



Pinelands United Methodist Church

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

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Christ the King Sunday

November 26, 2023

Theme: Christ the King Sunday

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

❖ Call to Worship

Leader: Come! Let us give thanks to God!

People: We give thanks for the gift of warm bread, the smell of dinner cooking in the oven, and the joy of gathering around a table together.

Leader: Come! Let us give thanks to God!

People: We give thanks for all the times God has made a way out of no way, providing for us in body and spirit just when we need it.

Leader: Come! Let us give thanks to God!

People: We give thanks for the ways God weaves us together as a community of love and care, supporting one another in the ebbs and flows of daily life.

Leader: Let us come into God's presence with grateful praise!

People: Come! Let us worship God together. Amen.

❖ Gathering Hymn ... #327 "Crown him with many Crowns"



Opening Prayer

God of Healing and Transformation, we hunger and thirst for your abundant life. We bring you our sorrow and ask for the bread of joy; we bring you our despair and ask for the bread of hope; we bring you our weariness and ask for the bread of inspiration. Meet us here. We need the bread of heaven to sustain us as we journey to find our way, that we may be one with you. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

1st Scripture Reading

Psalm 27:9-14

❖ Hymn of Preparation #176 "Majesty"

2nd Scripture Reading

Isaiah 9:1-7

Sermon

The Waiting World

Joys and Concerns of the People of God

Lord's Prayer

Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology #95

❖ Closing Hymn #555 "Forward thru the Ages"

❖ Benediction

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.



KEEP THEM IN PRAYER

Kathy Simpkins
 Barbara Kurowski
 Linda Hirst
 Linda Green
 Dave Dixon
 Marge Clifton
 Tom Rheault
 Anna Walker
 Denny & Joy O'Shaughnessy
 Jerry
 Sandra Allebach
 Brian Plasket
 Robin Green
 Paul Cowan
 Stephen Lister
 Ciara McCarthy Burke
 Kaitlin DeLucca (US Air Force)
 Tiernan James (US Coast Guard)
 Max Lister (US Army)

Frances Ernwood
 Wilma Brown
 Mary Jo Sheridan
 Sean Plasket
 McCartney Family
 Barbara Ford
 Margie Cochran
 David & Emily Elkin
 Denise
 Larry Acker
 Evelyn Roland
 John Allebach Sr
 Nicholas Cellini
 Deneen Wyld
 Melodee Ashby
 Courtney Warner
 Billy Cheatham (US Marines)
 Riley James (US Marines)
 Robert S.



CHURCH NEWS

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

UWIF DONATIONS for CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



The **United Women in Faith** are collecting new and/or gently used **HOLIDAY** items to be sold at their annual **Christmas Bazaar**. Please leave items in the Carolyn Stewart Fellowship Hall. Have questions? Ask any member!

FISHING CLUB MEETS

The fishing club meets on **December 6th** (the first Wednesday of every month) at the Bridel House. All are welcome to join; invite a friend to attend.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR ADVENT EVENTS

- Nov 26 ~ The Waiting World ~ Batsto 9 / GB 10:30 am
- Nov 29 ~ Dinner & Study ~ Atco UMC ~ 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- Dec 3 ~ Deck the Halls with **HOPE** ~ Batsto 9 / GB 10:30 am
- Dec 6 ~ Dinner & Study ~ Atco UMC ~ 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- Dec 10 ~ Deck the Halls with **PEACE** ~ Batsto 9 / GB 10:30 a
- Dec 13 ~ Dinner & Study ~ Atco UMC ~ 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- Dec 17 ~ Deck the Halls with **JOY** ~ Batsto 9 / GB 10:30 am
- Dec 20 ~ Dinner & Study ~ Atco UMC ~ 6:30 - 8:30 pm
- Dec 24 ~ Deck the Halls with **LOVE** ~ One Service Batsto 10:00 am
- Dec 24 ~ Deck the Halls for Christ ~ *Christmas Eve Candlelight*
 - 5:00 pm ~ Batsto
 - 7:00 pm ~ Green Bank
 - 11:00 pm ~ Nesco
- Dec 31 ~ Deck the Halls for a Promise Fulfilled ~ Batsto 9 / GB 10:30 am



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

PIPE ORGAN CONCERT / CAROL SING

Organist Charles Burrichter will be performing in Batsto Pleasant Mills Meeting House (our historic Batsto Church) on **December 3rd at 2:00 pm** to raise funds for Church repairs. Donations accepted will offset the cost of our new roof. Light refreshments will be available following the performance. Spread the news and invite a friend!

NJ STATE PARK POLICE TOY DROP

On **Sunday, December 10th**, the NJ State Park Police will make their annual visit to Batsto Church to drop off toys for the annual toy drive. The arrival time is approximately **8:30 am**. Please make every effort to come out to help. Immediately following the worship service we will sort toys and begin to pack bags for the children.



GIFT / TOY DRIVE

Bring gift and toy donations to church with you on Sundays. Questions about donations call **Liz Rabush 609-412-5918**. Thank you for your help. Tags may also be picked up at Mullica Township School District. Please help if you are able. Toy and gift donations are due by Sunday, December 10th.



Behold!

Advent Dinner and Study

Come join us for a joint dinner, Bible Study, and a time of Worship for the season where we wait for the birth of Christ the King.

Dinner for 6:30-7:30

Worship and Study 7:30-8:30

Please bring a dish to share.

Coffee, Tea, Water, and juice provided.

Family friendly and interactive Worship and Study with

Pastor Danny Clark

Atco UMC

2128 Atco Ave

Atco NJ 08004

<i>Behold Hope!</i>	<i>November 29th</i>	<i>Mexican/ South Western</i>
<i>Behold Peace!</i>	<i>December 6th</i>	<i>Italian</i>
<i>Behold Joy!</i>	<i>December 13th</i>	<i>German</i>
<i>Behold Love!</i>	<i>December 20th</i>	<i>Casserole</i>