

Absecon Presbyterian Church

PRESBY BITS AND PIECES

Sunday, January 29, 2023

LUKE 9:13-17

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THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

on the following holiday:
February 20th - President's Day

LOST AND FOUND

We have a watch, a couple of umbrellas, eye glasses and many keys. If you are missing any of these items, please come to the office. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

FELLOWSHIP SPAGHETTI DINNER

Saturday, February 4, 2023
5:00 - 7:00 pm

2022 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION AND CORPORATION OF THE ABSECON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, January 29, 2023
Immediately following the Service.
Pizza will be served at the conclusion of the meetings.

SERVING THIS MORNING:

Lay Assistant:
Debbie Wong

Ushers:
Diane Keener
and Nancy Sooy

Attendance Last Week:

Worship - 38
Sunday School - 7

Sunday Worship at 10:30

In Person or Online on
APC Facebook page at
[www.facebook.com/
abseconpresby](http://www.facebook.com/abseconpresby)

Rev. Dave Wenker
is with us this Sunday
as our Temporary
Pulpit Supply Minister

Sermon Title:

"Enough"

Exodus 16:1-10
Luke 9:10-17

LIFELINE HEALTH SCREENING
They will be returning on Tuesday, May 9, 2023
8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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:

The Family of Katie Beem, Skip Bellino, Kathy Bordanora, Olive Brown, Maddie Caracozzo, Don Croneberger, The Family of Ginny Davenport, Robin Deaver, Julie Dougherty, Jerry Falivene, Cathy Follansbee, Wendy Garwood, Christopher Green, Carol and Dave Guenther, Michael Guerrieri and Family, Hackney-Will Family, Alex Hall, John Harvey, The Hughes Family, Carol Johnson, Carol McDowell, Marjorie McGuigan, Jim McManus, The Morris Family, Lisa Nagle, Gary Price, Sue, Minerva Stadlmeir, Bill Young, Stan Weir.

Continued prayers always for:

Rita Abelson, Kathy Boyte, Edith Budd, Emilia Carboy, Lucy Cronberger, Darryl, Kristen and Quentin, 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

**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.



Deposit made January 20, 2023

General

Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$411.51
Envelopes Designated	\$925.00
Per Capita	\$76.00
Initial Offering	\$3.00
Energy	\$400.00
Christmas Donation	
On-line Undesignated	
On-line Designated	
On-line Fuel	
General Total	<hr/> \$1,815.51

Benevolence

Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$47.30
Envelopes Designated	\$10.00
Mission Evangelism	
Y/E Donation	
Christmas Eve Food Bank	
On-line Undesignated	
On-line Designated	
On-line Sister Jean's	
Benevolence Total	<hr/> \$57.30

Capital Expenditures

Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$14.19
Envelopes Designated	\$300.00
Bricks (Memorial)	
On-line Undesignated	
On-line Designated	
Capital Total	<hr/> \$314.19
Combined Total	<hr/> \$2,187.00

Word Search Puzzle

From WhenWeWordSearch.com

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

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Words in the puzzle are printed in *bold italics*

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“MUSTARD SEED MOMENTS”

Last Sunday morning, Lisa Whitaker spoke about **Mustard Seed Moments** in her life and the lives of all involved in the birth of Jesus (Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, the wise men).

Lisa asked us to consider our **Mustard See Moments** in our lives. She said the following:

“Consider your **Mustard Seed Moments** in your life. **Mustard Seed Moments** that are happening right now and can say yes to even if you don’t know what the outcome is going to be and even if you think much like the mustard seed, this is such an insignificant whatever and God’s going. Ha! Remember what I’ve done with little insignificant situations, with little dreams that people have had, with little invitations I’ve given to people. Just remember I’ve taken very small things... Mountains can be moved! Things can happen!”

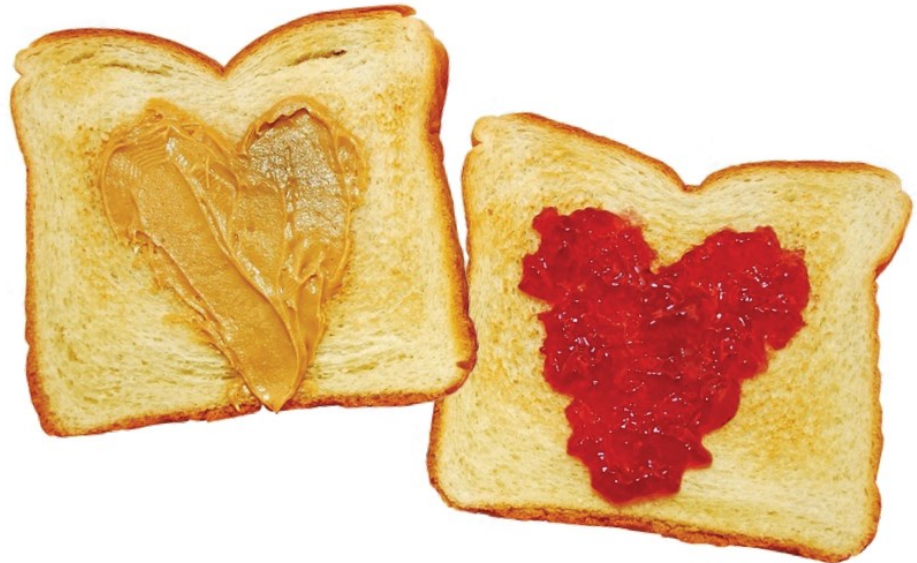
What about our lives? What are the **Mustard Seed Moments** that each of us have experienced? And during our daily devotions, have we thanked God and Jesus for what we have been given because of these **Mustard Seed Moments**.

NEWS FROM MISSION EVANGELISM

Our Christmas Eve offering was designated to go to the Food Bank of Egg Harbor Township.. Our church’s donation was \$1,000.

Please know that we love each and every one of you, and you continue to be in our prayers.
Stay safe – Follow Official Guidelines – and Know You Are Loved!

Peanut Butter and Jam Sandwiches Ministry



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.

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive **Lolla Chiropractic Center** **Absecon Presbyterian Church**

Hall
208 New Jersey Ave.
Absecon, NJ 08201

Wednesday, February 8, 2023
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Lolla Chiro to schedule an appointment.

Warm hearts. Warm thoughts. Give in February for a \$10 Gift Card by email, thanks to Amazon. And, automatically be entered for a chance to win a trip for 2 to Clearwater Beach, FL. Includes travel, hotel, gift card and more! Terms : rcblood.org/heart

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Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, February 4 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Salad

Pasta with Red or White Sauce

Bread

Coffee and Ice Tea

Cost of admission?

Bring a dessert to share.

