

THE VISITOR

OCTOBER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERIES

It was 3 years ago that we began to consider what Vision 2 Serve might do for our congregation. These last few years have been a great blessing to Atonement as we have grown in our vision for ministry in the congregation, community and the world. Now it is time to celebrate and give thanks to God for the blessing of what has taken place and consider where God is calling us into ministry in the years to come. Be sure to join us for worship on Sunday as we are challenged to walk together in ministry & mission using our gifts and talents. Be sure to join us for the Dessert Feast on Sunday October 23rd. A letter will be coming to you in early October about your commitments of time, talent and treasure for 2012. These are to be returned on Sunday – October 30th. We will place our commitments to God on the altar during worship.

Oct. 2 “All Are Welcomed!” I Peter 4:8-10

Oct. 9 “What Is The Greatest?” John 3:16 & 17

Oct. 16 ... “Let Us Pray” I Thessalonians 5:16-18

Oct. 23 ... “Why Give?” **Dessert Feast**..... II Corinthians 8:2-3





Oct. 30 ... “I DO!!” II Corinthians 8:2-3

Please note that the second service which is in English & Spanish will be at 11:15 a.m. starting in September!

“BRING A FRIEND TO WORSHIP”

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 23RD

Our next “BRING A FRIEND TO WORSHIP SUNDAY” will be on Sunday, October 23. Begin now to prayerfully consider who you will bring to worship that Sunday! Worship is at either 9:00 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. As we prepare for this Sunday, I invite you to do the following four things:

-  Be in prayer for God’s Holy Spirit to reveal to you a friend to invite.
-  Invite them. Extend to them an invitation to join us for worship on October 23 at either 9:00 a.m. or 11:15 a.m.
-  Bring them. Offer to bring them to worship that morning by providing transportation.
-  Worship with them. Be sure to sit with them during worship and introduce them to four or five other Atonement members.

START PRAYING!

SOON WE WILL BE ORDERING OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you have a change of address, phone or email, please call Eileen in the church office, 468-0713. We don’t want to lose you to a missing address! **Thank you for helping reduce our postage costs.**

SECOND WORSHIP SERVICE

“HOPE FOR ALL”

Come and worship with us on Sunday morning as we share a bilingual worship celebration (English & Spanish). This celebration is open to all people. The worship service is being called “Hope For All” – “Esperanza Para Todos”. Come let us worship the Lord! Please note the worship time change for the summer is 11:15 a.m. **Please note that we often have Mexican food after the second service!**

OCTOBER GIVING

UPDATE FOR

ATONEMENT LUTHERAN

Thank you for your many gifts which make it possible for Atonement Lutheran Church to give witness to the Grace & Mercy of Jesus Christ. We give because God gave to us – as it says in John 3:16 “For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.” It is important that we continue to financially support the ministry God has entrusted to us here at Atonement Lutheran Church.

The congregation at our Annual Meeting on January 30 approved a new budget for 2011 that is \$1,567 less than 2010. In order to fund our new 2011 budget we need weekly offerings of: \$4,400. Our offerings as of September 24th are \$157,784.35 and our Budget to date is \$166,800. This means that we are \$9,016 behind budget at this time. Thank you for your gifts.

If you have any questions about our budget feel free to talk with any member of the Church Council or with Pastor Jim.

WE GIVE BECAUSE HE (GOD) FIRST GAVE HIS SON!

CONFIRMATION MINISTRY IN OCTOBER 2011

Confirmation is: A pastoral and educational ministry of the church which helps the baptized child, through Word and Sacrament, to Identify more deeply with the Christian community and participate more fully in its mission.

MAKE-UP TIMES!

Please note that there will be time to work on make-up of missed classes on Wednesday evenings after class. All classes that are missed must be made up. Those who have make-up to do are: Lexi, Megan, Jared, Savannah, Hailey, Daniel & Pariss. Please let Pastor Jim know ahead of time when you plan to come and do make-up.

CONFIRMATION

7th and 8th Graders will focus on the BIG TEN during the month of October as we gather on Sunday morning at 10:15 a.m. and Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. It is important that you be on time. If you know that you will not be present, please call Pastor Jim 468-0713 or e-mail him at james.gerth@yahoo.com. Thank you!
9th Graders will begin to make arrangements for having a mentor and will discover more about the life of Christ! The 9th Graders will gather on Sundays at 10:15 a.m. and on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Our Wednesday evening class will be exploring some of the basic beliefs about the Lutheran Church and how they compare to other Christian churches.

SIGN UP TO ATTEND WISCONSIN DELLS QUAKE - APRIL 27-29

Yes it is that time to prepare for another great weekend of fun, fellowship, food and growing in faith. The Quake is for youth in grades 6-9 and will be held at the Wilderness Resort. This year's focus is on being ROOTED in Christ - Colossians 2:6-7. Speaker will be Justin Vetrano with music by Agape. For us to get the early bird discount we MUST BE REGISTERED by the first part of February 2012. See Pastor Jim for more information!

HELPERS NEEDED TO TEACH

CONFIRMATION This area of ministry is something we do together. During the year you will be asked to help with part of this ministry. Let us pray for our youth as they explore what it means to be a person of faith!

IMPORTANT DATES TO KEEP IN MIND:

OCTOBER 5 - WEDNESDAY - Faith Huddle - Serve at Golden House 6:00-8:00 p.m.

OCTOBER 12 - WEDNESDAY - Field of Dreams at Preble Football Field 6:30 p.m.

OCTOBER 24 - MONDAY - Luther College Concert Band at Preble at 7:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 2 - WEDNESDAY - West Lakes Captive Free concert & fun!

SUMMER CAMP - 2012

Yes we are already making plans for going to Imago Dei in 2012. This week is open for youth in grades 7-12. Remember, confirmation parents, that it is expected that a confirmation youth attend a week of Bible Camp before they are confirmed. WHAT A DEAL! Yes it is back for a second year! Any young person that would like to attend camp a second or third or fourth time will have their way paid for in full by Pastor Jim! WOW! The week we plan to attend will be June 17-22. Talk with P.J. soon so that we can get the early bird discount.

HELPERS WITH CONFIRMATION

This area of ministry is something we do together. During the year you may be asked to help with part of this ministry. Let us pray for our youth as they explore what it means to be a person of faith!

9:00 a.m. Nursery Care 8:45 a.m. Acolyte

Oct. 2 Jared Pike Autumn Frerk
Oct. 9 Megan Zentmeyer..... Hailey Huebner
Oct. 16 Lexi Krenke Pariss LeMay
Oct. 23 Daniel Nesselin Cody Dietz
Oct. 30 Lauren Rupp Jared Pike

11:15 a.m. Acolyte

Oct. 2 Eric Cardona
Oct. 9 Yadira Mendez
Oct. 16 Karla Lopez
Oct. 23 Eric Cardona
Oct. 30 Yadira Mendez

N.E.W. Shelter Meal Confirmation Youth Helpers

4:45-6:00 p.m.

November 7 - Hailey Huebner, Lexi Krenke, Megan Zentmeyer

Youth News

1st Wednesday Confirmation: Serving at Golden House

October 5th 6:00-8:00 p.m.

For our First Wednesday Special Activity on October 5, we will be serving at the Golden House, a local domestic violence shelter. We will play with the kids who live there and help with some "housekeeping" projects.

Please note the time change: 6-8pm!

I realize that this event is longer than our usual confirmation class, but a longer time period was necessary to fulfill their needs. Please contact Kate if you need help with transportation to and from this event.

"Fields Of Faith" at Preble: Wednesday October 12th

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

In place of class on Wed October 12, our confirmation youth will attend "Fields of Faith" at the Preble football field. "Fields of Faith" is a worship experience organized by the Preble chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA). The event runs from 7:00–8:30 p.m. with music from 6:30-7:00.

We will meet at Church at 6:30 to walk over.

This event is also open any interested youth in grades 10-12.

Captive Free is Coming!

Captive Free will be at Atonement **Tuesday Nov 2nd and Wednesday Nov 3rd** to present their special brand of music and relational ministry. Those of you who came last year know what a unique performance Captive Free puts on. For those of you who have never seen a Captive Free group before, prepare for a special night of worship! So mark your calendars and bring your friends!!

NOTE: We will need some volunteers to provide lodging and meals for the group members.

INVITATION FROM PAUL'S PANTRY

Paul's Pantry, the supplementary food program in this area, would like to invite you to send representatives to a short World Food Day Program on Friday, October 14, at 10:00 a.m. at the Pantry, located at 1520 Leo Frigo Way, Green Bay.

We welcome students or members and especially invite you to bring used brown paper grocery bags and bread bag ties along with empty egg cartons. We have a great need for these items and it reflects how help can be given with even these seemingly insignificant items. If you desire a canned food or other food item would be great!

The World Food Day Program will be 30-40 minutes and will include a proclamation by Green Bay Mayor Jim Schmitt as well as prayer. We will explain details of our program and a guided tour of our facilities. We have a great need for student group volunteers at this time. For more information about Paul's Pantry please visit our website at www.paulspantry.org.

MISSION TRIPS FOR 2012

Plans are being made for two possible Mission Trips in January and/or February of 2012. One is being looked into which would go to Loreto, Mexico possibly the week of January 20th or February 17th. Dave & Jean Keim went on this last year as part of a medical team to care for families. But there are other types of volunteers needed to help build churches and do other types of service. If you want to learn more about this please talk with either the Keim's or Pastor Jim.

We are also planning a mission trip to New Orleans in January 2012. We will depart on a Friday and be gone for nine days. We will arrive in New Orleans on Saturday and will worship at Gethsemane Lutheran Church on Sunday morning. Sunday afternoon will be spent organizing for our work which will begin on Monday morning. The booyah that will be sold on Sunday, October 23 is to help with the cost of this trip. If you are interested in going, talk with Pastor Jim.



A LIFE WORTH LIVING ~ EXPLORING THE MEANING OF LIFE!

TUESDAY Bible Study Begins September 27

THURSDAY Evening Herbie's Café 6:30 p.m. Begins Oct. 6

The Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study will gather for the first time on September 27 which is the 4th Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. The Thursday evening Herbie's Café will begin on October 6 at 6:30 p.m. We will do a video series called "A LIFE WORTH LIVING". A Life Worth Living is a nine-week course based on the Book of Philippians. Each talk (by Nicky Gumbel) explains how it is possible to live the Christian life positively, practically, and joyfully. Based on Paul's letter to the Philippians, this series takes a look at some of the new things Jesus Christ can do for us today.

6:30p.m. MENU

Week 1 "A NEW HEART"/Philippians 1:1-11Brats
Week 2 "A New Purpose"/Philippians 1:12-30...Meatloaf
Week 3 "A New Attitude"/Philippians 2:1-11Subs
Week 4 "A New Responsibilities"/Philip 2:12-18....Chicken
Week 5 "A New Friendship"/Philippians 2:19-30
Week 6 "New Confidence"/Philippians 3:1-11
Week 7 "New Ambitions"/Philippians 3:10-21
Week 8 "New Resources"/Philippians 4:1-9
Week 9 "New Generosity"/Philippians 4:10-23

Come and join us! Invite a friend to join us as we pray, hear from scripture and talk about the questions around life and faith. See you either on TUESDAY morning or THURSDAY evening!

HERBIE'S CAFÉ IS SERVING

Be sure to join us for breakfast on Thursday mornings at 6:30 a.m. at Herbie's Café.

We will continue to use the video series called "A LIFE WORTH LIVING". A Life Worth Living is a nine-week course based on the Book of Philippians.

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Week 8/October 6 "New Resources"/Philippians 4:1-9

Week 9/October 13 "New Generosity"/Philippians 4:10-23

Breakfast will be served at Herbie's Café at 6:30 a.m.

Pancakes, juice, coffee, tea and maybe more. Come and join us for Breakfast and Bible Study.



ATONEMENT COUPLES GATHERINGS - OCTOBER

REEVES GROUP - Be sure to join us in October as we continue to enjoy our study of the 40 Days of Purpose (from a Lutheran point of view), Great food, wonderful fellowship and just fun. We will gather at the home of Randy & Kim Reeves at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 9 & 23. Come and enjoy the fun. If you have questions about this get together talk with Kim or Randy! God is Great!

HELGESON'S GROUP - There is also a group that is meeting at Jason & Sara Helgeson's home on Sundays, October 2 & 16. They are doing a DVD series on marriage.

(Be sure to contact these families for possible time changes)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We want to encourage parents to read the Bible to or with your child. Be looking for a copy of the Small Catechism coming home with your child for you to be reading with or to your child. Pre-K is learning the Lord's Prayer, 1st/2nd is learning the first three Commandments, 3rd/4th is learning the last seven Commandments and the 5th/6th is learning the Apostle's Creed. During the time these are used during worship, please encourage your child to participate in saying these prayers. Parent helpers can still find openings for help in the Pre-K and 1st/2nd classes. Parents please also look at and discuss take home sheets from Sunday School with many family ideas to help learn the lessons. Thank you for all that you do at home to help your child learn about Jesus. God bless you. Any questions please talk with Connie Worzala.

NEW DEVOTIONALS ARE HERE FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

New devotionals are in the conversation pit and on the narthex counter. We have large and small versions for you, please help yourself!

**ATONEMENT LUTHERAN CHURCH
CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF MINISTRY BY HOSTING**

THE LUTHER COLLEGE CONCERT BAND

Monday, October 24 - Preble High School - 7:00 p.m. CONCERT with Freewill Donation

Be sure to keep this date open as we are expecting a large turnout for this amazing concert. The Luther College Concert Band has performed in Avery Fisher Hall, Lincoln Center, New York; in Tivoli Garden, Copenhagen, Denmark; and at the Bergen International Festival, Bergen Norway. The band has been selected to appear at many state and national music conferences, including the National Association of College Band Directors Convention in Kansas City in 1991. More information about this Anniversary Event will be in the October Visitor!

ANNIVERSARY COMING UP!!

February 26, 2012 is the 50th Anniversary of Atonement Lutheran Church! We are planning a day of celebration on May 20, 2012, when we will gather together to reflect on the past and look forward to the future. Several ideas which will help make this an uplifting and rewarding event are taking shape:

- ◆ A new church directory
- ◆ A time capsule to open in the future
- ◆ Pictures showing the history and growth of the church
- ◆ A one-day celebration with special music, food, etc.

Volunteers are needed for our 50th Anniversary Celebration. Contact anyone on the planning committee or P.J. for more information or if you can give ANY amount of time. Help is needed for the following:

- ◆ Assist Karen Neveau in organizing the new directory
- ◆ Ideas for and planning of fundraisers to pay for the celebration
- ◆ Ideas for contents and burial of the time capsule
- ◆ Event planners for the May 20th celebration
- ◆ Publicity for the event

Many, many people are needed to make this celebration a success! What should we call our wonderful celebration? If you have any ideas for an interesting, eye-catching name for our 50th anniversary celebration, please share it!

Anniversary Celebration Committee:

Co-chair:..... Paula Breese 465-6603
Co-chair:..... Sue Byers 468-6021
History: Mary Ann Larsen
Fund Development: Donna Aznoe 468-7507
Secretary: Bobbie Bierhals

**50TH ANNIVERSARY
OF ATONEMENT'S
GROUND BREAKING**

Sunday - October 23

It is hard to believe that it has already been 50 years since the soil of that tomato farm was turned and moved to build a church! Wow! Where has the time gone? Be sure to join us that Sunday morning for Worship at 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. as we gather to remember! Yes, it will be a time to remember and share stories of how God planted a church on this tomato field. Worship will be at 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. followed by our annual Dessert Feast! Remember that this is also our Bring a Friend to Worship Sunday!

**NEW FUNDRAISER - MARCUS
MOVIE PASSES**

How would you like to participate in a fundraiser that is FAT FREE, doesn't spoil, and doesn't need to be refrigerated?!?!? Please help raise funds for the 50th anniversary celebration by purchasing Marcus theatre movie passes. VIP gold and VIP silver movie passes are for sale in the narthex for 7\$ and 6\$. The gold has no restrictions and the silver has limited restrictions. For each pair of tickets you purchase you will receive 3\$ in snack cash to be used at the concession counter. Or, you can purchase a gift card in the denominations of 5\$, 10\$, and 25\$. You will get to enjoy some great movies and help the church at the same time. Please see Donna Aznoe or Leah Bergstrom for more details. This fundraiser will run until October 16. Please consider these as gift ideas when thinking ahead to Christmas. Please make checks payable to Atonement Lutheran Church and submit at time of order.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF HEALTH & SCHOOL KITS

Our church is collecting items for Lutheran World Relief. Items needed for health kits are bath towels, combs, and bar soap. Items needed for school kits are 70 count notebooks, pencils, rulers and 24 count crayons. Please place your items in the LWR cupboard in the narthex. Items were shipped in September **and we continue to collect all year.** Thank you for your help.

NEEDS AT MARTIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Let's help Martin School get ready for a new school year! There is a continuing need for boy's and girl's elastic-waist pants (sweatpants, etc.), and underwear, all in sizes 5-8. Please put your donations in the cupboard marked for Martin School. Also, Martin is looking for volunteers, especially in the kindergarten rooms. If one day a week for an hour or two is too much, we could also give them a list of people who are available for short-term needs. If you would be interested in volunteering at Martin, please call Mary Jo Rabideau at 662-7551

THE PREBLE HIVE

The Preble Hive now has a washer and dryer and is able to offer laundry services to families in need. The Hive is seeking donations of **laundry detergent and fabric softener sheets** to support this new outreach. Other items suggested for donation are:

- ✘ personal hygiene items: body wash, soap, shampoo and conditioner (regular size is preferred over the hotel/sample size)
- ✘ paper products: toilet paper and paper towels
- ✘ alarm clocks (simple wind-up ones)

Donations can be brought to church or dropped off at the Preble office during school hours.

The Hive is open to **ALL** members of the Preble community who are in need. The families and/or individuals do not need to have children who attend Preble. If you know of someone in need, please tell them about this wonderful resource. The Hive is open during school hours and by appointment.

PAUL'S PANTRY

.....is in need of egg cartons, twist ties, paper bags and plastic bags. Place in Paul's Pantry cupboard in the narthex.

DON'T FORGET FREEDOM HOUSE NEEDS

We have a new bin under the Narthex counter for Freedom House. Needs are **Grocery:** premixed koolaid, fruit snacks, coffee, regular, salad dressing, butter, canned fruit, tater tots, french fries, pork and beef roasts, hamburger, lunch meat, breakfast meats, oil. **Produce:** fresh fruit, melons, apples, bananas, fresh veggies, celery, carrots, tomatoes, red, orange and green peppers, onions. **Household:** Kitchen and lawn and bathroom garbage bags, pinesol, cleaning spray bottles, ziplock (freezer size) laundry soap, drano, oil moisturizer, hair relaxer, hair conditioner, hair spray, softee hair grease, woman's deodorant. **Child items:** Desitin, diapers - 5-6, training pants all sizes, **Miscellaneous:** cough drops, cold medicine, adult and kids, gift cards for b-day presents, Walmart gift cards, wash cloths and dish rags, full fitted sheets and pillows, mops, paper plates and plastic spoons, electric pencil sharpeners, hard plastic cups sizes 5 oz and 8 oz., brooms, plungers and toilet brushes. Thank you for your help!

NEW WEBSITE FEATURES – CHECK IT OUT!

COMING SOON TO THE WEB:

Listen Live on Sunday Services Only - Coming Soon! If you can't make it to church, soon you will be able to listen live during our worship times only! Corey Kirch is working on this wonderful feature for our Atonement family.

WEBSITE ADDRESS

FOR ATONEMENT LUTHERAN

The church website is:

www.atonementlutheranchurchgb.com



For those who have indicated they do not have access to the internet, the Visitors will be available at church with your name on it and will be here for you to pick up in the narthex. Please pick them up as we are trying to avoid mailing costs. If you no longer need a printed copy, please advise the office.

For those of you indicating you have access to our website, we will not be emailing them to you. Please go to our website and access it there after the first week of the month. Eileen will notify you by email when the Visitor is posted. Call the office if you are unable to access our website and Eileen will walk you through it, at 468-0713.

N.E.W. SHELTER MEAL NEWS

N.E.W. Shelter Meal will be Monday, November 7. The signup sheet is now in the narthex for participation and help. We will serve spaghetti, fruit, vegetable, rolls & cupcakes. Containers and recipe are in the drawer below. Your help is needed as we continue to reach out to those in need in the Green Bay Community. Thanks for helping us feed our neighbor.

We are also looking for a new leader for the shelter meals as Darlene Gast will be stepping down. Be sure to extend a BIG THANK YOU to Darlene for all the years she has organized this ministry. Many have been helped because of her willingness to serve in this ministry. There will be an informational forum about the N.E.W. Shelter Meals and what is involved in organizing this ministry on Sunday, November 6 between worship services. Darlene is organizing the meal on November 7 but we will need someone in place by the first of the year. If you have any questions about this ministry please call either Pastor Jim or Darlene Gast.

THE CUP O' JOY: OVERFLOWING WITH LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

The Cup O' Joy is a Christian coffee house that offers **FREE** live entertainment every weekend in a family-friendly, smoke and alcohol free environment. There is a list of Cup events posted on the youth bulletin board and on their website www.cupojoy.com! "Early Bird Passes" are available so you can guarantee yourself a good seat. The Cup O' Joy is located in downtown Green Bay at 232 S. Broadway.

FAMILY NEWS

We extend our sympathies to Donna Aznoe and Leah Bergstrom families upon the death of Julian Abts on September 14, 2011. May the God of comfort give peace and hope to all who mourn.

FICTION!

The Tuesday Men's group is still reading a fictional account of Jesus. For details and to confirm dates, please call. We tend to meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m. at Perkins by East Town. Call Tim Harder, 465-0752 to confirm times.

DIRECTORY THANK YOU RECEIVED

SINCERE THANKS TO ALL who helped with creating our new picture directory! WHAT A GREAT GROUP YOU HAVE BEEN! To those whose talents and time and research in creating the activity pages and covers, to those who helped with the manual signing up for photos, and those who acted as hostesses/hosts to the members as they arrived for their picture appointments, to my Co-chair, Ellen Smidt, to our talented and computer savvy folks, to the scrapbook team and the photos they shared with us, to all who contributed their personal photos for our use, to the unnamed person who uncovered the long-lost slide carousels of the oldest pictures of the birth of Atonement, to our anonymous donor of cash to help fund the advertising page and certainly to the many hours of help from Pastor Jim and our secretary, my heartfelt thanks. It couldn't have happened without the cooperation and help from each of you! To the congregation: thanks for your outstanding support and participation. It is my sincere hope that you will enjoy our new 50th Anniversary picture directory and that it will be proudly displayed as an evangelistic aide to grow our church during the next several years. I really believe God continues to smile on His people here at Atonement!

May He continue to bless us into our next 50 years and beyond.

With gratitude,
Karen Neveau



RAINBOW BAGS FOR OUR CHILDREN IN CHURCH

The rainbow bags at the entry to church are filled with religious books for your children to read during worship. Please feel free to take one for your child to use and return to the rack following worship.

Rainbow Bag Care Schedule:
October – Aaron Rabideau

Dear Friends,

Greetings to you in the powerful name of Jesus the Christ!

“By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as an expert builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should be careful how he builds. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.” I Corinthians 3:10-11.

It was on a Sunday afternoon in October of 1961 that a group of people gathered to celebrate the Ground Breaking for Atonement Lutheran Church. Pastor Obert Lowe from Calvary Lutheran Church gave the invocation. Pastor Henry Kurtz, Pastor T.S. Hanson, Pastor Roland Hansen and Pastor Clarence Solberg read from scripture on that special day in Atonement's history. The sermon was given by Pastor Dean A. Kilgust from Grace Lutheran Church. It is very clear that Atonement had its beginning because area churches came together to help it become a reality. We are so thankful for those pastors and charter members who followed where God was leading in starting a new congregation.

Now it is time to celebrate and dream about where God is calling Atonement to continue to grow in mission and ministry. You are invited to come and join in this special celebration on Sunday/October 23rd and Monday/October 24th.

Sunday/October 23.....9:00 a.m. Worship Celebration with Holy Communion & United 2 Serve Offering

Sunday/October 23..... 10:00 a.m. Dessert Feast & Booyah Sale

Sunday/October 23..... 11:15 a.m. Esperanza para todos with Holy Communion & United 2 Serve Offering

Monday/October 247:00 p.m. The Luther College Concert Band Concert at Resch Family Auditorium Preble High School. The Concert is in Celebration of Atonement Lutheran Church's 50th Anniversary.

Come and join us on Sunday October 23rd and Monday October 24th as we celebrate and praise God for the blessing of 50 years of Mission & Ministry and look to the future with Hope!

HELPERS are needed in preparation for this celebration. What follows is how you can help:

- Lodging is needed for the Luther College Concert Band on Monday night. They are lodged in groups of 2 or more.
- Ushers & Greeters are needed at the Concert at Preble.
- Prepare and serve the meal for the Concert Band on Monday at 5:15 p.m. at Atonement Lutheran Church.
- Clean-up crew for after the meal and the Concert.
- Send out invitations for Sunday Worship & Dessert Feast and Monday's Concert.
- PR for the Concert to area schools, churches, & media.
- Do fall cleaning inside the church the week before Sunday October 23rd.
- Set up displays & create power point about what the ground breaking was like.
- Plan the Sunday morning Celebration & invite special guests.

MOST IMPORTANT OF ALL – I ask that all be in prayer for these days and for Atonement's future. God is not done at Atonement. Like Paul said in Philippians: “I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion.”

God is Great!

Pastor Jim Gerth

ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES

You are invited to join us for our Advent Mid Week Services which begin on Wednesday, November 30. The focus for the four services will be on the word WAIT. I am looking for Advent themes for each letter of the word WAIT. Share your ideas with P.J. **W** might stand for Wonderful or Welcome. **A** might stand for Alpha. **I** might stand for Ignite. Let me know what you think! Each Wednesday will begin with a meal that will be served from 6:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. followed by an Advent Reflection Service. This will all be held in the parish hall. Come and join us as we prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of Christ!!

PARENTS' EVENING OUT RETURNS!

Sunday October 16 at 5:30 p.m.

Join us for our second Parents' Evening Out on Sunday Oct 16. You don't want to miss this special time to learn more about nurturing your children's faith while growing in your own faith as well. Like last year, dinner and childcare will be provided by the youth so that you can be free to focus on the discussion.

This will take place in the parish hall at Atonement. The program for the evening will be an introduction to The Stepping Stones of Faith which has been developed by Pastor Rich Melheim.

Please sign-up on the sheet located on the narthex counter so we can make proper arrangements for food and childcare. This event is open to ALL parents - no matter how old your children are.

Bless, Gift and Call Parents:

Faith Stepping Stones is a family ministry system that pulls parents into the role of primary faith mentors for their own children every night in every home.

Faith incubation doesn't happen in a vacuum. It doesn't happen overnight. It must be nurtured over time. Faith Stepping Stones is a process that bonds parents and children into the body of Christ at eight crucial moments in parenting and leads them to incubate faith every night in every home. It provides faith-based parenting education from cradle to graduation through a series of eight short-courses. Each course brings parents and children together for fun and learning, and ends at the altar with a special blessing service.

Through this process, parents and children develop nightly faith practices that includes blessing, prayer, scripture reading, sharing of Highs & Lows, faith dialogue, and a nightly "I'm sorry" before turning out the lights on the day. This "every night in every home" ritual blesses the child, gifts the family, and calls parents to their promise while incubating faith.

The Faith Stepping Stones Mission: To bless the child, gift the family, and call parents to the promise every night in every home.

I encourage you to come and join us as we explore what it means to BE THE CHURCH every night in every home. There will be a sign up sheet so that we know how much food to prepare and what type of child care to arrange!

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS
ARE AVAILABLE FROM
THE USHERS.**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR BROWN COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Volunteer Guardian: Volunteer Guardians for adults who have been found to be mentally incompetent by a physician and the court. These individuals have no other adult relative who can perform this role. Volunteers can choose the case they work with. A volunteer guardian is matched one-on-one with an elderly, cognitively challenged or mentally ill individual who is typically living in some type of community based residential facility. Volunteers must be mature adults able to see the individual at least once per month or more if medical circumstances arise. A monthly stipend of \$15.00 per ward, and reimbursement for mileage and incidental costs like postage, photo copying, etc. are available. Flexible hours; knowledge of medical issues, disabilities, and advocacy are helpful but not required. Orientation and training provided. Contact Glen Tilot, Social Worker/Volunteer Coordinator at 448-6023 or email at tilot_gg@co.brown.wi.us.

Pals Program: Married couples/family matches or single adults over the age of 18 are needed to be Pals mentors to children age three or older from single parent, low income, or special needs families. Volunteers are matched based on compatibility with the child's interests and behavior. Pals matches spend a couple of hours two or three times per month in a recreational or learning activity. Individuals who enjoy typical youth activities such as games, organized or outdoor sports, visiting area attractions, and pets are ideal. Volunteers commit for one year and ideally will continue beyond that time if the match is going well. Optional monthly group activities sponsored by area service clubs and businesses organized by the program include: a Bay Beach picnic, a fishing/picnic, a Packer/Phoenix party, Wisconsin Dells Mt. Olympus field trip, bowling, rollerskating and bowling activities, hayride, a Milwaukee bucks game, and the Christmas party. For more information contact Glen Tilot, Pals Program Coord. at Brown County Human Services Dept. 448-6023 or email at tilot_gg@co.brown.wi.us.

PROCEDURES FOR USHERS

Ushers are responsible for cleaning up and straightening the pews after the service. Please place the bulletins left in the pews and baskets on Eileen's desk in the office. **DO NOT THROW THEM AWAY!**

Ushers are responsible for counting the number of people attending the service. After each service ushers should bring the offering from the altar into the counting room and inform the count team of the number of people that attended the service. Counting teams now count the offerings.

Thank you ushers for your service during worship. We are hopeful this will make it easier for you to usher for us!

COUNTING TEAMS SCHEDULE

Oct. 2- Team 5: Tim Wentworth & Tom Pike
Oct. 9- Team 1: Maryl Nelsen & Sharon Schneider
Oct. 16- Team 2: Duane Pike & Julie Geyer
Oct. 23- Team 3: Ken Storzer & Craig Schneider
Oct. 30- Team 4: Jim Michels & Dave & Jean Keim

WANT YOUR ADDRESS, PHONE & EMAIL CORRECT FOR DIRECTORY?

If you have had an address/phone change, please notify the office, 468-0713. We would like to have our directory listing of our families as up to date as possible! Also the Post Office charges us for any forwarded mail. Please help us keep our postage costs down by letting us know of any changes to your address and phone. Thank you!

PARTNERS IN PRAYER, PROTECTING AND PARTNERING WITH OUR PASTOR!

Currently we have a small group of 2 to 3 Atonement members who meet and pray with Pastor Gerth at 8:45-8:55 am each Sunday before service. The prayers focus on lifting our Pastor (Spiritual Leader) up to the Lord. We focus on 4 areas of prayer for Pastor. The first area is Pastor's Personal Needs, the second is Family Needs, the third is Spiritual Needs and the fourth is Congregational Needs. The goal is to have at least 4 to 5 smaller groups which would rotate each Sunday and pray with Pastor before service. I would encourage each and every member of Atonement to consider partnering together in prayer for our Pastor. If you have any questions or are interested in joining this ministry, please call Paul Honzik at 468-6670 or cell 680-8439. I do have reading material I will be handing out in the group which explains in greater detail what this ministry is focused on. I personally along with other members have found this prayer time with Pastor to be a blessing. I also ask each member of Atonement to keep the success of this ministry in your prayers.

FUNERAL HELPER LIST

We are in the process of updating our funeral list of helpers and bakers. Helpers are called on to help set up and serve a catered meal. Please sign up in the narthex or call the church. If you have been on the list and wish to be removed, please indicate your wishes. Any questions, call Judy Slamp, 680-1446, or Maryl Nelsen, 468-0802. Thank you!

ATONEMENT LIBRARY BOOK SALE CONTINUES

Check out the many new books that have come in for our Book Sale. Many popular authors are out on the table. Paperbacks are 50 cents and hardcovers are \$1.00. If you have any great books you wish to share, leave them on the table. Proceeds go to update our Church Library and Wednesday Women projects. Thanks for your support!

LOOKING FOR SERVANTS!

You may recall that one of our United 2 Serve goals was to help with tutoring at area schools. It was in September that Rebecca Storzer sent me an e-mail asking for volunteers to help at Fort Howard school. Volunteers are asked to come during either math or reading workshop times. Reader's Workshop times are Monday through Friday 12:55-2:20 p.m. and the Math time is 9:00-10:15 a.m. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to live out our faith by helping students and teachers in our community. Rebecca wants to set up the volunteer group soon, so please let Pastor Jim know right away if you can help.

"A PAIR & A SPARE: BROWN COUNTY'S UNDERCOVER CHALLENGE"

Thank you for your help with our Undercover Challenge.

UNITED 2 SERVE UPDATE

TEAM LEADERS 2010-2011

Program LeaderSharon Schneider
Website TeamJulie Geyer, Mary Vandevoorde, Corey Kirch
Newsletter TeamMary Vandevoorde, Corey Kirch
Printing TeamMary Ann Starks
Media TeamJason Bergstrom
Presentation TeamRandy Reeves
Secretarial Support TeamGladys Nickodem, Maryl Nelsen
Photo Connection TeamSara Helgeson
Connection Team/DirectoryKathryn & Duane Pike
Grief/Loss Team VisitationsPaula Skorzewski & Karen Bialkowski
Personal Visit TeamMarilyn Rabideau
Prayer Vigil TeamPaul Honzik/Janet Jacobson
Dessert Feast TeamJeff & Amy Fay and Kelly & Kristi Franz
Facility Upgrade TeamGladys Nickodem, Sandy Sperbeck
Seminar TeamJudy Slamp, Vicky Holschuh, Pat Wistenberg
Visitor Welcome TeamJudy Slamp/Diane Robishaw/Kris VandenHeuvel/Dave & Diane Whiting
Community Events TeamGuy & Paula Breese
Liaison to CouncilTim Wentworth



1 Peter 4:10.....Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others.

U2S MEETING MINUTES - Monday, September 12, 2011

In Attendance: Pastor Gerth, Gladys Nickodem, Randy Reeves, Kim Reeves, Judy Slamp, Marilyn Rabideau, Sharon Schneider, Mary Ann Larsen, Karen Bialkowski, Maryl Nelsen, Diane Whiting

- September 25th - Brunch for the U2S revitalization - A New Year - A New Vision
- 10:00 a.m. following service & prior to the multi-culture service -Meeting and Meal
- PJ has planned the path for the route to revitalization of U2S events—he's amazing! He also made a very comprehensive list of all the items that U2S has already accomplished in the past two years. The following lists the U2S kick-off Sermons/Events:
 - Sept. 11- 40 Day Prayer Journey
 - Sept. 18 - Called to Serve
 - Sept. 25 - Walking Together in Mission (Brunch & Wristbands)
 - Oct. 2 - All Are Welcomed!
 - Oct. 9 - What is the Greatest!
 - Oct. 16 - Let Us Pray
 - Oct. 23 - Why Give? (Dessert Feast)
 - Oct. 30 - I Do!
 - Nov. 6 - Praise the Lord! (Return Commitments - \$\$ & Time & Talent)
- During the Sept. 25th service, we ask that all people who have helped with U2S since its onset to be in attendance and to be recognized for their service. Leaders—Please attend!
- Randy Reeves will give his monthly report during the worship service.
- Randy & Kim will help Sharon and Craig with morning preparations. Mary Ann L., Craig, and Sharon will help with set-up on Saturday evening, the 24th, and purchase & prepare the bacon/sausage/juice/butter. Confirmands will help with room set-up Saturday evening during their cardboard evening. Kate Worzala will be contacted to establish timing for the 10 confirmation student's participation in setup.
- Maryl N. will make coffee. Sharon will purchase meat, butter, and juice with donated monies. Egg dishes, fruit platters, veggie platters, sweet rolls, and monetary contributions will be enlisted. Corina Gerczak will help with clean-up. Sharon will put in calls to Paul Honzik and Kathy Huebner for help in the kitchen. Other helpers are now being summoned.
- Brunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall and the meeting will coincide.
- Pastor will show a slideshow of U2S events during the brunch. Julie Geyer will be called to share the pictures that she has already accumulated for the U2S display in the new directory. Please forward pictures that you might have of U2S events that can be scanned or via email.

- A sign-up sheet to help with the brunch preparations will be passed around during the church service this coming Sunday, Sept. 18th.
- We need people to bring food and help with clean-up following the brunch. The meal will be casual, as the emphasis will be for people to recognize needs that they wish our church to put emphasis upon during the coming year. We wish to have members share their interest in Atonement's future ministry and goals. Three marker boards will be set up to gather the vocalized interests—one for each of the following areas—Our Church, Our Community, and the World! Atonement possibly will need to eliminate, expand and add new programs. The members will decide what they feel is important.
- Goals for Atonement to keep in mind in addition to many others, are
 - Paying off the mortgage
 - Welcoming 50 New Families
 - Having 50 people attend "Walk Thru the Old Testament"
 - Having 50 People participate in a Mission Trip in 2011/2012
 - Increasing worship attendance by at least 25%
- The U2S banner will be hung for the festivities.
- Connie Worzala will be called to ask if the Sunday School kids and teachers may wish to cut SS short by a bit so they can join in on the brunch and meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Schneider

UNITED 2 SERVE BRUNCH/MEETING

Hello Atonement Members:

The following is a summary of the discussion that took place during the United2Serve Brunch/Meeting and the interest in our rejuvenation of U2S and our initial efforts. It was a great meeting with good participation.

Everyone had such great ideas as we all brainstormed and there was such a wide range of new U2S visions and missions. Some ideas are continuations of present interests and endeavors. Others are new goals. Some will be easily attained; others are long term goals that will require a bit more work and require greater service.

Not everyone will value all the goals, but all of the goals are admirable and need to be considered as part of Atonement's mission. What we really need to do is decide which goals to include in this year's activities. Perhaps we can accomplish them all!

Therefore, next Sunday will be a time for your input once again, so expect to provide your input by evaluating each of the ideas. U2S leaders can then be established, and the work can begin. Keep an open mind about each of the opportunities that have been expressed, as there is interest and value in each one of the following items. Perhaps not every item on the list is self-explanatory, but there will be an opportunity for more clarification.

Sincerely, Sharon Schneider

Congregational Goals:

- 1) Projection System for Church Service
- 2) Kitchen Replacement
- 3) Install Water and Electric Hookup Outdoors
- 4) Paint Fellowship Hall
- 5) Upgrade Phone System throughout church
- 6) Address Storage Building Needs
- 7) Picnic Facility-Covered Area
- 8) Sanctuary Beautification
- 9) Family Support for Needy Members
- 10) Establish a Memory Garden
- 11) Small Group Ministry
- 12) Personal Family Visits Annually
- 13) ADR \$80,000
- 14) Couples Bible Study

- 15) New Team Ministries
- 16) Organ/Piano replacements/upgrades
- 17) Office Upgrade for Computers
- 18) Couples Bible Study

Community Goals:

- 1) Military Family Support
- 2) Various GB Community Shelter's Support
- 3) Establish Church Partners
- 4) Improve Media Relations
- 5) Adopt-A-Family at Christmas
- 6) Spare & a Pair Support for the Needy
- 7) Provide Adult Volunteers at East High School
- 8) Survey of Surrounding Apartments—Low Income Support & Needs
- 9) Baby Shower for Brown County
- 10) Good Samaritan Food/Gas Cards
- 11) Tutoring in Neighborhood Schools
- 12) St. John's Shelter Meal Support
- 13) Homeless Support
- 14) Multi-Cultural Service & Community Support
- 15) Partnering Schools
- 16) Quilts & Health Kits
- 17) Re-Invent the Bike Rodeo

World Goals:

- 1) Seminarian Support
- 2) World Fair Trade Sale
- 3) Create and help with the Malaria Initiative
- 4) Well Projects/Friends of Haiti Support
- 5) Aids Epidemic in 3rd World Countries
- 6) Provide the Keim Family with Support for Mexico Trip
- 7) Lutheran World Relief
- 8) Soldier's Care Packages
- 9) "Peace Not Walls" Project in the Middle East
- 10) Expand the Louisiana Mission Trip
- 11) Support the Youth Mission Trips
- 12) ELCA Sister Church Support

**ATONEMENT LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2011**

PRESENT: Donna Aznoe, Leah Bergstrom, Jim Michels, Barb Schewe, Lora Vandevoorde, Tim Wentworth, Kate Worzala, Pastor Jim Gerth

ABSENT: Jason Helgeson, Dave McCarthy

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Kate made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 16, 2011 council meeting. Leah seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Barb reviewed the June and July 2011 financial reports. Items noted were: confirmation camp should have been paid out of Youth, not Parish Education, so a transfer will be made in August to adjust this; a lot of donations (\$1,760) came in for VBS, meaning Atonement will pay out less than \$700 for VBS this year; utilities have been higher than usual, mostly due to the additional activities happening at church and possible water leaks. Staff will keep an eye on utilities for the remainder of the year. Jim made a motion to accept the June and July 2011 financial reports. Kate seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. Kate made a motion to amend the agenda and begin the Multi-cultural Ministry's report now. Barb seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

MULTI-CULTURAL MINISTRY (MCM) REPORT: Bethany and Jairo joined the meeting to help Pastor Jim discuss their proposal for the future of this ministry. Because the Synod funds that had previously supported the MCM are no longer guaranteed, a list of nine other sources of revenue were detailed out in a report and discussed by Pastor Jim. About \$28,000 from the Synod is currently available to extend the ministry through the rest of the year. Jairo discussed the language and dance classes they will be providing. Bethany explained the monthly expenses of the mission and described the duties of each staff member included in the salaries. Concerns of the council members were discussed. Jim and Pastor Jim clarified that, at this time, MCM is requesting the council's support of this vision in order to continue their mission at Atonement. The MCM is also requesting to use the Memorial funds available for Hispanic ministry as a "revolving loan" in times of need until the necessary funds come in.

Kate made a motion that Atonement will walk together with their MCM and other area churches to further support and develop the MCM that is presently taking place. We understand that this action means that we will talk together as partners in ministry, sharing the many resources that God has put in place. One of the resources is the funds that are currently marked for "Hispanic" already in the Atonement Memorial account. The MCM will use these funds as a revolving account necessary to continue the ministry until further funds are made available as outlined by the proposal. Tim seconded the motion. Vote: 6 in favor, 1 opposed. Motion passed. [NOTE: No budgeted funds have been committed at this time.] Sincere thanks were given to Bethany, Jairo and Pastor Jim for their efforts in this ministry.

Jim made a motion to return to the agenda. Kate seconded it. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

1. United 2 Serve Distribution: Requests made for the current distribution are as follows:

<u>Team</u>	<u>Requested</u>	<u>Distribution approved</u>
ADR	\$80.60 (20% of June offering) \$124.91 (20% of July offering)	\$80.60 \$124.91
Grief Support	150.00	150.00
Parking Lot Repair	500.00	500.00
Festival Weekend	100.00	100.00
Brown County Library reading program	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,005.51	\$1,005.51

Donna made a motion to approve the \$1,005.51 distribution as noted. Jim seconded it. Motion passed unanimously. Balance remaining is approximately \$370.

2. Benevolent Partners/Special Offerings Update: Congregation gave \$598 to Crossways during July.

NEW BUSINESS

1. New Members: Jim made a motion to accept the following as new members: Michael & Emily Dagner, Lindsey Lindquist, Susy Cardona, Brisa Lopez, Kevin Lopez, Karla Lopez, Sandra Hernandez, Eric Cardona, Jessica Cardona, Maria Mendez, Edith Mendez, Yadira Mendez, and possibly others. Donna seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Update on New Church Sign: The process is taking longer than expected. No word on when it will be completed.
3. Thrivent Choice funds of \$442.00 came in during August.
4. Thanks to ALL who helped (and have offered to help) with the picture directory.
5. Next council meeting is: September 15 at 6:30 pm. Barb will do devotions.

Motion to adjourn made by Jim and seconded by Kate. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lora Vandevoorde, Church Council Secretary

**OCTOBER
BIRTHDAYS!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO ALL FROM
YOUR ATONEMENT
CHURCH FAMILY!**



Happy Birthday to All from your Atonement Church Family!

Bergstrom, Dane.....	10/14
Dart, John.....	10/17
Franz, Kristi.....	10/19
Gast, Ellsworth.....	10/07
Gerczak, Edward.....	10/22
Haase, Max.....	10/22
Haase, Abigail.....	10/23
Hasseler, William.....	10/17
Helgeson, Sydnee.....	10/05
Huebner, Jerald.....	10/02
Huempfer, Linda.....	10/05
Huempfer, Milo.....	10/29
Kilmer, Alena.....	10/13
Kirch, Corey.....	10/06
Kosticha, Craig.....	10/28
Lueck, Louise.....	10/18
Malcore, Sophie.....	10/13
Moumblow, Kali.....	10/22
Nothstine, Thor.....	10/11
Reidinger, Matthew.....	10/06
Reynolds, Tracy.....	10/05
Slamp, Judy.....	10/13
Smidt, Kenneth.....	10/20
Sperbeck, Tony.....	10/19
Sternitzky, Laura.....	10/17
Wheelock, Tori.....	10/31
Worzala Dumke, John....	10/25

(If you have an October birthday and were not recognized, Happy Birthday! Please call the church office, 468-0713, to record your birthdate.)

REMEMBER OUR GOALS FOR 2011

Let Pastor Jim know if you are interested in helping reach some of these goals. You can e-mail him at james.gerth@yahoo.com

1. Pay off the mortgage so that we can use these funds for other ministries. The pay off for the mortgage is \$80,000 as of the end of July 2011. I know this seems like an impossible dream - is it? Let us together step out in faith and have this paid off by the May 2012 Celebration!
2. Welcome into the Atonement congregation 50 new families. Together we can reach this goal if we not only pray about it but invite friends to Come & See what is taking place at Atonement. Our next "BRING A FRIEND TO WORSHIP SUNDAY" will be on Sunday, August 28. Begin now to prayerfully consider who you will bring to worship that Sunday!
3. 50 people who will attend the "Walk Thru the Old Testament & New Testament" and participate in a Bible study called "Divine Drama." If we are going to have a future then we must be people of the WORD! It is as we open the scriptures that we discover the wonderment of God's Mission in our lives and in the world!
4. All participate in the 50 Day Prayer Journey that begins on September 11 and ends on the celebration of the groundbreaking.
5. 50 people participate in a Mission Trip in 2011 & 2012. There will be a number of opportunities for youth and adults to serve Christ on either a weekend Mission Trip or a week long Mission Trip. I have seen lives changed by the Holy Spirit as people pick up the towel of the servant and serve!
6. The last goal is as important as all the other goals put together: Increase our worship attendance between now and the next annual meeting by at least 25%. This can happen as we encourage each other to come and worship. We are already taking a step in this direction by having a second service on Sunday mornings that started in March! This second service is really the birth of a new worshipping community called "HOPE FOR ALL." The service will be in English & Spanish. It will take place on Sunday morning from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. ALL are WELCOME! There will be Holy Communion at all of these services! This is a big step but we believe it is time. Please join us as we pray about this new service. This is possible with the help of God!
7. This is a challenging list which is why I am also looking for 5 people who would be willing to gather with me once a month to pray, dream, reflect and help me care for myself as we move forward. If you feel God is calling you to such a ministry let me know.

**WE WANT
YOUR CLUTTER!**

The Salvation Army of Brown County Thrift Store is in need of the following: Clothing, household items, furniture, and electronics. Help your neighbors in need. 1125 W. Mason St., Green Bay, WI 920-884-2950. www.sagreenbay.org/thriftstore.as

CARPET CARE

With respect to our great investment please limit your beverage to water in our newly carpeted areas.

Thank you ☺

SHOP AT ATONEMENT AT OUR FAIR TRADE SALE

October 30 - November 13

Shop at Atonement for your Christmas gifts at the Fair Trade Sale. This year there will be many items great for gifts, including scarves, jewelry, giftware, and also our teas, coffees and candies. We also have many food items on sale in the narthex now.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF/FAIR TRADE FAIR

Sunday/October 30 10:00- 10:30 a.m.

Sunday/November 6 10:00- 10:30 a.m.

Sunday/November 13 10:00- 10:30 a.m.

Visit our LWR Fair Trade Fair. We're partnering with Lutheran World Relief to bring you beautiful Fair Trade handcrafts from across the globe. Make a world of difference with a purchase that affirms dignity and gives hope to artisans and their families. The Fair Trade Fair will take place in the Parish Hall during coffee time. Choose gifts that make a difference!

ANNOUNCING THE OPENING OF CELEBRATION ACADEMY

Celebration Academy is a non-profit service that offers academic consultation, subject tutoring, and enrichment classes in an after school program that gets kids excited about learning!

We believe in helping students learn by building on what they already know, giving them interesting and creative projects to help them learn and teaching them the critical thinking and research skills necessary for the Twenty First Century. Contact Educational Director, Sid Vineburg MAE, at 246-4192 or email: educate@celebrationacademy.org. Celebration Academy is located at the 9th Street Wellness Center, 1028 9th Street, Green Bay, WI 54304

WOODSIDE SENIOR COMMUNITIES ANNUAL CORPORATE MEETING

Tuesday, October 25, 2011, 5:30 p.m.

Chapel, Woodside Lutheran Home

Woodside will provide an overview of recent initiatives at Woodside Senior Communities and discuss planning for a successful future. Joins us for fellowship, food and information regarding this ministry we all share in at Woodside. If you plan on attending, please contact 499-1481 by October 14 so we can plan. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

SHELTER MEAL SEPTEMBER 5, LABOR DAY

Thanks to our Monday morning helpers, Judy Slamp, Mary Ann Larsen, Elizabeth Green, Lois Dart and Mary Young. Thanks also to the servers for the meal, Gene Kittel, Mary Ann Larsen and Doris Ziesemer. We had a full house for Labor Day serving 201 which included approximately 20 second helpings. At the end of the night we were completely out of food. Thankfully, one of the volunteers from the shelter threw together a cucumber/tomato/radish and onion salad with some donated produce that they had in the kitchen. This was a nice complement to our meal and the dinner guests liked it very much. We also would like to thank everyone for signing up to cook, bake or grocery shop for us! We also truly appreciate the cash donations. It helps so much, especially since the shelter no longer is supplying us with the hamburger for our spaghetti.

We went through 22 batches of spaghetti...that's a lotsa spaghetti!

In a recent letter from Terri Refsguard of the Shelter, she talked about the loss of a man in his early 30's who was a resident. The man was young but had health issues and died very unexpectedly in his sleep. There was overwhelming sadness and concern that this man had to die in a homeless shelter and not surrounded by his friends and family. After much talk and tears, the workers and residents of the Shelter shifted their focus on the fact that he did pass away in a good place, surrounded by people that were helping him get back on his feet. They talked about how he was liked by other residents, how the staff enjoyed talking to him, how helpful he was around the Shelter, and how they all knew that with their help, he would have worked very hard to help himself get his life on track. They all suddenly discovered that he didn't die alone...there is a building and a community full of people who did care.

That evening they dedicated their Community Meal to his life, to his memory, and his time spent with them...they did so as a "family", his family and friends.

Our next meal will be served on Monday, November 7.

God Bless, Darlene and Kris

NEW LSS PROGRAM IN GREEN BAY!

Lutheran Social Services has agreed to take over sponsorship of a daytime drop-in center for women in Green Bay. The program was established 13 years ago by the Sisters of St. Francis and was scheduled to close July 31. LSS will take over completely on September 1. The center is called, "Wellspring...a place of peace for women" and is located on Dousman St. near Broadway. We are excited about being able to serve a population in Green Bay that struggles with many economic, emotional, and personal challenges. Similar LSS programs are established in Eau Claire and Madison. Funding is coming along for 2012, but since this is an unplanned program for 2011, we are in need of funding now. (About \$30,000) I would be happy to share more information about "Wellspring" and LSS plans. Please contact me.

Yours in Christ, Pr. Lisa Ubbelohde
Church and Community Relations Lutheran Social Services of WI & Upper MI,
1620 S. Ashland Ave. Suite 104 Green Bay, WI 54304. Phone: 920-435-1367 X108 (o) & 920-277-7030 (cell)
lisa.ubbelohde@lsswis.org <<mailto:lisa.ubbelohde@lsswis.org>>

DAY JUST FOR WOMEN

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Exhibits: 4:00-6:00 p.m. Welcome and Dinner Program 6:00-7:30 p.m. @ KI Convention Center, 333 Main St, Green Bay, WI Do you know how to help prevent cancer? Although no one can completely eliminate the chance of getting cancer, our panel of experts will share their knowledge in all areas of cancer prevention. From the top cancer fighting foods and quick ideas on becoming more active to preventative screenings, you will leave empowered with the knowledge you need to keep you and your family healthy. Tickets are \$7 and go on sale at Prevea Urgent Care locations, St. Mary's Hospital Gift Shop and A Woman's Place, St. Vincent Regional Cancer Center and Western Racquet. Visit www.dayforwomen.com

SPREAD THE WORD TO END THE WORD

A message from Lutheran Social Services (LSS) of Wisconsin: Approximately 54 million Americans have at least one disability, making them the largest minority group in the nation. People with intellectual and developmental disabilities are among the most underrepresented citizens in the United States. Because of their disabilities, they are generally less able to advocate for themselves. Many often lack the financial resources needed to access even the most basic services and supports that many of us take for granted.

On October 5, 2010, U.S. President Barack Obama officially signed a new bill called Rosa's Law, which takes its name and inspiration from 9-year-old Rosa Marcellino, into federal law. Rosa's Law removes the terms "mental retardation" and "mentally retarded" from federal health, education and labor policy and replaces them with people first language "individual with an intellectual disability" and "intellectual disability." The signing of Rosa's Law is a significant milestone in establishing dignity, inclusion and respect for all people with intellectual disabilities.

The word retard(ed) hurts millions of people with intellectual disabilities, their families and friends. Take the pledge and help promote the new R-word: RESPECT. Visit www.r-word.com to learn more. Your partnership with LSS helps us serve more than 4,000 persons with disabilities, offering a range of services including round-the-clock residential support, supervision within more independent living situations, and teaching the skills needed to remain self-sufficient.

IN THE HOSPITAL? If you want Pastor Jim to know you are going to be and/or are hospitalized, please be sure to contact the church office, 468-0713. When admitted to the hospital, you will have to tell them to contact Atonement. Even when you tell this to the hospital, sometimes we are called and sometimes we are not. The only way to be sure we know about your hospitalization is for you or a family member to contact us directly. Without your assistance, it is very possible your hospitalization will not be known by Pastor Jim.

LSS SERVICES TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES (East Central Synod of WI and N. Great Lakes Synod)

LSS provides housing for people with disabilities in a group home setting in several communities of Northeastern Wisconsin and the Upper Peninsula. Each house has a capacity for approximately eight residents. Some houses have individuals with severe disabilities while in others, the residents are able to function relatively independently, such as helping with grocery shopping or attending a specialized employment program. In addition to residential facilities, LSS provides in-home "wrap-around" services so individuals are able to live independently in their own apartments, as well as Guardianship and Representative Payee services. For questions and more information, contact Pr. Lisa Ubbelohde, (Church and Community Relations) at 1620 S. Ashland Ave. #104 Green Bay, WI 54304, 920-435-1367, ext. 108, lisa.ubbelohde@lsswis.org.

HEART BOUND GREYHOUND

ADOPTION is a nonprofit organization dedicated to finding retired racing greyhounds forever homes and families. Dixie and Gypsy were adopted! We have 6 girls still looking for a home: Blackie, Tori, Wendy, Ray Ray, Freelander and Shiner. All are super companions, low maintenance and fairly quiet. If you or someone you know is interested in adopting one of our dogs, you can contact me or Heartbound.org. Thanks, Abbie Honzik

HOSTS/HOSTESSES & TREATS NEEDED FOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

If you would enjoy serving coffee and treats for our coffee fellowship, let Donna know and she will add you to the schedule starting in January 2012. Did you sign up to bring treats for our Coffee Fellowship? If you are bringing a treat for our coffee fellowship, please write your name on the date you would like to provide the treat on the sign up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you to all willing to bring treats! Questions? See Donna Aznoe 468-7507.

FREEDOM HOUSE CELEBRATION OF HOPE Saturday, October 29th

Lambeau Field Atrium, 6:00-10:00 p.m.
Freedom House Ministries, the only shelter in Brown County that serves all types of homeless families with children, will be hosting its 8th annual event, The Celebration of Hope on Saturday, October 29. The event will be held at Lambeau Field Atrium from 6-10:00 p.m. The purpose of the evening is to increase awareness of the growing challenge of homelessness in our community & raise the funds necessary to continue helping families break the cycle of homelessness and hopelessness. We hope that you prayerfully consider joining other area businesses & organizations such as ST Paper, PAi and Pioneer Credit Union as mission underwriters for the event. There are also opportunities for table sponsorship. The solution is YOU. For 20 years, Freedom House has helped the least of these in our community learn what they need to break the cycle of homelessness and hopelessness—they couldn't do it without us and we can't do it without YOU. Because of your help, more than 1,100 families and 2,100 children have rejoined our community, self-sufficient and passionate about helping others.

CP WALK & BOOYAH OCTOBER 1, HERITAGE HILL STATE HISTORICAL PARK

Stroll together through the historic 50 acres of beautiful Heritage Hill, while supporting the CP Centers! A perfect event for family members of all ages and abilities to enjoy. Registration includes: Heritage Hill park entrance, scenic walk & live interpreters, bowl of booyah. Fun for kids: chicken & egg races, games, coloring, mascots & more. Child or adult each raising \$75 or more will receive a hooded sweatshirt (registration fee counts toward your total). Early registration thru September: Adults: \$25, Children 12 and under: Free. Register online at www.cp-center.org



Dear Julie:

Julie G. would like you to join their Red Cross Racing team Atonement Outreach. Welcome to our great team. We are motivated to provide outreach to our community and you can be a part of this great effort by joining the team. Prizes won will go towards auction, providing funds to assist with community outreach projects. **Team Code:** CRZ8PR

Feel the thrill of the race and join a team to get in on the action! Once you're on a team, you and your teammates will earn points every time you report a blood donation. The team with the most points at the end of the season wins! Learn more about Team Play on our website.

Looking forward to a winning season for everyone!
Sincerely, The Red Cross Racing Team

WHAT IS SQUIRACLE?

Squiracle is (squares, men and circles, women) a group of senior citizens who get together once a month for food, fellowship, fun, and study. We meet at a Friday night eatery or Saturday morning breakfast at the Holiday Inn (hosts choice). Then it's to church for study. This October 1st we will complete our study of "The Lutheran Course II." Each session takes a classic piece of Lutheran doctrine and "breaks it open" through a large group video presentation and small-group conversation and good humor. Some of the questions we will look at are: "How does God work?", "Why do we do things we know we shouldn't do?", "How are we saved?" and many others. We invite you to join us. Just let the host/hostess know one week ahead of time. Questions? Call Kathryn 469-2720, Janet 468-0238.

OCTOBER 2011 SCHEDULE

GREETERS

- Oct. 2 - Donna Aznoe
- Oct. 9 - Tim & Eileen Berken
- Oct. 16 - Karen Bialkowski
- Oct. 23 - Jim & Sue Brandtjen
- Oct. 30 - Paula Breese

READERS/

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS

- Oct. 2 - Doris Ziesemer
- Oct. 9 - Sue Storey
- Oct. 16 - Kathryn Pike
- Oct. 23 - Sandy Sperbeck
- Oct. 30 - Paula Skorczewski

USHERS

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| <u>Oct. 2</u> | <u>Team 8</u> | Robin & Bonnie Last,
Gordy Jacobs, Tom Nesslein |
| <u>Oct. 9</u> | <u>Team 1</u> | Richard & Sue Storey,
Tim & Vanessa Wentworth |
| <u>Oct. 16</u> | <u>Team 2</u> | Paul Honzik, Tim Berken,
Corey Kirch |
| <u>Oct. 23</u> | <u>Team 3</u> | Duane Pike, Tom Pike,
Jim & Maryl Nelsen |
| <u>Oct. 30</u> | <u>Team 4</u> | Dave Keim, Julie & Bob Geyer |

COUNTING TEAMS

- Oct. 2 - Team 5: Tim Wentworth & Tom Pike
- Oct. 9 - Team 1: Maryl Nelsen & Sharon Schneider
- Oct. 16 - Team 2: Duane Pike & Julie Geyer
- Oct. 23 - Team 3: Ken Storzer & Craig Schneider
- Oct. 30 - Team 4: Jim Michels & Dave & Jean Keim

NURSERY

- Oct. 2 - Kim Nesslein
- Oct. 9 - Leah Bergstrom
- Oct. 16 - Roshel Schilz
- Oct. 23 - Taylor Michels
- Oct. 30 - Vicki Holschuh

ALTAR GUILD

Carol Larsen
Elizabeth Green

DURHAM HOUSE

Week of:

- Oct. 2 - Kim & Randy Reeves
- Oct. 9 - Dave & Joellyn Kacynski
- Oct. 16 - Maryl & Jim Nelsen
- Oct. 23 - Tim & Jill Wentworth
- Oct. 30 - Paul & Darlene Gast

COFFEE SCHEDULE

- Oct. 2 - Duane & Kathryn Pike
- Oct. 9 - Donna Aznoe
- Oct. 16 - Dan & Karen Neveau
- Oct. 23 - Lee & Kathy Bialkowski
- Oct. 30 - Pastor Jim & Karen Gerth



YOUTH SCHEDULE

<u>Nursery - 9:00</u>	<u>Acolyte - 8:45</u>	<u>Acolyte - 11:15</u>
Oct. 2 - Jared Pike	Autumn Frerk	Eric Cardona
Oct. 9 - Megan Zentmeyer	Hailey Huebner	Yadira Mendez
Oct. 16 - Lexi Krenke	Pariss LeMay	Karla Lopez
Oct. 23 - Daniel Nesslein	Cody Dietz	Eric Cardona
Oct. 30 - Lauren Rupp	Jared Pike	Yadira Mendez

Rainbow Bags Schedule

October - Aaron Rabideau

Youth Servers @ NEW Shelter

November 7, 2011 - Hailey Huebner, Megan Zentmeyer, Lexi Krenke