



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 #404 "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

❖ Call to Worship

LEADER: Coming from different places,

PEOPLE: we gather as one church, one community of faith.

LEADER: Bringing different gifts,

PEOPLE: we come to offer ourselves as we are.

LEADER: Blessed by one Spirit,

PEOPLE: we bring our unity of gratitude and praise.

Opening Prayer

Holy Spirit, blow through our gathering as you blew through that Pentecost gathering so many centuries ago. Breathe in us your new creation, that we may be renewed and revived to be your people once more. Speak through our differences and our diversity, and bind us together in unity and love.



1st Scripture Reading Acts 2:1-21

2nd Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

❖ Hymn #393 "Spirit of the Living God"
(sing twice)

❖ Gospel Reading John 7:37-39

Sermon

Joys and Prayers of the People of God

Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology #95

❖ Hymn #641 "Fill My Cup, Lord"
(sing twice)

❖ Benediction

God bless you and not let you out of his sight.
God keep and protect you by day and 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
 Zelda Carber
 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
 Evelyn Roland

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
 Larry Acker



CHURCH NEWS

MAY 28, 2023

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE @ BATSTO



May 29, 2023 Mullica Township VFW Post #5043 will be presenting a Memorial Day Service at our Batsto Church at **9:30 am** (rain or shine). There will be Buddy Poppy Distribution and also a recruiting event. All are welcome. **Bring a chair!**

FATHERS DAY WORSHIP

June 18, 2023 we celebrate all fathers, young and old. Join us as we have a special speaker, Bryan Bridel, leading us in worship. "The righteous man walks in his integrity; his children are blessed after him."



– Proverbs 20:7

22nd ANNUAL RIVER BLESSING @ ST MARYS



On **June 17, 2023** at **11:00 am** St Mary's in the Pines will be holding the annual blessing on the river in the historic cemetery located on Pleasant Mills / Jackson Road. Plan to arrive early to get parking and bring your own chair.



NESCO CHURCH FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry is open each **Monday** night from **4:00 pm - 7:00 pm** in our Nesco 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.



CAPE ATLANTIC POVERTY TASK FORCE



DONATE

The Cape Atlantic Poverty Task Force is collecting donations for the forest fire season. They are currently collecting water, Gatorade, Powerade, granola bars, trail mix, individual packs of crackers, single serve hand held snacks. These items will be collected and distributed to firefighters working the scene of forest fires. Please donate if you are able. Contact Dave or Wendy Dorfman for donations ~ Dave (609) 287-6525 or Wendy (609) 287-5965.



The Holy Spirit Comes at Pentecost

2 When the day of Pentecost came, all the believers gathered in one place. 2 Suddenly a sound came from heaven. It was like a strong wind blowing. It filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 They saw something that looked like fire in the shape of tongues. The flames separated and came to rest on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit. They began to speak in languages they had not known before. The Spirit gave them the ability to do this.

-ACTS 2:1-4, NIRV