

Friends, Visitors, Guests

First Presbyterian Church of South Amboy
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THE OPEN DOOR

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Sunday School 9:00 am

Sunday Worship 10:30 am



back to
School



September

September 2017

*We thank you for the opportunity, to begin this new school year,
and we ask that you bless, the students, faculty, and student families
that make our school a great place. We pray that you will guide us in your ways,
so that we will seek your will, in everything that we do,
and love others as you love us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

By David Bennet

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 9am Spanish Worship
3 10:30am Worship/Communion 11:30am Coffee Hour 	4 LABOR DAY 	5	6	7 	8	9 9am Spanish Worship 12 noon Missions
10 NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY 10:30am Worship 11:30 am Deacon	11 PATRIOT DAY 	12	13 7:30pm Scouts Leaders	14 9:30am Bagging	15	16 9am Spanish Worship 9am Food Pantry
17 CONSTITUTION DAY 10:30am Worship	18 6pm Scouts	19	20	21 	22 Autumn Begins 	23 9am Spanish Worship
24 10:30am Worship	25 6pm Scouts	26	27 8:30 am Session??	28	29	30 9am Spanish Worship

~Schedules~

PLEASE GET A SUBSTITUTE FOR YOURSELF IF YOU CANNOT BE THERE ON YOUR ASSIGNED DATE. RECORD CHANGES IN SCHEDULE ON MASTER COPY LOCATED IN OFFICE, ROOM 2.

READER SCHEDULE

SEPT 3rd Ruth B.
10th Paul H.
17th Olivia J.
24th Anthony V. Jr.

OCT 1st Sherry K.
8th Jennifer B.
15th Ruth B.
22nd Joan D.
29th Elaine L.



GREETERS & USHERS SCHEDULE

SEPT 3rd George S, Joan D.
10th Beth M, Shirley W, Cara W.
17th Mary P, George S, Ken G.
24th Gail H, Paul H.

OCT 1st Joan D, Arvid H.
8th Megan J, Elaine L.
15th Lori Ryan George S.
22nd Gail H, Arvid H.
29th Paul H, George S.

NURSERY SCHEDULE

SEPT 3rd Jessica S.
10th Jennifer B.
17th Mike W.
24th Sherry K.

OCT 1st Martha M.
8th Christina V.
15th Jessica S.
22nd Jennifer B.
29th Mike W.



COMMUNION SET-UP SCHEDULE

SEPT 3rd Joan D, Jessica S.
OCT 1st Mary D, Megan J.

COMMUNION SERVING SCHEDULE

SEPT 3rd Joan D, Jessica S.
Gerry W, Lori R.

OCT 1st Mary D, Megan J.
George S, Beth M.

COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE

SEPT 3rd Christine V, Jean G, Jessica S.

Prayers for Our Homebound

Members & Friends

Roberta Bossong at A.C.R..

485 River Ave, #30, Lakewood, NJ 08701

Virginia Porter at Care One Somerset Valley

1621 Rt. 22, W. Bound Brook, NJ 08805

Debbie Sargeant Sr

3058 Bordentown Ave, Parlin, NJ 08859

Agnes Schaefer at Madison Center

625 State Rt. 34, Matawan, NJ 07747

Lorraine Scharff

6 Bates Court, Parlin, NJ 08859



Please remember our homebound with a card and prayer.

As of Feb. 2017

PASTOR – Rev. Jeffrey H. Carney

CLERK OF SESSION - Joan Downes

TREASURER - Elaine Lopez

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT -

Geraldine Wines

SECRETARY - Shirley Weaver

ORGANIST - Kevin Shoemaker

OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Arvid Holt, Gail Hawkins

Stephanie McAleer, Carolyn Nappe

Peggy Holt, Lori Ryan, Madhu Solanki

YOUR ELDERS / THE SESSION

(Responsible for Governing our Church Affairs)

Joan Downes Gail Hawkins

Arvid Holt Elaine Lopez

Dorothy Rhodes Christine Vella

YOUR DEACONS

(Responsible for Assisting our Church and Community in Times of Need)

Mary Dieker Stephanie McAleer

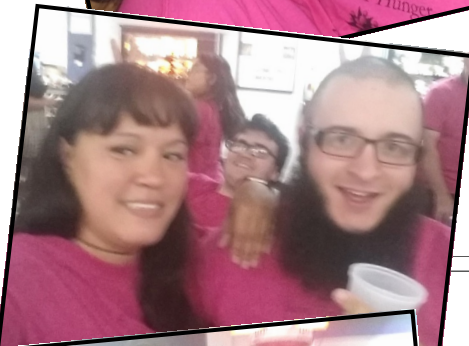
Ken Gibson George Schaefer

Megan Jarvis Shirley Weaver

SEPTEMBER DEACON'S

FOOD PANTRY

We served approx. 50 families at the food pantry this month. Thank you Jim for driving the truck to the food bank, and to all of the volunteers who came out. We really appreciate your help especially in these summer months. We hope every one enjoyed their summer and has a save and healthy Labor Day weekend, and that all the teachers and students are ready to start a new school year. ~ SW



8TH ANNUAL BOWL FOR HUNGER

What a wonderful time we all had at the "8th Annual Bowl for Hunger" on July 27th at Majestic Lanes. Thank you to the Board of Deacons & Hillcrest Manor for your donations and sponsoring a lane.

This is the first year we had two lanes full of bowlers!! Thank you to everyone who came out. I know I had a wonderful time, and I'm sure you all did too! Love the pink shirts. Can't wait until next year! Shirley W.

Spot the Difference Puzzle

Can you find the 15 differences?





Fall Comfort Food Luncheon



November 5, 2017

Time: 11:45 am
(after service)

\$ 6.00 per person

Tickets can be purchased in advance from any deacon or at church office or at the door.

Proceeds to benefit the Board of Deacons

All proceed from this event will go to help families in need in our community and our church's food pantry.

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Stand for Children 19TH ANNUAL BACKPACK CAMPAIGN

Backpacks empty or filled for children in foster care. Adjust the contents by age and gender. Children in foster care are newborn to 17 years old. Be as creative as you want to be. Monetary donations may also be made payable to: "Foster and Adoptive Family Services Foundation"

**BATH TOWEL
WASHCLOTH
TOOTHBRUSH
TOOTHPASTE
BRUSH/COMB
SHAMPOO
SCHOOL SUPPLIES
TOYS
BOOKS
MUSIC AND MORE.**

Drop-Off Location:
The Office of
Senator Joseph F. Vitale
569 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge
Open Monday through Friday
9 AM to 5 PM

For more information Call:
732-855-7441

We can all be heroes in the life of a child; it only takes one heart at a time.

September Anniversaries

Wishing a very happy anniversary
to:

*Olivia & Lenny
Jastremski
Sept. 21*



September Birthdays

Wishing a very Happy Birthday
to:

*Sept. 8th Mary Porcello
Sept. 10th Jennifer Bellina
Sept 13th Joan Downes
Sept. 19th Olivia Jastremski
Sept. 21st Manny Gutierrez
Sept. 23rd Wyatt Rojewski
Sept. 25th Cara Weaver
Sept. 26th Dustin Bellina
Sept. 28th Lori Ryan*

Want to see your special date listed?
Give the office your birthday and/or
anniversary info.

FINANCIAL REPORT

July 2017

Offerings	\$	10,363
Covenant Income	+	2,629
Total Income*	\$	12,992
Disbursements	\$	-13,555

WE GIVE BECAUSE

GOD GAVE FIRST

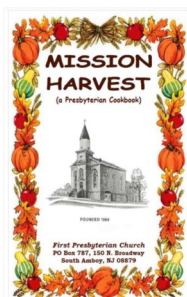
Jesus said: As we give it will be given
back, overflowing. LUKE 6:38

Elaine Lopez, Treasurer

MISSION HARVEST COOK BOOK

\$12 Each

Phone: 732-721-4516



We still have a lot of shirts left . Please consider buying one to support our Food Pantry

T-shirts \$15 each

**Sizes Available:
S, M, L, XL, 2XL**

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CELEBRATING
125
YEARS OF TRADITION

Sunday Worship Flowers

Flowers for Sunday Worship are \$25.00 for two urns. I have many openings. You can order flowers to honor someone or in memory of a loved one. Order forms are in the pews and mail room.

Please make checks payable to "**Cash**". To place an order or if you have any questions please contact me.
- Jean Greene

CORE HEALTH

LIGHTING THE PATH TO HOPE

Core Health is dedicated to providing quality care and excellent services to those suffering from the effects of substance abuse. Our program is based on core beliefs and values that foster an educational and supportive environment to help adults take the crucial first steps toward recovery.

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INK CARTRIDGES RECYCLE

You did it again, thank you very much.
In July we ordered \$71.00 worth of office supplies and applied our \$40.00 reward for recycling.
Yes, we paid \$31.00 cash. Don Hawkins was a big help with many recycled cartridges.
Keep them coming. ~ Elaine Lopez

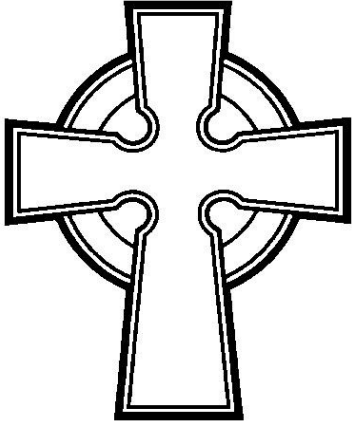
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Holy Places

Recently I sat down to write an article for this month's newsletter, and as I picked up a notebook to begin writing, a piece of paper fell out. I picked it up and began to read it, and it was a poem I had written shortly after worshipping at the Abbey in Iona, Scotland in 2012. I had forgotten about the poem, but on this day it reemerged. I thought maybe there was a reason it fell at my feet, and perhaps I ought to share it.

We had just been to worship at the Abbey. It was about 10 o'clock at night, but it was just turning dusk in a land that is situated so far north. The glow of the Abbey cast a stream of golden light on the path ahead of us. About that time, someone said, "Come and see the dolphins playing in the bay." It was one of those moments that is frozen in time. Whenever I need strength, I revisit that holy night, and it all comes back. Later that night when we got back to the room, I wrote a poem about the experience, and this is what emerged. I hope you have a holy place or moment in your life where you can revisit and be reminded of God's presence and grace.

My Work Today

Today my work will be to walk on sacred soil.
My job will be to climb your hills and gaze upon Colomba Bay,
and when the evening comes, I'll watch the dolphins play.
My work will be to worship, and watch the candles burn.

Your bell tolls for hearts like mine,
that longs to feel what is divine.
It has been too long since my heart was lifted,
but once I was among the gifted
who came to worship here.

Today I would fall on my knees
upon your chapel floor.
I would not leave until I was blessed,
and never ask for more.

—Pastor Jeffrey