



Pinelands United Methodist Church

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

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Pentecost Sunday

May 19, 2024

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

❖ Call to Worship

Leader: We come today seeking refuge and unification during conflict.

People: Help us to address our fears and listen to each other.

Leader: We pray for resolving disagreements and open ourselves to see both sides.

People: Help us to bring about change and welcome new ideas.

All: God, grant us peace in finding unity which will strengthen us.

Gathering Hymn #545 "The Church's One Foundation"



Opening Prayer

Lord of all, you are the living word who we depend on daily, yet we long for unity and peace in our communities, in your houses of worship and among fellow believers. Help us to see by your word and steady loving presence O God, that we can let go of fears and live in your freedom of obedience and grace; for your perfect love casts out fear. Remind us Holy One of our power within us to be gentle, patience and openness to be understanding and strength to be forgiving. Our hearts are open to be shown how to rise to wholeness and walk into harmony where your word and love prevail. Amen.

Amen.

1st Scripture Reading

Proverbs 20:1-9

❖ Hymn of Preparation

#365 "Grace Greater than our Sin"

2nd Scripture Reading

Acts 15:1-21

Sermon

Rising from Quarreling

Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer

Offering God's Tithes and Our Gifts

❖ Doxology #95

❖ Closing Hymn #368 "My Hope is Built"

❖ 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)
 Kathy Clark
 Little Jack

Frances Ernwood
 Wilma Brown
 Mary Jo Sheridan
 Sean Plasket
 McCartney Family
 Kay McIntyre
 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.



CHURCH NEWS

May 19, 2024

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETS

May 22nd will be the next administrative council meeting. We will gather in the Nesco Church Building at **7:00 pm**. All are welcome to attend this important church meeting.



MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE 2024

Join us for the annual Memorial Day Service on **Monday, May 27th**. We will gather in the Batsto Church Parking lot at **9:30 am** to pay honor to those who died during Military Service; those who gave all. Remember to bring a chair and bug spray to this wonderful tribute event as our local VFW leads us through a moment of reflection.



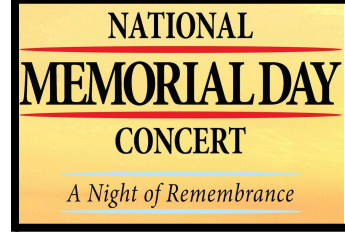
PINELANDS UMC VISION MEETING

There will be a visionary meeting of Pinelands United Methodist Church on **Saturday, June 1** in our Batsto Church Building to plan and vision the future of the church. We will gather for **breakfast at 8:30 am** and the **meeting will begin at 9:00 am**. Everyone is welcome to join in sharing their visions.



2024 NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY CONCERT

America's National Night of Remembrance, PBS' National Memorial Day concert, returns live from the West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol for a special 35th anniversary broadcast on Sunday, **May 26th, 2024 at 8:00 pm**



24TH ANNUAL MULLICA RIVER BLESSING



Join the community for the annual Mullica River blessing on **Saturday, June 15th** at St. Marys in the Pines Cemetery. We will gather at **11:00 am**. Reverend Jim Betz and Father Dante will be officiating the service. VFW post 5043 will be presenting color guard and St. Mary's of the Pines

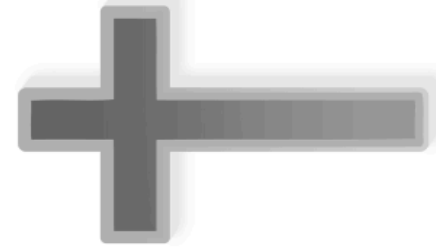
Choir will offer a musical selection. Plan to come to this wonderful outdoor service located at the intersection of Jackson / Pleasant Mills Rd.

COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE

It's back! We will gather outside for a combined worship service at the Green Bank Pavilion on **Sunday, June 30th** at **10:00 am**. Covered dish lunch will follow. Stay tuned for more information on this special day of worship!



Joint Bible Study



The Book of John

Wednesdays

Light Dinner and Bible Study

With Pastor Danny Clark

6:30-8:30

Pinelands UMC Nesco Building

3551 Nesco RD Hammonton NJ 08037



Pinelands UMC Fishing Club



8 JUNE

Fishing Trip

FISHING

ABOARD THE

Duke of Fluke

**OUT OF SOMERS POINT, NJ
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HOLY SPIRIT

FILL THE HEARTS
OF YOUR FAITHFUL
AND KINDLE IN THEM
THE FIRE OF YOUR LOVE.

SEND FORTH YOUR SPIRIT
AND THEY SHALL BE CREATED

AND YOU SHALL RENEW

THE FACE OF THE

EARTH.