

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

– Leviticus 19:1-2

**Worship Live online Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and Outdoor Worship at 3:00 p.m.
on APC's Facebook page at
www.Facebook.com/AbseconPresby**

Sunday will be our third Sunday with two services - each one unique. Bulletins for both services are attached to this email.

Pastor Drew's sermon at 10:30am is titled "*By What Authority? Because I Said So*" from Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 (NRSV) and Matthew 22:34-46 (CEB) available for you in the attached bulletin along with the hymns.

The **Outdoor Worship will be at 3 p.m.** in the cemetery This will be a service of Lessons and Hymns in celebration of Reformation Sunday. **To attend, you MUST register at <http://bit.ly/apcoutside> and agree to the social distancing rules**, including wearing a mask during the service. Please bring your own chair if you can, as well as your own bible and drink. Again, you MUST register using the above link.

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If you or someone you know from church is sick or hospitalized, please notify the office at 609/641-3759 so Pastor Drew can reach out to you.

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Please Keep These Requests in Prayer

For each of us in this divided nation to humbly repent and love others as Jesus loves us, regardless of political party.

For all who are suffering the effects of natural disasters.

For an end to this pandemic, healing for the sick, protection for those at risk, and comfort for those grieving or alone.

For a cure, treatment and preventative options to save lives.

For our government leaders to unite in addressing this crisis.

For the homeless and the poor who struggle even more now in this economic recession to meet basic needs.

For wisdom, guidance and protection when we gather again.

For an end to institutions of racism and our personal bigotry, that we humble ourselves for one another and set aside hate.

For all who are grieving personal loss and the changes to our church, our society, the economy and the culture this year.

For all who are struggling with anger and fear, especially those battling mental illness.

For these the individuals and families in acute need right now who are connected to your church in Absecon: Stan Weir, JoAnne Morgan, John King, Bill Tilley, Bob Gillis, Rita Abelson, Rob Perry, Loretta Metz, Robin McBrearty, Christopher Green, Diane Ford, Dorie Keener, the Morris Family, Jim Price, Dirk Williamson, Wayne & Ruthann Grier, Paula Dowey

Continued prayers always for:

Elaine Risley, Frances Weir, Mike Speirs, Louise Speitel, Dan Hughes, Gail, Emilia Carboy, Irene Smith, Aiden & Wendy Licolli, Kathy Boyte, Minerva Stadlmeir, Jean Delesantro, Jerry Hoenes, Betsy Cunius, Marjorie McGuigan, Rich & Rob, Doris Steele, Joyce Pfeiffer, Don & Lucy Croneberger, Marie C. & Carmen DeVece, Marge Loeb, Carol Thomas, Jim Mong, Edith Budd, Carol DeLaurentis, Ellen Plum, Mildred Felsberg, Virginia Loeb, Lisa Mazza, Darryl, Kristen and Quentin

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Session has set a **goal of 40 Shoeboxes** built by November 7. **Seven have been built as of today, and we thank you.** You are encouraged to support this worthy cause providing a brighter Christmas for children in need around the world. For a \$25 donation you can choose from gift options in 4 categories and include a short note or you can choose to have your gift filled for you.

Use the [Shoobox](#) link above or use <http://bit.ly/APCShoeBoxes> and click your way through to bring joy to a child!

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It's time for our **Christmas Angel Tree** project through the Salvation Army! As with the Shoeboxes, this year's collection will be a little different. See the flyer attached to this email

for a list of the children we are sponsoring. Then call Ann Wallace with your selection and she will give you the child's wish list. As in the past gifts are not to be gift wrapped. See the flyer for more information.

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Upper Room devotionals for November/December are available from the church office. Give us a call and we will make sure you get your copy!

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Other Ways to Join Worship

Do you or someone you know struggle with using Facebook for Sunday services? Facebook is ideal because we can interact with each other, but if you or someone you know does not have an account, you can still see the services live and throughout the week via our Web site:

www.AbseconPresby.org

If you or someone you know is not connected to the Internet at all, we will mail the bulletin and sermon out midweek. Call the office to add a name and address for the mailing.

And every Monday, afternoon the previous Sunday's sermon will be available by phone to listen day or night at your convenience by calling this number: (609) 212-0313.

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Now Wednesday Morning Prayer

Throughout the shelter in place order, the Tuesday Morning Prayer Ministry has changed their meeting day but continue to meet via Zoom to lift up the names of all who are affiliated with the church and the specific prayer requests that you send in. Now it is moving to **Wednesdays!**

If you have a particular request for prayer or would like someone who you love to be included in prayer, please call the church or send an email to PrayerAPC@gmail.com.

If you would like to join the prayer group go to <https://bit.ly/PrayerAPC> at 8:30 a.m. on **Wednesday** mornings.

Wednesday Zoom

Every week Pastor Drew checks in with the congregation through Zoom, a free program for

your smart phone, tablet or computer. Usually, around 10 to 15 individuals stop in to chat with each other about what's going on in our lives and in the church. If you would like to join in, please call the office for the link, which is protected with a password to ensure that you are safe.

Pastors of the Absecon-Galloway Ecumenical Community offer a weekly Facebook prayer group Thursdays at Noon. All are welcome to sign into Facebook and use the link below to meet with our local pastors in prayer. This works the same as our online worship.

<https://www.facebook.com/YourChurchesTogether/>

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What can I give?

The church is one body with many parts. Each of us has something different to offer in terms of time, talent and treasure.

Please consider giving your time by calling and checking in on fellow church members, including friends, but also those you do not talk to regularly.

Please consider giving your talent, by considering ways your skills may help to alleviate the strain put on us all by this pandemic.

Please consider giving your treasure by mailing in your tithes and your offerings. Mail your checks to:

Absecon Presbyterian Church
208 New Jersey Avenue
Absecon, NJ 08201

You can also give your gift online at:

www.AbseconPresby.org/give

All gifts made Online are safe and secure through the Presbyterian Foundation. At this time, gifts to the General Fund and Benevolence are what is most needed.

Giving received Oct. 10-16:

General

Loose

Envelopes Undesignated

\$852.60

Envelopes Designated	\$160.00
On-line Undesignated	
On-line Designated	
Per Capita	
Initial	
Energy	
General Total	<u>\$1,012.60</u>

Benevolence

Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$98.00
Envelopes Designated	\$75.00
On-line Undesignated	
On-line Designated	
Mission Bouquet	
Sister Jean's	
Benevolence Total	<u>\$173.00</u>

Capital Expenditures

Loose	
Envelopes Undesignated	\$29.40
Envelopes Designated	
On-line Undesignated	
On-line Designated	
Winter Fund Raiser	
Cemetery	
Capital Total	<u>\$29.40</u>

Combined Total	<u><u>\$1,215.00</u></u>
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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!