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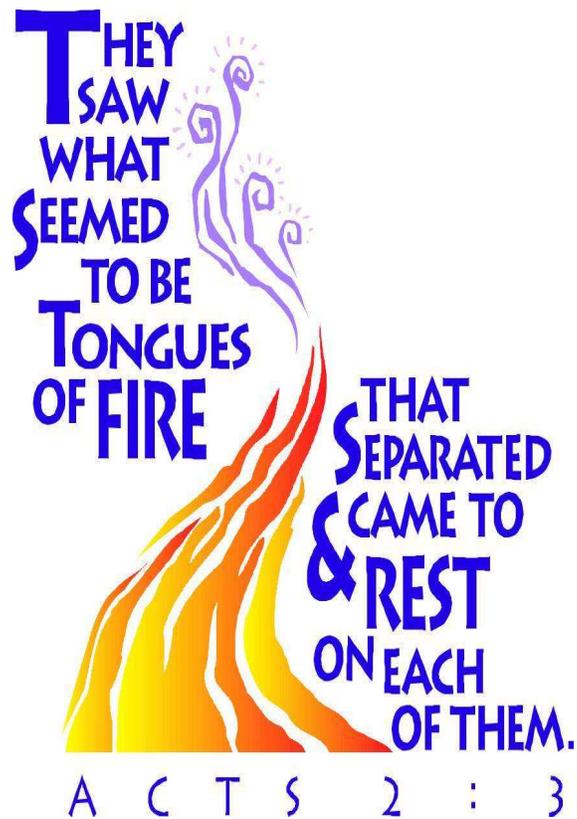
Celebration of ATONEMENT

Newsletter of Atonement Lutheran Church,
Rev. Tina Koenig Ray, BCC, Pastor

"Called by God to serve and witness to all in response to God's grace."

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From the Pastor...

I wonder if we will have much of a spring this year. It seems as though winter insists on hanging on and on and on. It could be an interesting summer with people tired of the cold and rain getting into mischief because they've felt so pent up the last 8 months or so and just because they can.

Here at Atonement we will be getting wild starting at the end of May with the first in our summer series - the Lord's Prayer. Each Sunday will be inspired by a verse of the prayer our Lord taught to us. Later in the summer we will hear lessons from Proverbs and Ecclesiastes. And just before fall we will be looking at the book of Ephesians.

I hope that you will find time to join us for worship at Atonement this summer. If you go on vacation I hope you find time to worship at a church near where you are. It would be interesting to see how many bulletins we could collect from churches in other cities or states or countries.

As we move into our months of warmth and sunshine I hope you do not neglect your prayer life. Prayer is an important part of what we do as Christians. That's why our prayers of the church are so long; it is significant stuff that we do when we pray.

My prayer is that you will be blessed by the warmth of the sun and reminded of God's love for you in the Son. Travel safely when you travel. God Bless you all.

Pastor Tina 

March & April Worship

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Maint.</u>	<u>Cans</u>
<u>March</u>	adults/youth			
24	39/3	\$1199.00	\$16.00	\$00.00*
31	53/12	\$2565.00	\$11.00	\$37.00*
<u>April</u>				
7	35/4	\$1485.00	\$11.00	\$22.02
14	47/2	\$1724.00	\$11.00	\$19.78

*March can collections earmarked for Beloit Meals on Wheels

Financial update as of 3/31/13

Total income Jan-Mar 2013	\$xx,xxx.xx
Total expenses Jan-Mar 2013	-\$xx,xxx.xx
Net income Jan-Mar 2013	\$ -x,xxx.xx

So far this year we have received \$993.00 from Thrivent Choice Dollars. Thank you to Thrivent Financial and all of you who have directed your Choice Dollars to the church. If you have questions on how you can get Choice Dollars call Karl Miller at 314-3084

Due to the new privacy laws regarding health information, the hospital will not release the names of patients. So if you are going into the hospital, or know someone who is hospitalized, please call the church office or let Pastor Tina know.

**The Secretary's usual hours are:
Monday & Tuesday 9AM-Noon,
Wednesday thru Friday 9AM-1PM.
Hours are subject to change**

May Flower & Fellowship Schedule

Eternal Candle: The Eternal Candle for May is in memory of
Phyllis Hoefler-Richter from the Hoefler family & Jackie
Holmbeck

Altar Guild: Jan Adney & Arlene Ruegger

Weekly Beloit Daily News ad: no sponsor

May 5

Flowers: Kathleen Hansen in memory of Morris

Bread of Heaven: Bob Kristianson

Fellowship: Bob Kristianson

May 12

Flowers: Donna Luety in memory of Paul

Bread of Heaven: Pat Devins

Fellowship: no sponsor

May 19

Flowers: no sponsor

Bread of Heaven: Diana Schneider

Fellowship: no sponsor

May 26

Flowers: no sponsor

Bread of Heaven: no sponsor

Fellowship: no sponsor



Summer Preaching Series 1



May 26

Matthew 6:9

Our Father in heaven holy be your name.

June 2

Matthew 6:10

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.



June 9

Matthew 6:11

Give us today our daily bread.

June 16

Matthew 6:12

Forgive our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

June 23



Matthew 6:13 Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

Every day, think as you wake up, today I am fortunate to be alive, I have a precious human life, I am not going to waste it.

~ The Dalai Lama

May Birthdays

5/1 Bob Kristianson 5/7 Richard Mitchell
5/1 Ruth Kilday 5/25 Richard Berner

May Baptism Anniversaries

5/17 Richard Wallace 5/31 Bruce Johnson
5/28 Ruth Kilday

There is a need for volunteers to help count the offering each week. If you're interested, there is a sign-up sheet in the Klingberg Chapel.

All members of the congregation have an invitation to attend the Church Council meetings to see and hear how the business of Atonement is conducted. The Council meets the second Monday of each month at 6:30 PM in the Klingberg Chapel. Please join us.

MATCHING FUNDS UPDATE: Norbert will match your donations to the Matching Funds dollar for dollar. The congregation's donations of roughly \$7,000 has been matched by Norbert's ~\$11,000 and the total of both is now over \$17,000. Matching Funds will continue until donations of \$15,000 from both the congregation and Norbert reach a total of \$30,000. So please give what you are able, in addition to your pledge. It takes money to make the wheels turn at Atonement and we are running short of funds. Prayerfully consider what you can give. Please write 'matching funds' on the memo line of your check or on an envelope if you are giving cash. Please note "In Kind" giving does not qualify for the matching fund. Thank you.

Caritas Adopt a Shelf: An opportunity for giving A need that has been identified for Caritas neighbors for personal care products. We at Atonement are responsible for the HAIR CARE

shelf. We are collecting hair care items such as: shampoo, conditioner, ethnic products, combs & brushes. There is a basket in the hallway outside the chapel, just drop the items in there and they will be delivered to Caritas when needed by Candy Hoefler. If you have any questions, see Candy Hoefler.

The W.O.W.'s will be having a baked ham dinner at church on Thursday, May 9th at noon. All are welcome-widowed, divorced, married, single, etc. Please bring a dish to pass or dessert to go with ham. Call Joan at 365-4685 for information and reservation.

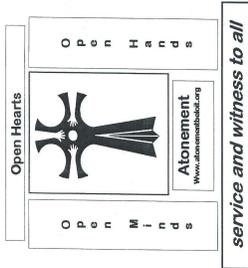
The meeting time of the Lydia group has changed from the first Tuesday of the month to the last Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 28th at one o'clock in the Klingberg Chapel. Pastor Tina will lead the Bible study and Pat Devins will be hostess. All women are welcome.



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