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# Waves

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## Office Hours

10:00am - 3:00pm

Tuesday thru Friday

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## Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration... by Marian Brown

Did you know Atonement will turn 50 in 2016? Now that you know, it's time to sign up and help with the planning for the big celebration. If you are interested in being on the 50th Anniversary Committee or have an idea for a 50th Anniversary Project, please let MaryLou Mate, Marian Brown or Jean Amundson know.

**Acolytes**

## Quick & Easy... by Lois Greewood

We at Atonement Lutheran Church reach out with the good news of God's love through Jesus Christ.

As Christ's ministry includes everyone, we, too, welcome persons of any ethnicity, gender identity, race, sexual orientation, marital status, age, economic situation, and physical or mental ability.

We celebrate the gifts each one brings to the life and ministry of this community of faith.



We are all bricks in an edifice that has Jesus as its cornerstone. We all have a variety of gifts from the Holy Spirit. Many of us spend many hours and much effort involving the growth and stability of Atonement. Many hours and efforts are also spent doing His work outside of Atonement. Many of us are busy with demanding careers, homes, families, the usual.

BUT, regardless of busy lives, there are two roles we can all play, and yes, they are quick and easy. We need more acolytes. They don't have to be youths, many churches have adult acolytes...and we need more ushers. It's fun to greet people, hand out bulletins, take up the offering, and invite newcomers to join us for coffee. None of this takes much time.

Don't know how to do these things? Pete Kraack will be happy to show you--with a great big smile on his face. Interested? Speak to Pastor Ed or Rhonda.

**Ushers**



# Strategic Planning and Stewardship

by Linda Kilbride



## Planned Giving

Alas, the seasons just zip by don't they? I find the arrival of fall to be a stimulating time! I have projects to finish before the weather turns, yet I'm anxious for the rain to come so I can focus on indoor projects and do some writing. At the same time I look forward to starting new things – much as I used to be anxious to have school start. As a kid, it was about being with my friends again, getting to know new teachers and learn new things. I still envy our students who have such energy and have so much to look forward to!

Now, this will date me...I still remember the new dress for the first day of school and in kindergarten when I walked home from school at noon thinking that the day was over! I remember those fall days of band practice and looking forward to the Sadie Hawkins Dance in October. In later years, as the assignments mounted and I stewed over term papers the glimmer dimmed a little. But the feeling of accomplishment when I turned in the paper was a real ego booster.

To Do List	
1. _____	2. _____
3. _____	4. _____

OK, so now it is time to reflect. Throughout this year the articles I've submitted for Makin' WAVES revealed many tasks on my TO DO list. Did I write my personal mission statement as a focus for my philanthropy? Did I gather together my personal papers, review them, and assess whether my trust was written the way I wanted it? How about a look at the beneficiaries of my life insurance policies and my retirement account? Does my bequest document need a tweak or two – or does it need a codicil? Life continues to offer changes and opportunities – this all requires some reflection.

My estate isn't large, but it is important to me! I deserve to decide how my assets will be used. I plan to give with intention and I have the wealth of spirit to guide me. I'm beginning to reflect on that once-in-a-lifetime gift and it will go where my heart is connected. I'll give with intention, make my wishes known and document them accordingly.

How about you?

## Reminder...



### Flower Chart Signup...

Providing flowers is a great way to remember birthdays, anniversaries and special events



### Readers Needed

for September/October

Sign up Sheet on bulletin Board  
Thank You!



## From the Pastor . . .



Pastor  
Ed Milliken



Dear Friends in Christ,

September is nearly upon us and with it comes a busier schedule of activities in and around the church. Many ministries will be resuming after a summer hiatus, others will be brand new. It will be an exciting time as we will be busy being the people of God in this place.

That excitement reminds me of the early church and the excitement and enthusiasm of those early Christians, as we find their story told in the book of Acts. Those who heard and responded to the apostles' proclamation of the gospel suddenly came alive. They were touched by the Spirit of God and began to proclaim the "good news" themselves in word and deed.

They had a mission. They had a sense of purpose. There was an urgency about them as they went about their work. They preached, they taught, they listened to the Word of God together, and shared in the Lord's Supper. They shared what they had with others. No matter where they went, their message was the same: "Jesus Christ is Lord."

Jesus Christ is Lord...that is the same message which is central here at Atonement. As that message is preached and taught and shared, men, women, and children are being touched by the Spirit of God and they are res-

ponding to the love of God by giving themselves away to and for others. Christ comes alive in us as we, his people, commit ourselves to learning, teaching, serving, and being served. The gospel of the Lord is proclaimed. Lives are changed. God's mission is carried out. The purpose of the church is being fulfilled.

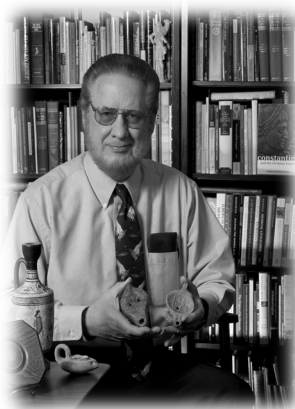
The excitement and enthusiasm of the early believers in Christ is alive among us today! This fall, be a joiner; be a leader; be a learner; be a servant. Join one of the many activities and ministry opportunities that are being planned and offered, or start one yourself. Come to worship. Attend the adult forum. Join a choir. Make a quilt. Volunteer to teach Sunday school. Sign up to be an usher, worship assistant, or coffee host. Be active in the WELCA group and/or the altar guild. Share your time and talents in a committee and the vital ministries they are involved in. These, and many other ministries that could be mentioned, **need you**. And the promise is that as you get involved, as you give of yourself, you will grow in your faith, your life will be enriched, and our God will be served and glorified.

Come, share the Spirit at Atonement as together we share the love of Christ with each other and with those we are called to serve in this community.

*Pastor Ed Milliken*



## Adult Forum News... by Pastor Ed



**D**r. Charles Odahl, emeritus professor and prolific author in Roman and Early Christian Studies, will offer a slide-lecture series on "Christianity in the Roman Empire - an Archaeological Tour from Christ to Constantine" in the first four sessions of the Adult Forum during the month of September.

The series will chronicle the rise and development of the Christian Church in its first three centuries from a persecuted minority cult to the official religion of the Roman Empire, and be delivered in four parts on:

- 1) Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> - Jesus and Roman Judaea
- 2) Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> - The Early Church and the Pagan Empire
- 3) Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> - Constantine and Apostolic Rome
- 4) Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> - The Imperial Church and the Christian Empire

All will be held in Fellowship Hall between services from 9:30 - 10:30 am.

Each week, Dr. Odahl will take the forum participants via slides to key archaeological sites where important events in early Church history occurred and significant archaeological remains from ancient times exist (Caesarea, Galilee, Jerusalem, Corinth, Ephesus, Trier, Arles, Rome, Thessalonica, Nicaea and Constantinople, for example); and bring in and display ancient artifacts which the participants can examine (Roman coins, house lamps, amphora and sculptures). The series should help participants strengthen their knowledge and interest in the origins and traditions of their Christian faith.

Charles has devoted over forty years to studying, teaching and writing about Roman and early Church history, and has worked at all of the important archival and archaeological sites relevant thereto. He has spoken before hundreds of audiences from San Francisco to New York and London to Istanbul, appeared in numerous television programs, and written five books and fifty articles and reviews on his specialties of Roman and early Christian history, literature, religion and art, and is delighted to share his knowledge with his home congregation in Newport.

## First Friday Lunch Bunch ... by Raynette Rawles

September 5<sup>th</sup> 12noon  
Agate Beach Golf Course

Please call or e-mail office if you are able to attend. *See You There!*





Rhonda Harman ~ Director of Family Ministry

## Family Ministry/Education News



Greetings and blessings everyone! May the Lord be present with you!

Saturday, August 24th was our first annual "PTA Meeting of sorts". We call it our PSS meeting (or Parents/Sunday Shepherds). We thought it a good idea to bring everyone to the round table to discuss and discern the education, hopes and needs of our kids over breakfast. The Sunday School time period has been 9:30 -10:30am several years until last year when we decided to begin after Pastor Ed's children's sermon or about 11:15am. The consensus is to make the start time for 2014-2015 at 9:30am.

We demonstrated a bit of the curriculum, One Room School House-Augsburg Press. It is designed for children up to 6th grade and there are many teaching opportunities which our shepherds may utilize. We will be recruiting more shepherds soon, so please step up and share your gifts. There are typically two shepherds with the kids, both for safety and support.

We will be holding another "Stewards of Children" class this fall, for those of you who missed the program last year. The goal is to get everyone trained to observe and report whenever and whatever the need might arise and hopefully not ever.

The kids who are 6th grade and up will meet in the lower meeting room to receive confirmation classes. We have asked our families to seriously commit to

attending and being on time.

As educators we want to help the kids learn all they can about relationship with God and God's creation and have fun doing it together. The kids have been baking communion bread for our first Sunday Communion and seem to enjoy doing it for us. We have bible apps for kids and parents to install on phones and tablets for family study and Sunday School assignments.

We talked about our need to have more ushers and acolytes. As Lois Greenwood's article says "and we need more ushers--it's fun to greet people, hand out bulletins, take up the offering, and invite newcomers to join us for coffee."

Rally Day is September 7th and the first day of Sunday School. We will, of course, celebrate with Sloppy Joe's and Root Beer floats after the 11 o'clock service. Because the ELCA has also designated September 7th as "God's Work, Our Hands Day", please wear those bright yellow tee-shirts you bought last year.

See You There!

*Rhonda Harman*







## Social Ministry Committee

### Food for Food Share Program... by Terri McCulley



for all the support we have received for this program. Anything is welcome and helpful, but this month we will focus on **Cereal (Hot or Cold)** to try to "fill the barrel" again.

### Randy's Feed and Read Program Begins Another Year... by Sally Jennings

On Thursday, September 25th, we will kick off this school year's Randy's Feed and Read program. Everyone in our congregation is invited to help out with this monthly, family-oriented event. We need help preparing and serving food, making crafts and reading with the children, visiting with the families and making them welcome, and cleaning up after the night's activities.

Our monthly evening of dinner, crafts and reading benefits residents of Samaritan House and families who participate in Newport's Homeless Education and Literacy Project (H.E.L.P.). We encourage children and teens to take home books to read and keep, so we are always in need of "gently used" or new books. We also provide hygiene items to families attending our program. Your donations of books and hygiene items are much appreciated. Please put donated items in the basket on the cart in the Narthex. Thank you for your continued support of Randy's Feed and Read.

### Atonement's School Supply Drive a Success... by Sally Jennings



Thanks to the generosity of members of Atonement Lutheran Church, we exceeded our school supply donation goal this year! The Newport H.E.L.P. Center held its annual Back to School BBQ and School Supply Distribution on Wednesday, August 27th. Hundreds of children went back to school with the supplies they needed, thanks to generous donations. Last year, over 400 children, from income eligible families, received school supplies. Starting the school year with the required supplies makes a big difference to a child. Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies and/or their time at the distribution event for helping to make a difference.



## Social Ministry... *(continues from page 6)*



### Emergency Meal Gift Cards ... by Sally Jennings

**With your help**, Social Ministry Committee hopes to solve the problem of providing an emergency meal to those in need who stop by our church and ask for food when the Newport Food Pantry is closed. During the month of September, we are asking you to purchase and donate \$5 gift cards for local fast food restaurants, such as McDonalds, Subway and Burger King.

Please give your \$5 fast food gift cards to Raynette, in the office. Pastor Ed and Raynette will give the cards out when needed. Thank you for your help in providing emergency food for the hungry



## Inter Christian Outreach (ICO) ... by Barbara Wilson



**I**nter-Christian Outreach, which Atonement Lutheran generously supports with \$50 every month, is rapidly becoming a fixture in the world of Newport's homeless and working poor. At the ICO Hub, behind the Arctic Circle restaurant, people in need come for everything from leads on finding work to getting showers. The ICO Hub refers them to the government agencies, local organizations, and church missions for help in meeting their needs. A free dental van service is also available through ICO.

The Hub is open 9-12 Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. It could be open for more hours if volunteers were available to help with intake data and doing initial interviews. Even committing to one morning a week or per month would be a great help to the ICO volunteer staff.

Members of all 13 ICO churches are encouraged to come to the Newport Church of the Nazarene from 6-8 PM, November 15, for Newport's first Christian Music Festival. A dessert competition with samples for all will add delicious tastes to inspiring sounds. Atonement will be providing stellar music for the festival, along with the other churches. Come and cheer our musicians on!

## Property Committee... by MaryLou Mate



### Room Rental

Our church facilities/rooms on the lower level are available for rent...short term events (parties, meetings, weddings) or long term if needed. Please, check with our office for available dates and time.

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## WELCA Meeting...by Jean Amundson



The WELCA group meets monthly for Bible study, fellowship, and treats.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 17th at 12:30pm in the narthex.

The topic this year is "Transforming Life and Faith". and we'll be studying people who have life-changing experiences. The people we'll meet will be from the Acts of the Apostles plus both the Old and New Testaments.

Refreshments... a dessert party to kick off our new year .

***All are Welcome!***

## Library Committee ... by Jean Amundson



The Library Committee is looking for a few volunteers to write reviews of items in our church library. The articles don't need to be very long, just a bit about the item plus your opinion/recommendation, etc. regarding the item (book, CD, DVD, whatever). Articles are due to Raynette the middle of the month. Please, let Jean Amundson know if you'd be willing to help. Thanks!

## Reminder...

- ♦ Sign your name and date on the card in the book pocket.
- ♦ File the card alphabetically by the author's last name.
- ♦ Bring the item back after a couple of weeks and put it in the "RETURN" slot under the first set of shelves.







# September



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>Labor Day</b> 1 Office Closed 1:00pm Prayer/ Bible Study 5-7:00pm Weight Watchers (FH) 6:30pm Parish Life Outreach	2 2:00pm Staff Mtg  6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel	3	4 8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails	5 12:00pm First Friday Brunch @ Agate Golf Course	6 8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (FH)
7 8:00am Worship 9-12pm Blood Pressure 9:30am Adult Forum/Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:00pm Rally Day	8 Office Closed  1:00pm Prayer/ Bible Study 5-7:00pm Weight Watchers (FH) 6:00pm Property	9 2:00pm Staff Mtg 5:30pm Social Ministry Mtg  6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel	10   4:00pm Finance	11 8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails 11-4pm OCQG (FH) <b>Patriot Day</b>	12 	13 8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (FH)
14 8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum/Sunday School 11:00am Worship	15 Office Closed  1:00pm Prayer/ Bible Study  5-7:00pm Weight Watchers (FH)	16 2:00pm Staff Mtg  6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel	17 12:30pm WELCA  7:00pm Council	18 8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails	19	20 8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (FH)
21 8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum/Sunday School 11:00am Worship <b>International Day  of Peace</b>	22 Office Closed 1:00pm Prayer/ Bible Study 5-7:00pm Weight Watchers (FH) 5:00pm Stone Soup @ St Stephens	23 <b>WAVES Deadline</b> 2:00pm Staff Mtg  6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel	24 9:30am Library	25 8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails 5:00pm Randy's Feed & Read	26	27 8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (FH)  <b>Family Health  Fitness Day</b>
28 8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum/Sunday School 11:00am Worship	29 Office Closed  1:00pm Prayer/ Bible Study  5-7:00pm Weight Watchers (FH)	30 2:00pm Staff Mtg  6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel	<b>National Honey  Month</b>	<b>National School  Success Month</b>	<b>Prostate Cancer  Awareness</b>	





# Worship Page

## Worship

## Readers

## Altar Guild

## Musicians

7	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	_____ Deb Lucy Christensen	_____ Deb Lucy Christensen	Tami Johnson Tami Johnson
14	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Jean Amundson Terri Homer	Marian Brown Deb Lucy Christensen	Jerryann Olson Jerryann Olson
21	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	_____ Deb Lucy Christensen	Marian Brown Lois Greenwood	Marian Brown Marian Brown
28	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	_____ _____	Alice McClellan Bette Harmon	Jerryann Olson Jerryann Olson



## Monthly Setup/Cleanup/Snacks for September

Please sign up on any open dates. Sign-up sheet located on bulletin Board...  
Thank You!



Gloria Connell	9/3	4 Jerry & Bonnie Powell	7 Marian Brown	7 John Stern &
Raynette Rawles	9/5	12 Shannon & Donna White	14 Braulio Escobar	Pete Kraack
Dolores Bennett	9/15	18. Dean & Andrea Fleck	21 _____	14 Pete Kraack &
Linda Kilbride	9/17	21 John & Carol Baker	28 _____	Terri Homer
E.J. Warren	9/27			21 Terri Homer &
Gracie Strom	9/28			Paul Amundson
Michael Schulz	9/30			28 Paul Amundson &
				Paul Stangeland



## Find the Good News and Praise It

- ♦ On September 21st, 3:00 in the afternoon Sandy Roumagoux will receive a studio visit from Bonnie Laing-Malcomson, Director and Curator for Northwest Art at the Portland Art Museum. Bonnie will be bringing with her 21 members of the Northwest Council of the Arts. They will arrive in a tour bus. Sandy and artist Rick Bartow will be the two artists who will receive studio visits. Sandy has been asked to give a talk about her work during the visit. Sandy says she is busy cleaning her studio so that 21 people can fit.
- ♦ Jaya Lapham, once traveled in the Ukraine. As a Lincoln County youth, she was sponsored by community members to join Peace Child International and work with a group of Ukrainian youth performing for Soviet Ukrainian audiences. If you would like to learn more about Jaya's experiences in the Ukraine, she would be happy to share stories.

## Income/Expense Snapshot... Atonement Lutheran Church ~ July

### BALANCE SHEET

	<u>GENERAL</u>	<u>CAPITAL</u>	<u>ENDOWMENT</u>	<u>COMBINED</u>
ASSETS:				
Cash in Banks	\$13,369	\$40,522	0	\$53,891
Other	5,359			5,359
Investments			75,703	75,703
Land and Building		4,145,365		4,145,365
Total Assets	<u>\$18,728</u>	<u>\$4,185,887</u>	<u>\$75,703</u>	<u>\$4,280,318</u>
LIABILITIES:				
Current Payables	\$5,039	\$1,178		\$6,217
Dedicated Accounts	21,895			21,895
Thrivent Mortgage		753,784		753,784
Total Liabilities	<u>\$26,934</u>	<u>\$754,962</u>		<u>\$781,896</u>
EQUITY	<u>\$ -8,206</u>	<u>\$ 3,430,925</u>	<u>\$ 75,703</u>	<u>\$ 3,498,422</u>
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS:				
Actual				
Receipts	\$127,465	\$58,110	\$4,283	\$189,858
Disbursements	<u>-127,670</u>	<u>-38,123</u>		<u>-165,793</u>
Net	<u>(\$205)</u>	<u>\$19,987</u>	<u>\$4,283</u>	<u>\$24,065</u>
Budget				
Receipts	\$128,000	\$58,765		\$186,765
Disbursements	<u>-137,959</u>	<u>-38,238</u>		<u>-176,197</u>
Net	<u>-9,959</u>	<u>\$20,527</u>		<u>\$10,568</u>
VARIANCE	<u>\$9,754</u>	<u>(\$540)</u>	<u>\$4,283</u>	<u>\$13,497</u>



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## Reaching Out with God's

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### *Reminder...*



Audio  
Worship Services  
on website



Fill our Food Barrel  
This Month:  
Cereal