

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

Praise Reports:

Look around your pew. Is someone missing? Do you wonder where they are and if they are ok? Please let us know so that we too may give them a call and let them know that they are missed.

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

- Website: _____
- Walked by: _____
- Someone told me: _____
- Newspaper: _____
- Telephone Directory: _____
- ITouris Kiosk _____
- 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: September 13 & 14 2008



Adirondack Community Church

Sermon Title: **"High Winds; High Water; High Time"**

Scripture: Exodus 14:19-31

The Inflation rate in Zimbabwe is 11 million percent. Let me write that again: *11 million percent*. A visitor to our church told me recently that gasoline was over \$5.00 a gallon in San Francisco for a while. Two hurricanes recently swept through the Gulf of Mexico, leveling trees and bringing water once again to the streets.

For most of us for most of the time, life is, all things being equal, balanced. There are bumps; but we get over them. Our reading today from Exodus is about a tidal wave of destruction. It is about storms - both internal and external - that wreak havoc on the spirits, souls and bodies of men, women and children. This story comes right on the heels of the killing of Egypt's first born - as if they hadn't had enough loss and pain in their lives - now their army was overcome by the winds and waters of the sea. And hear these ominous words: ***Not one of them survived.***

The Lord was responsible for the waters. Here is the question so often asked: *Just what is God "responsible" for?* How much of life *is* inevitable? Ancient commentators debated the extent to which God is implicated in the death of the Egyptians. The greater question is this: *To what extent is God engaged in your life?* External circumstances have an obvious impact on us; what about our spiritual life - what's going on inside of us? If you haven't been tending to that, it's high time you do.

-Pastor Mark Demers

Mission Team Projects

Is God calling you to serve in any of these areas?



- Hunger S.O.S. - The Critically Hungry, Regional Hunger, Creative Technology, Sustainable Hunger prevention projects
- Jambo Jipya - Immediate needs and on-going support
- Ecumenical Charities - Food collection and serving at the food pantry & working the Thrift Shop
- Support of UMCOR projects
- Prison Ministry - providing chapel, Bible study, tutoring, self-supporting half-way house
- Sponsorship of a Missionary - John Yambasu and his family
- Mission Trip for Youth and Adults
- Garden to provide fresh produce for food pantry
- Native American Community Awareness and Needs

The Missions Team seeks to provide communication to and education of our congregation on mission issues.

Speak to any of the following members of the Missions Team:

- Carol VanGorp, Chair
- Susan Tehon
- Patti Skeels
- Dan & Judith Lundin
- Sybil Bath
- Gay McMullen

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 Women's Rally
 presented by Look Up Ministries of the North Country
 Friday, **September 19**, 7 PM at LP Baptist Church

COME FOR A TIME OF BEING UNITED IN WORSHIP,
 TESTIMONIES, GOD'S WORD AND PRAYING FOR
 ONE ANOTHER.
Bring a friend!
 Refreshments provided.

**Hunger SOS ~
 Food for Thought Supper**



Guest Speaker:
 Karen Parkhurst of
 New Energy of Rochester

Homemade Soup & Bread Supper
September 24, 2008
 5-7pm, Erdman Hall
 To benefit: **Sun Ovens** for the World
 Suggested donation:
 \$10 person or \$25 Family



Coming to Vermont!

One night of teaching with Beth Moore
 at Champlain Valley Exposition Center
 Essex Jct., Vermont
October 13, 2008
 Doors Open at 6 PM
 Conference 7 PM—9:15 PM
 Pre-register Now!
 Online at

www.LifeWay.com/events or call 800.254.2022

“Sharing God’s Love In All We Do”

This Week at ACC

Sunday –September 14
 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
 Nursery Provided
 10:30 AM Sunday School

Monday –September 15

7:00 PM ECP Meeting

Tuesday – September 16

6:30 PM Boy Scouts/Erd. Hall
 7:00 PM Knitting Group, 523-3548
 7:00 PM 20’s/30’s Group at
 Parsonage, 66 Acorn St.

Wed. – September 17

2:30 PM Help needed to escort
 residents to chapel service
 at Uihlein. Call 523-9835
 4:30 PM “FlabULess Girls”, Todd
 Room
 6:00 PM Youth Group Dinner
 7:00 PM Youth Group “Collision”

Thursday –September 18

9:00 AM Staff Meeting

Friday –September 19

4:30 PM Ladies Bible study,
 523-9263
 5:00 PM Brewer/Belzile Wedding
 Rehearsal
 7:00 PM Look Up Rally, LPBC
 7:15 PM Home Group, 523-3096

Saturday – September 20

2:00 PM Brewer/Belzile Wedding
 5:00 PM Worship Service

Birthdays

This week:

09/14 Mary Clark, Matt Collins
 09/16 Megan DeTraglia, Jenna Eldred
 09/17 Patrick Valentine, Georgie Knox
 09/20 Jane Bryant

Next Week:

09/23 Keegan Preston
 09/26 Donna Eggleton
 09/27 Lindsey Rath, Brooklyn Mayberry



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, con-
 tact information and prayer re-
 quests. 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:

September 7

Exodus 12:1-14
 Psalm 149 or Psalm 148
 Romans 13:8-14
 Matthew 18:15-20

September 14

Exodus 14:19-31
 Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21
 Romans 14:1-12
 Matthew 18:21-35

Read the Bible every day!

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

Are Indians US Citizens?

"American Indians hold two distinct forms of citizenship . . ." So writes Liz Hill and Nema Magovern - and from that simple statement it is obvious that "citizenship" for Native Peoples is not "simple"! The short answer is "Yes." But some of the traditional peoples do not embrace American citizenship because they believe it interferes with tribal status.

Citizenship for the Native Peoples was a long time coming -ironic, given that they were the original inhabitants of the land. Indians were not guaranteed citizenship until 1924 (although many had become citizens through marriage). Charles Curtis was a member of the Kaw/Osage people who became the first American Indian U.S. Senator, and was later the vice-president under Herbert Hoover. Curtis sponsored the Indian Citizenship Act while serving as chair of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. Thousands of American Indians had served in the World War I - how could they be denied citizenship thereafter?

An interesting note: Citizenship did not bring with it the right to vote. Native peoples were given the right to vote in New Mexico in 1948; in Arizona in 1964; and in South Dakota Indian peoples were still fighting for voting rights in county elections into the 1970's.

(This information is taken from an article by Liz Hill, a member of the Red Band of Ojibwe, and Nema Mcgovern, a member of the Osage people - contained in the book: **DO All Indians Live in Tipis?**)



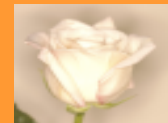
If you are new to Adirondack Community Church and would like to find out more about the opportunities here to live out your faith, please stop by the church office after services or any weekday morning! We are a people of action.

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Announcements



The **rose** on the altar today is in honor of Griffin James Barney, born September 6, 2008 in Kingston, New York. His parents are Jonathan & Catherine Barney and his Lake Placid Grandparents are Jon & Susie Barney & his Great Grandmother is Millie Williams.

Sunday Adult Study: “*The Jesus I Never Knew*”
 by Philip Yancy, 9 AM, Conference Room

Ecumenical Charity Program Meeting:
 Monday, Sept. 15, 7 PM ACC, Conf. Room

Extra Helpings Program ...Food Buying Club
 See flyer on bulletin board. Prepaid Orders will be accepted through Thursday, Oct. 9. Delivery on Oct. 19 at LP Baptist Church. Save Money on groceries now!