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EASTER SUNDAY

Please join us—and bring your friends and family—in celebrating Easter Sunday!



At Atonement

Pastor Gaetz Preaching

8:30am

Festival Holy Communion

9:15am

Easter Breakfast
(all are welcome!)

10:45am

Festival Holy Communion

At St. Paul's Fabius

Pastor Suarez Preaching

9:00am

Festival Eucharist

10:00am

Family Fellowship

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK

Wednesday, March 19

SPRING HEALING SERVICE

5:30pm: Dinner

6:15pm *Pastor Gaetz preaching*
Service of Healing & Renewal

Friday, March 21

GOOD FRIDAY - TENEBRAE

7:00pm *Vicar Richter preaching*
The ancient and beautiful service of shadows and darkness

Thursday, March 20

MAUNDY THURSDAY

SERVICES OF THE LAST SUPPER

10:30am *Pastor Suarez preaching*

7:00pm *Pastor Rodgers preaching*

Saturday, March 22

HOLY SATURDAY - EASTER VIGIL

5:15pm *Vicar Richter preaching*
Lighting of the New Fire, Renewal of
Baptism Vows, Baptisms, and Holy Com-
munion



Appleseed Productions
proudly presents



**Don't Feed
the Actors!**

March 28 & 29, 2008 at 8pm

On the Atonement Stage

116 West Glen Ave, Syracuse

All tickets: \$10

Reservations

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This production is made possible in part with funds from Onondaga County and the Cultural Resources Council, a Regional Arts Council.



Due to dramatic content, this production is not recommended for young audiences.

Appleseed will host two nights of Improv games with "Don't Feed The Actors!" - an improv troupe made up of some of Appleseed's regular performers.

Hosted by the Game Warden Greg J. Hipius the starving actors will do improv in hopes of a few table scraps.

Cast:

Dustin M. Czarny
Maria Hickman
Mark Allen Holt
Terence LaCasse
Heather J. Roach
Doug Rougeux
Dawn E. Sadowski.
Gerrit Vander Werff, Jr.

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Teen



KNOW ANY TEEN MOMS?

Pass the Word: TeenMOPS is coming to Atonement!

Wednesdays 6:15-7:45, beginning March 26. Brochures are in the rack in the Narthex. Please direct questions to Pastor Rodgers.

EASTER SUNDAY - PSALM 118: 1-2, 14-24

The last verse of this selection, v. 14, should be familiar to all of us: "This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." It's a common refrain in our services, where the pastor says the first line, and we switch to auto-pilot and repeat the second line without pause. This psalm deserves to be part of worship: its original intent is for worship. As Psalm 118 is read, we can hear the movement of the people of Israel, they are walking through the gates of Jerusalem, toward the Temple where the LORD resides. Well, I'm inviting us to take a pause, and think about this verse a little differently.

I heard someone say that if there were only one verse in the Bible, he would pick this one. It tells us of the awesome creator God, about whom all of scripture points to. This is the Lord who makes things, who crafts and creates. And look at what the Lord has created: this day. Time itself is a creation of God. The last part of this verse tells of our response: let us rejoice and be glad in this day. How fitting for this verse to be part of our Easter worship! Time is usually an enemy for humans: eventually we run out of time and die. But instead, the LORD, the creator of everything, (even time!) has said that time and death are not the final answer. They are but creations, and God has control over them. And we remember that this Sunday morning, where the dawn breaks on a world where there is an empty tomb.

Let us pray, Creator of All, we rejoice and are glad in you. You have transformed this world, and renewed it. Give us pause to not be bound by the chains of time, but to rejoice in the glorious freedom that you have given us. In the name of your Risen Son we pray. Amen.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES - ASSISTING AT WORSHIP

Wednesday (3/19)

Acolyte	Dennis Walker
Altar Care	Deacon Karen Douglass

HOLY THURSDAY (3/20)

Acolyte	Stacie Draper & Austin Draper
Communion Assistant	Missy Wilber
Reader	Deacon Karen Douglass
Gift Bearers	First Communion Class
Ushers (*elevator)	Steve & Mike* Strumlok
Altar Care	Deacon Karen Douglass

GOOD FRIDAY (3/21)

Acolyte	Dennis Walker
Communion Assistant	Jay Berry
Ushers (*elevator)	David Rodgers*
Altar Care	Deacon Karen Douglass

HOLY SATURDAY (3/22)

Acolyte	Casey Draper
Communion Assistant	Missy Wilber
Ushers (*elevator)	David Rodgers*
Altar Care	Missy Wilber

EASTER SUNDAY - MARCH 23, 2008



8:30 AM	Festival Holy Communion Service, Pastor Gaetz, Preaching
9:00 AM	Festival Eucharist Service, Pastor Suarez, Preaching at Fabius
10:45 AM	Festival Holy Communion Service, Pastor Gaetz, Preaching

WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY (3/23)	
8:30am	Festival Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
9:00am	Festival Eucharist Service (St. Paul's Fabius)
9:15am	Easter Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
10:00am	Family Fellowship (Fabius)
10:45am	Festival Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
TUESDAY (3/25)	
8:00am	Messenger Workers (Coffee Shop)
WEDNESDAY (3/26)	
10:00am	Crafty Ladies (Coffee Shop)
5:30pm	Church Night Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
6:15pm	Church Night Worship Service of Healing (Sanctuary)
7:00pm	Church Night Activities (see box)
THURSDAY (3/27)	
7:00pm	Worship & Music Committee (Coffee Shop)
FRIDAY (3/28)	
8:00pm	Appleseed Improv Show (Fellowship Hall)
SATURDAY (3/29)	
8:00pm	Appleseed Improv Show (Fellowship Hall)

ASSISTING AT WORSHIP

ASSISTING	8:30am	Deacon Karen Douglass
MINISTER	10:45am	Vicar Aaron Richter
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	8:30am	Linda Owens
	10:45am	Kevin Smith
USHERS	8:30am	Baxter Simmons & Richard Vook*
Elevator Op*	10:45am	TBA & Missy Wilber*
ACOLYTES/ ALTAR SERVERS	8:30am	Eion Holmes & Abigail Wood
	10:45am	Casey, Stacey & Austin Draper
ALTAR CARE	8:30am	Phyllis & David Rodgers
	10:45am	Deacon Karen Douglass
GIFT BEARERS	8:30am	Dorothy Phillips & Kim Kennedy
	10:45am	Karen Veverka & Kevin Smith
READERS	8:30am	Linda Owens
	10:45am	Kevin Smith
GREETERS	8:30am	Gayle Wentworth
FLOWER DELIVERY		Easter Plant Deliveries

WEDNESDAY CHURCH NIGHT - 3/26

5:30	Dinner in the Fellowship Hall
6:15	Worship in the Sanctuary
7:00	Wednesday Night Activities
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recreation and games in the gym Adult Class "Listen, God is Calling" (see below)
6:00-7:30 nursery is available for children under 6	

NEW ADULT CLASS STARTING MARCH 26

"Listen, God is Calling" will be an adult class offered by Pr. Gaetz on Wednesday evenings, beginning at about 6:45pm, immediately following the Wednesday evening service. The class will explore ways "God is Calling" us, with emphasis on the Bible as God's word to us. This class will meet March 26 and April 2 & 9. There will be no mid-day class these weeks.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Please remember the following members and friends at Atonement in your prayers.

Upstate University Hospital
Mary Hyde

At Home or in a nursing home

Ella Baker (Marty Shay's mother), Terry Colbridge (Sharon Hothem's friend), Betty Jane Farley, Tom Fitzsimmons (Jay Berry's friend), Merikay Harper, Heather Hill-Yackel, Richard House, Betterae Kennedy, Tim Kittell (Joanne Claeys' friend), Eleanora Ott, Annette Parsons (Beth Arthur's grandmother), Debbie Pauls, Nancy Scholz (Linda Koslowsky's mother), Jimmy Turner (Sarah Richter's father)

Those in the Armed Services

Mike Breedlove (Pensacola, FL), Jack Fields (Ft. Bliss, TX), Kevin Monds (Ft. Benning, GA), Chris Nillhouse (Korea), Justin Randall (Iraq), Melissa Young (Phoenix, AZ)

BIBLE READINGS

Th	<i>Maudy Thursday</i> Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31b-35
F	<i>Good Friday</i> Isaiah 52:13—53:12 Psalm 22 Hebrews 10:16-25 or Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 John 18:1—19:42
Sa	<i>Vigil of Easter</i> Romans 6:3-11 John 20:1-18
Su	<i>Easter Day</i> Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 65:17-25 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 or Acts 10:34-43 Luke 24:1-12 or John 20:1-18
Su	<i>Easter Evening</i> Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 114 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 Luke 24:13-49
M	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21 Colossians 3:5-11
Tu	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Exodus 15:1-18 Colossians 3:12-17
W	Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Joshua 3:1-7 Matthew 28:1-10

BUS/VAN SCHEDULES

Note special schedule for Easter Sunday!

Sunday (Bus)
8:40 Lincoln
8:50 Hoefler
9:05 Lodi
9:20 Presidential
9:25 Toomey Abbott
9:35 Thurber
9:45 Arrive Church
10:10 Leave Church
10:20 Loretto
10:30 Arrive Church

Wednesday (Van)

4:45pm Leave Church
4:55pm Lincoln
5:05pm Sabine
5:15pm Hoefler

Wednesday (Bus)

4:30pm Leave Church
4:40pm Lodi
4:45pm Sedgwick on James
4:55pm Presidential Plaza
5:15pm Thurber
5:20pm Valley Vista