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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.



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

Trio Musicorum Medicorum Trio

Returns to Atonement July 30th



Classical musicians Andrew Bonner, piano, Rebecca Reese, cello and Alistair Kok, will return to Atonement to offer another exquisite, free performance. Their performances in March, 2014 and summer, 2016 were delightful, and all who attended expressed a wish for more.

The group call themselves the "Trio Musicorum Medicorum Trio," because each has a "day job" in the medical field.

As a special treat for the congregation, the trio will provide the musical offering at the single, fifth – Sunday, worship service which begins at 10:00 on July 30th.

Although the exact selections they will perform are still being considered, they plan offerings from Astor Piazzolla, Antonin Dvorak and Ennio Morricone. They will perform a full concert at 2:00 p.m. at Atonement on Sunday, July 30, 2017. Admission is free, but a gift of non-perishable food for the Newport Food Pantry and/or a cash donation of \$5.00 is encouraged.



Income/Expense Snapshot...Atonement Lutheran Church ~ May 2017

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Current Year Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Previous Year Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
INCOME				
Members Offerings	\$75,469	\$76,214	\$78,933	\$79,768
Grants	\$1,012	\$3,019	\$2,879	\$2,228
Room Rents	\$4,854	\$4,468	\$3,895	\$5,631
Transfer from Capital Fund	\$4,000	\$10,000	\$4,000	\$10,000
Total Income	\$85,335	\$93,701	\$89,707	\$97,627
EXPENSES				
Pastoral Compensation	\$30,882	\$30,891	\$30,883	\$30,558
Pastoral Benefits	\$13,073	\$13,917	\$13,565	\$13,222
Pastoral Expenses	\$1,388	\$1,608	\$1,386	\$1,416
Staff Compensation	\$12,382	\$13,345	\$18,510	\$19,950
Staff Payroll Cost	\$1,909	\$3,214	\$3,153	\$3,386
Worship & Music	\$1,724	\$3,272	\$2,207	\$2,209
Education	\$76	\$350	\$366	\$1,021
Youth	-\$83	\$93	\$35	\$271
Outreach/Hospitality	\$483	\$674	\$445	\$638
Social Ministry	\$792	\$958	\$750	\$958
Stewardship	\$0	\$145	\$0	\$375
Health Ministry	\$0	\$250	\$0	\$250
Parish Life	\$31	\$521	\$401	\$2,033
ELCA Mission Support	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500
General/Administrative	\$5,502	\$6,110	\$5,542	\$5,641
Facility Expenses	\$10,125	\$14,035	\$10,710	\$12,069
Insurance	\$3,975	\$4,167	\$3,759	\$4,000
Total Expense	\$84,759	\$96,050	\$94,212	\$100,497
INCOME LESS EXPENSE	\$576	(\$2,349)	(\$4,505)	(\$2,870)

<u>Endowment Account</u>	<u>Monthly Activity</u>	<u>Investment Account</u>	<u>General Endow</u>	<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Memorial Gardens</u>	<u>Organ Upkeep</u>
Balance @ 4/30/2017		\$80,544	\$31,555	\$24,493	\$9,033	\$15,463
January	\$1,259	\$1,259	\$493	\$383	\$141	\$242
Balance @ 5/31/2017		\$81,803	\$32,048	\$24,876	\$9,174	\$15,705

<u>Capital Fund</u>	BANK ACCT BALANCE @ 1/1/2017	-	-	\$61,871
	INCOME	\$46,995		
	EXPENSES		\$35,688	
	BALANCE @ 5/31/2017			\$73,178



Prayer & Bible Study

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



From the Pastor ...

Pastor Ed Milliken

Dear Friends in Christ,

A few years ago I attended a conference entitled, "Worship and Evangelism," and while I found much that was helpful there I also heard much that was disturbing and, in my opinion, just plain wrong. The main premise of the conference was that worship **is** evangelism, that is to say that the main purpose of worship is to attract people into the church and so "entertain" them that they find the church a "fun" and "happy" place to be. This approach says that we need to "be all things to all people" and that if we will do this our church will be "successful," meaning that our pews will be fuller. Proponents of this worship philosophy say that all of this revolves around matters of style and not substance, so there's nothing to worry about. I, however, don't believe that's the case at all, and I further believe that this approach is a distortion of the very purpose of worship and has the potential to seriously damage the act which is at the center of who we are and what we do as creatures of God.

Why is "worship as evangelism" wrong? Primarily, in my view, because it answers the question, "Who is worship for?" erroneously. "Worship as evangelism" places at the center of worship those who are in the pews, or those whom we hope to attract to those pews. This philosophy wants to ask as our primary question, "What can we say or do that will attract people to the church and keep them coming back?" Pastors, church leaders, and worship planners then are tempted to let worship become "market driven," the



content of worship being determined by what people want rather than what they need.

This is dangerous because as Martin Marty writes, "*To give the whole store away to match what this year's market says the unchurched want is to have the people who know the least about the faith determine most its expression.*" And as Arthur Just adds, "*The goal of good liturgy is always to transform the lives of people by the gospel of Jesus Christ. This is hardly accomplished if the liturgy is subjected to the whimsies of culture. Culture, untransformed by liturgy, in effect destroys that liturgy. The church becomes indistinguishable from the culture and the gospel is lost.*"

The purpose of worship is to conform the world to the gospel, not the gospel to the world. This is done by keeping God as the center of worship. God is the object and the subject of worship. Which means, worship is not about us or for us, worship is about God and for God. The chief aim of worship is not to attract people to the church, but to give our thanks, praise, adoration, prayers, confessions, offerings, and commitment to God. To use Christian worship for any purpose other than the glorification of God is to abuse it and rob it of its power. Worship is not convened to entertain the masses so that church budgets can be pledged, volunteers enlisted, programs promoted, attendance goals met, or personal problems solved. Worship takes place only to honor God and to give God glory and praise for who God is and what God in his grace has done for us in Christ.

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Adult Forum News ... by Pastor Ed

Adult Forum will be on hiatus for July and August 2017.



Estate Planning Tune Up ... by Linda Kilbride

Beneficial to Attendees

For those of you who missed the presentation Estate Planning Attorney, Leanne Bowker made on June 4th – you really missed a great workshop! And, we missed you! She used real-life stories of situations that may complicate end of life issues and the transfer of real property, IRA/Retirement Accounts, Annuities, Life Insurance (in some cases), jointly held Bank and Brokerage Accounts.

I have extra copies of the two handouts, both of which will make an excellent “self-study tutorial” for you. We were clearly reminded to “get our important documents together and to bring them current”. One handout helps one decide between a will and a trust. The other is a good outline to use with your own legal or tax advisor.

Please remember, we encourage you to seek your own advisor(s) for assistance in drawing up documents to clearly state your end of life desires and to help transfer assets at death. Leanne is available for appointments in Newport – see contact information on the handouts.

Presented by the Endowment Committee at Atonement.



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In a day and age when people worship money, power, efficiency, immediacy, and control, genuine worship invites us to be generous, humble, reflective, eternally minded, and obedient. Such a message has never been popular – remember how Jesus ended up – and probably will never attract people to the church in large numbers. But the question remains, do we want to be “successful” or do we want to be faithful.

Of course, our worship needs to be open and inviting. Of course, when guests come to Atonement they need to be welcomed with hospitality and friendliness. But when they do come, let us not dishonor them by giving them less than they need. Let us not give them worship that is shallow. Let us not sing “happy” songs which fail to address or touch the depth of pain that they bring with them. Let us, instead, usher them into the presence of God who alone has the power to transform and heal them (and us).

Pastor Ed Milliken



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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All Church Work Party: Saturday, July 22nd 9-12pm

The property committee will be working on our beautiful grounds doing *weeding, wood hauling, pruning and picking up sticks.*

The more folks the bigger the improvements. Come join with your friends. Of course, coffee break with donuts and fruit (and fun) will be provided.



First Friday Lunch Bunch

Friday July 7th 12:00noon.

at the Pig & Pancake 810 SW Alder #A Newport, OR



Summer BBQ - Great Food, Fantastic Company!

July 19th and August 16th @ 6:00pm.

Don't miss the delicious summer barbecue at Atonement on Wednesday, July 19th! Barbecued chicken will be grilled by our expert BBQ masters; you bring the side dishes of salads, veggies, and desserts.

There will be one more potluck as well, so mark your calendars with big red letters . . . August 16th (tuna, if available, and oysters). We're looking forward to fun, visiting, and fellowship, along with plenty of good food. The mealtime prayer will be at 6 p.m. (In other words, that's when the meal will start.)

Got company? Just make some extra food to share, and bring 'em along! This is a great outreach possibility, so be sure to bring some friends/neighbors along as well.



Peace Village ... by Rhonda Harman

Pace Village Newport announces dates and location for 2017 Summer Day Camp.

Peace Village Newport, a multi-cultural, multi-racial, inter-faith week-long day-camp for students entering first through sixth grades will take place August 7th through 11th

at the campus of Sacred Heart Church (927 N Coast Hwy, Newport). Since its inception in 1995 in response to a violent bullying incident in Lincoln City, Peace Village has

provided a life-changing experience, teaching young camper's skills in media savvy, mindful movement, and walking softly on Mother Earth. Campers learn about peace heroes around the world. 2017 marks Peace Village Newport's sixth camp.

"I always look forward to Peace Village," remarks Jane Leher of Toledo, mother of three veteran campers. "It means we'll have Peace Week at home, and for months after."

Two of the Leher children attended the first years of Peace Village as campers, and now volunteer as teen leaders. "I like the community feeling of Peace Village," shares Ken (14). "Everyone is really accepting of each other's differences. It feels like family."

"I remember learning how to resolve conflict in a peaceful way," Maddie (15) recalls, "and I still call those steps to mind when I am having issues with another person."

In addition to classes, campers participate in sing-alongs and enjoy stories from diverse traditions. Alternative activities include yoga, art projects, drumming, and theater games, all designed to build empathy, strengthen personal values, and develop leadership skills.

Peace Village Newport is limited to 44 campers. Registration forms are available at the Sacred Heart Church bulletin board. Or call Earnie Brown, Registrar at 541.265.7265 or email earnie4852@gmail.com for forms and/or more information. The web site is <http://www.peacevillageinc.org>



The Stewardship Committee is selling colorful, greeting cards, a reproduction of Sandy Roumagoux's triptych which now hangs in the sanctuary. The painting depicts the rainbow and energy, power, and love of Atonement with water, shell, descending doves of peace.

Cards are \$1 each as singles or in bundles of 5.

Join us in this continuing Celebration of Life here at Atonement. These cards can be found in the Narthex near the mailboxes.



Ponderings from the President ... by Susan Painter



"At a certain age almost all the questions a person asks himself are about one thing: how should you live your life?"

Fredrik Backman, *Britt-Marie was Here*

Backman's touching novel is the story of a middle-aged woman's journey to rebuild and find meaning after leaving a faithless husband. Her story is woven, in ways both great and small, through many of our encounters in life.

But for most of us, riding a light-rail train presents no such existential questions. The most we might be asked is give up a seat for someone less mobile or help another passenger board before the door closes. For three young men in Portland on May 26th, however, the ride became a life-threatening confrontation.

Taliesin Myrddin Namkai-Meche, Rick Best and David-Cole Fletcher stood up to defend two teenage girls, one wearing a hijab, as a knife-wielding madman shouted racist threats at them. The placid mid-day commuter train became a scene of unspeakable horror as the madman viciously stabbed the three who resisted him. Taliesin and Rick died; Micah was gravely injured.

The event was an international story. Taliesin, a Reed College graduate, was remembered with love as someone who lived his beliefs and whose death was seen as "an opportunity for reflection and change." Rick, an Army veteran and

father of four, was a cheerful man who saw his life's mission as "protecting the innocent." Micah had personally endured bullying over his "different-ness," his autism. His mother recalled that from an early age he would defend strangers "and got beat up for it," because he always tried to make a difference.

As we mourn the death of the two heroes and lament the violence toward the three, we also reflect on our own lives. "Lord, let me be an instrument of thy peace," St. Francis prayed. In these violent, turbulent times, how are we pursuing peace? Would we stand up for another, for our beliefs, for our God?

Jesus sent his disciples to minister "to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." He counseled not merely to proclaim the good news, but also to "Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons." Matt 8:5-8. Small posters in our narthex recently pointed to our "Servant's Entrance," and reminded us, as we left, "You are entering your mission field."

The challenges we face in this field may be small; or, like that of the three Portland heroes, they may be life-threatening. As we celebrate our nation's freedom this month, we must ask: "Am I ready? Am I open? Am I willing, in this divided and broken world, to be an instrument of healing, redemption and love in **all** that I do?"



Kid's



Corner

Fourth of July

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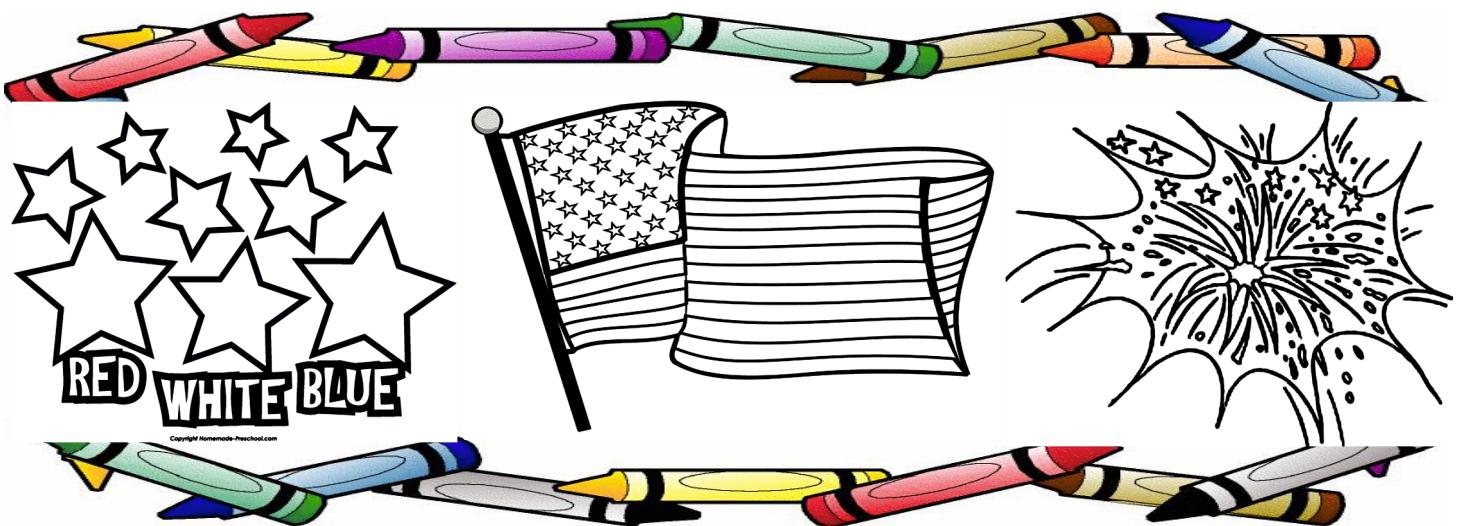
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HISTORY
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PARADE
PATRIOTISM
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nat'l Parks & Picnic Month		UV Safety Month		Nat'l Blueberry Month 		1 8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)
2 8:00am Worship 9-12pm Blood Pressure 11:00am Worship	3 Office Closed 5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study	4 Office Closed 	5	6 8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails	7 12:00pm First Friday Brunch @ Pig & Pancake Chocolate Day	8 8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)
9 8:00am Worship 11:00am Worship	10 Office Closed 5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study	11 2:00pm Staff Mtg 5:30pm Social Ministry Mtg 6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir	12 4:00pm Finance 5:30pm HMT	13 8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails 4-9pm OCQG Mtg (FH)	14 Bastille Day	15 8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)
16 8:00am Worship 11:00am Worship	17 Office Closed Hug Your Kids Day 5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study	18 WAVES Deadline 2:00pm Staff Mtg 6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir	19 2:00pm Altar Guild 6:00pm BBQ 7:00pm Council	20 8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails	21 	22 8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg ((Ed Rm))
23 8:00am Worship 11:00am Worship 	24 Office Closed 5:00pm Stone Soup @ St Stephens 5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study	25 2:00pm Staff Mtg 6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir	26	27 8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Fish Tails	28 World Hepatitis Day	29 8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg ((Ed Rm)) Nat'l Lasagna Day
30 10:00am Worship 2:00pm Concert	31 12-7pm OCQG Mutt's Day		Nat'l Ice Cream Month 			





Worship Page

Worship

2	8:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m.	
9	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	
16	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	
23	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	
30	10:00 a.m.	

Readers

Jean Amundson John Stern	Paul Amundson Lynn Moody	Joe Baumgarten Donna White	Mike Rawles	Terri Homer
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Altar Guild

Corrine Johnson Corrine Johnson	Roxanne Guenot Bette Harmon	Marian Brown Marian Brown	MaryLou Mate Lois Greenwood	Bette Harmon
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Musicians

Tami Johnson Tami Johnson	Jerryann Olson Jerryann Olson	Marian Brown Marian Brown	Tami Johnson Tami Johnson	Marian Brown
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Odessa Goudy	7/6	Lois Tyler	7/26
Dave Bowman	7/14	Jean Amundson	7/28
Corinne Johnson	7/17		
Lin Lindy	7/20		
Joan Rolph	7/20		
Anne Stangeland	7/21		
Marian Brown	7/23	Steve & Karen Nelson	
Carla Johnsen	7/24	Les & Marilyn Day	7/25



2	Janice Delameter	2	Walt Duval & Paul Amundson
9	Barry & Denise McPherson	9	Paul Amundson & Terri Homer
16	Susan Budeau (In memory of Ken & Shirley Zeek)	16	Terri Homer & Walt Duval
23	Donna White (In memory of Mother- Margaret)	23	Walt Duval & Bob Olson
30	_____	30	Paul Stangeland & Peggy Gilman

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: **Canned Fruit**



Stone Soup ... by Sally Jennings



Stone Soup is a great opportunity to follow Christ's teaching to feed the hungry. 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.

It would be great to have a group of volunteers who are committed to doing the prep work for or serving and clean up for Stone Soup every month. We often find ourselves shorthanded or having too many volunteers. It is especially difficult to prep, serve and clean up when we are shorthanded. Please consider becoming a regular monthly Stone Soup volunteer, and letting Dee Waldo or Sally Jennings know if you will be helping, or not, each month.

Prep work at St. Stephens begins at 3:00 P.M. Serving and clean up work begin at 5:15pm. Our next Stone Soup is on Monday, July 24th "God's work, our hands"



Infant Formula/Diaper Program



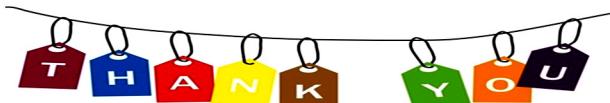
We are still providing formula donations for many mothers. The visiting nurse distributes formula/diapers, if needed, at the end of each month. If you able, Cash donations would be welcomed and much appreciated.

Please, designate for Infant Formula/Diaper Fund on check or envelope.



Food Gift Cards

Thank you to those who recently donated food gift cards. This program provide an emergency meal to 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.



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Return Services Requested



Reaching Out with God's

Reminder...



**Audio Worship
Services &
Calendar on website**



Food Pantry

**Fill our Food Barrel
This Month: Canned
Fruit**