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 Office Hours 
 10:00am – 3:00pm
 Tuesday thru Friday



Oregon Synod Regional Gathering

Saturday, April 28th

at Grace Lutheran Church in Corvallis

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

The **Gathering is a *Mission Event*** and our focus will be on vital congregations, your congregation, and how we can all be church together. Everybody gets to come. Everybody gets to share and learn. Everybody gets to have fun. There will be Bible Study, worship, table conversations, stories to tell and friends to see.

The **Gathering** is open to anyone who might wish to attend. There will be no cost except for lunch. **Want to go:** *Please sign up on the bulletin board at church so we can let our hosts know how many to expect.*



The church library is there for all to use, but please—

- ◆ 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.

Thank you from the Library Committee!

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.





Income/Expense Snapshot...Atonement Lutheran Church ~ February 2018

General Fund	Current Year		Previous Year	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
INCOME				
Members Offerings	\$29,450	\$26,782	\$27,495	\$30,795
Grants	\$851	\$643	\$549	\$725
Room Rents	\$2,376	\$3,468	\$3,619	\$2,977
Transfer from Capital Fund	\$0	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000
Total Income	\$32,677	\$34,893	\$31,663	\$38,497
EXPENSES				
Pastoral Compensation	\$12,724	\$12,714	\$12,353	\$12,356
Pastoral Benefits	\$5,117	\$5,621	\$5,623	\$5,567
Pastoral Expenses	\$206	\$598	\$454	\$430
Staff Compensation	\$3,896	\$4,296	\$4,791	\$5,105
Staff Payroll Cost	\$837	\$714	\$583	\$1,478
Worship & Music	\$686	\$832	\$425	\$561
Education	\$83	\$75	\$0	\$276
Youth	\$105	\$142	-\$407	\$43
Outreach/Hospitality	\$178	\$292	\$209	\$271
Social Ministry	\$300	\$383	\$300	\$383
Stewardship	\$0	\$58	\$0	\$59
Health Ministry	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100
ELCA Mission Support	\$1,000	\$1,083	\$1,000	\$1,000
Parish Life	\$220	\$67	\$0	\$208
General/Administrative	\$1,920	\$2,969	\$3,225	\$3,243
Facility Maintenance	\$3,844	\$2,167	\$1,755	\$3,131
Utilities	\$2,038	\$2,362	\$2,089	\$2,250
Insurance	\$1,667	\$1,667	\$1,611	\$1,667
Total Expense	\$34,821	\$36,140	\$34,011	\$38,128
INCOME LESS EXPENSE	(\$2,144)	(\$1,247)	(\$2,348)	\$369

Endowment Account	Monthly Activity	Investment Account	General Endow	Scholarship	Memorial Gardens	Organ Upkeep
Balance @ 1/31/2018		\$92,927	\$36,568	\$28,387	\$10,053	\$17,919
January	(\$2,612)	(\$2,612)	(\$1,028)	(\$798)	(\$282)	(\$504)
Balance @ 2/28/2018		\$90,315	\$35,540	\$27,589	\$9,771	\$17,415

Capital Fund	BANK ACCT BALANCE @ 1/1/2018	INCOME	EXPENSES	BALANCE @ 2/28/2018
		\$18,120	\$13,698	\$87,145
				\$91,567



Prayer & Bible Study

Please join us on Mondays each week for prayer /meditation and bible study. 5:30-7:00pm in Narthex. You are welcome to join us.



From the Pastor ... Pastor Ed Milliken



Dear Friends in Christ,

"Christ is risen! He is risen indeed. Alleluia!" This is the joyful proclamation of the Easter season, 50 days of celebration of our Lord Jesus Christ rising from the dead. On Easter Sunday (April 1st), we travel to the tomb with a forlorn group of women who went to mourn the death of their Lord and friend. And, with those women, we hear the glorious good news that death could not hold Jesus in its grip, but that he had risen from the dead and now is alive. "Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!"

But, a resurrection from the dead is a very unusual event and so it is usually met with a great deal of doubt. On the Second Sunday of Easter (April 8th), Jesus appears to his disciples who are hiding behind locked doors in fear, and he offers them his gift of peace. When we gather as God's people, we bring our own doubts, but Jesus meets us, gives us his peace, breathes his Spirit upon us, and transforms us into a community of believers, followers, and servants.

On the Third Sunday of Easter (April 15th), Jesus again gathers with his disciples, this time for a meal. Jesus feeds his disciples, opens their eyes to the meaning of his life, death and resurrection through the scriptures, and sends them into the world as

his witnesses. All these things Christ continues to do with us every time we gather.

Sometimes called "Good Shepherd Sunday," the Fourth Sunday of Easter (April 22nd) presents Christ as our shepherd, who laid down his life for our sake. Jesus' death on our behalf is the clearest demonstration of divine love. This is the very love we share with others, not just through our words but especially through our deeds.

The image we are given in the Fifth Sunday of Easter (April 29th) is that of the vine. Christ is the vine and we are the branches. He promises us that as long as we abide in him and draw our nourishment from the love he freely offers, we will bear fruit for his kingdom.

Love continues to be the theme for the Sixth Sunday of Easter (May 6th) as Jesus commands his followers to be people who "love one another as I have loved you."

The Great Fifty Days concludes with the Seventh Sunday of Easter (May 13th). As we now prepare for the celebration of Pentecost, we hear Jesus pray that the Spirit would make his followers one with him as he is one with the Father. May this mutual abiding, love, life and joy be our prayer as well. Come, Holy Spirit!

Pastor Ed Milliken

New Members' Received ... by Pastor Ed



New members will be received soon, hopefully on April 29th. This is a fifth Sunday, so there will be one worship service at 10:00a.m. If you would like to be brought into the membership at Atonement at this time, please let Pastor Ed know.



Adult Forum News ... by Pastor Ed



Our study of Luther's Small Catechism will (probably) draw to a close in April as we look at the sections on Holy Baptism, Confession, and the Lord's Supper.

Join us for these important topics!



Moments with Martin ... by Rick Letherer



In my attempt to stoke the fires of the 500th year commemoration of the Reformation, I will share some of our namesake's quotes. Martin Luther was a prodigious, but also witty and poignant writer. His writing style was entertaining and sometimes inflammatory. Nearly everyone, even his severest critics, would agree that his prolific use of the printing press changed the world forever.

"Oh that I could pray the way this dog watches the meat!"

Martin Luther

Dr. Luther was capable of a highly engaging style of writing. In this brief statement, he incorporates humor, wisdom regarding prayer including his own shortcomings, respect for the blessing of animals, and a profound sense of his spiritual insight in a single sentence!

"I have undertaken to translate the bible into German. This was good for me; otherwise I might have died in the mistaken notion that I was a learned fellow"

Martin Luther



Samaritan HOUSE Mark your calendar and set a lunch date with friends and family to Dine Out Samaritan House, on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at Nana's Irish Pub in Nye Beach. Nana's will generously donate 20% to help support Samaritan House Homeless Family Shelter. Help us support our homeless families and have a great meal at the same time.

Rose Davies,
Volunteer, Samaritan House



Find the Good News and Praise It



Dakota Durland and Dean Hill (Great-Great Grandpa)
celebrating Dakota's First Birthday.





Notes from the President ... by Linda Kilbride



Member Moment ... Sabine Maresco



New member, Sabine was raised in East Germany where her family 'saw the writing on the wall' and left on the "great adventure of her young life." Her father then 50 and mother in her 40s at the time were forced to "turn (over) the key on anything they had," without a word about their plans to leave for West Germany. This was one year before The Wall between East and West Germany was actually built. When asked if this was a frightening experience, she said at 16 years old it was an adventure to her, which she later came to better understand when she became her parents' age.

She met her husband, an American soldier, in West Germany and followed him throughout most of his 30 year career. After moving with him on assignment after assignment, she calls herself "a pilgrim" and grew to appreciate the many experiences she has had. He was assigned to serve in the war in Vietnam and upon discharge he asked not to be transferred to America. "There was not a friendly welcoming to soldiers returning from their service over there." So they returned to West Germany. They came to the States when he was transferred to Fort Lewis in Tacoma, Washington. He later died in the year 2000.

Sabine then opened a new chapter in her life, went back to school and studied Theology. She served as a Chaplain in the Cancer Unit at Portland's Providence Hospital where she especially loved to hear stories of how five Sisters of Providence moved from Montreal to begin their mission to provide healthcare and education for orphaned children in an old school house in the city. Many of the original sisters are no longer living, but before they departed they handed down their legacy, with specifics spelled out for the lay leadership to preserve their initial intent and the mission still lives on today, as evidenced by the growth of the Providence Health Care system. Sabine retired a year and a half ago.

She continues her 'work' at Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital, not as a Chaplain, but as Treasurer and member for the Auxiliary. She and her fellow volunteers have recently pledged \$35,000, from proceeds earned in their lobby Gift Shop and through other fundraising projects, to enhance the new cafeteria at the hospital. And she continues serving employees and visitors alike with warm, friendly conversations – she loves being there with someone and enjoys good conversations, meaningful but not necessarily personal. "Just being there and listening is what counts!" I know that those she touches find their experiences with Sabine uplifting!

Scholarship News ... Willow Buswell, LMT, Thai massage



Willow has a very busy schedule in the Nursing Program at Oregon Coast Community College, with classes, hospital rotations and

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WELCA News ... by Jean Amundson



Does Where You Sit Determine Where You Stand?

All women are invited to the fellowship and Bible study group called WELCA (Women of the ELCA) every third Wednesday of the month at 12:30pm. The April 18th meeting will take a thought-provoking look at the story of the Prodigal Son.

Some delicious refreshments will be provided, and there's always plenty of good fellowship as well as our study and discussion.

This will be the final discussion of "Multiple Meanings: Learning from Other Interpretations." The study was written by Dr. Mark Allan Powell, a professor of New Testament who has also taught in Estonia, Russia, and Tanzania.

The study outline is in the WELCA magazine, which is named "Gather (for Faith and Action)". If you don't subscribe, you can borrow a copy from the magazine kiosk in the church library. Copies will also be available at the meeting.



Notes from the President ... continued from page 5

lectures. She recently completed a math class to qualify to distribute medications and has shadowed on the Acute Care Unit and in the Operating Room. Beginning spring quarter, she looks forward to clinic rotations throughout the Samaritan Health Care system. And, after she completes her Associates Degree in Nursing she plans to work toward her Bachelor of Science in Nursing, with a program provided in partnership between OCCC and Linfield College. Whew!!! She is specifically interested in Anesthesiology, where there are several possibilities for advanced degrees.

She moved to Newport from Portland where she graduated from Cleveland High School (2007); and from the College of Healing Arts to become a Massage Therapist (2009). She loves to help people and discovered that she wanted to "do more for them" with additional education in the health care field.

She was drawn to Newport to help take care of her Grandma, Olga Buswell. The nursing program here has been a perfect fit for her. She served as president of PTK an honor society at the college and is a member, a volunteer and did some fundraising for the nursing organization (SNO). Willow loves to give back to the community by volunteering, currently at Bright Horizons. "Working with horses is a fun way to address the challenges of special needs children. It is amazing to watch the kids develop self-esteem as they learn to groom, feed and ride horses!" Willow is our new greeter prior to worship services at Atonement and staffs the Nursery.

When she has spare time she loves to do strenuous hikes, swim, and go to movies with her fellow nursing students.



Ponderings at Page Seven ... by Susan Painter

Leadership



This Easter season we followed Jesus from his triumphant entry in Jerusalem to his humiliating death on the cross. We watched the multitudes change from an adoring crowd to a bloodthirsty mob. We saw the difference between power and leadership. A leader inspires, transforms, challenges. Power is simply a tool – for an effective leader to wield or a weak one to manipulate.

Pilate had power, but lacked leadership. He recognized that Jesus had done no wrong, but “wishing to satisfy the crowd... after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.” Mark 15:15. Jesus, in that moment, had leadership but seemed powerless, making no reply to Pilate’s questions, “so that Pilate was amazed.” Mark 15:5.

Our own world is little different. Russia’s president uses power to silence – even to poison – his opponents. Our president uses power to disparage, denigrate and divide.

Yet among us are real leaders. Despite their seeming powerlessness, they inspire and ennoble us. Narek Arutynunian, the 25 year old clarinetist who recently soloed with the Newport Symphony, is a native of Armenia appearing with us on a visa from Russia. He describes his clarinet as his “soul,” and his passionate music as a “contribution to peace.” All who heard his powerful music on Palm Sunday weekend were blessed by his gift.

During those same days, students marched against gun violence in cities across our nation, outpourings of inspiration organized by teenagers not yet old enough to vote. Their awareness, energy

and passion burst forth from their own frustrations with the lack of leadership among those in power after school shootings around the country.

In our nation’s capital, Yolanda King, Martin Luther King, Jr’s 9 - year - old granddaughter vowed, “I have a dream that enough is enough... and that this should be a gun-free world. Period.”

Florida shooting survivor and high school senior Emma Gonzalez led the crowd, first to complete silence, and then to chants of “Never again!” before exclaiming, “Fight for your lives, before it’s someone else’s job!”

These are the hopes for our future. They understand the power of true leadership. They reflect the inspiration of one who can see hope where one thought there was no hope; to see skill where skill is obscured by ego or anxiety; to observe the fragility of confidence and the redemptive power of trust - the strength of the gossamer threads of affection that sometimes grow between young people striving honestly to do their best.¹

These youngsters challenge and ennoble us with their unexpected, tragedy-born catapult into leadership. They are the ones who hold our world’s future – and are moving toward power. They represent our hope, as we remember how Jesus brought hope with his redemptive triumph over the power of death:

“You came, the image of our God, to heal
and to forgive,

To shed your blood for sinners’ sake that
we might rise and live.

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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 (weekly or monthly) if needed. Please, check with our office for available dates and time.

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First Friday Lunch Bunch



April 6th at 12:00am @ Deep End Café 740 W Olive St



Readers and Worship Recorders... We have several openings in April. Signup Sheets located on Bulletin Board in Narthex.

Monthly Setup/Cleanup/Snacks... Please sign up on any open dates. Signup Sheets located on Bulletin Board next to Kitchen

A great thanks to all who volunteer their time in participating in our Sunday service.

Ponderings ... (continues from page 7)

To break the law of death you came, the law of love to bring:
A diff'rent rule of righteousness, a diff'rent kind of king.

"You chose a humble human form and shunned the world's renown;
You died for us upon a cross with thorns your only crown.
But still, beyond the span of years, our glad hosannas ring,
for now at God's right hand you reign, a diff'rent kind of king!"²

Paraphrased from Daniel James Brown, *The Boys in the Boat*, Penguin: 2013, p 48
Delores Dufner, "O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us?" 2003 GIA Publications.



April 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p><i>Easter Sunday</i></p> <p>8:00am Worship 9-10:30am - Easter Brunch 11:00am Worship 12:15pm Ed Mtg</p> <p>APRIL FOOLS</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p>	<p>3</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Shilo Inn Restaurant</p>	<p>6</p> <p>12:00pm First Friday Brunch @ Deep End Café</p>	<p>7</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers MT (Ed Rm)</p> <p>Nat'l Beer Day</p> <p>World Health Day</p>
<p>8</p> <p>8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:15pm Worship & Music Mtg</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>9:30am Property</p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Equal Pay Day</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>5:30pm Social Ministry Mtg 6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>11</p> <p>4:00pm Finance 5:30pm HMT</p>	<p>12</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Pig n Pancake</p> <p>Holocaust Remembrance Day</p>	<p>13</p> <p>8-5pm OCQG Workshop (FH)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p>
<p>15</p> <p>8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum Sunday School 11:00am Worship</p> <p>3:00pm Taping Area for painting</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>9-12:00pm Paint Party</p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p>	<p>17</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>TAX DAY</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>18</p> <p>12:30pm WELCA 7:00pm Council</p>	<p>19</p> <p>WAVES Deadline</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Pig n Pancake</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p>
<p>22</p> <p>8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum Sunday School 11:00am Worship</p> <p>Earth Day</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>5:00pm Stone Soup @ St Stephens 5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p>	<p>24</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Administrative Professional Day</p>	<p>26</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Pig n Pancake</p> <p>5:00pm Randy's Feed & Read</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Celebrate Arbor Day Plant A Tree</p>	<p>28</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg ((Ed Rm)</p>
<p>29</p> <p>10:00am Worship</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p>	<p>Keep America Beautiful Month</p>		<p>Nat'l Humor Month</p>		<p>Sexual Awareness Month</p>

Volunteer Opportunities



Worship Page

Worship

Readers

Altar Guild

Musicians

1	8:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m.	Mike Rawles Pete Kraack	Peggy Gilman Bette Harmon	Tami Johnson Tami Johnson
8	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Dick Tyler _____	_____ Janice Delameter	Jerryann Olson Jerryann Olson
15	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Jean Amundson Debbie Adamson	Marian Brown Lois Greenwood	Marian Brown Marian Brown
22	8:00 p.m. 11:00 p.m.	Paul Amundson _____	Marian Brown Marian Brown	Tami Johnson Tami Johnson
29	10:00 a.m.	_____	Marian Brown	Marian Brown



Barb Abshire	4/6	Sylvia Smith	4/25
Rich Gogl	4/6	Darcy de la Rosa	4/27
John Baker	4/7	Lucille Gibson	4/28
Gene Hogan	4/9	Barbara Utterback	4/29
Herb Jennings	4/9	Bette Harmon	4/30
Megan Miller-Morgan	4/9		
JerryAnn Olson	4/9		
Dene Bateman	4/10		
Kathleen Knight	4/21		
Bruce Mate	4/24		



1	Congregation
8	Bob & Jerryann Olson
15	_____
22	_____
29	Mariah Harmon - Mother's Birthday



1	John Stern & Pete Kraack
8	Paul Amundson & Peggy Gilman
15	Peggy Gilman & Bette Harmon
22	Bette Harmon & Walt Duvall
29	Walt Duvall & Paul Amundson

Social Ministry

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: **Peanut Butter**



READ Randy's Reed & Feed ... by Sally Jennings



We will host Randy's Feed & Read Family Night Out event this month on Thursday April 26th. At this time, donations of toothpaste and toothbrushes are especially needed. They are very popular items with our families. We could also use clean, lightly worn children's clothing, from infant to early teen sizes. We have lots of donated coats, right now, T shirts, tops, pants, dresses, skirts, leggings and baby clothes are much appreciated. We always welcome donations of gently used picture and chapter books, as well as new hygiene items.

Game Prizes Needed for May Randy's Feed & Read Picnic

Every May, we host an end of school year picnic for families who attend our Randy's Feed & Read events during the school year. We play picnic games, and make sure that everyone goes home with a prize. Please, help make our family picnic a success by donating small prizes.

We need low cost educational toys, outdoor toys and healthy snacks. Some ideas are: kites, sand toys, jump ropes, word search books, sets of washable colored markers, activity books, frisbees, balls, crackers, canned nuts, healthy cereals, and snack bars. *Please put your donations in the basket on the cart in the Narthex.*

Stone Soup ... by Sally Jennings



The next Stone Soup will be on Monday, April 28th, at St. Stephens Episcopal Church. Volunteers from Atonement prepare and serve Stone Soup at St. Stephens Episcopal Church on the fourth Monday of each month. We provide nutritious meals to 40 to 60 hungry, often homeless, people.

Prep work at St. Stephens begins at 3:00pm Serving and clean up work begin at 5:15pm.

"God's work, our hands"



Gift Cards ... This program provides an emergency meal for people who stop by our church and need help. This is part of our Social Ministry program and hope to continue helping those who are hungry. We would like to thank our recent generous donor for the Subway \$5.00 gift cards. However, we have no other vendors left such as MacDonald's, Burger King, and Artie Circle. If you are able to help, please drop off at the office.

Thank You!

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Reaching Out with God's

Reminder...



**Audio Worship
Services &
Calendar on website**



Food Pantry

**Fill our Food Barrel
This Month: Peanut
Butter**