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THE ATONEMENT LUTHERAN CHURCH

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**SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY'S LUTHERAN CAMPUS MINISTRY
PRESENTS SECOND ANNUAL CENTRAL CROSSROADS
CONFERENCE FESTIVAL OF MUSIC APRIL 20**



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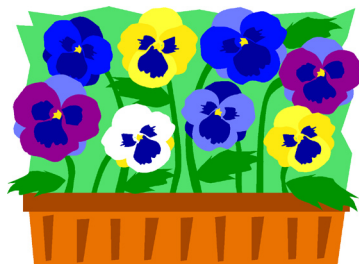
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Bill Wheelless (yes, *our Bill Wheelless!*), will be honored during Lutheran Campus Ministry's Second Annual Central Crossroads Conference Festival of Music, Sunday, April 20 from 2 to 4 p.m. in SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry's (ESF) Nifkin Lounge in Marshall Hall. The Festival will feature performances by the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Adult Choir; our Atonement 10:45 ensemble; a flute solo by Shannon Kane, a senior in SU's College of Visual and Performing Arts; soloist Robert Dominick Lloyd, a sophomore in the College of Arts and Sciences; and a variety of other student performers. The Festival will also include the annual basket silent auction fundraiser with baskets provided by area churches and individuals. The Festival is free and open to the public.

Pastor Peter Suarez will open the LCM festival with a presentation honoring Bill's dedication to promoting the arts in the Central New York Lutheran community. The highly popular six-week Easter Festival of the Arts (that Bill chaired through its entire history) ran from 1975 to 2002 and was supported by Lutheran Brotherhood (now Thrivent). In addition to music and a silent auction, the festival will include raffles and light refreshments. Free parking will be available on the ESF campus (parking passes will be distributed at the festival). Further information and driving directions are available by calling SU's Lutheran Campus Ministry at 443-2439.

2008 SUMMER CAMPERSHIP FUNDRAISER MARKET BASKETS OF PANSIES



*Our special thanks to
Harper's Greenhouse for
their beautiful flowers and for
their generosity.*

Sale Date: April 20 & 27
Delivery Date: May 4 (between 8:30 & 10:45 services)
Cost: **\$15 per basket prepaid**
Payment: Cash or Check payable to Atonement Lutheran Church
Questions: See Janet Holmgren, Pastor Rodgers, or Judy Holmes

A perfect gift for Mother's Day!

Please consider sponsoring a camper. See inside for more information.



THANKS THRIVENT!

Thanks to Thrivent Financial For Lutheran Central New York Fraternal chapter for their recent donation of hot cups and \$75 to help us defray the cost of the Sunday Coffee Hour.

This gift helps, but your continued generosity is still needed. In recent weeks we have been receiving in the donation box just a little less than the Coffee Hour actually costs. So we just need a little more to keep that gathering time going!

By the way, if you have not dropped in for coffee between services on Sunday, please do so! Coffee and donuts are served every Sunday in the meeting room next to the parking lot entrance to the church.

SUMMER CAMP 2008 AT LAKE CHAUTAUQUA LUTHERAN CENTER (LCLC)

There is still time! Atonement will provide transportation to and from LCLC & camperships for Atonement members.

8/3-9 Youth Camp (completed grades 3-8)

8/3-9 Sailing Camp (completed grades 6-8)

7/27-8/2 Senior High Week (completed grades 9-12)

Deadlines

Registration: May 1 Registration Fee: \$65
Balance Due: July 1 Balance Due: \$80-Youth Camp, \$90 Sailing Camp, \$100 Senior High Week

Atonement camperships pay the remaining camp tuition. Transportation is provided from church to camp and back.

See Pastor Rodgers for campership funding information or Janet Holmgren for registration information and forms.

SPONSOR A CAMPER

Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center is not just a summer camp. The LCLC staff are disciples of God who share their faith and inspire the lives of campers of all ages. For several years now, we have been blessed by the generosity of this congregation that has allowed Atonement's kids to experience LCLC. We believe, as does LCLC, that no one should be denied Christ's love at LCLC for financial reasons.

If you would like to make a cash contribution to the Campership Fund, please deliver your check, payable to Atonement Lutheran Church with the information below, to the Church Office. Any amount is welcome, but we encourage you to consider sponsorship of an individual camper for \$75.00.

Your Name: _____

Envelope Number: _____

Amount: _____

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER PSALM 31: 1-5, 15-16

My eyes are drawn to the images in verses 2 and 3, where God is described as a "rock of refuge", "a strong fortress", and "my refuge". An image always comes to mind of a place called Skellig Michael, which is off the coast of Ireland. It is a giant rock sitting in the middle of the choppy, icy water, and on top of it, monks have lived, worked, and prayed since 588 AD. It is hard to reach, where the waves can batter approaching boats, and it is also hard to live on, with the howling wind racing over it. But here in this water, this giant rock sits, unmoving despite the efforts of the forces around it.

That's how I think of God our rock and our refuge. There are those forces battering those who try to approach God, forces that say that there are more important things to trust than God. There are forces that blow against us when we have found God, that try to sweep us away, forces which want to pull us away from what the rock that we have found. But God stands still, and gives us a foundation for standing against the waves and wind. God provides a refuge from those people and forces that wish to hurt us. So let us always remember the Rock in the midst of turmoil, which stands simply because God loves us.

Let us pray, Our Refuge and Redeemer, you give us a safe place where we can escape from the dangers of this world. Remind us to always trust in you, despite the other dangers. Amen.

VANDERKAMP SPRING CLEANUP DAYS

Saturday, April 26 and Saturday, May 3

Vanderkamp Center is looking for a few good men, women, youth, and children to help with their spring clean-up. They have plenty of projects for everyone: carpentry, painting, yard work etc. Good fellowship and lunch is provided!

If you are interested, please contact them at 315-675-3651 or at vkcenter@localnet.com.



SAUERBRATEN DINNER AT ST. PAUL'S LIVERPOOL

Saturday, April 26 - 4pm-7pm
\$10/adults, \$5/children under 12
Kids under 5 eat free!

Sauerbraten beef and gravy over egg noodles with all the trimmings! Don't like sauerbraten? They will also serve baked ziti.

Proceeds from the dinner benefit the Makuva Lutheran Church and School in Zimbabwe. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans will contribute an additional \$1 for every \$3 they collect.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is at 210 Hazel St in Liverpool (corner Vine and Hazel St.)



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - APRIL 20, 2008

8:30 AM	Traditional Service of Holy Communion, Pastor Gaetz, Preaching
9:00 AM	Traditional Service of Holy Communion, Vicar Aaron Richter, Preaching at Fabius
10:45 AM	Holy Communion Service, Pastor Gaetz, Preaching

WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUNDAY (4/20)

8:30am	Traditional Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
9:00am	Traditional Service of Holy Communion (St. Paul's Fabius)
10:45am	Festival Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
7:00pm	Plaza Suite Auditions (Chapel, Coffee Shop)

MONDAY (4/21)

7:00pm	Church Council (Coffee Shop)
7:30pm	Onondaga Civic Symphony Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

TUESDAY (4/22)

8:00am	Messenger Workers (Coffee Shop)
7:00pm	MCM OF 1940 Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

WEDNESDAY (4/23)

10:00am	Crafty Ladies (Coffee Shop)
5:30pm	Wednesday Night Activities (See box below)
7:00pm	MCM of 1940 Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

THURSDAY (4/24)

7:00pm	MCM of 1940 Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
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ASSISTING AT WORSHIP

ASSISTING	8:30am	Deacon Karen Douglass
MINISTER	10:45am	Deacon Jay Berry
COMMUNION ASSISTANTS	8:30am	Carole Barr
	10:45am	Kevin Smith
USHERS	8:30am	Jeanette & Ken* Greig
Elevator Op*	10:45am	Missy Wilber & Karen Douglass*
ACOLYTES/ALTAR SERVERS	8:30am	Eion Holmes
	10:45am	Austin Draper
ALTAR CARE	8:30am	Bobbie Mettler
	10:45am	Deacon Karen Douglass
GIFT BEARERS	8:30am	Carole Barr & Kim Kennedy
	10:45am	Karen Veverka & Kevin Smith
READERS	8:30am	Linda Owens
	10:45am	Karen Veverka
GREETERS	8:30am	Gayle Wentworth
FLOWER DELIVERY		Deacon Karen Douglass

WEDNESDAY CHURCH NIGHT - 4/23

5:30	Dinner in the Fellowship Hall
6:15	Worship in the Sanctuary
6:15	MOPS - Teen Mothers of Pre-Schoolers (Chapel)
7:00	Wednesday Night Activities
	• Recreation and games in the gym
	• Adult Class "Making the Lord's Prayer Our Own" (see right)
<i>6:00-7:30 nursery is available for children under 6 years</i>	

MAKING THE LORD'S PRAYER OUR OWN

One of the few and perhaps the only passage of scripture that we can quote from memory is the Lord's Prayer. But because we can "quote it" doesn't mean we "know it." You are invited to be a part of the adult discussion series entitled "Making the Lord's Prayer Our Own." Beginning on Wednesday, April 16, the series will run for 6 weeks, led by Pastor Peter. Each Wednesday, there will be two identical sessions, one at Noon and the other at 7pm. All sessions will meet in the coffee shop.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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

Cortland Hospital Rehabilitation Unit

Betty Theel

At home or in a nursing home

Ella Baker (Marty Shay's mother), Terry Colbridge (Sharon Hothem's friend), Jennifer Cornish Genovese, Tom Fitzsimmons (Jay Berry's friend), Evelyn Goings (Elderwood -Birchwood), Loretta Golden (Erik Holmgren's mother-in-law) -Surgery 4/17, Sharon Hothem, Judy Howell (Pat Strong's friend), Tim Kittell (Joanne Claeys' friend), Harriet Walters, Sandy Walters, Bill Wheelless

Those in the armed services

Mike Breedlove (Pensacola, FL), Scott Carpenter, Travis Carpenter, Jack Fields (Ft. Bliss, TX), Trevor Martineau (Paris Island, SC), Kevin Monds (Ft. Benning, GA), Chris Nillhouse (Korea), Justin Randall (Iraq), Melissa Young (Phoenix, AZ)

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Betty Jane Farley who died April 14. A memorial service will be held at church at a later date.

Congratulations to Kim Rivera, Atonement Church secretary, on the birth of granddaughter Genesis Nellie Morales on April 10.

Note: People who are not hospitalized are listed only once per request. If you would like a person listed for additional weeks, please call the church office (492-9065) each week by 10am Thursday.

BIBLE READINGS

Th	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 Genesis 12:1-3 Acts 6:8-15
F	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 Exodus 3:1-12 Acts 7:1-16
Sa	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 Jeremiah 26:20-24 John 8:48-59
Su	Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14
M	Psalm 102:1-17 Exodus 13:17-22 Acts 7:17-40
Tu	Psalm 102:1-17 Proverbs 3:5-12 Acts 7:44-56
W	Psalm 102:1-17 Proverbs 3:13-18 John 8:31-38

BUS/VAN SCHEDULES

Sunday (Bus)

9:00am	Lodi
9:15am	Presidential Plaza
9:20am	Toomey Abbott
9:30am	Arrive Church
9:45am	Leave Church
9:50am	Hoeffler
9:55am	Lincoln
10:10am	Thurber
10:15am	Loretto
10:30am	Arrive Church

Wednesday (Van)

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

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