

### COMMUNICATION CARD

In the Book of Romans, St. Paul instructs us to "Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn." We have a team of people willing to pray for your request.



**Prayer Requests:**

Please pray only   
Please pray & contact me

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**Praise Reports:**

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**Comments:**

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**If you are a visitor...how did you find us?:**

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Walked by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Someone told me: \_\_\_\_\_  
Newspaper: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Directory: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Other: \_\_\_\_\_

(Place this card in either the offering plate or the basket in the rear of the Sanctuary)



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"Sharing God's Love In All We Do"

Date: July 5 & 6 2008



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**Sermon Title:** "Will You Go With This Man?"

**Scripture:** Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

When I was in high school there were several questions I always had to answer. First, Where was I going? Second, Who was I going with? Third, What time was I coming home? It's hard to say which of those questions was the most important - I couldn't really fudge on any of them! This weekend we are concentrating on the "Who" part of the equation. Who are you willing to go with?

As we continue to make our way through the book of Genesis, the reading today takes us through the choosing of a wife for Isaac. We will hear the stringent requirements Isaac's father had regarding where his wife came from, and who she was. While Isaac doesn't have much to say in this story, Rebekah is asked an extremely important question. The question has a broader application than just the choosing of husband or wife; each of us needs to hear it as well regarding a choice we all have to make.

-Pastor Mark Demers

## Church Finances

### Operating Funds

Our church finances are in good shape. For the first half of 2008 total operating revenues of \$110,497, are within 1% of comparable figures for the previous year. Contributions and pledge payments are up a respectable 5.1%.

On the expense side, the total, \$135,683 is also very close, within 1% of last year. Savings in payroll expenses caused by not having a youth pastor have been put to use replacing some equipment and furniture items.

The deficit for the first half of the year is expected and compares favorably with experience in prior years.

Many have asked about energy costs. For the first half of 2008 we spent \$14,029 compared with \$13,393 the previous year. Looking at the entire heating season from last September to date fuel expense amounted to \$21,559 in 07-08 compared with \$20,118 the previous year. These figures are remarkable considering the rise in fuel prices from \$1.90 in 06-07 to \$3.70 late this winter. Basically we were able to offset higher prices with lower consumption. Good for us! And thanks to Dale and other staff who watched the thermostats. Electricity has doubled from \$1,243 to \$2,421.

All bills are paid and we have a “comfortable” balance in the bank.

### Building Fund

Out of \$770,000 raised and pledged there are \$272,802 in pledge payments still forthcoming. These funds will be used to pay off a loan from the bank of \$175,000 and complete a few more projects notably the exterior of the parsonage, Erdman kitchen and renovation of Erdman bathrooms and a bit more cosmetic work.

Anyone wishing to have more detailed information is welcome to call me at 523-4433 or 523-2081.



-John Lansing

“Sharing God’s Love In All We Do”

## WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

*Want To Get Connected?*

This response card is an opportunity for you to communicate with us. We want to hear from you.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date \_\_\_\_\_

Best time to call \_\_\_\_\_ AM \_\_\_\_\_ PM

- This is my first visit
- I visit occasionally
- Regular Attendee

I'd like to talk to a staff member regarding:

I'd like to learn more about:

- The values that guide Adirondack Community Church
- Small Groups
- Children's Ministries
- Women's Ministries
- Baptism
- Men's Ministries
- Senior Adult Ministries
- Membership
- Volunteering
- Youth Ministry Volunteer
- Missions
- Music Ministries

Today I:

- Committed my life to Christ.
- Renewed my commitment to Christ.

I made a decision to...



**Christian Family Rally!**

**What:** Music, Crafts & Refreshments...all for FREE

**Why:** An excellent fellowship opportunity to share testimonies in word and song about what the Lord is doing throughout our region. Come celebrate!

**Who:** Men, Women & Children from all over the North Country, from many towns and many denominations. Let's all come together in unity and praise God.

**When:** Friday, July 18, 2008, 5:00-7:00 PM

**Where:** Front Lawn of the Adirondack Community Church

We welcome **Art Summers** as our new Pastor for Children, Youth, and Young Adults!

He and his wife Erin and baby, Emma are working hard on moving here from Kansas. They hope to be here before Vacation Bible School opens in August.



**July Extra Helpings Program**

Menu on the Bulletin Board in Narthex

Place orders by Wednesday, July 9, pick up on July 23.

Remember that for every order placed the local Food Pantry gets 50 cents.

Call Carol Pinney at 523-1791, X 2.

Our next **Hunger SOS~Food for Thought** Supper will be July 30, 5:30pm in Erdman Hall. Carol VanGorp, presenter.

**Flab U Less Girls/** A weight loss program for young women ages 16 and up.



Wednesdays @ 4:30pm in the Todd Room.

FREE.

Contact: Nancy Corwin, 524-0841 or Kim Gray, 524-0205

"Sharing God's Love In All We Do"

**This Week at ACC**

**Sunday –July 6**

**Communion at all services**  
9:00 AM Traditional Service

9:00 AM Adult Bible Study, Todd Room

9:45 AM –10:30 AM Fellowship

10:30 AM Worship Service with Nursery Provided

**Tuesday– July 8**

6:45 AM Men's Breakfast, Erdman Hall

7:00 PM Knitting Group, 523-3548

7:00 PM LAMBS at L.P. Library

7:00 PM 20's/30's Group at Parsonage, 66 Acorn St.

**Wed. –July 9**

2:30 PM Help needed to escort residents to chapel service at Uihlein. Call 523-9835

4:30 PM "Flab U Less" Girls Group in Todd Room

6:15 PM Worship Team Rehearsal

**Thursday—July 10**

7:15 AM Membership/Nominations Committee Meeting

7:00 PM Church Council, Conf. Rm.

**Friday—July 11**

5:30 PM Peters/Regan Wedding Rehearsal

**Saturday– July 12**

8:00 AM Healers Meeting

10:00 AM Look Up Meeting, Conference Room

2:00 PM Peters/Regan Wedding

5:00 PM Worship Service

**Birthdays**

**This week:**

07/06 Zuleyka Oliveras

07/07 Claire Thayer, Alissa Beideck

07/08 Roberta White, Morin Bissonette

07/09 Jasmine Coolidge

07/10 Katie Preston, Keela Dates

Mallory Timon, Patrick VanNess

**Next Week:**

07/16 Beatrice Schachenmayr

07/19 Marion Daby

07/19 Krissa Miller



**Communicate!**

Remember to take advantage of the Communication Card on the back of our Weekly to keep the church office updated on birthdays, anniversaries, email addresses, contact information and prayer requests. If you would like a Church Directory, please contact the church office.

**Nursery Care provided during the Sunday 10:30 AM Service.**

**Ask anyone for directions.**

**Scripture Readings:**

**July 6**

Genesis 24:24-38, 42-49, 58-67

Psalm 45:10-17 or Psalm 72

Romans 7: 15-25a

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

**July 13**

Genesis 25:19-34

Psalm 119:105-112

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23



## *Q and A from the National Museum of the American Indian . . .*

### *Mounds – What do they mean?*

**Mounds** hundreds of feet in length and height have been found from Minnesota to Florida, and from New England to Louisiana. When Europeans first encountered these they attributed the feat of building them to early Spanish explorers, or to some ancient and lost civilization. We now know that the indigenous peoples constructed these mounds – upon which they built houses, temples, and used as burial chambers. Monk's Mound, in southwestern Illinois, is the largest pre-Columbian earthwork in North America, covering 16 acres. Many of the mounds were destroyed as settlers used the soil for farming. Sacred sites were plowed up and looted. The remaining mounds stand as a testament to the skill, knowledge, social development, religious and spiritual beliefs of America's indigenous peoples.

(This information is from an article by Rico Newman of the Piscataway/Conoy peoples. The full article can be found in the book: *Do All Indians Live in Tipis?*)



If you are new to Adirondack Community Church and would like to find out more about the opportunities here to live out your faith, please stop by the church office after services or any weekday morning! We are a people of action.

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## Men’s Breakfast

**Men’s Breakfast:** *Good Food; Good Conversation; Reflections on the Good Book - It happens every Tuesday morning at 6:45 in Erdman Hall. All men are welcome!*

