

Absecon Presbyterian Church

PRESBY BITS AND PIECES

Sunday, February 12, 2023

1 SAMUEL 17:49-50

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SPAGHETTI DINNER

We had a great turn-out for the Spaghetti Dinner last Saturday! There were 30 of us in attendance. A big thank you to Tina Capriglione, Tina Harvey and Sandy Shinsato. All day they lovingly prepared the delicious sauces, meatballs and salad. And thank you to all who brought the delicious desserts. A good time was had by all!

NEWLY INSTALLED OFFICERS ELDER, DEACON, AND TRUSTEE

During Sunday's service, Rev. Dr. Gaskill installed Karen Little (Elder), Betty Price (Deacon) and Sandy Shinsato (Trustee) for three-year terms.

All three women have been previously ordained and are now being re-installed. We all are very happy of their decisions to serve as Elder, Deacon and Trustee. Donna Hughes is currently away and will be installed when she returns.

Karen lives in Northfield with her husband Ed and their 4 children, Kassie, Libby, Jack and Will. She is a Special Education teacher in Egg Harbor Township and has been teaching in various capacities for almost 20 years. Her hobbies include reading, going to the beach and spending time with her family. Karen and Ed have planned a cruise to Bermuda on their 25th Anniversary in June.

Betty, who has retired from the Payroll Department of Caesar's, is part of the PB&J group that is currently making

SERVING THIS MORNING:

Lay Assistant:
Loretta Metz

Ushers:
Bob and Barb Hudak

Attendance Last Week:

Worship - 41
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)

Rev. Jim Shanley
is back with us this Sunday
as our Temporary
Pulpit Supply Minister

Sermon Title:
"When the Elephant
Steps on Your Air Hose"

2 Samuel 17:4, 32-51

sandwiches every other week for the Rescue Mission in Atlantic City. She also enjoys crocheting with the Prayer Shawl group, creating beautiful crafts sold at the different craft shows, and playing board games.

Sandy is part of the Human Resources Department at the Resorts Casino and Hotel in Atlantic City and also part of the Prayer Shawl group. You can always find her helping in the kitchen when there is a Fellowship Committee function or teaching Sunday School with Tina Harvey and Betsy Eberhard.

BLOOD DRIVE THIS PAST WEDNESDAY

Lolla Chiropractic wanted to thank us for sponsoring the blood drive this week. There were a total of 25 donors present, 3 deferrals and 4 Power Reds! In total they collected **29 units** of blood that will be able to provide for hospital patients! The next blood drive is going to be on April 7, 2023 from 1:00-6:00pm

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

on President's Day
February 20, 2023

Upcoming Events

ADULT BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Two groups are meeting in Cobb Lounge and studying "The Chosen" Season 2.
Wednesday morning at 10:30 am with Rita Abelson
Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm with Tina Harvey.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

at Absecon United Methodist Church
on February 22, 2023 at 7:00pm

PASSOVER SEDER

will be held at Absecon United Methodist Church
on March 12, 2023 at 5:00 pm

HOLY THURSDAY / GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

will be held at Absecon United Methodist Church
on April 7, 2023 at 7:00 pm

COMMUNITY EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

will be held at Heritage Park

April 9, 2023 at 6:30 am

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, Khristen 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.





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

LABEL your soups and breads and
please, DO NOT use nuts in your
receipes as many people have an
allergy to them.

Deposit made February 3, 2023 and January Online Giving

General

Loose	
Envelopes Un- designated	\$830.85
Envelopes Des- ignated	\$555.00
Per Capita	\$76.00
Initial Offering	\$2.00
Energy	\$105.00
On-line Un- designated	\$2,995.89
On-line Desig- nated	
On-line Initial	\$5.00
On-line Per Capita	\$152.00
General Total	<hr/> \$4,721.74

Benevolence

Loose	
Envelopes Un- designated	\$95.50
Envelopes Des- ignated	
Mission Evan- gelism Y/E Do- nation	
On-line Un- designated	\$344.36
On-line Desig- nated	
On-line Sister Jean's	
Benevolence Total	<hr/> \$439.86

Capital Expenditures

Loose

Envelopes Undesignated

\$28.65

Envelopes Designated

\$300.00

On-line Undesignated

\$103.31

On-line Designated

Capital Total

\$431.96

Combined Total

\$5,593.56

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!

Word Search Puzzle

From WhenWeWordSearch.com

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

February 12, 2023

1 SAMUEL 17:49-50

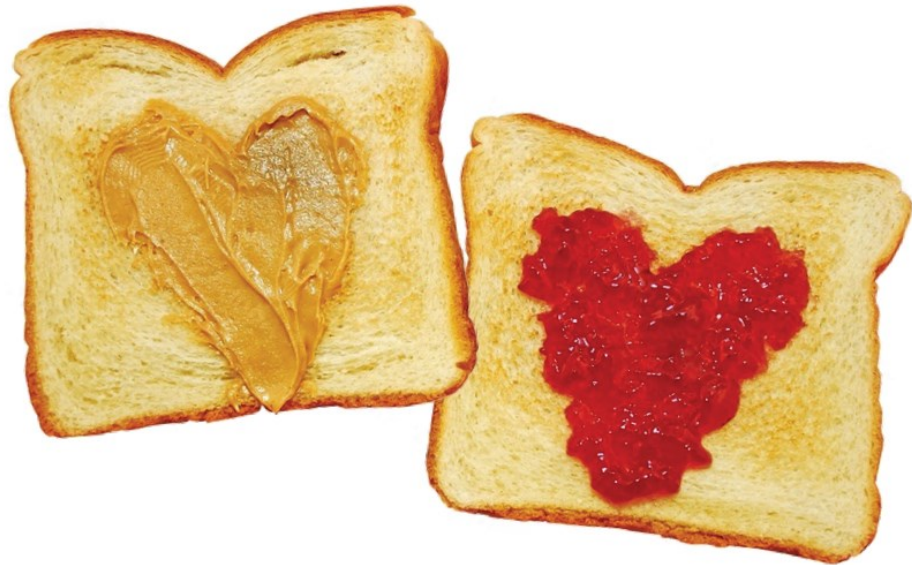


Words in the puzzle are printed in *bold italics*

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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

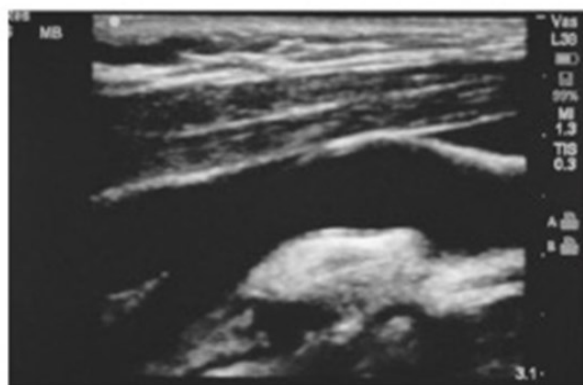
Be assured, the Rescue Mission patrons appreciate everything that they receive.

Take a step toward staying **Healthy & Active**

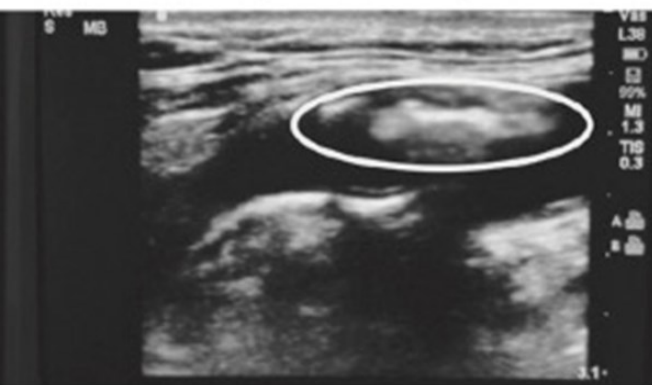
Life Line Screening goes beyond regular checkups to provide a more thorough look at your health.

Be Smart: Do More For Your Cardiovascular Health

No Plaque Buildup



Plaque Buildup



Advanced ultrasound technology looks inside your arteries for signs of plaque buildup.

That's why **9 out of 10 cardiovascular doctors** support preventive screenings for those with key risk factors.¹

Adults age 50+ and those 40 and older with one or more risk factors for cardiovascular disease should be screened.

¹Key Risk Factors include: *High blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, obesity, smoking, family history.

We are coming to your neighborhood.

To register for your appointment and to receive the special discount,
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