ann Weller who meet every other Thursday at 8 a.m., in the Church kitchen and make peanut butter and jam sandwiches for the Rescue Mission in Atlantic City. Maybe you could give them a helping hand

Be assured, the Rescue Mission patrons appreciate everything that they receive.



Please help
replenish our
homemade soups
and breads for
our shut-in
members.

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| LABEL your soups and breads and |
| please, DO NOT use nuts in your |
| recipes as many people have an |
| allergy to them. |
| Please put DATE on label. |
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