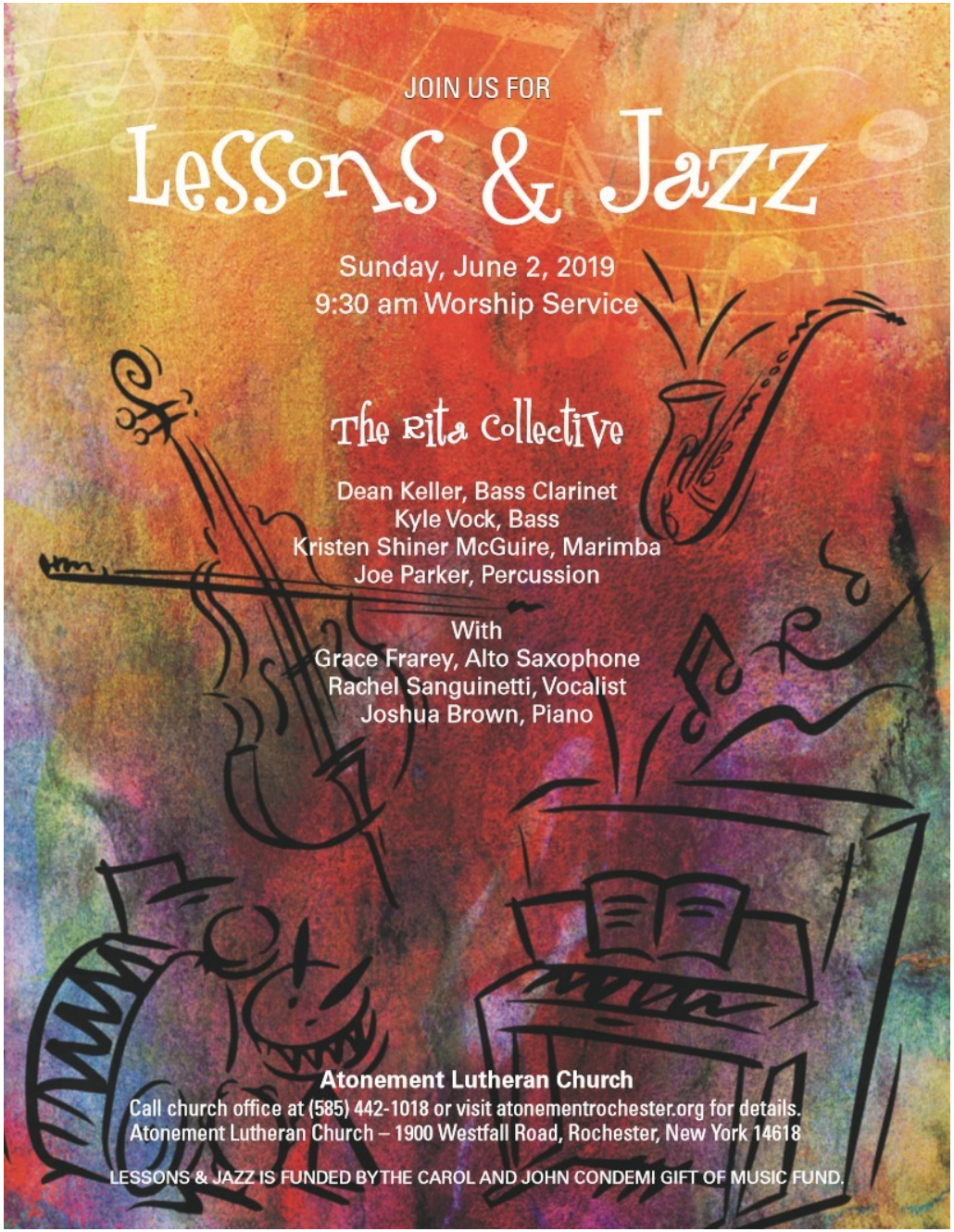
Atonement Tidings

June 2019



A SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: SUNDAY JUNE 2

On Sunday, June 2, we will celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Pastor Gail Swanson's Ordination. Please plan to attend our 9:30am worship service and bring along your good wishes for her. This will be 'Lessons and Jazz' Sunday, so special music will be part of the service. Following worship, please join us for refreshments in Reissig Hall. We are delighted to welcome Bishop John S. Macholz as our special guest, who will be with us on this day. Hope you all can be there!

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NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD
WITH HEARTS AND HANDS AND VOICES

An outpouring of love –
A spirit of generosity -
A lifting up of hearts and hands -and voices! - for Barb Macholz Grimaldi on Friday, May 10 at Atonement.
Hugs were exchanged -
Tears shed -
Hands were held -
Words of love shared.

And being a Benefit Event, funds were raised and donations abundantly given with a generosity bringing tears to the eyes. Through this event, a young woman and her young husband will receive a significant gift which, we pray, will make a difference in their lives, easing a financial burden as Barb continues ongoing medical care. But we received a gift, too – as the Macholz Grimaldi family welcomed us, along with a wide circle of people, into their journey and into their love for us.

The work, time and effort involved in all the bits and pieces of this type of event is incalculable; and my deep gratitude goes out to every person who participated, planned, donated, contributed, baked, decorated, kept track of funds and tickets and auction items, set- up, cleaned-up, and helped in any way. The work of devoted disciples is a unique kind of servanthood; and most certainly it has been our privilege and a blessing to have been called into discipleship in this way. And for this we can give thanks from the heart.

Now Thank We All Our God.

Pastor Gail

A WORD OF THANKS

You beautiful people of Christ, you!

Whether you attended the " Hearts and Hands for Barb and Matt" in person, traveling from near or far, invited your neighbors and colleagues, donated, bid, or shared on Facebook and brought us back together with old connections we did not even realize existed, you lived out your love in person for our family and we are ever grateful.

Or perhaps like Andra and Joe Smith, Barb Sanko, Pastor Gail Swanson or the host committee, you worked your tails off. You did more than we can ever thank you for and will ever know.

You lifted us up just when we, especially Barb, needed it.

Now, we challenge you to continue living out this love. Find a way to do this work for the stranger in your midst, the lost sheep, the one you did not help raise for 24 years of her life.
Remember her as you reach out to the other.

With Eternal thanks and Love,

The Macholz-Grimaldi Family

CHURCH NEWS

AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM
AND
RITE OF CONFIRMATION
Sunday, June 9
9:30am Worship Service
Reception to follow in Reissig Hall

Two of our young people, Madison Hauck and Eva Condemi, have completed Confirmation instruction and will affirm the promises made at their baptism during worship on June 9, the Day of Pentecost. We invite your prayers and presence on this day, and on their journey of faith. We also invite you to wear the color **RED** on this festival day!

CONFIRMATION PHOTOS

On June 9, two youth from Atonement will be confirmed - a joyous day for them and their families, as well as our whole congregation. Do you remember your confirmation day? Perhaps you have some photographs of that special time. As part of the celebration on June 9, we will be putting together a display of our members and friends on *their* confirmation days. So, do some searching, dig out those albums, and bring your photographs to church; there will be a collection basket in the Narthex. We will display them for all to enjoy on June 9. Please put your name on the back of photos so we can return them to you.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN

On Sundays beginning in June, we will be gathering after worship outdoors by the playground (weather permitting). We will enjoy some light refreshments and spend some time greeting each other. If you are willing to be a host for Lemonade on the Lawn, please sign up on the sheet posted on the Narthex bulletin board. Paper goods are supplied. Refreshments usually include beverages and cookies, or fruit, or any treat of your choosing. Thank you!

CALLING ALL GARDENERS!

This year we are looking to form a gardening club to oversee the vegetable garden. All produce to be donated to the Pittsford Food Cupboard. Like to work outside? Want to glorify God in the helping of others? Join the club! Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

WOMEN'S BIKE GROUP

What a great turnout for our informational meeting. There's still room for you to join us. All abilities welcome. No one gets left behind. We plan to ride weekly after church throughout the summer, weather permitting, and choose routes and distances as a group. Our first ride will be held on Sunday June 2nd after Pastor's reception. We will have a leisurely ride along the canal starting at Schoen Place. No bike - no problem. We have extras, so just let Joanne know if you would like one.

For more information contact Joanne Scanlon at 585-269-8423

DISCIPLESHIP

BRIGHTON FOOD DEPOT

For the month of June, we will collect 2 items for BFD: **peanut butter and mac 'n cheese.** Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.

ASBURY DINING CENTER MINISTRY

Help serve folks at the Asbury Dining and Caring Center on East Ave on Sunday July 7 from 11:30 to 1:30. Children over age 10 and adults welcome. Please sign up on the Narthex bulletin board!

RUMMAGE SALE 2019

Thank you to all who donated items to, or volunteered at, the Rummage Sale. There was a lot of work and not much time, but we had another successful year. A total of $1,625 was raised for Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center.

(Leftovers from the Rummage Sale, waiting for the Salvation Army truck to pick up.)

BABY BUNDLES DELIVERED

We collected items and packed 24 Baby Bundles on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12. The bundles and various other supplies were delivered to Bethany House, on Joseph Avenue in Rochester. The bundles will be gifted to mothers for their newborns. Thank you to everyone who donated supplies and helped to pack.

CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

HEALTHY COOKING WITH OUR YOUNG FAMILIES

THANK YOU TEACHERS!

We offer our thanks to our 2018-2019 Sunday School and Youth Forum Teachers:

Sharon Darder
Andra Smith
Sarah Bell
Katrina Levan
Tim Baker
Judy Karsten
Margy Peet
Shannon Howe
Alexa Howe
Margaret Bogumil
Lindsay Lazenby
Lindsay Baker
Jean Seager
Elizabeth Rose
Matt McGill
Elizabeth Dollhopf-Brown
Michael Schrlau
Amy Schrlau

YOUTH AND YOUNG FAMILIES POOL PARTY

SAVE THE DATE! All families with small children through teenagers are invited to a family fun pool party on **Sunday July 28th** directly after church. The event will be held at Joanne Scanlon's home at **1633 Rush Henrietta Town Line Rd, Rush NY.** Hots and burgers will be provided. Bring your own drinks and a dish to share. Don't forget the sunscreen!

Sign up sheet is posted in the narthex. For more information please contact Joanne Scanlon at 585-269-8423

FELLOWSHIP

LUNCH & LAUGHTER
Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at Noon

O breath of summer, come! Come with your warm winds. Sustain us with your abundance. Refresh our overworked spirits.

It's time to pull out your favorite picnic recipes! Bring a summertime dish to pass and join us for our June pot luck lunch.

We'll provide beverages, hot and cold. Sign up on the board in the narthex (this helps us with our planning,) but if you forget to sign up, come anyway. There is always room for YOU at our table.

Set-up or clean-up help is always appreciated. If you need transportation, call the office at 442-1018 and we will help secure you a ride.

PRAYER MINISTRY

We're Pushing the Pause Button on Morning Prayer

Because of calendar conflicts, we will not meet in June, and then we will take our usual summer pause during July and August. Watch for information about upcoming gatherings in the September Tidings.

CELEBRATION OF YEARS OF MINISTRY

We give thanks for the ministry of Pastor Stephen Hluchy, who observed the 60th Anniversary of his Ordination. Pastor Hluchy was ordained on May 26, 1959 and served Lutheran congregations in Mahoney City, PA ....Skaneateles, NY...and Syracuse, NY. And we give thanks that Pastor Hluchy is part of our Atonement Family!

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

THANK YOU FROM NANCY HEISE:

Thank you to everyone that sent cards and condolences for the death of my brother, John Fair.

THANK YOU FROM BIVONA CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER:

BIVONA CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER sent a thank you note to all the children of Atonement for their donations of diapers, wipes and underwear that they collected in April for their Sunday School Giving.

****Please see the bulleting board to see the letter sent****

A Visit from Don and Karen Grover

CALENDAR

May 30 -June 1	Upstate New York Synod Assembly 2019	
June 2	Lessons & Jazz	9:30 AM
	30th Ordination Anniversary Celebration for Pastor Gail Swanson	10:45 AM
June 9	Worship /Confirmation Day	9:30 AM
	Confirmation Reception	10:45 AM
June 12	Lunch & Laughter	12:00 NOON
June 16	Worship	9:30 AM
	Lemonade on the Lawn	10:45 AM
June 18	Board of Ministries Meeting	6:00 PM
June 23	Worship	9:30 AM
	Lemonade on the Lawn	10:45 AM
June 30	Worship	9:30 AM
	Lemonade on the Lawn	10:45 AM

UPCOMING GRADUATES

If you have a son or daughter graduating from college or high school this spring, please contact the church office.

BLESSINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES

Cece Tassone graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology with a BFA degree in Industrial Design.

Branwyn Wilkinson graduated from Canisius College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology and Communications.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

June Birthdays

1	Wes Jones
3	Elizabeth Schrlau
4	Myron Dox
7	Karan Thompson
8	Pastor Deb Johnson
9	Nancy Beeley
11	Sarah Kruidenier
12	Molly Jones, Paige Jones
14	Benjamin Bell
18	Kyle Straton
20	Katrina LeVan
22	Faye Domroes
24	Amy Schrlau
27	Adeline Smith
30	Alexa Howe

June Anniversaries

16	Roland & Roberta Paul
19	Branko and Alison Matich
22	Ed & Nancy Heise
25	Norm & Judy Karsten

PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

Members: Betty Browne, Karen Grover, Helen Pearson.

Friends and Family: Barb Macholz Grimaldi, Judy and David Ballerstein, Kathy Doherty, Jeff, Richard Kress, Judy Price, Mark, Erika, Jeffery Auer.

JUNE 2019					
	JUNE 2 9:30 AM	**JUNE 9 9:30 AM**	**JUNE 16 9:30 AM**	**JUNE 23 9:30 AM**	**JUNE 30 9:30 AM**
Assisting Minister	David T Wilkinson	Joanne Scanlon	Joanne Scanlon	Matt McGill	Matt McGill
Communion Assistant	Jim Krapf	Betty Middlebrook	Sue Hauck	Judy Lazenby	Wally Short
Reader	Lessons and Jazz	Kathy Heinig	Jean Seager	David Irish	Russell Miller
Children's Moment	David T Wilkinson	Pastor Gail Swanson	Karan Thompson	Elizabeth Dollhopf-Brown	Pastor Gail Swanson
Acolyte	1. Eva Condemi 2. Faye Domroes	Shannon Howe	Elizabeth Schrlau	Greta Brown	Hudson Lazenby
Greeter	Diane Christianson	Marion Ginegaw	Amy Schrlau	Karan Thompson	Jess McGill
Usher	Norm Karsten	Bob Heinig	Michael Hauck	Tom Thompson	Jack Teter
Lemonade Host	Reception for Pastor Gail Swanson	Confirmation Day Reception	Lemonade on the Lawn	Lemonade on the Lawn	Lemonade on the Lawn
Assistant Financial Sec.	Bob Touhsaent	Bryan Howe	John Kruidenier	Norm Karsten	Richard Phelps
Counter	Tom Thompson	Nancy Heise	Amy Irish	Stew Stover	Diane Christianson
Altar Care	Ruth Laraby				

MISSION STATEMENT

Atonement Lutheran Church is a gathering of God's people in Christ called to:

***Invite** all people into the presence of the living God,*

***Prepare** for ministry in daily life,*

***Go** into the world as disciples*

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Sunday Worship and Holy Communion:	9:30 AM
Christian Education:	10:45 - 11:30 AM Sundays
Office Hours:	9:00 AM - 2:30 PM Tues/ Wed/ Thurs
Pastor's Day Off:	Monday

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED
Dated Material