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Pinelands United Methodist Church

Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!
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Prelude

Time of Greeting and Announcements

❖ Hymn #177 “He Is Lord”
(Sing Twice)

❖ **Call to Worship**

LEADER: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

PEOPLE: Our hearts are glad and our souls rejoice.

LEADER: Do not worry or fear, for Christ is alive!

PEOPLE: In this place, we find hope and joy.

LEADER: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

PEOPLE: Let us worship the one who brings new life.



Opening Prayer

Life-giving God, we gather today to celebrate the resurrection of your Son. We are grateful for the new life he brings. We are grateful for the hope and joy he shares. We are grateful for his leading the way, as he goes before us. Gracious God, today and every day we offer you our thanks and praise. Strengthen our faith, that it may sustain us during difficult days and enable us to share your love with others. Open our hearts to new life and new possibilities. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

1st Scripture Reading Acts 2:14a, 22-32

2nd Scripture Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9

❖ Hymn #304 “Easter People, Raise Your Voices”

❖ Gospel Reading John 20:19-31

Sermon

Joys and Prayers of the People of God

Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology #95

❖ Benediction

❖ Hymn

#308 “Thine Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son”

God bless you and not let you out of his sight.
God keep and protect you by day and by night.
Let love, understanding be yours evermore.
God’s grace be with you forever more.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Pastor Dave Carber
 Barbara Kurowski
 Linda Hirst
 Bill & Linda Green
 Kathy Simpkins
 Marge Clifton
 Anastasia Keno
 Anna Walker
 The Lister Family
 Jerry
 Sandra Allebach
 Brian Plasket
 Robin Green
 Paul Cowan
 Dave Dixon
 Hayley
 Ed Rabush
 Kaitlin DeLucca (US Air Force)
 Max Lister (US Army)
 Jacob Lynn
 Stephen Lister
 The Rabush Family

Frances Ernwood
 Wilma Brown
 Margie Cochran
 Sean Plasket
 McCartney Family
 Barbara Ford
 Joseph Newton
 David & Emily Elkin
 Denise
 Tom Rheault
 Cathy Carber
 John Allebach Sr
 Nicholas Cellini
 Darlene
 Baby James William
 Joanne Wunsch
 Billy Cheatham (US Marines)
 Tiernan James (US Coast Guard)
 Riley James (US Marines)
 Melodee Ashby
 Margaret Yahrling
 Tom Hamilton



CHURCH NEWS

APRIL 16, 2023

New Member Celebration today. WELCOME HOME!
There will be coffee and cake following service today. Everyone is welcome to join the celebration!

NEW BIBLE STUDY BEGINS ~ TODAY



The Lord will Fight for You! Exodus & Leviticus Bible Study begins on April 16th at Noon. Workbooks are \$10.00. Please sign up with Pastor Dave or Cass.

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH MEET ~ APRIL 24th

The UWIF meet on Monday, April 24th at 10:00 am in our Nesco Church Building. Please consider joining this group of awesome women who make CHANGE! On the agenda is fundraising, missions, and special planning.



SPECIAL MUSICAL EVENT ~ APRIL 30th



We will meet in our Batsto Church Building for one special worship service on **April 30th at 10:00 am**. After our combined worship service we will have BRUNCH available in the fellowship hall. Please bring a dish to share.



FISHING GROUP MEETS



On the first Wednesday of each month Pinelands UMC Fishing Group meets. Our **May 3rd** meeting will be at the Bridel's house @ **7:00 pm**. Everyone is welcome to join.

FISHING TRIP ~ MAY 8th

The Pinelands Fishing Group is planning a fishing trip out of Cape May, NJ on **May 8th**. Cost is \$100.00 and includes the tip. Please speak with Jeanne or Janice for more information.

NESCO CHURCH FOOD PANTRY



Our food pantry is open each **Monday** night from **4:00 pm - 7:00 pm** in our Nescos Church building. If you are experiencing food insecurities we urge you to take advantage of this free program offered by Pinelands United Methodist Church. If you have items you'd like to donate to our

mission please call the church office at 609-804-1844 or speak to Kathy Wooton / Liz Rabush about your donation.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION @ MULLICA SCHOOL

Protein boxes will be distributed behind Mullica School on **Wednesday, April 26** beginning at 3:45 pm until they run out. If you are experiencing food insecurities, come pick up your protein box behind the school.



ANNUAL CONFERENCE ~ POSSIBILITY

We are looking forward to the 2023 Annual Conference for The United Methodists of Greater New Jersey that will take place in May at the Wildwood Convention Center, Wildwood, NJ on **May 21-23**. Registration is now open!

FOOD KITCHEN - ATLANTIC CITY MISSION



On **Saturday, April 29th**, we are invited to help feed the hungry in Atlantic City with a sister church. If you would like to attend this mission please speak with Kathy Wooton about the details.

IT's MOVING TIME!

On **Sunday, May 7th**, we will begin meeting for our 9:00 am worship service in our Nescos Church Building for the summer. Mark it on your calendar!



ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING



The administrative council meets on **May 10th at 7:00 pm** in our Nescos Church building. Please make every effort to attend. Everyone is welcome!

