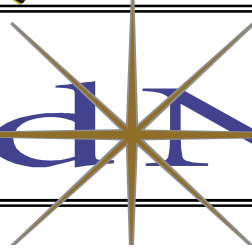




The Good News



Abiding Presence Lutheran Church



This year our congregation will be participating in a stewardship program entitled "MAKE IT SIMPLE".

The MAKE IT SIMPLE theme will be the focus for our worship services Sunday, October 4th through Sunday, November 1st. The concluding worship will include an opportunity for each household to bring forward to the altar their Commitment Cards indicating their financial support intent to the ministry of our congregation for the coming year. This

will be segmented into two cards for each household (Mortgage Fund and Operating Fund).

The theme for MAKE IT SIMPLE provides important opportunities for reflection about the choices we make in our daily lives in these times. Please be sure to join us for themed worship:

- MAKE IT SIMPLE: Sharing Enough – October 4th
- MAKE IT SIMPLE: Facing the Truth – October 11th
- MAKE IT SIMPLE: Acting Together – October 18th
- MAKE IT SIMPLE: Following Jesus – October 25th
- Consecration Sunday – November 1st

Our Goal for this program is to receive response cards, for both mortgage and operating, from at least 75% of all member households no matter how large or how small the pledge. Your pledge helps Church Council with the financial management. We invite and encourage you and your family to attend the MAKE IT SIMPLE worship services.

APLC Stewardship Team

Become a Fan



Visit APLC on Facebook
<http://tinyurl.com/aplc-facebook>,

or click on the Facebook box in the lower right corner of our church website. Once there, please become a **fan** which allows you to contribute and receive updates in your Facebook activity stream.

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Special points of interest:

- Oct 2: Late night Youth Bowling
- Oct 4, 11 & 18: Lutheran Orientation Class
- Oct 4: Blood drive, Middle School Youth Night
- Oct 10: Church Work Day
- Oct 11: Human sexuality parent/leader training, High School Youth Night
- Oct 17: APE kids Youth Quake
- Oct 18: Youth Led Bible Study
- Oct 23-24: Middle school lock-in
- Oct 25: Receive new members, High School Dinner for 8

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Pondering Pastor

October. This is the season of changing winds, weather, and pace-of-life. This is the season that brings about a succession of holidays for several months in-a-row, heightened by the delightful display of natures arboreal color fest.

October is also the time for our congregation to focus on our holy role as stewards of the abundant gifts God gives to us. Throughout the month of October Abiding Presence will center on the theme of Stewardship, that is we will worship upon the nature of our calling as God’s children, to be grateful receivers of God’s gifts and generous givers in response. The worship experience will touch on key themes of stewardship-living. The following are the theme titles and a description of the special focus of our worship events:

Sunday, October 4—Sharing Enough: The congregation will be drawn into the deeper meaning of

sharing as we delight together in the reenactment of the modern day parable, The Giving Tree, by Shel Silverstein, featuring several of our own participants-in-ministry including Sharon Silcox, Troy Hirt, Jonah & Micah Ingold, Rachel Gonzalez, Kyle Johnston, Brent Rinholm, Phillip Falzarano, and Ray Batot. A special note of thanks goes to Peggy Smith and Janet Batot for their construction of the tree costume.

Sunday, October 11 — Facing Truth: In the season of influenza we must continue to be mindful that we likely suffer, too, from AF-FLUENZA. The congregation will be challenged by a silent temple talk. If you don’t know what a silent temple talk is, it’s a temple talk that is presented with no spoken words, yet the message comes across loudly and clearly.

Sunday, October 18 — Acting Together: We are the church, together. Our congregation will be delighted by the stories of the pursuit of ministry by Kris Dohrmann, Charlie Klusman, and a new face

in our midst, Diane Bowker, all-of-whom are in process to be professional leaders in the church. Additionally, Charlie’s mother, Judy Klusman, who is an assistant to the bishop of the North Carolina Synod, will be our presiding minister for Holy Communion this day.

Sunday, October 25—Following Jesus: The congregation will be stimulated toward a deeper consideration of following Jesus by a presentation of the heart-felt poem, Footprints in the Sand. This will also be the occasion at which new partners-in-ministry will be received into the membership of APLC. And, triumphantly the new (homemade by the people of APLC) Reformation banner will be unveiled for all to see.

So, October is a season of changing patterns of weather and life’s tempo. But, it continues to be a season for us to grow as Good Stewards of God’s Blessings.

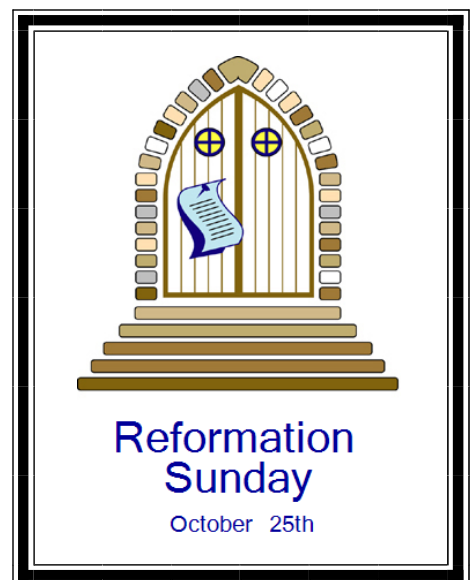
Peace,
Pastor Jeffrey Ingold

Baptisms in September



Hailey Marie Lawler
Born: May 14, 2009
Parent: Ashley Lawler
Sponsors: William Lawler
and Felicia Lawler

Georgia Lynn Miller
Born: June 26, 2009
Parents: Steve and Rachel
Sponsors: Jon and Barbara Patterson





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STORM Team Meetings

The STORM Team Meetings are held the first Saturday of the every month at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall UNLESS ... the first Saturday is a holiday weekend like July 4th or Labor Day, then it is the 2nd Saturday at 9:30. If you are unsure, check with a STORM Team Member. The next STORM Team Meeting is **Saturday, October 3rd, at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.**

Blood Drive — October 4th

We have a blood drive scheduled for Sunday, October 4th from 9:30-1:30 in the fellowship hall.

You can sign up online at www.membersforlife.org/cbsr/schedule click on "search by sponsor code" and enter 11205 or contact Beth Hartzell (bethhartzell@aol.com or 557-0778) or Mike Coffee (mike.coffee@pgnmail.com or 552-2941) for more information.



Thanksgiving Dinners

The APLC STORM Team needs your help to make Thanksgiving extra special for five local families in need who have been identified by Wake County Social Services. On Sunday, November 22nd we will be delivering complete, ready-to-cook Thanksgiving dinners to the five families.



There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex in late October with a list of the food items that we would like to provide to each family. Please consider signing up for several of the items and then bring them to the Church kitchen on Sunday, November 22nd. We will then deliver the meals to the families that afternoon.

If you prefer, cash donations to purchase the food are also gladly accepted. Just indicate that it is for the Thanksgiving dinners on the memo line.

Please help us to reach out and serve the needs of all God's children.



A.P.P.L.E. Seeds News



We are off to a great start here at A.P.P.L.E. Seeds Preschool! We

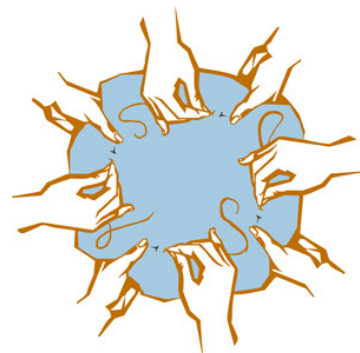
have had two fun weeks of getting acquainted and reacquainted with friends and teachers. We are adjusting to our schedules and are already learning great new stuff.

We still have a couple of spots available in our 3 Year Old Program, so if you know of any 3 year olds who are ready to have lots of fun at school, please send them our way. Our 4 and 5 year olds have voted to purchase rabbits for Heifer International with our chapel offering. What a great way to show how we can be good stewards with our tithing! Come by and see us!

Greater Raleigh Lutheran Loose Thread Sewers Retreat

Agapé Retreat Center
February 5-7, 2010
Friday 7 pm to Sunday 10 am

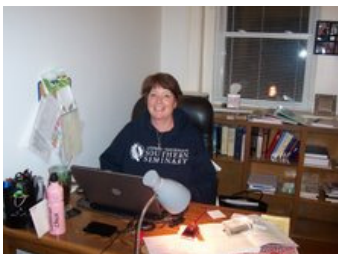
If you want to make or learn to make quilts, prayer shawls or newborn baby hats for various ministries of your church or the ELCA, as well as participate in Bible study, topical group discussions, devotional times, movies, popcorn and more, please join us for this exciting women's weekend. We will be joining with St. Philip Lutheran Church of Raleigh and Hope Lutheran Church of Wake Forest and possibly other Lutheran Churches around the triangle.



Space is limited so please register early. Cost is only \$100 with \$50 deposit due with registration. Please contact Murney Rinholm 567-8167 or bgr@nc.rr.com with any questions. Registration forms available in the Narthex or from Murney directly.

The Journey Continues

I am grateful for your prayers and support as I continue on the journey towards public ministry and rostered leadership in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). As many of you know, I have taken a new direction and began classes at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary (LTSS) Columbia, SC to prepare for ordained ministry in the ELCA.



In the spring of 2008, I graduated from Campbell University Divinity School with a Master of Arts in Christian Education degree and was approved by the ELCA as a candidate for rostered leadership as an Associate in Ministry. The church understands rostered leadership as a calling from God through the church to serve and equip the whole people of God. As I waited and waited some more for a call through the church, it became clear that I was not done preparing for public ministry. I discerned that I am being called to the ministry of Word and Sacrament as an ordained pastor.

This new direction means I need to fulfill a few more requirements including two more years of school and a one-year internship in a congregation other than my home congregation. For this school year I am living on the LTSS campus in Columbia during the week and commuting home on the weekends. Next year I will finish my Master of Divinity degree at Campbell University Divinity School. Our family has been blessed by this wonderful community of faith. We appreciate your continued prayers as I continue on this journey towards public ministry as an ordained pastor.

Peace, Kris Dohrmann



Cookies for Friends

Autumn is the perfect time of the year to sow kindness and reap a "harvest" full of friendships. Make this special treat to share with someone.

What you need:

- An adult to help
- ½ cup butter or margarine
- 1½ cups sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 cup cooked or canned pumpkin
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1½ cups diced, roasted almonds
- 1 cup chocolate pieces
- Raffia or fall-colored ribbon (optional)

What you do:

1. Cream butter and sugar together until light and fluffy.
2. Beat in egg, pumpkin and vanilla.
3. In separate bowl, mix flour, baking powder, baking soda, salt, nutmeg and cinnamon.
4. Add dry mix to creamed mixture.
5. Add almonds and chocolate pieces; mix thoroughly.
6. Drop by teaspoons onto well-greased cookie sheets.
7. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes or until lightly browned.
8. Cool on racks. Makes about six dozen.
9. Stack two cookies on top of each other. Then tie them like a present with the raffia or ribbon. Give the cookies to friends and family to thank them for their friendship.



A harvest of...

Autumn brings many visible changes. God makes lots of foods and grains ready for harvest. He also tells us that if we sow in peace, we, too, can raise a harvest.

Find and circle the bold (dark) words from James 3:17-18, NIV.

"But the **WISDOM** that comes from **HEAVEN** is first of all **PURE**; then **PEACELOVING**, **CONSIDERATE**, **SUBMISSIVE**, full of **MERCY** and **GOOD FRUIT**, **IMPARTIAL** and **SINCERE**. **PEACEMAKERS** who **SOW** in **PEACE** raise a **HARVEST** of **RIGHTEOUSNESS**."

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Youth and Children's Ministries News

Youth & Family Ministry Website: youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org

Affirmation of Baptism (A.o.B.)

(Affirmation of Baptism Ministry 6th-8th Graders)

AoB in October-: Sunday School will continue for 6th-8th graders.

Acolyte & Crucifer Training: On Sunday, Oct 4th during Sunday School all the youth will be part of an acolyte & crucifer training as part of their lesson that day. Please make a special effort to participate in this.

October AoB Evening Event: Monday, Oct 12th 6:00-8:15pm - This month's theme is Favorite Autumn Colors. Dress in your favorite fall colors.

Information online: To see more information about the AoB Ministry at APLC, go to:
<http://youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org/aob>

High School Bowling Night

Date: Friday, October 2nd
Time: Meet at APLC at 10:30pm



All high schoolers and friends are invited to come late night bowling at Buffalo Lanes in Raleigh. Cost is \$7-8 per person (this includes shoe rental). If you'd like to participate, sign up outside Charlie's office on the new Y & F Ministry Board. If you have questions, contact Andy McIntosh amcintosh@nc.rr.com.

APE Kids - Youth Quake

Date: Saturday, October 17th
Time: 8:00am-7:00pm

Are you in 3rd-5th grade? Then you are an APE Kid! (Abiding Presence Elementary Kid) You are invited to the Youth Quake that will be held at Lenoir Rhyne University in Hickory, NC. This event will be lead by high school youth and include approximately 200 other youth your age from across NC. To join us, sign up on the youth board outside Charlie's office.

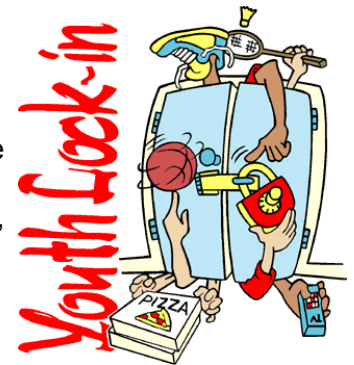
Middle School Lock-in

Date: Friday & Saturday, October 23rd—24th
Time: 7:00pm-9:00am

Hey middle schoolers, ever wonder what it would be like to sleep overnight at APLC? It's a way cool thing when you've got all your friends from APLC as part of the experience.

Come join us for the middle school lock-in and invite a friend too! Games, snacks, group building, devotions and yes some sleep will all be part of an exciting night together. If you're interested, sign up on the Y & F Ministry Board outside Charlie's office.

*We will need 4-5 parents who are willing to stay overnight for the lock-in to make this event possible. Talk with Charlie to see how you can help out.





Youth and Family Ministries News Continued

Youth & Family Ministry Website: youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org

LYO Rally & Hike-a-thon for Middle & High Schoolers

Friday & Saturday, November 6th & 7th

Get yourselves ready folks for another fantastic Eastern Cluster Lutheran Youth Organization Rally. All 6th-12th grade youth are invited to participate this year.

APLC has the distinct privilege of hosting this event on the Friday evening and then drive out to Camp Agapé for the annual Hike-a-thon to celebrate God's creation and raise money for ACE Ed program. Sign ups will be available mid-September on the youth board to sign up. We will also need youth advisors (adults who work with youth) to come to the event.

Contact Cassie McIntosh cassie92@nc.rr.com or Matt Dohrmann mattdohrmann@hotmail.com with any questions.

Working With Our Amazing Youth and Families

Do you have a love for children? Do you have a love for Jesus Christ, the church and a sensitivity for children, youth and their families? God may be calling you use your gifts of time and talent with one of our youth and family ministries:

- Youth Ministries
- Sunday School
- Affirmation of Baptism
- APPLE Seeds Preschool
- Youth and Family Ministry Team

Check out our brochure outside Charlie Klusman's office or online at

<http://youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org>

to see how you can serve in the youth and family ministries.

Youth Night Schedule 2009-2010



This coming year, we are going to make the 1st-4th Sunday nights of the month 'Youth Night'. This means that all youth events will be held on Sunday evenings to work with families busy schedules. We realize this is not perfect for everyone, but know this is an evening that will work for most folks.

Youth Night Schedule

The finalized youth schedule for each age group is available online and we will follow it throughout the year and try to stick by it. Because of limited space we will only be able to have two or three age groups at a time at APLC.

Go to <http://youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org>, or see the monthly newsletter calendar for details.

On each Sunday, the planned groups will meet separately from 5:00-7:00pm **unless it is changed for a special event.**

- First Sunday — Middle School & High School
- Second Sunday — APE Kids and High School
- Third Sunday — Middle School & High School
- Fourth Sunday — APE Kids and High School

If you have questions, please contact Charlie Klusman charlieycm@embarqmail.com.





Youth and Family Ministries News Continued

Youth & Family Ministry Website: youth.abidingpresence.lutheranchurch.org

Human Growth & Development Education Parents Meeting

Parents of 5th and 6th graders are strongly encouraged to take part in an informational meeting about a human growth and development class that are going to be offering to 5th & 6th grade youth and parents this fall. The goal of these classes is to create a healthy dialogue for parent(s) and their youth to talk human growth & development and many surrounding topics.

Please join us Sunday, October 11th from 5:30-6:30pm at APLC to meet with Doug Harmon, a licensed family counselor who has taught the curriculum that we will be using for the 5 week class on Sunday afternoons. We will share information about the curriculum, our goals of the class and how you can prepare for the tough questions you will be asked in the future as a parent. You will hear more information in the following weeks about the details of this opportunity.

If you would like to get involved, please contact Diane Youngman d2b2cy@embarqmail.com.

Family Retreat

Kure Beach Winter Family Retreat
February 26th-28th, 2010

You can spend two days and two nights of relaxing fun with your family spent focusing on spiritual growth and fellowship together. Approximate cost: \$135 per family (Only \$120 if registered before Nov 30th, 2009). Group size: Room for 6-8 families. Contact: Charlie Klusman for registration information.

557-0060 or
charlieycm@embarqmail.com

A Prayer for Pumpkin People

After Liz Curtis Higgs wrote the popular children's book *The Pumpkin Patch Parable*, people began using her analogies to say a prayer while carving their Halloween pumpkins. The pumpkin prayer, a Christian alternative to Halloween traditions, reminds people of all ages what God has done for us. Use it this fall when your family makes jack-o'-lanterns.

While cutting off the top of the pumpkin, pray, "Lord, open my mind so I can learn new things about you." (See Proverbs 1:7.)

While removing the seeds and pulp, pray, "Remove the things in my life that don't please you. Forgive the wrong things I do, and help me forgive others." (See Matthew 6:14-15.)

While making eyes, pray, "Open my eyes to see the beauty you've made in the world around me." (See Psalm 104:24.)

While making the nose, pray, "I'm sorry for the times I've turned up my nose at your many gifts." (See James 1:17.)

While making the mouth, pray, "Let everything I say please you." (See Psalm 19:14.)

While lighting the candle, pray, "Lord, help me show your light to others through the things I do." (See Matthew 5:16.)

After carving your pumpkins, display them as examples of how God's love transforms us into new creations. (See 2 Corinthians 5:17.)





October 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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				6pm Singing Angels 6:30pm Jubilee Choir 6:30pm Chancel Choir 7 pm Praise Dance	10:30 pm HS Late Night Bowling	9:30am STORM
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Mission Statement

We are the church growing in faith,
reaching out, inviting in,
and serving the needs of all of God's children.

Vision

Boldly sharing the gospel of Christ.
Enthusiastically building up the church, the body of Christ,
and joyfully witnessing to the love of Christ.

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Valerie Jones, *A.P.P.L.E. Seeds Director*

Worship Schedule

Contemporary Worship — 8:30 am
Sunday School — 9:45 am
Traditional Worship — 11:00 am

AGAPÉ✝KURE BEACH MINISTRIES

UPCOMING EVENTS: Call for information.

- ✝ **Golf Outing October 5th At Echo Farms, Wilmington:** Get a 4-some together and help provide campership for summer camp.
- ✝ **Vibrant Faith Formation Oct 23-24 at Camp Agapé:** A conversation with Dr. Paul Hill Executive Director of the Youth & Family Institute. The church is one generation away from extinction!
- ✝ **Fall Work Day October 31st at Camp Agapé:** Lodging provided Friday night, breakfast and lunch provided on Saturday. Reservations required contact aceed@agapekurebeach.org or call Mir.
- ✝ **Sixth Annual Hike-A-Thon and basket raffle November 7, 2009 at Camp Agapé.** Hikers of all ages are welcome. (Benefit Environmental Education at Camp Agapé).
- ✝ **Open dates at Kure Beach:** October 23 to 25, Nov 20-22, Nov 27-29. All December weekends - winter rates \$875 per weekend. Weekend Dates Available 2010: Jan 22-24 - rates \$875 per weekend, Feb 12-14 - winter rates \$875 per weekend - call Susan @910.458.0783.



Directions to Camp Agapé are on the web site.

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