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## JOINT GATHERING

On Sunday, September 21, Atonement will host a Gathering Service with our friends at Onondaga Valley and South Presbyterian Churches for the Installation of our New Vicar, Laura Aase.

Please plan on attending the 10:45 service and join everyone for the reception following. This is your chance to meet Laura, if you haven't already, and to gather with friends from OVPC.



**Sunday September 28**  
**Atonement Fellowship Hall**  
**Immediately after 10:45 service**

### Menu

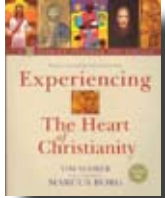
Barbecued chicken  
Salt potatoes  
Cole slaw  
Roll and butter  
Dessert and beverage

Sign up on the sheet at the back  
of the Sanctuary or by calling the  
Church office at 492-9065.

*Free will donation will be accepted*

## THE HEART OF CHRISTIANITY

What is most central to Christianity and to being Christian?



If you are looking for answers or just want to be part of a conversation on Christian theology, you are invited to join Pastor Peter and fellow Christians as we gather to hear and share thoughts on an "emerging Christianity." We will be using the book, "The Heart of Christianity" by Marcus Borg as our conversation starter.

Class will meet on Mondays at 12:30pm in the Chapel. There will be 13 sessions starting September 22.

What you can expect from our conversation is a vision of the Christian faith and life that may range from mildly challenging to wildly outrageous. What is expected from you, if you choose to join the conversation, is that you...

...Read the assigned material for each session.

...Be a vocal part of the conversation.

If you have been "thinking about it," it's not too late. Just contact the church office at 492-9065 (soon!!) and let Laura know you want to participate. She will also order Borg's book, just make sure she gets the \$15 from you before class starts.



## SENIOR NEWS

Jolly Dollys & Gents and the Men of Atonement have combined into a new group called: **Atonement Lutheran Active Seniors**. The new group will meet the third Thursday of every month at noon - in the coffee shop. Bring a sandwich and dessert, beverage will be provided. Our first meeting is Thursday, October 6. Vicar Laura Aase will be our speaker!



K) classroom.

The program runs 8:30 to 11:00 am Monday through Friday and is free to children who reside in the city of Syracuse and who will be 4 years old on, or before, December 1, 2008. Call 492-7407 for more information.

Atonement Child Care Center now has openings for 4 year olds in our UPK (Universal Pre

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The furnace is almost complete! Lots and lots of new pipelines to connect the three very small furnace units. They are about the size of small file cabinets. Looking at them helps you understand why they are so energy efficient. And, we are already experiencing cost savings because the big old furnace has been shut off since early June.

Contributions and pledges continue to come in. If you have not gotten your pledge in, please do so as soon as possible. If you need a replacement card - call the church office at 492-9065.

...a note from Bobbie Mettler:

*To my many friends at Atonement: Thanks you so much for your prayers, cards, and calls during my recent illness. To Pastor Suarez for his special prayers and communion.*

*I miss my Atonement family and hope to be back with you soon.*

- God's Peace,  
Bobbie



## YOUTH NEWS

### SECOND SUNDAY\* BEGINS

Are you an Atonement Teen? Join us at 10:00 AM in the Chapel for a special Teen Gathering time for 7th-12th graders.

Come see what its all about. Second Sunday is just for Atonement Teens!

This month's topic: *The "No-money, No-cell phone" Trip - Fun or NO WAY!*

*\*(ok, September 21 is the third Sunday of the month, but starting October 12, we'll meet the second Sunday of each month!)*

### YOUTH HOTDOG ROAST AND APPLE PICKING

Our annual fall Atonement Lutheran Youth Organization and 4-5-6 Club Hotdog roast will be Sat., 9/27 at the home of Judy Holmes, 3431 Fox Road, Tully.

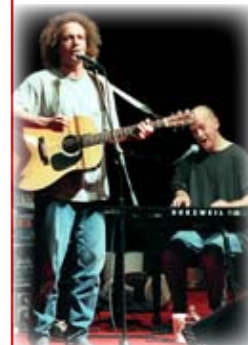
We will leave church at 4 p.m. and return by 7:30 p.m. Older youth will pick apples at Navarino Orchards (that will be sold at church), while the younger group carves pumpkins. All will gather for our bonfire and hotdog roast. There will be games and other fun activities.

Permission slips due by 9/21.



Questions about the 9/27 event or the fall retreat? Contact Judy Holmes (673-9393 after 6pm. Or email EWHolmes@att.net), Janet Holmgren (677-3846) or the church office (492-9065).

### MARK THE DATE!



Sunday, October 5, Lost & Found will be performing at Hendricks Chapel at SU. The concert is at 3pm. Stay tuned for more details!



The Crafty Ladies are collecting your unwanted treasures that someone else is waiting to enjoy. Your treasures can be dropped off at church (downstairs, the second door to the right on the way into the Fellowship Hall). Mark your calendars now! The bazaar will be November 15, 2008. Note: We will not be accepting clothes this year.



# 19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - SEPTEMBER 21, 2008

- 8:30 AM Traditional Service of Holy Communion, Pastor Gaetz, Preaching
- 9:00 AM Traditional Service of Holy Communion, Pastor Rodgers, Preaching at Fabius
- 10:45 AM Holy Communion Service, Pastor Gaetz, Preaching

## WEEK'S CALENDAR

### SUNDAY (9/21)

- 8:30 AM Traditional Service of Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
- 9:00 AM Traditional Service of Holy Communion (Fabius)
- 9:30 AM Sunday Church School (Chapel)
- 10:45 AM Joint Service & Vicar Installation (Sanctuary)
- 12:30 PM Appleseed Set-up (Fellowship Hall)
- 2:00 PM Goodbye Charlie Performance (Fellowship Hall)

### MONDAY (9/22)

- 11:00 AM Pastoral Staff (Conference Room)
- 12:30 PM The Heart of Christianity (Chapel)
- 6:00 PM ACC Staff Training (Chapel)

### TUESDAY (9/23)

- 8:00 AM Messenger Volunteers (Coffee Shop)
- 6:00 PM Healthy Singles Classes (Chapel, Classroom 1)
- 7:00 PM Dracula Rehearsal (Coffee Shop)

### WEDNESDAY (9/24)

- 10:00am Crafty Ladyes (Coffee Shop)
- 5:30pm Wednesday Night Church Night activities (see box)
- 7:30pm Dracula Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

### FRIDAY (9/26)

- 6:30 PM Appleseed Set-up (Fellowship Hall)
- 8:00 PM Goodbye Charlie Performance (Fellowship Hall)

### SATURDAY (9/27)

- 9:00 AM BBQ Set up (Kitchen)
- 4:00 PM Youth Group Apple Picking & Bonfire (see article)
- 6:30 PM Appleseed Set-up (Fellowship Hall)
- 8:00 PM Goodbye Charlie Performance (Fellowship Hall)

**Amazing Grace - the class and the movie.** Remember, if you want to participate in the Adult class starting Sunday, 9/28 at 9:50am, please see the movie first. It will be shown at OVPC on Sunday, 9/21 at 6:30. It is also available at most video stores.

### SUNDAY BUS SCHEDULE

- 9:00am Lodi
- 9:05am Park
- 9:15am Presidential Plaza
- 9:20am Toomey Abbott
- 9:30am Arrive Church
- 9:45am Leave Church
- 9:55am Lincoln
- 10:10am Thurber
- 10:15am Loretto
- 10:30am Arrive Church

### WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

- 4:45 Leave Church
- 4:55 Lincoln Ave. **VAN**
- 5:05 Sabine St.
- 5:10 Bellevue Ave.
- 5:20 Driscoll Ave.
- 5:30 Church
- 4:30 Leave Church
- 4:40 Lodi St. **BUS**
- 4:45 Park St.
- 4:50 Sedgwick/James
- 4:55 Presidential Place
- 5:05 Toomey Abbott /Almond
- 5:15 Thurber Ave.
- 5:20 Valley Vista
- 5:30 Church

### BIBLE READINGS

- Th Psalm 145:1-8  
Nahum 1:1, 14—2:2  
2 Corinthians 13:1-4
- F Psalm 145:1-8  
Nahum 2:3-13  
2 Corinthians 13:5-10
- Sa Psalm 145:1-8  
Zephaniah 2:13-15  
Matthew 19:23-30
- Su Jonah 3:10—4:11  
Psalm 145:1-8  
Philippians 1:21-30  
Matthew 20:1-16

- M Psalm 106:1-12  
Genesis 27:1-29  
Romans 16:1-16
- Tu Psalm 106:1-12  
Genesis 28:10-17  
Romans 16:17-20
- W Psalm 106:1-12  
Isaiah 41:1-13  
Matthew 18:1-5

## ASSISTING AT WORSHIP

- ASSISTING MINISTER 8:30am Vicar Laura Aase  
10:45am Vicar Laura Aase
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS 8:30am Ken Greig  
10:45am Gary Stensland
- USHERS 8:30am Steve Strumlak & Kevin Smith\*  
Elevator Op\* 10:45am Missy Wilber & Sue Scharoun\*
- ACOLYTES/ ALTAR SERVERS 8:30am Abigail Wood  
10:45am Casey Draper
- ALTAR CARE 8:30am Louise Brown  
10:45am Pat Strong
- GIFT BEARERS 8:30am Jeanette & Ken Greig  
10:45am Stacie Draper & Gary Stensland
- READERS 8:30am Kevin Smith  
10:45am Vicar Laura Aase
- GREETERS 8:30am Gayle Wentworth
- FLOWER DELIVERY Yvonne Tucker

## WEDNESDAY CHURCHNIGHT

- 5:30 Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:15 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 Wednesday Night Activities
  - Recreation and games in the gym
  - Adult Class: *The Wholeness Wheel* with Pastor Gaetz
- 6:00-7:30 nursery is available for children under 6 years

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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

### Community Hospital

Audrey Kent

### University Hospital

Judy Thomas (June Quackenbush's friend)  
Dick House

### At home or in a nursing home

Antionette Awad (Delores Thompson's friend), Ella Baker (Marty Shay's mother), Mary Bennett (Joslyn Court I resident), Ryan Bonds (Yvonne Tucker's grand-nephew), Richard Boynton, Sheila Draper (Casey and Stacie's Mom), Families in Republic of Georgia (Marva Metz' friends), John Geis, Heather Hill-Yackel, Pastor Paul Joslyn, Bobbie Mettler, Beverly Oliver (friend of Beth Arthur), Barbara Ortell (Baxter Simmons' niece), Jane Sorwar (Pastor Naomi Sorwar-Randall's mother), Nancy Welch (Baxter Simmons' daughter), Mary Williams (friend of Sharon Hothem)

### Those in the armed services

Mike Breedlove (Great Lakes, IL), Scott Carpenter, Travis Carpenter (APG, MD), Jack Fields (Ft. Bliss, TX), Trevor Martineau (Camp Lejeune, NC), Kevin Monds (Ft. Benning, GA), Chris Nillhouse (Korea), Justin Randall (Quantico, VA), Daniel Strumlak (Quantico, VA), Melissa Young (Phoenix, AZ)