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



## Luther Festival Concert

**Sunday, November 12th at 2:00pm**



Mark your calendar and plan to celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation at Atonement with a Luther Festival concert performed by the First Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir of Corvallis. This choir recently sang at a Festkonzert in Germany along with a number of other choirs from across the USA. Our own Rick Letherer and Terri Homer were a part of that experience. The choir has also performed in Carnegie Hall and at the Kennedy Center in Washington, DC as well as in many places around the world. Join us for this wonderful celebration of the Reformation. A free will offering will be received with all proceeds going to the Newport Food Pantry.

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.



*Thank you!*



Thank you to all who participated in the stewardship drive at Atonement last month. If you have not returned your pledge form to the church, please do so as soon as possible.

Can you imagine what wonderful ministry our church will do with your help?

*Pastor Ed, Paul Amundson, and Peggy Gilman*



# Income/Expense Snapshot...Atonement Lutheran Church ~ September 2017

General Fund	Current Year		Previous Year	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
<b>INCOME</b>				
Members Offerings	\$141,632	\$137,200	\$138,520	\$149,520
Grants	\$1,872	\$4,142	\$3,950	\$3,103
Room Rents	\$6,774	\$6,998	\$6,100	\$7,161
Transfer from Capital Fund	\$10,022	\$18,000	\$12,000	\$18,000
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$160,300</b>	<b>\$166,340</b>	<b>\$160,570</b>	<b>\$177,784</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Pastoral Compensation	\$55,589	\$55,603	\$55,589	\$55,004
Pastoral Benefits	\$23,006	\$25,050	\$24,417	\$23,800
Pastoral Expenses	\$1,862	\$2,194	\$1,835	\$1,964
Staff Compensation	\$20,353	\$23,321	\$29,663	\$35,910
Staff Payroll Cost	\$3,584	\$5,852	\$5,234	\$6,183
Worship & Music	\$1,813	\$3,795	\$2,439	\$2,272
Education	\$336	\$800	\$1,102	\$1,837
Youth	-\$83	\$160	\$35	\$487
Outreach/Hospitality	\$830	\$1,128	\$742	\$1,147
Social Ministry	\$1,350	\$1,725	\$1,446	\$1,725
Stewardship	\$0	\$262	\$0	\$675
Health Ministry	\$0	\$450	\$0	\$450
Parish Life	\$323	\$1,338	\$921	\$3,660
ELCA Mission Support	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,500
General/Administrative	\$8,063	\$9,075	\$8,175	\$8,563
Facility Expenses	\$23,300	\$24,776	\$19,773	\$21,724
Insurance	\$6,674	\$7,500	\$7,176	\$7,200
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$151,500</b>	<b>\$167,529</b>	<b>\$163,047</b>	<b>\$177,101</b>
<b>INCOME LESS EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$8,800</b>	<b>(\$1,189)</b>	<b>(\$2,477)</b>	<b>\$683</b>

Endowment Account	Monthly Activity	Investment Account	General Endow	Scholarship	Memorial Gardens	Organ Upkeep
Balance @ 8/31/2017		\$82,832	\$32,596	\$25,302	\$8,961	\$15,973
September	\$2,113	\$2,113	\$831	\$646	\$229	\$407
<b>Balance @ 9/30/2017</b>		<b>\$84,945</b>	<b>\$33,427</b>	<b>\$25,948</b>	<b>\$9,190</b>	<b>\$16,380</b>

<b>Capital Fund</b>	BANK ACCT BALANCE @ 1/1/2017	-	\$61,871
	INCOME	\$83,831	
	EXPENSES		\$67,225
	<b>BALANCE @ 9/30/2017</b>		<b>\$78,477</b>



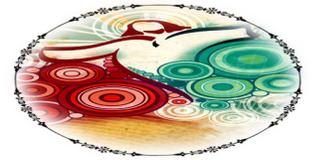
## Prayer & Bible Study

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



**D**ear Friends in Christ,

The month of November concludes the church year and prepares our hearts and minds for the celebration of Advent which begins in December. The month begins with the celebration of All Saints Sunday on November 5<sup>th</sup>. On All Saints Sunday we are reminded that the church is a communion not only of the living and local, but of the dead and the distant as well. It is a day in which we celebrate that even death cannot divide us from the body of Christ, because Jesus Christ has conquered death. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy for the day calls us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's Table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

In the readings for November 12<sup>th</sup>, the prophet Amos calls for justice to roll down like waters. Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord and Jesus tells the parable of wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life and the feast of victory – the marriage feast of the Lamb.

The readings for November 19<sup>th</sup> speak of the end times. The prophet, Zephaniah, proclaims that the coming day of the Lord will be filled with wrath and distress. Paul says it will come like a thief in the night and urges us to be awake and sober. Jesus tells the parable of the talents, calling us to use our gifts, while we still have time, for the greater and common good. In a world filled with violence and despair, we gather around signs of hope – word, water, bread, and wine – eager to welcome the good news of Christ's coming among us.

The month and the church year end on November 26<sup>th</sup> with Christ the King Sunday and Jesus' great story of judgment from Matthew 25:31-46. In the end, the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged. In the first reading God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice. We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over darkness and death even as we wait for the consummation of all things yet to come. Acknowledging Christ as our merciful ruler, we go forth to serve so that his reign may be known in our loving words and deeds.

Come, Lord Jesus!

*Pastor Ed Milliken*

## Fall Back



Daylight Savings time ends on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to set your clock back one hour, so you'll make it to church service on time!



## Adult Forum News ... Reformation Roots by Pastor Ed

The adult forum series, Reformation Roots, continues in November. This series brings to life the stories and struggles that still impact us today.

November topics are:

November 5 – Session 7: From Simple to Complex: The New Church Finds Common Ground

November 12 - Session 8: Luther's Legacy

November 19 – Session 9: The Swiss Reformation: A Rationalist's Revolt

November 26 – Session 10: The Radical Reformation: Revolution and Withdrawal



## Luther Rose Banner ... by Mary Lou Mate

The Luther rose (or Luther seal) was created at the request of printers to have a personal symbol representing

the reformer's faith that could serve as a mark indicating something was an authorized publication of Luther's.

It became widely recognized as the symbol for Lutheranism, and still is today.

The significance of the colors:

The black cross reminds us we are saved from sin because Jesus died on the cross.

The red heart reminds us we live because Jesus shed his blood for us. Our faith in Him has saved us.

The white rose reminds us that our faith gives us joy, comfort and peace. White is to remind us this is peace like the angels enjoy.

The blue background reminds us of the sky and the hope that we will one day meet Jesus in heaven.

The gold circle is precious. It reminds us of heaven's endless joy



## Welcome New Members

On October 22<sup>nd</sup> we rejoiced to receive Joanne Barnes and Rhonda Harman as new members 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?

## Martin & Music ... by Rick Letherer



Most modern day Christians and historians are well aware that Martin Luther was an accomplished Theologian; he is the seminal figure credited for the Protestant reformation. Many people are unaware that he was also a prodigious hymnodist. I have not been able to ascertain an exact number, but he has likely written several dozen hymns.

Martin Luther was also famous for translating, writing, and publishing the Bible in German so that the non-clergy could read and be inspired by the word of God without directly needing a priest trained in Latin to interpret. Dr. Luther wanted the Bible in the hands of the people. In Martin's younger years he sang with a boys choir and they would sing house to house for gifts of food. Later in life he played the Lyre and pictures show him singing with his family at home. He truly enjoyed music and was intimately aware of its power in worship. He also advocated for music in Christian education.

In the days of Dr. Luther, congregation members didn't sing during worship; the priests of the day did all the singing. It was thought that singing, because of its emotional content, was inappropriate for congregational members and should only be performed by liturgically trained clergy.

Martin disputed this; his response was that singing hymns was a powerful way to teach the scripture to the common man in church. He encouraged congregations to

join in musical worship. I know for me he hit the target. A very important reason that I joined Atonement years ago was our church's strong affinity and support for music. We take for granted our congregational participation in singing liturgy, hymns, solos and choral music that was disdained in the time of Martin Luther inside the Roman Catholic Church.

Martin Luther's arguably most famous hymn, A Mighty Fortress (Ein Fest Burg) will be sung in churches all over the world this year as we celebrate the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Protestant revolution. Let us be mindful and thankful that as we enjoy the music in our worship service that it was a hard fought fight for our right to participate in song. God Bless Dr. Martin Luther and the many reformers that supported and followed him!

**Note: Please read the reminder and note in this month's front page and calendar for the Reformation concert; Sunday November 12, 2017 here at Atonement at 2:00PM by the First Presbyterian Chancel Choir of Corvallis.**



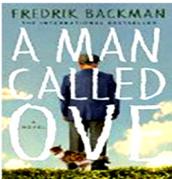
**First Friday Lunch Bunch** Friday November 3<sup>rd</sup>

12:00noon at **Szabo's Steakhouse and Seafood**



# Library Committee . . . by Anne Stangeland

**Book Review:** " A Man Called Ove" by Fredrick Backman is a charming new addition to our Atonement library fiction section.



Imagine the crabbiest, most cantankerous person you know, multiply by ten, and you have Ove. He has to dot every " i " and cross every "t", and make everyone miserable while doing it.

Set in a small housing estate in modern Sweden, we meet a few of Ove's long-suffering neighbors. There is Parvaneh, a chatty pregnant Pakistani with a husband who can't pound a nail straight, Rune, who was Ove's best friend until he changed the brand of cars he bought,

and a couple of in-and-out of trouble teenagers. And there is a half-frozen cat who thinks Ove's bed is his.

The one happy thing in Ove's life was Sonja, his sweet, cheerful, much-loved wife. When Sonja dies he spends months visiting her grave and telling her exactly how he is making plans so they can be together. Here is where grace, love, and friendship come in, and Ove finds new lessons about the sweetness of life.

This is an amusing and entertaining book, just perfect for a rainy weekend.



Chalet Restaurant and Bakery will host Dine Out for Samaritan House Wednesday, November 1, 2017, donating 15% of the days proceeds.

Thanks for your continued support.

Rose Davies, Volunteer  
Samaritan House



## WELCA News . . . by Jean Amundson

How does Moses make coffee?  
What is a dentist's favorite hymn?  
Who was the best investor in the Bible?



And—seriously, what/who is it that we don't understand but trust anyway?

Welcome to WELCA (Women of the ELCA)! Our study this fall is a review and discussion of the Apostle's Creed, the prayer that defines Christian belief for many people.

Our November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at 12:30pm in the narthex. It will be about the third article (section) of the creed, centering around the Holy Spirit. The study guide is in the WELCA magazine, which is called "Gather (for Faith and Action)". Copies will also be available at the meeting. You also can borrow a copy from the magazine kiosk in the church library.

At that meeting, we'll get the answers to all four riddles at the beginning of this little note—come one, come all!



## Ponderings from the President ... by Susan Painter



### *Holden: the Village That Miracles Built*

James Henry Holden, a n'er do well prospector, discovered copper ore in 1896 in a wild, beautiful forest several miles up hill from Lake Chelan on trails once roamed by the Yakamas. Financed with funds from the Seattle family of Holden's friend, Victor Denny, he began a small mining operation the next year. But mining is a risky business, and the remote area made transporting the ore a difficult and complex process. Though Holden made enough to support himself [fairly well] he never bothered to repay his benefactors. Eventually, he sold the property to the Howe Sound Company which began to build dormitories, a gym, a school and other structures on the land.

Fueled by the needs of World War II, Holden Village – as it came to be called – was finally completed in 1937. Mining for copper, silver, gold and zinc proceeded vigorously for the next twenty years until, after the War, the price of metal fell and the difficulties of moving the ore from such a remote wilderness were too great.

Howe Sound Company put the property on the market for \$100,000, hoping a developer would view it as a possible ski resort. Wes Prieb, a young theology student in Alaska, noticed the listing and envisioned the Village as a retreat center. He inquired about reducing the price. Rebuffed, he kept writing, year after year. Finally, after another letter on April Fool's Day, 1960, he received a telegram instructing him to call the company's offices, collect. Howe Sound agreed to sell the property for one dollar!

Prieb brought in his tiny college, Lutheran Bible Institute of Seattle, and the non-profit Holden Village, Inc began. With

help from "brigades of volunteers" and Lutheran groups around the country, the small village was restored and refurbished, opening as a retreat center year-round.

Eventually, the effects of the mining years – polluted water, particles of air-borne toxic dust, and tailings dumped on wetlands – led the US Environmental Protection Agency to declare the area a Superfund site and require its clean up, or remediation. The second largest mining company in the world, Rio Tinto Group, was identified as the "ultimate responsible" party. The company agreed to clean it up! \*

The first phase of remediation occurred from 2011 through 2015. During its "heavy construction" period, village guests shared the property with over 200 construction workers on the site. 10 million tons of tailings were capped, 250,000 tons of unprocessed waste rock were reshaped and stabilized, and new plantings took root in the once-ravaged soil. Volunteers and visitors to Holden had a chance to work and break bread with folks they might otherwise never have met. Funds Rio Tinto paid for the workers' room and board provided twice the Village's operating budget at the time. Wires were relocated underground. A new wastewater treatment plant opened. A new sprinkler system was set in place to provide moisture for the parched Village which gets just 2 inches of rain from June through August.

On June 29, 2015 at 6:45 a.m., lightning sparked a wildfire near Wolverine Creek; a month later it jumped the road and

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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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## Ponderings from the President ... (continues from page 7)

increased ten-fold, threatening Holden Village's survival. First guests, then staff, then those remaining in charge were evacuated. Hot shots from nearby Entiet and far away New Mexico battled the blaze. By the grace of God, the sprinklers, the careful plantings and underbrush harvesting; the fire-retardant wrappings; and the energy of all who fought the fire together pushed back the flames. By early September, it was clear that the Village was spared!

Guests came together once again in retreat at Holden last summer. As they gathered for worship one Sunday, they opened small books and shared another miracle written inside the cover: *"Ask and You shall receive, Abundantly!"*

"In the winter of 1995, the Holden community wrote to G.I.A. Publishers asking for a gift of 50 copies of Gather II, a worship book which includes many beloved hymns and psalms. The day after our letter arrived, the publishers received notice that they had embossed incorrectly 500 copies of Gather II. If Holden didn't mind the embossing, they wrote, we could have all 500 copies. So we worship using a book which is a sign of God's surprising and abundant grace as well as a visible connection to our

Roman Catholic sisters and brothers at the Church of the Incarnation in Minneapolis, Minnesota." Thanks be to God!

\* Rio Tinto has spent, to date, more on remediation than was made during all twenty of the mine's most productive years.

## Social Ministry

### The Importance of Social Ministry ... by Sally Jennings

In the words of Mother Teresa, "Not all of us can do great things. But we can all do small things with great love."

### 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 Meats**



# November 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
<p><b>Child Safety Protection Month</b></p>		<p><b>Peanut Butter Lover's Month</b></p>		<p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast @ Pig n' Pancake</p>	<p>12:00pm First Friday Brunch</p>	<p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p>8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum /Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:15am Ed Mtg</p>	<p>Office Closed</p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/Bible Study 6:30pm Parish Life</p>	<p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p><b>Election Day</b></p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>4:00pm Finance 5:30pm HMT</p>	<p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast @ Pig n' Pancake</p> <p>11-5pm OCQG Mtg (FH)</p>		<p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<p>8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum /Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:15pm Worship &amp; Music <b>2:00pm Concert</b></p>	<p>Office Closed</p> <p>9:30am Property</p> <p><b>World Kindness Day</b></p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/Bible Study</p>	<p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>5:30pm Social Ministry Mtg</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>12:30pm WELCA</p> <p>7:00pm Council</p>	<p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast @ Pig n' Pancake</p> <p><b>Int'l Day for Tolerance</b></p>		<p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p>
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<p>8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum /Sunday School 11:00am Worship</p> <p><b>Int'l Men's Day</b></p>	<p>Office Closed</p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/Bible Study</p>	<p><b>WAVES Deadline</b></p> <p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>		<p><b>Thanksgiving Day</b></p>	<p><b>Black Friday</b></p>	<p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg ((Ed Rm)</p>
26	27	28	29	30		
<p>8:00am Worship 9:30am Adult Forum /Sunday School 11:00am Worship</p>	<p>Office Closed</p> <p>5:00pm Stone Soup @ St Stephens 5:30pm Prayer/Bible Study</p>	<p>2:00pm Staff Mtg</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers 7:30pm Chancel</p>		<p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast @ Pig n' Pancake</p>	<p><b>National Native American Heritage</b></p>	





# Worship Page

## Worship

## Readers

## Altar Guild

## Musicians

5	8:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m.	Joe Baumgarten Lily Phelps	MaryLou Mate Lois Greenwood	Marian Brown Marian Brown
12	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Paul Amundson Rhonda Harman	Marian Brown Janice Delameter	Tami Johnson Tami Johnson
19	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Jean Amundson _____	Peggy Gilman Lois Greenwood	Jerryann Olson Jerryann Olson
26	8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	_____	MaryLou Mate Bette Harmon	Tami Johnson Tami Johnson



Emily Jennings	11/10			
Sandra Roumagoux	11/11			
Finley Miller-Morgan	11/15	5 James & Joan Rolph	5 Bruce & MaryLou Mate	5 Peggy Gilman & Paul Stangeland
Gary Painter	11/16	22 Dietmar & Linda Goebel	12 Bob & Jerryann Olson	12 Paul Stangeland & Paul Amundson
Diane Combs	11/19	25 Rueben & Carla Johnsen	19 Anne Stangeland (Shannon's birthday)	19 Paul Amundson & Walt Duvall
Reg Greenwood	11/27	25 Paul & Anne Stangeland	26 Sylvia Pauly (In Memory of Mother ...Heidi)	26 Walt Duvall & Pete Kraack
Amber Johnson	11/27			
Dietmar Goebel	11/30			

## Social Ministry ... (continues from page 8)



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



There will be no Randy's Feed & Read Family Night Out events in November or December, due to the holidays. Our next Feed & Read will be on Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>.

We are always happy to accept donations of gently worn, clean clothing for babies, toddlers and children, as well as new hygiene items. Toothbrushes and toothpaste are especially needed. We send books home with families every month, so donations of children's books and juvenile chapter books are an ongoing need.

Randy's Feed & Read is totally funded by the donations of individuals. If you would like to donate funds, please make your check out to Atonement Lutheran Church and write "Randy's Feed & Read" on the memo line.

### Stone Soup ... by Sally Jennings



Team Atonement will be serving Stone Soup on Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, at St. Stephens Episcopal Church. Dinner preparation begins at 3:00 and serving and clean up begin at 5:15pm. Please let Sally Jennings know if you plan on helping out at the November Stone Soup.

### Bring Thanksgiving to Families in Need ... by Sally Jennings



As we have for many years, Social Ministry Committee will be providing Thanksgiving food baskets to families, identified by the Homeless Education & Literacy Project, who attend Randy's Feed & Read and to those living at Samaritan House. Your donation is necessary for our church community to successfully reach out to those most in need this Thanksgiving. Please pick up a grocery bag with a suggested shopping list from the table in the Narthex. Put your purchases in the tub in the Narthex by Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. Cash is also needed in order to buy turkeys, dinner rolls, pies and fresh vegetables. Please make your check out to Atonement Lutheran Church, and designate "Thanksgiving Food Baskets" on the memo line.

**Everyone** is invited to fill and help deliver food boxes on Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. We will meet at church at 1:00pm. Your generosity throughout the year is greatly appreciated.

### "Delivery Boys" Needed ... by Sally Jennings



Folks strong enough to carry big boxes of groceries and willing to deliver Thanksgiving food boxes to recipients' homes are needed at church on Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, at 1:45pm. Please stop by and help. The boxes are too heavy for many of us to lift and carry.

~Thank You~

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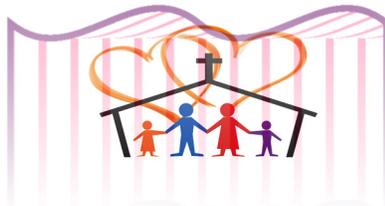


**Reaching Out with God's**

*Reminder...*



**Audio Worship  
Services &  
Calendar on website**



**Food Pantry**

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