



April 2019



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Office Hours

10:00am – 3:00pm
Tuesday thru Friday



Lenten Midweek Services Cont ... by Pastor Ed



Join us as we continue our midweek Lenten soup suppers and services. The theme for this year's services has been "The Seven Last Words from the Cross." We gather for soup and bread at 6:00pm and the service follows at 7:00pm. The theme for April 3 is "I am thirsty," and for April 10, "It is finished."

Holy Week/Easter Schedule

Thursday, April 18th at 7:00pm - Maundy Thursday Service, "The New Covenant." Service will include the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Friday, April 19th at 7:00pm - Good Friday Service concluding Jesus' last words from the cross, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."

Saturday, April 20th at 7:00pm - Easter Vigil Service, "This is the Night," with Holy Communion and Renewal of Baptism.

Sunday, April 21st at 8:00 and 11:00am - Easter Sunday



Easter Lilies ... by Marian Brown

Help decorate the sanctuary for Easter by providing an Easter Lily. Plants should be brought to the church by Saturday, April 20th and can be picked up following the late service on Easter Sunday.

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 ... ALC ~ February 2019

General Fund	Current Year		Previous Year	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
INCOME				
Members Offerings	\$51,786	\$195,152	\$29,450	\$190,658
Grants	\$647	\$2,500	\$851	\$2,500
Room Rents	\$1,806	\$8,500	\$2,376	\$9,000
Transfer from Capital Fund	\$0	\$24,000	\$0	\$24,000
Total Income	\$54,239	\$230,152	\$32,677	\$226,158
EXPENSES				
Pastoral Compensation	\$13,848	\$80,096	\$12,724	\$76,282
Pastoral Benefits	\$4,920	\$30,440	\$5,117	\$33,726
Pastoral Expenses	\$637	\$3,550	\$206	\$3,450
Staff Compensation	\$4,440	\$29,777	\$3,896	\$28,000
Staff Payroll Cost	\$1,237	\$4,500	\$837	\$6,000
Worship & Music	\$87	\$4,400	\$686	\$5,700
Education	\$380	\$900	\$83	\$900
Youth	\$0	\$600	\$105	\$350
Outreach/Hospitality	\$177	\$1,500	\$178	\$1,500
Social Ministry	\$456	\$3,400	\$300	\$2,300
Stewardship	\$0	\$1,050	\$0	\$1,425
Health Ministry	\$0	\$600	\$0	\$600
ELCA Mission Support	\$1,700	\$8,000	\$1,000	\$6,500
Parish Life	\$181	\$1,725	\$220	\$1,800
General/Administrative	\$3,007	\$12,175	\$1,920	\$12,050
Facility Maintenance	\$3,638	\$24,089	\$3,844	\$23,075
Utilities	\$2,110	\$12,850	\$2,038	\$12,500
Insurance	\$2,674	\$10,500	\$1,667	\$10,000
Total Expense	\$39,492	\$230,152	\$34,821	\$226,158
INCOME LESS EXPENSE	\$14,747	\$0	(\$2,144)	\$0

Endowment Account	Monthly Activity	Investment Account	General Endow	Scholarship	Memorial Gardens	Organ Upkeep
Balance @ 1/31/2019		\$87,567	\$34,479	\$26,730	\$9,444	\$16,913
Feb	\$2,231	\$2,231	\$893	\$669	\$223	\$446
Balance @ 2/28/2019		\$89,798	\$35,372	\$27,399	\$9,667	\$17,359

Capital Fund	BANK ACCT BALANCE @ 1/1/2019	-	-	\$107,271
	INCOME	\$17,770		
	EXPENSES		\$12,755	
	BALANCE @ 2/28/2019			\$112,286



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,

Later this month, our forty day Lenten journey will conclude as we move into the church's holiest season, Holy Week and Easter. The week of worship, prayer, and praise begins on Palm Sunday/The Sunday of the Passion (April 14th). On this day we hear again the story of our Lord's passion from the gospel of Luke and we are invited to ponder these holy events which stand at the very heart of our faith.

On Maundy Thursday (April 18th), we celebrate a new Passover, recalling that it was on the night before he gave himself up to death that Jesus gave the gift of himself in the bread broken and the wine poured. "The New Covenant" which he made with his people is the focus that night as we recall that it was out of love for us that Jesus gave himself in bread and wine to feed and nourish our lives of faith.

On Good Friday (April 19th), we focus on the seventh of Jesus' last words from the cross, concluding our Lenten theme. "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit," will be the theme and we will see that in his death, as in his life, Jesus lived a life filled with the presence and power of God. The knowledge that God was with him even in this darkest moment is a strong reminder to us that God is with us

at all times too. With Jesus, we commend all that we are into God's gracious hands.

"This is the Night" is the title of our Easter Vigil Service (April 20th). This is the night, the night to be immersed in who we are as God's people. This night overflows with biblical images of a world redeemed by Christ and of God's saving activity throughout earthly time. We will celebrate the gifts of grace given to us by our God in Holy Baptism and Holy Communion.

All of this finally culminates on Easter Sunday (April 21st), the first of fifty days of celebration of God's victory over sin and death. "Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!" will be our joyful cry. "Christ is risen," are words that are the foundation of our faith, the bedrock of our hope, and the glorious good news that we Easter people take out into our world.

These are awesome and powerful days. Come and enter into this story. Walk with us on this journey to new life. Plan to attend all of these services and, if you do, I believe that you will be deeply enriched by the experience.



Pastor Ed Milliken



The Ties That Bind ... Mary Lou Mate

Our Quilter group next meeting will be Monday, April 1st from 9:30am—11:30am. We will continue to meet on the first Monday of each month in the Fellowship Hall.



Adult Forum News ... by Pastor Ed

Down + Out: Where Grace Takes You

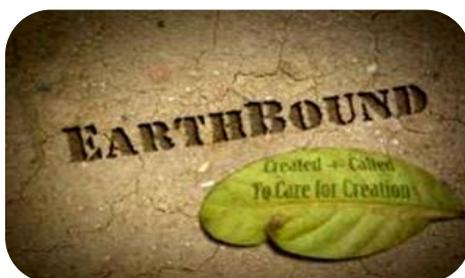
9:30-10:30am each Sunday in Fellowship Hall

Our series "Down and Out: Where Grace Takes You" will conclude in April with the following sessions:

- April 7th – Episode 4: Creature/Creators
- April 14th – Episode 5: Self/Others
- April 21 – NO ADULT FORUM – Easter Brunch
- April 28 - Episode 6: Spirit/Flesh

Join us as we rediscover God's wonderful gifts to us: justification and vocation and what they mean for our daily living as Christian people.

Our adult forums will conclude this spring with a companion class to "Down and Out":



It's a real problem, no matter your political stance. The earth is being damaged by human activity. Christians have a complex relationship with God's creation. We have tangled up our concepts of dominion and stewardship. Many imagine eternal life means being whisked away to some other non-physical plane in the ether. In trying to be God-focused, Christians become heaven-focused, at the expense of our earthly home. Can Scripture and our own religious tradition help us rethink those relationships? Is there a model for care of the creation that doesn't force us to the polarized margins? Discover the origins of our misconceptions about Scripture's portrayal of creation. Recognize God's call to us to relate to the whole creation as our vocation. And experience how God's people throughout the Church are living out that call.

Join us for this six-part series, "Earthbound: Created and Called to Care for Creation," hosted by David Rhoads, featuring Walter Brueggemann, Larry Rasmussen, Barbara Rossing, Terry Fretheim, Cynthia Moe-Lobeda and many others.

- May 5th - Episode 1. Created/Called (justified and free to serve the world)
- May 12th - Episode 2. Here/There (creation is earthly, material and good)
- May 19th - Episode 3. Domination/Dominion (above creation, or part of it?)
- May 26th - Episode 4. Me/We (identity in social context)
- June 2nd - Episode 5. Now/Forever (short-term benefit, or eternal creation)
- June 9th - Episode 6. Enough/Too Much (scarcity and abundance)



WELCA News ... by Pastor Ed & Jean Amundson



Join the WELCA group this month as they conclude a study centered in the Gospel of John. The author writes: *Throughout John's Gospel, Jesus engages people in honest and sometimes difficult conversations that lead to faith, renewal and transformation. Over the course of this four-session study we will meet Jesus through his interactions with various characters within the gospel. Their conversations beckon us to explore and grow in faith.*

The author Rev. Julie A. Kanarr serves as pastor of Christ Lutheran Church in Belfair, Washington. An avid outdoorsperson, she enjoys sea kayaking, bicycling, hiking and camping.

April's Session: "Seeing the Risen Christ"



This final session will continue with the exploration of "Meetings with Jesus" with a preview of the coming Easter season. We'll study parts of the Gospel of John during this discussion, especially the stories of Mary Magdalene, Thomas, and Breakfast at the Beach! We will reflect on how the risen Christ remains present among us, blessing us and inviting us to come and see and to live in his name.

The "Gather" magazine states, "What is the Gospel's purpose in telling the story this way?" Our goal is to make connections with our own lives, meeting Jesus ourselves through his encounters with the people in John's Gospel.

The study guide is in the WELCA magazine. Copies will also be available at the meeting. Join us at 12:30pm on April 17th in the Narthex and invite a friend to share a tasty dessert and this special Bible study.



Mendelssohn, Music, and More in May ... by Rick Letherer



Atonement Lutheran Church will be hosting a concert performance by the First Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir from Corvallis, Oregon. The concert is scheduled for Sunday, May 5th (Cinco de Mayo Day) at 2:00pm. This is the same choir that sang for us in 2017 with a Reformation repertoire.

This year's concert will feature music from the Romantic period with songs from Mendelssohn and a mix of both secular and sacred singing. There are approximately 35 members in their choir.

The concert will conclude with our Atonement Chancel choir joining with them singing Handel's Messiah. I assure you, the church will echo with joyful song and you will be inspired!

The concert is free, but we would appreciate a donation of canned food or cash for the Newport Food Pantry.



Property Committee ... by Marian Brown &



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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Work Party... Save the Date

April 6, 2019 9:00am to Noon

We have lots of small jobs as well as bigger ones. Some of our jobs are inside and involve some light cleaning and straightening.

We are getting our church ready for Easter Festivities! Of course, there will be goodies at our coffee break.

Please let Marian or Mary Lou know if you can come. All are welcome!



First Friday Lunch Bunch ... April 5th @ 12:00pm

Canyon Way Book Store ... 1216 SW Canyon Way



Gift Cards ... This program provides an emergency meal for people who stop by our church and need help. *Many Thanks* for previous donation of food cards. It is greatly appreciated. If you still want to help, we could use food cards (\$5.00) from McDonald's, Burger King and Subway.

Please drop off gift cards at the office. Thank You!



Be Jeweled ... by Sally Jennings

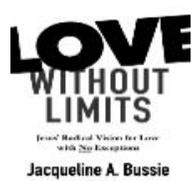
Be Jeweled donated jewelry sale will be held on Friday, April 5th, from 6:30pm until 8:30pm, and Saturday, April 6th, from 9:00am until 3:00pm at the Samaritan Center for Health Education. Be Jeweled is the major annual fundraiser for Lincoln County Food Share.



Library Committee ... by Lois Greenwood



Love Without Limits by Jacqueline A Bussie



Praised by "Living Lutheran" magazine and recommended by Jean Amundson for our Atonement library this is a book all can enjoy.

Bussie is a Lutheran, a professor of religion at Concordia College in Minnesota, and a very wise person.

Written in a very conversational and engaging style, this book contains a good deal of auto-biography as Bussie tells of some of the people who taught her about love—the little boy next door, her mother, her husband, her "fremily" (family she chose herself) and many, many colleagues and students.

How can we love everybody? Those of

different religion, race, sex, education, socio-economic status, political views?

Bussie devotes many pages to each of these topics and many others. Did Jesus REALLY expect us to love people we dislike or despise? We need to ask ourselves what love really means and how best to show it. Bussie leaves us with a guideline. Always remember you are a beloved child of God AND always remember every other person in the world is also a beloved child of God. Hard to do? Ask Jesus to help you!

If you know of a book you feel would be a good addition to our parish library, please speak to Barbara Utterback or drop a note in her box.

Library Update ... by Barbara Utterback



Our library committee has accomplished some book processing this month. We are always looking for new books to put in our library. We purchased some children's books and were able to get them processed with the help of a church friend. These books will be available for checkout very soon.

We welcome any suggestions for new books to add to our library, and anyone who would like to write a review on any book in our library.

If you would like to join our committee, please contact me—Barbara Utterback.

The More, The Merrier!



Nana's Irish Pub in Nye Beach will host Dine Out for Samaritan House Homeless Shelter, Wednesday, April 3, 2019, donating 20% of the days proceeds to the homeless family shelter. May the luck of the Irish be with you!

Thanks for your continued support of our homeless families.

Rose Davies, Volunteer





World Day of Prayer ... by Marian Brown



"Come The Table is Ready" was the focus for the World Day of Prayer, hosted by Atonement and held on March 1st. The service featured the country of Slovenia and used songs from that country as well as traditional food.

The sanctuary was full of members from the community of Newport that responded to the invitation. A service of stories, readings and songs was shared and everyone received a red carnation, the flower of Slovenia as they left.

The gathering in the narthex following the service was filled with laughter, hugs between people who hadn't seen each other for a while, coffee and goodies to eat and wonderful fellowship.

Plan to attend next years event on the 1st Friday of March at the Presbyterian church in Newport.



April 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>1</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>9:30am Quilters</p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p> <p>6:30pm Parish Life</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Equal Pay Day</p>  <p>6:30pm Early Risers</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel</p>	<p>3</p> <p>6:00pm Soup & Bread</p> <p>7:00pm Lenten Svc</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Agate Golf Course</p>	<p>5</p> <p>12:00pm First Friday Brunch @ Canyon Way</p>  <p>Deep Pizza Day</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p> <p>9-12pm Work Party</p>
<p>7</p> <p>8:00am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Adult Forum</p> <p>11:00am Worship / Sunday School</p> <p>12:15pm Ed Mtg</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9:30am Library Mtg</p> <p>5:30pm Social Ministry Mtg</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel</p>	<p>10</p> <p>4:00pm Finance</p> <p>5:30pm HMT</p> <p>6:00pm Soup & Bread</p> <p>7:00pm Lenten Svc</p> <p>Nat'l Sibling's Day</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Pig N Pancake</p> <p>4-9pm OCQG Mtg (FH)</p>	<p>12</p> <p>8-5pm OCQG Workshop (FH)</p> <p>Holocaust Remembrance Day</p> 	<p>13</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Palm Sunday</p> <p>8:00am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Adult forum</p> <p>11:00am Worship/ Sunday School</p> <p>12:15pm Music /Worship Mtg</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Office Closed</p>  <p>5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p>	<p>16</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>17</p> <p>12:30pm WELCA</p> <p>7:00pm Council</p>	<p>18</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Pig N Pancake</p> <p>7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7:00pm Good Friday Service</p>	<p>20</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg (Ed Rm)</p> <p>10:00am Decorating Fellowship hall</p> <p>7:00pm Easter Vigil Service</p>
<p>21</p> <p>Easter Sunday</p> <p>8:00am Worship</p>  <p>9:30am Easter Brunch</p> <p>11:00am Worship</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p> <p>5:30pm Stone Soup @ St Stephen's</p>	<p>23</p> <p>WAVES Deadline</p> <p>6:30pm Early Risers</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Administrative Professional Day</p> 	<p>25</p> <p>8:00am Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Pig N Pancake</p> <p>5:00pm Randy's Feed & Read</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Celebrate Arbor Day</p>  <p>Plant A Tree</p>	<p>27</p> <p>8:00-11:30am Weight Watchers Mtg ((Ed Rm)</p>
<p>28</p> <p>8:00am Worship</p> <p>9:30am Adult Forum</p> <p>11:00am Worship/ Sunday School</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Office Closed</p> <p>Remembrance-Victims of Chem. Warfare</p> <p>5:30pm Prayer/ Bible Study</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Int'l Jazz Day</p>  <p>6:30pm Early Risers</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	 <p>Keep America Beautiful Month</p>	<p>Sexual Awareness Month</p> 	<p>Nat'l Humor Month</p> 	



Worship Page

<u>Worship</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Altar Guild</u>	<u>Musicians</u>	<u>Recorders</u>
7 8:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m.	Jean Amundson _____	Mary Lou Mate Lois Greenwood	Jerryann Olson Jerryann Olsen	_____
14 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sabine Moresco Lily Phelps	Mary Lou Mate Marian Brown	Tami Johnson Tami Johnson	_____
21 8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Jane Heida Deb Adamson	Mary Lou Mate Janice Delameter	Marian Brown Marian Brown	_____
28 8:00 p.m. 11:00 p.m.	_____ _____	Mary Lou Mate Lois Greenwood	Melodie McKenzie Melodie McKenzie	_____



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		



7	John Baker
14	Palms
21	Easter
28	Mariah Harmon



7	Bob Olson & Bette Harmon
14	Bette Harmon & Peggy Gilman
21	Peggy Gilman & Paul Amundson
28	Paul Amundson & Steve Johnson

Social Ministry



Food Pantry 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**

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



Our April Randy's Feed & Read Family Night Out is on Thursday, April 25th. Help is always needed and welcome. We especially need volunteers to read with individual children from 6:30pm until 7:00pm. We also need volunteers to work in the kitchen after dinner, packaging up leftovers to go, serving dessert and cleaning up the kitchen. Donations of hygiene items, gently used books, and especially toothpaste and toothbrushes are always welcome.



Children's and Young Adults Books Needed ... by Sally Jennings

Do you have children or grandchildren who have outgrown their books? Do you enjoy shopping at rummage sales, thrift stores or library book sales? Our Randy's Feed & Read is in need of gently used children's books, as well as young adult fiction and nonfiction.

We send our participating families home with as many books as they would like each month. Having books available at home is a great way to encourage reading and literacy. We are always in need of more books to share with the children. Please leave your donated books on the cart in the Narthex.



Stone Soup ... by Sally Jennings

Team Atonement will be serving Stone Soup at St. Stephens Episcopal Church on Monday, April 22nd. If you would like to help, please call or text Sally at 541-961-4508, or talk with her in person. It is much easier to plan how everyone can help, and not have too many people for two few jobs, or too few people doing too much work, if we know in advance who is planning on being part of this month's team.



Heavy Lifters and Food Donations Needed... by Sally Jennings

Easter Food Baskets for families in need will be assembled and delivered on Good Friday, April 19th, beginning at 1:00pm. Everyone is invited to help fill the boxes. Heavy lifters are especially needed beginning at 1:45pm to load up and deliver the boxes of food.

Our Easter food drive will continue through April 18th. Shopping lists are on the table in the Narthex. Cash donations are always welcome. Please make your check out to Atonement Lutheran Church and designate "Easter Food Baskets" on the memo line.



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Audio Worship Services &
Calendar on website



Food Pantry

Fill our Food Barrel
This Month:
Peanut Butter