

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

❖ Gathering Hymn #405 "Seek Ye First"

❖ Call to Worship

Leader: The world is hard. Our losses real. Our grief tangible. Our fear palpable

People: Merciful God, quiet our rush to judgment.

Leader: The world is heavy. Our anxiety clawing. Our confusion large. Our responsibility tenuous.

People: Brooding God, slow our impulsive actions.

Leader: The world is mystery. Our faith rooting. Our hope kindling. Our love blossoming.

People: Loving God, may we be quick in our understanding of your call. Amen.



Opening Prayer

Thank You, Lord, for the good plans You have purposed for us and for all Your children. Enlarge our vision of You and enable us to trust Your Word of truth through all the circumstances of our lives, knowing that Your thoughts towards us are only good continually. Thank You, Father, that all things work together for good, for those that love You and are fitting into Your plans and purposes. Continue to keep and protect Your people and I pray that many would come to trust in Jesus, our Messiah and King. This we ask in Jesus' precious name and for his greater glory and joy, AMEN.

1st Scripture Reading Psalm 32

2nd Scripture Reading Jeremiah 29:10-14

❖ Hymn of Preparation #140 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

❖ Gospel Reading James 1:1-6

Sermon **We Will Persevere Because He Will Persevere**

Joys and Prayers of the People of God

Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology #95

❖ Closing Hymn #364 "Because He Lives"

❖ 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

Pastor Danny Clark & Family
Kathy Simpkins
Barbara Kurowski
Linda Hirst
Linda Green
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)
Dave Dixon
Little Jack
Joanne Wunsch
Brenda Malave

Frances Ernwood
Wilma Brown
Mary Jo Sheridan
Sean Plasket
McCartney Family
John Mascio Jr.
Margie Cochran
David & Emily Elkin
Denise
Larry Acker
Evelyn Roland
John Allebach Sr
Nicholas Cellini
Lou Massey
Melodee Ashby
Courtney Warner
Billy Cheatham (US Marines)
Riley James (US Marines)
Jarrad Moscicki (US NAVY)
Robert S.
Carol Pettitt
Loraine Roe
Robert & Kent Grohne

CHURCH NEWS

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ALL SOUL'S DAY ~ ST. MARYS in PINES CEMETERY



Everyone is invited to All Soul's Day at St. Mary in the Pines Cemetery on **Saturday, November 2nd at 11:00 am**. Arrive early to find parking, at the intersection of Pleasant Mills & Jackson Road.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST ~ VETERANS EAT FREE

The **United Women in Faith** are busy planning the 2nd **pancake breakfast** of the fall season which will take place on **Saturday, November 2** in our **Nesco Church Building**. Doors will open at **8:00 am** and breakfast will be served until **11:00 am**. Bring the whole family. **The cost is \$10.00 adults / \$5.00 children. Veterans eat free in November.**



FALL BACK / CHECK YOUR SMOKE DETECTORS



Next **Sunday, November 3rd**, remember to set your clock back one hour or you will be very early to Church. It's also a great time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors.



PINELANDS UMC FISHING CLUB

The fishing club will not be meeting during the month of November but will resume in December on the first Wednesday at the Bridel home (December 4th).

GENTLY USED/ NEW COAT COLLECTION

The Mullica Woods is sponsoring a winter coat drive. They are accepting gently used and new winter coats and luggage. Should you have any questions please speak to Eileen.



SPRC MEETING



The **SPRC** will be meeting on **Tuesday, October 29th at 6:30 pm** in the **Carolyn Stewart Fellowship Hall** located in our **Nesco Church Building**. Please speak with Gary Brill if you have any questions.

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH MEETING

The United Women in Faith will be meeting on **Monday, November 4th at 10:00am** in our **Nesco Church Building**. Bring a friend! Lots of events up and coming that need discussing.



ANNUAL CHURCH CONFERENCE



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Our annual church conference is set for **November 10th at 3:00 pm** in the **First United Church of Hammonton**. Conference will begin at 3:00 pm with worship following at 4:00 pm. Please plan on joining us in Hammonton.



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETS

Pinelands is having a church council meeting on **Tuesday, November 12th at 7:00 pm** in our **Nesco Church Building**. Please plan to attend this important meeting.



ROAD CLEAN UP ~ NOVEMBER 17th

Pinelands Church will have an ACUA road clean up after worship service on **Sunday, November 17th**. We will begin at **10:00 am** in the **Batsto Church Parking lot**. Please speak with Jeanne Bridel for additional details.



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR NEEDS HELP

United Women in Faith Needs Your Help! In preparation for the upcoming **Christmas Bazaar**, the women will be collecting new or gently used **CHRISTMAS items and gently used JEWELRY** items to be sold on **December 7**. Please bring any donations to church. Cookie trays are our most popular item for sale at the bazaar. A batch (or two) of cookies would be greatly appreciated.



*Pinelands UWIF Christmas Bazaar
Nesco Church
Saturday ~ December 7th
9:00 am - 1:00 pm*

FOOD DRIVE / CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

Please begin collecting and bringing donations for the holiday food drive and toy drive to Batsto Church. We will begin collecting on **October 27th** and continue throughout the holiday season. The Angel Tree will be up before Thanksgiving to choose specific tags for local children.

