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Atonement Lutheran Church

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## Office Hours

10:00am - 3:00pm

Tuesday thru Friday



## Welcome New Members

Last month we rejoiced to receive Randy and Peggy Gilman into membership at Atonement. We welcome them into our family of faith and pray that God will use their gifts in our mutual ministry in Newport and beyond. Please take time to get to know them and add your personal welcome.

More new members will be received soon! Exciting things are happening at Atonement. Who can you invite to be a part of what God is doing among us?

## Holy Week Services



The following Holy Week services will be held early this month. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend each of these special services as we prepare our hearts for the joy of Easter morning.

**Maundy Thursday Service** with Holy Communion, Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm.

**Good Friday Service**, Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00pm.

**Easter Vigil Service**, with Holy Communion, Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.

**Easter Festival Services** with Holy Communion, Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am and 11:00am. Easter brunch and Easter Egg Hunt for children between the services.

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 2015

## General Fund

	Current Year		Previous Year	
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>INCOME</b>				
Members Offerings	\$33,270	\$29,407	\$30,503	\$28,200
Grants	\$1,657			
Room Rents	\$1,570	\$1,950	\$3,101	\$3,000
Dedicated Fund Transfer	\$0	\$4,600	\$4,137	\$4,500
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$36,497</b>	<b>\$35,957</b>	<b>\$37,741</b>	<b>\$35,700</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Pastoral Compensation	\$11,765	\$11,765	\$11,765	\$11,765
Pastoral Benefits	\$4,832	\$5,537	\$5,989	\$6,049
Pastoral Expenses	\$250	\$643	\$295	\$610
Staff Compensation	\$4,734	\$7,600	\$5,955	\$8,200
Staff Benefits		\$60	\$70	\$118
Staff Payroll Cost	\$650	\$1,167	\$830	\$1,100
Worship & Music	\$200	\$482	\$337	\$636
Education		\$250	\$15	\$93
Youth		\$108	\$10	\$75
Outreach/Hospitality	\$205	\$263	\$177	\$533
Social Ministry	\$628	\$333	\$702	\$560
Stewardship		\$238		\$100
Health Ministry		\$100		
Parish Life	\$198	\$225	\$1,281	\$117
ELCA Mission Support		\$1,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
General/Administrative	\$2,082	\$1,771	\$2,404	\$1,728
Facility Expenses	\$6,161	\$3,937	\$2,674	\$4,150
Insurance	\$1,409	\$1,366	\$1,367	\$1,367
	<b>\$33,114</b>	<b>\$36,846</b>	<b>\$35,873</b>	<b>\$39,201</b>
<b>INCOME LESS EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$3,383</b>	<b>(\$889)</b>	<b>\$1,868</b>	<b>(\$3,501)</b>

## Endowment Account

	<u>Monthly Activity</u>	<u>Investment Account</u>	<u>General Endow</u>	<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Memorial Gardens</u>	<u>Organ Upkeep</u>
Balance at 1/1/15		\$74,931	\$27,525	\$22,791	\$10,353	\$14,262
January	(\$628)	(\$628)	(\$231)	(\$191)	(\$87)	(\$119)
Balance @ 1/31/15		\$74,303	\$27,294	\$22,600	\$10,266	\$14,143
February	\$2,516	\$2,516	\$924	\$765	\$348	\$479
Balance @ 2/28/15		\$76,819	\$28,218	\$23,365	\$10,614	\$14,622

## Capital Fund

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>INCOME</b>				
Rental Income	\$16,790	\$16,790	\$17,030	\$16,790
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
	\$6,666	\$11,263	\$10,951	\$10,925
<b>INCOME LESS EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$10,124</b>	<b>\$5,527</b>	<b>\$6,079</b>	<b>\$5,865</b>





## From the Pastor . . .



**Pastor  
Ed Milliken**

**D**ear Friends in Christ,

"Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!" This is the joyful proclamation of the Easter season, 50 days of celebration of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus from the dead. On Easter Sunday (April 5) we travel to the tomb with a forlorn group of women who go to mourn the death of their Lord, their 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 walked this earth again. "Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!"

But 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 12), Jesus appears to his disciples who are hiding behind locked doors in fear and he offers them his gift of peace. When we gather 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, servants.

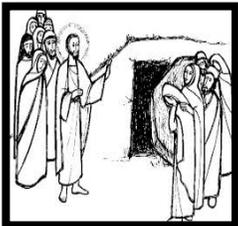
On the Third Sunday of Easter (April 19), Jesus again gathers with his disciples, this time for a meal; feeding his disciples, opening their eyes to the meaning of his life, death and resurrection through the scriptures, and sending them into the world as witnesses. All these things Christ

continues to do with us every time we gather. Sometimes called "Good Shepherd Sunday," the Fourth Sunday of Easter (April 26) presents Christ as our shepherd who laid down his life for our sake and then called us to follow his example by laying down our lives for others.

The image we are given in the Fifth Sunday in Easter (May 3) 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 gives, we will bear fruit for his kingdom.

Love continues to be the theme for the Sixth Sunday of Easter (May 10) as Jesus commands his followers to be people who "love one another as I have loved you."

The great fifty days concludes on the Seventh Sunday of Easter (May 17). As we prepare for the celebration of Pentecost the next Sunday, we hear Jesus pray that the Spirit would make his followers one with him and he is one with the Father. May this mutual abiding, love, life, and joy be our prayer too.



*Pastor Ed Milliken*



**Rhonda Harman ~ Director of Family Ministry**



## Family Ministry/Education News

- ◆ "May your home be blessed with the courage of compassionate hearts, seeing the greatness in every soul illuminated by the light within you. May the garden of your heart bloom with even the smallest of kind acts, giving your life the gift of divine purpose." *Author Unknown*. This beautiful blessing came to me one day and I want to pass it forward to all of you!
- ◆ Please send us your good news to share; "Find the Good News and Praise It"
- ◆ We are looking forward to our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual PTA luncheon/meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup> after second service. This event is for our Parents/Grandparents of our Atonement children with our Sunday Shepherds. We will provide a simple meal and strongly encourage participation. We will discuss the future and 2015-2016 Sunday School possibilities. We are working with strategic planning and hope to foster and create some new ideas.
- ◆ Festivities will continue on in the Easter traditions. There will be two services, one at 8 and one at 11am. We are looking forward to a full house of worship and we invite one and all; our family, friends, and neighbors to share in the joy of our Risen Lord. We will be having a pot-luck between services; (9-10:45am) and invite you to sign up to bring fruit, bread, deviled eggs or juice.
- ◆ There will be an Easter egg hunt for children. It will either be outside or indoors dependent on weather conditions.
- ◆ May 3<sup>rd</sup> is our annual Cinco de Mayo celebration. Joachim (Joe) Baumgarten will be our chef again styling his authentic Tex-Mex delights while our Education Committee will be organizing a sign-up sheet for the extras like taco shells, burritos, and lots of condiments! Be sure and mark your calendar so you don't miss this really fun fellowship opportunity.
- ◆ Would you like to join us in a retreat perhaps this fall-2015? We are asking for inspiring suggestions to create a theme/purpose. Let me know if you have an idea or even a question you would like to consider in depth. There are lots of destination retreats on the coast. There are many areas not too far from Atonement which we will evaluate. We would design it around the people interested in taking part.

*Blessings*

*Rhonda Harman*



Donna White ~ Director of Evangelism



## Evangelism

Everyone has a childhood. Each of us had a family of one sort or another while growing up, whether our own biological one or one of another sort. There is as much variety in families as there are families in the world; it is mind boggling to consider.

However we grew up, if we are among the lucky who have survived to adulthood and are living a fortunate life, we are then charged with doing what we are able, to make this world a better place. This often seems an impossibly difficult job, so we attempt to "bloom where we are planted."

I feel so very blessed to be able to witness this around me everyday. Many are not so fortunate. I also feel grateful for the many people who by whatever circumstance choose to dedicate their lives

and/or fortunes to the betterment of mankind worldwide.

Last Sunday our Bishop and former Pastor Dave Brauer-Rieke gave both sermons with an adult forum inbetween. Among his words that day was the mention of what our benevolence gifts do. It is a good thing, I think, to continually remind yourself that YOUR gifts ARE at work all over the world!

I just love this thought, that when you hear of humanitarian tragedy somewhere in this wide world of ours, you can know that, though you are not a person on the scene, you are very often there not only in spirit, but with invaluable funding which you have contributed to Lutheran World Relief through your benevolence dollars.

Donna White





## Adult Forum News . . . by Pastor Ed

**"When I have a terrible need of - dare I say, 'religion'?**



... Vincent Van Gogh



**" then I go outside at night and paint the stars."**

Celebrating the communion of science and faith, *Painting the Stars* explores the promise of evolutionary Christian spirituality. Due to popular demand we will be viewing the video segments for a second time in the coming weeks.

Schedule:

April 5: No adult forum – Easter

April 12: Topic yet to be determined

April 19: Session 6 video: Imagining a Future

April 26: Session 7 video: An Evolving Spirituality – Mysticism

## Designer Note Cards

Mary Lou Mate has designed two note cards based on quilts she created...



Love thy neighbor ~ Silk Convergence



Packs of 5 for \$5.00

## WELCA Meeting ... by Jean Amundson



The WELCA group meets monthly for Bible study, fellowship, and treats. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> 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 will be served.

**All are Welcome!**



# Library Committee ...



## Visit our Library and Borrow a Book...

- ◆ 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.



## Reminders



### Flower Chart Signup...

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



### Monthly Setup/Cleanup/Snacks

Please sign up on any open dates. Sign-up sheet located on bulletin board... We appreciate your time and effort!



### Website Calendar

We have a separate calendar on our website. It includes all activities on a daily, weekly and monthly basis. It will be updated with changes or added activities as it is scheduled. website: <http://www.atonementlutheran.com>



### Audio on Line

We have added audio recordings of our worship services on our website [www.atonementlutheran.com](http://www.atonementlutheran.com). Just click on Worship Services in the heading bar and services will be listed by date, the description of the gospel for Sunday Services (highlighted in blue) and the title of Sermon.



# 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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## Oregon Synod

God's work. Our hands.



The 2015 Oregon Synod Assembly will be held on April 24-26 at Sunriver Resort in Bend, Oregon. The theme for this year's assembly is "Tree of Life: Root, Fruit, Scar."

## Prayer & Bible Study

Please join us on Monday afternoons each week for prayer and bible study.  
1:00pm—3:00pm in Narthex

## First Friday Lunch Bunch



April 3<sup>rd</sup> 12:00am @ Fish Tails  
Please call or e-mail office if you are able to attend.



## Mark Your Calendars

Mark your calendars, put in your church bulletins and spread the word. Wednesday, April 1st Dine Out for Samaritan House is hosted by Nana's Irish Pub in Nye Beach. Nana's will donate 15% of the days profits to the homeless family shelter.

Thank you for your continued support.

Rose Davies, Volunteer,  
Samaritan House Homeless Shelter





# April 2015



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>Stress Awareness Month</b></p>			<p>1</p> <p>10:00pm Egg Stuffing</p>	<p>2</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at FishTails</p> <p>1:00pm Easter Food Basket Assemblydelivery</p> <p>7:00pm Maundy Thursday Svc</p>	<p>3</p> <p>11:30am First Friday Brunch @ Fish Tails</p> <p>7:00pm Good Friday Svc</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (FH)</p> <p>7:00pm Easter Vigil Svc</p>
<p>5</p> <p><b>Easter</b></p> <p>8:00am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Brunch &amp; Egg Hunt</p> <p>11:00am Worship</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>1:00pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p> <p>5-7:00pm Weight Watchers (FH)</p> <p>6:30pm Parish Life</p>	<p>7</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>5:30pm Social Ministry Mtg</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel</p> <p><b>World Health Day</b></p>	<p>8</p> <p>4:00pm Finance</p> <p>7:00pm HMT</p>	<p>9</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails</p> <p>12-5:00pm OCQG (FH)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>8:00am-5:00pm OCQG (FH)</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p>
<p>12</p> <p>8:00am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Adult Forum/Sunday School</p> <p>11:00am Worship</p> <p>12:30pm "PTA" Ed Planning Mtg</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>1:00pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p> <p>5-7:00pm Weight Watchers (FH)</p> <p>6:00pm Property</p>	<p>14</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel</p>	<p>15</p> <p>9:30am Library</p> <p>12:30pm WELCA</p> <p>7:00pm Council</p> <p><b>Tax Day</b></p>	<p>16</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails</p> <p><b>Holocaust Remembrance Day</b></p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (FH)</p>
<p>19</p> <p>8:00am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Adult Forum/Sunday School</p> <p>11:00am Worship</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>1:00pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p> <p>5-7:00pm Weight Watchers (FH)</p> <p><b>Patriot's Day</b></p>	<p>21</p> <p><b>WAVES Deadline</b></p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel</p>	<p>22</p> <p><b>Administrative Professionals Day</b></p>	<p>23</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails</p> <p>5:00pm Randy's Read &amp; Feed</p>	<p>24</p> <p><b>Arbor Day</b></p>	<p>25</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (FH)</p>
<p>26</p> <p>8:00am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Adult Forum/Sunday School</p> <p>11:00am Worship</p> <p>12:45pm Baby Shower-Elbert</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>1:00pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p> <p>5-7:00pm Weight Watchers (FH)</p> <p>5:00pm Stone Soup @ St Stephens</p>	<p>28</p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel</p>	<p>29</p> <p><b>National Poetry Month</b></p>	<p>30</p> <p><b>Sexual Assault Awareness &amp; Prevention</b></p>	<p><b>National Autism Awareness</b></p>	



# Worship Page

## Worship

## Readers

## Altar Guild

## Musicians

5	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Donna White Terri Homer	MaryLou Mate Marian Brown	Marian Brown Marian Brown
12	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Dick Tyler Deb Christensen	Marian Brown Lucy Milliken	Tami Johnson Tami Johnson
19	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Deb Christensen Terri Homer	MaryLou Mate Alice McClellan	Jerryann Olson Jerryann Olson
26	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Mike Rawles Donna White	MaryLou Mate Bette Harmon	Tami Johnson Tami Johnson



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

5	Brulio Escobar
12	_____
19	_____

26 Shannon White, Jr (Birthday)



5	Pete & Beverly Kraack
19	Bruce & Alice McCain

5	Pete Kraack & Paul Amundson
12	Paul Amudson & Paul Stangeland
19	Paul Stangeland & Linda Kilbride
26	Linda Kilbride & Terri Homer



## 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 **Peanut Butter** to try to "fill the barrel" again.



### Monthly Events



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

Our next Randy's Feed and Read program will be Thursday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. 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... we especially need toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shaving cream and disposable razors. We have an ongoing need for unopened motel room or sample sizes, or larger amounts of shampoo, conditioner, soap, body wash and lotions. Please put your donated hygiene items in the basket on the cart in the Narthex. These items are much appreciated by our participating families.

### Stone Soup ... by Sally Jennings

On the fourth Monday of each month, we volunteer and host the Stone Soup Kitchen at St. Stephens Church, for those who need a meal. If you are able to help, there will be a sign-up sheet on bulletin board in the Narthex (usually by 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the month).



To all who have generously volunteered to help and donate to our programs and events during the year.



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**Return Services Requested**



**Reaching Out with God's**

*Reminder...*

**Designer Cards  
Available**



*Welcome  
to Our  
Church*

**Audio  
Worship Services  
& Calendar  
on website**



**Food Pantry**

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