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



Congregational Meeting

Sunday, January 21st at 12:00pm



Please mark your calendar and plan to attend the important congregational meeting that will be held on Sunday, January 21st. We will gather at noon for a potluck luncheon and the meeting will follow. Items on the agenda include: Reports from committees, financial report of 2017, the budget for 2018, and elections.

Volunteer Opportunities



The following positions are still open on the nominating ballot:

- ◆ Congregation Secretary
- ◆ Council positions for Outreach/Hospitality, Youth, and Finance
- ◆ Delegates to the Synod Assembly on May 19, 2018 (one lay male and one lay female)
- ◆ People to serve on the Nominating Committee for the 2019 nominating ballot.

Please let Pastor Ed know if you are interested in serving in any of these positions or if you have questions about them.



2018 Flower Chart Signup

birthdays, anniversaries and special events.

Signup sheet on Bulletin

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 ~ October 2017

General Fund	Current Year		Previous Year	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
INCOME				
Members Offerings	\$175,288	\$168,824	\$174,274	\$179,512
Grants	\$2,135	\$5,000	\$4,768	\$3,995
Room Rents	\$8,761	\$8,564	\$7,465	\$9,093
Transfer from Capital Fund	\$10,022	\$22,000	\$12,000	\$22,000
Total Income	\$196,206	\$204,388	\$198,507	\$214,600
EXPENSES				
Pastoral Compensation	\$67,942	\$67,960	\$67,942	\$67,227
Pastoral Benefits	\$27,973	\$30,617	\$29,843	\$29,089
Pastoral Expenses	\$2,258	\$3,198	\$2,318	\$3,182
Staff Compensation	\$25,205	\$28,660	\$34,577	\$43,890
Staff Payroll Cost	\$3,389	\$6,151	\$5,129	\$7,182
Worship & Music	\$2,358	\$4,791	\$3,345	\$2,700
Education	\$455	\$1,000	\$1,404	\$2,246
Youth	-\$83	\$193	\$35	\$596
Outreach/Hospitality	\$983	\$1,355	\$891	\$1,402
Social Ministry	\$1,702	\$2,108	\$1,650	\$2,108
Stewardship	\$0	\$1,466	\$366	\$825
Health Ministry	\$0	\$550	\$0	\$550
Parish Life	\$436	\$1,546	\$921	\$4,473
ELCA Mission Support	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$5,500	\$5,500
General/Administrative	\$9,793	\$11,056	\$10,166	\$10,512
Facility Expenses	\$27,773	\$29,576	\$23,594	\$26,551
Insurance	\$8,341	\$9,167	\$8,787	\$8,800
Total Expense	\$184,025	\$204,894	\$196,468	\$216,833
INCOME LESS EXPENSE	\$12,181	(\$506)	\$2,039	(\$2,233)

Endowment Account	Monthly Activity	Investment Account	General Endow	Scholarship	Memorial Gardens	Organ Upkeep
Balance @ 10/31/2017		\$86,137	\$33,896	\$26,312	\$9,319	\$16,610
October	\$1,057	\$1,057	\$416	\$323	\$114	\$204
Balance @ 11/30/2017		\$87,194	\$34,312	\$26,635	\$9,433	\$16,814

Capital Fund	BANK ACCT BALANCE @ 1/1/2017	-	-	\$61,871
	INCOME	\$102,951		
	EXPENSES		\$80,400	
	BALANCE @ 11/30/2017			\$84,422



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,

The Christmas season has ended, and like children who have opened all their gifts, we are not sure what to do next. Is the excitement over for another year? Do we just go back to life as normal? What difference has it all made? The season of Epiphany does have a hard act to follow. The truth is that God never stops giving and the texts appointed for the Epiphany season reveal many more gifts to us from our God, if we are attentive to his Word.

The First Sunday after the Epiphany, otherwise known as The Baptism of our Lord, focuses on the gifts of God we receive in our baptism. In those life-giving waters we have been joined to the Son, adopted into the family of God, and given a commission to serve as God's people in this world. The baptismal font is our "Jordan" where the Holy Spirit comes to us, strengthening and enlightening us for our lives of service and giving.

The Second and Third Sundays after Epiphany reveal to us our gift of purpose. In baptism, God calls us to be his servants, to be "fishers of people." Our calling, our purpose as Christians is to invite others to "come and see" the graciousness

of our God and to join us in the communal journey of discipleship.

The Fourth and Fifth Sundays after Epiphany focus on the gifts of healing and new life that come to us from God through Christ. They reveal to us God's compassionate heart and his power to overcome all the illnesses (physical, mental, and spiritual) which hold us captive. Living as the body of Christ, as "wounded healers," our lives are signs of God's gracious intent for all humankind.

The last Sunday after Epiphany, The Transfiguration of our Lord, concludes the Epiphany season and prepares us for Lent and Easter. On the mountain the light of God shines again on and through Jesus, and in this turning point in his life we find the meaning of his birth and baptism – and our final Epiphany gift: He was born to die and be raised again so that, in our death, we too might be raised to eternal life.

Join us in worship each week as we unwrap each of the Epiphany gifts and continue to rejoice in the coming of He who is our Light and our Life – Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Pastor Ed Milliken



First Friday Lunch Bunch

January 5th at 12:00noon

Off the Hook Bar & Grill 3211 Oregon Coast Hwy South Beach





Adult Forum News . . . by Pastor Ed



By Heart: Conversations with Martin Luther's Small Catechism

Beginning in January the adult forum will pick up the topic of Luther's Small Catechism. Martin Luther had a way with words and an eye toward instruction as he wrote the Small Catechism. Written to awaken and affirm faith as well as provide a helpful tool for households and congregations, the Small Catechism delivers the precise and profound words that have become the heart of Lutheran teaching about the Christian faith. Luther saw firsthand how far removed the gospel was from the people's experience. So, he set about crafting a simple Q&A on the basics of God's word, aimed at bringing the Holy Spirit into the hearts of 16th century readers, readers ever since, and into your heart too. Join us each Sunday morning at 9:30am and gain a fresh understanding of how Luther's life and thought is revealed in the Small Catechism breaking open the proclamation of the gospel to transform our lives with the freeing good news of God's gracious love.

Adult Forum-be prepared . . . by Rhonda Harman



January 7th, Rhonda Harman is offering a presentation at the 9:30am Adult Forum, held downstairs in Fellowship Hall. The program highlights emergency preparedness plans based on training and experience. She was a member on Georgia Pacific's PEO- Plant Emergency Operations for 25 years and currently serving on CERT- Community Emergency Response Team over 20 years now.

This opportunity is not about if the "big one" hits but **when the big one hits**. We need to know how to survive and help others. We all must take active responsibility for ourselves, our family and our neighborhood. We will learn what we all need to have on hand at home, in the car and at work. The emergency professionals will not be able to help everyone when disaster strikes, so we will likely be on our own. They may not even be able to physically get to your location after a catastrophic disaster like an earthquake or flood. Power and phone service could be out for months. Learn some basics and how to **Be Prepared** and come on down!



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



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

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



Reformation & Pastor Celebration

October 29, 2017



The celebration was enjoyed by all and we have some event photos taken by Braulio Escobar



Stronger Together March ... by Rhonda Harman



January 20, 2018 Newport will host another Stronger Together March. All are welcome to join us in solidarity with marches all across the country. Last year we started with 1600 women and men and approximately 2000 at the destination. We will again meet up at Newport City Hall. There will be a speaker and guest speaker just before noon and then begin walking at 12 pm. Sadly, our nation again needs to see us in solidarity as we resist the White House revolution. We want to speak up and be heard both for our nation and for God's values, side by side and Stronger Together! The participants from last year said it really helped them feel better, not alone but supporting each other in community.

I am reading an interesting book called,

"A Political Reading of the Life of Jesus". I am discovering that Jesus was emphatically political. He demonstrated non-violent agape to the Pharisee's political power time and time again according to God's will and two commandments. This book gives a new look and consciousness which helps me understand the integration of politics and religion. Love God, love each other. Father Miguel d'Escoto, Maryknoll Priest and Foreign Minister for Nicaragua writes, "...we need to recover the Jesus who challenged the powers with non-violent agape (love). And yes, by all means, to accept to follow Jesus means to choose, in obedience to Him, to engage in the Politics of Liberation and Freedom.

Library Committee ... by Nancy Hilton



January 10, 2018 -- save this date! Library Board Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

This is the date that we will "weed" our library. Hope all library board members will be able to attend. Let's start the New Year by reviewing books that are no longer being checked out to make room for new books.



WELCA News ... by Pastor Ed

Beginning this month the WELCA group will begin a study entitled, "Multiple Meanings: Learning from Other Interpretations." The study, which explores what Biblical stories mean to people around the world, is written by Dr. Mark Allan Powell a professor of New Testament at Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio. He has also taught at seminaries in Estonia, Russia, and Tanzania.

On January 17th at 12:30p.m. the topic will be from Mark 7:1-12, "Washing Hands with Distant Hearts." Dr. Powell writes: "When we read or listen to Scripture, we identify with different characters in the Biblical story to discern what the story means to us. In this session we explore this phenomena, as well as Mark 7:1-12, which some people interpret from the perspective of the disciples, some from the perspective of the Pharisees, and others from the perspective of Jesus."

Join us each month as we learn new approaches to Biblical stories as we look at those stories through the eyes of others.



Habitat for Humanity ... by Anne Stangeland

Buying Habitat for Humanity scrip is the easiest way I know to help that organization provide homes for families who otherwise would never own a home, let alone build one. Scrip comes in 100 and 50 dollar denominations in the form of a credit card.

Five cents of every dollar goes to Habitat for Humanity, Lincoln County. Each time the card is used the receipt will tell the buyer how much is left to spend with the card. Each family chosen to build a home puts in at least 100 hours of "sweat equity" and sometimes even more. All other labor from the contractor to helpers is volunteer, which allows the cost of the home to be within the reach of each family. Scrip is sold the first two Sundays of each month after both church services at the table closest to the office.



Ponderings from the President ... by Susan Painter



As our new year dawns, we make vows of change: to read more books or waste less time; to lose weight or exercise more; to give more and worry less.

Yet, change is difficult.

We are unsettled by small changes, like the discontinued flavor of a favorite coffee or a seeing the local shop we've loved for years shuttering in retirement. We are set adrift completely by big changes, like losing a soul mate or a child or a parent.

Scientists tell us that significant change is hard, regardless of whether we label it "bad" or "good." The Holmes Rahe Stress Scale was established to track the relationship of stress to health. It rates death of a spouse as number one in the top ten most stressful events of adult life; but marriage is rated number seven. Marital separation is listed as number three, but marital reconciliation is listed as nine.

Atonement has had many changes in the past few years: we have welcomed new members and bid farewell to others who moved away or died. We celebrated our first half century, but also faced financial hurdles. We serve our community, yet we still feel inadequate as we minister to the hungry and homeless and helpless among us.

Ecclesiastes tells us, "to every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven...that which hath been is now; and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past."

Soon Atonement's leadership will change, and my time as president will end. These years have been a season of challenge and change for me in many ways; but being able to serve this way has enriched and healed me.

As we walk into this new year and face changes in our world and in our church, let us embrace our faith and our fellowship with a stronger determination to live in gratitude for the gifts that change represents. E.M. Forster wrote, "We must be willing to let go of the life we have planned, so as to have the life that is waiting for us."

Thank you all for your support and service to Atonement and its mission. Thank you, too, for the nurture and love you have given me personally and in this special church community as I served as your president.



Website Calendar

Check out our website calendar. It includes all activities on a daily, weekly and monthly basis. It is updated to include all changes and new events ...

website: <http://www.atonementlutheran.com>



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.

Phone# 541-265-2554

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Blood Pressure ... Terri McCulley



Terri McCulley will be doing BP checks between services(9am—10:30am) on *January 7th*. So stay after the first service and get your blood pressure checked or come early and get it checked before the second service. She will not be around after second service.



Social Ministry

Project Homeless Connect ... by Sally Jennings

We have received 2 request from the Project Homeless Connect for Friday, January 26th



- ◆ Paul Amundson and Sylvia Pauly will be serving cookies and coffee on behalf of our church on the morning of Project Homeless Connect, and they need donations of homemade cookies. *Hopefully, around 10 dozen cookies!* Please put your cookie donations on the table near the mail slots in the Narthex anytime on January 24th or by noon on January 25th. Sally Jennings will deliver the cookies and Dignity Drive donations to the Church of the Nazarene early that afternoon.



- ◆ Event coordinator Lola Jones asks that our congregation help out by donating new socks and underwear as part of the event's Dignity Drive. Socks and underwear for men, women and children are needed. All sizes are needed. Dark colored socks and underwear are preferable. Lola says that warm hats and gloves are also needed, so please feel free to donate those as well. Please put your donations in the tub in the Narthex before January 25th. In the words of Mother Theresa, "We can all do small things, with great love".





January 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>National Blood Donor Month</p> 	<p>1</p> 	<p>2</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Pig N Pancake</p>	<p>5</p> <p>12:00pm First Friday Brunch @ Off the Hook</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p>
<p>7</p> <p>8:00am Worship 9-10:30am Blood Pressure 9:30am Adult Forum Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:30pm Ed Mtg</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Office Closed 9:30am Property 5:30pm Prayer/Bible Study 6:30pm Parish Life</p>	<p>9</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg 5:30pm Social Ministry Mtg 6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>10</p> <p>4:00pm Finance 5:30pm HMT</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Pig N Pancake 11-5pm OCQG Mtg Human Trafficking Awareness</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p>
<p>14</p> <p>8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:15pm Worship/Music Mtg</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Office Closed Martin Luther King Day 5:30pm Prayer/Bible Study</p>	<p>16</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg Painting Party 6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>17</p> <p>12:30pm WELCA</p>	<p>18</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Pig N Pancake</p>	<p>19</p> <p>National Popcorn Day</p> 	<p>20</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm) 9-12pm Work Party</p>
<p>21</p> <p>8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:00pm Potluck & Congregation Mtg</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Office Closed 5:00pm Stone Soup @ St Stephen's 5:30pm Prayer/Bible Study</p>	<p>23</p> <p>WAVES Deadline 2:00pm Staff Mtg 6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>24</p> <p>7:00pm Council</p>	<p>25</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Pig N Pancake 5:00pm Randy's Feed & Read</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg ((Ed Rm) Commemoration of the Holocaust Victims</p>
<p>28</p> <p>8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum Sunday School 11:00am Worship</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Office Closed 5:30pm Prayer/Bible Study</p>	<p>30</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg 6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>Cervical health Awareness Month</p>  <p><i>Mother • Daughter • Sister • Friend</i> We're In This Together</p>	<p>National Glaucoma Awareness</p>	<p>National Mentoring Month</p> 





Worship Page

Worship

Readers

Altar Guild

Musicians

7	8:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m.	Jean Amundson Dean Hill	Marian Brown Lois Greenwood	Jerryann Olson Jerryann Olson
14	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Mike Rawles Lily Phelps	Peggy Gilman Janice Delameter	Marian Brown Marian Brown
21	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Barry McPherson Terri Homer	Mary Lou Mate Bette Harmon	Tami Johnson Tami Johnson
28	8:00 p.m. 11:00 p.m.	Rhonda Harman _____	Marian Brown Lois Greenwood	Marian Brown Marian Brown



Lester Day	1/1
Sylvia Pauly	1/1
Don Freeman	1/1
Beverly Kraack	1/7
Dick Kilbride	1/8
Janice Delameter	1/10
Donald Lindly	1/11
Linda Goebel	1/13
Mary Lou Mate	1/13
Donna White	1/16
Donald Davis	1/17

Irene Shipley	1/19
Steve Nelson	1/23
Juliann Johnson	1/28
Sally Jennings	1/30



3 Michael & Penny
Schultz



7	_____
14	_____
21	Raynette & Mike Rawles —Brandye's birthday
28	_____



7	Paul Amundson & Paul Stangeland
14	Paul Stangeland & Walt Duvall
21	Walt Duvall & Bob Olson
28	Bob Olson & John Stern

Social Ministry ... continue

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: **Stews and Soups**



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



Our next 4th Thursday Feed & Read Family Night Out will be on Thursday, January 25th for homeless and/or low income families. The families we serve either reside at Samaritan House or are part of the Newport Homeless Education & Literacy Project (H.E.L.P.). Our church provides a safe and relaxing evening of crafts, play, reading, singing, and socializing, as well as a nutritious dinner for families in need. We send families home with books, leftovers, hygiene items and children's clothing. Most importantly, we send families home with a sense of caring and community.

Much help is needed. Cooking and set up begin at 3:00pm. Help is needed with sign ins, transportation and crafts starting at 5:15pm. Dinner is served at 6pm and kitchen clean up follows. After dinner, reading volunteers are needed to read with the children.

Stone Soup ... by Sally Jennings



The next Stone Soup will be on Monday, January 22nd, 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"

Remember to Dine Out for Samaritan House Wednesday, January 3, 2018, at Original Mo's Restaurant on Newport's Bay-front. Mo's will generously donate 20% of sales to help support Samaritan House Homeless Family Shelter. Help us support our homeless families and have a great meal at the same time. Ring in the New Year at Mo's!

Thanks for your continued support.

Rose Davies, Volunteer
Samaritan House



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Reaching Out with God's

Reminder...



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Services &
Calendar on website**



*Welcome
to Our
Church*



Food Pantry

**Fill our Food Barrel
This Month: Stews &
Soups**