

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 *Prayer Works*



Prayer Requests:

Please pray only
Please pray & contact me

Praise Reports:

Comments:

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

Website: _____
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: August 30 & 31 2008

WEEKLY

Adirondack Community Church



Sermon Title: *"Can't BE In Two Worlds"*

Scripture: Exodus 3:1-15; Matthew 16:21-28

We know we can not physically be in two places at once. But we also - many of us - have experienced the tension and the resulting exhaustion that comes with trying to live lives that are too busy. We struggle to balance work with home; church with relaxation. I've known people who go off on a vacation and come back exhausted from trying to cram so much in to one or two weeks.

We are going to look at a Biblical character who is brought up in one world, experiences the world of "his people", has to run from that world, and then hears a call from God inviting him to step in to a completely different reality. It may sound confusing; but as we get into the story of Moses we will discover his experiences may not be all that different from our own.

What is your "world" right now? How many of them are you trying to live in? How is it going? Could it be that there is an "invitation" being extended to you to re-think what you are doing and how you are doing it? Are you struggling, trying to be in more than one place at a time? Of course, you know you can't be! Are you ready to make the change?

-Pastor Mark Demers



As summer is coming to an end, we are finally seeing non-rainy days. Everything worked out well with Vacation Bible School and we thank the many people who helped to get the premises back in shape.

Since we were unable to do a lot of our usual work inside, except to keep the bathrooms somewhat presentable, we were able to install a railing on the back steps from below Erdman to the lake. We were able to stabilize a shaky bottom step, and install several missing paver stones on the walkway. I was also able to move 28 wheelbarrow loads of gravel to the north side of Erdman Hall to stop the gully that was forming and prevent the splashing of dirt from rain onto the Youth Room windows.

Now we're back to our usual maintenance schedule for the building and grounds. We hope the late summer-fall weather will cooperate and permit us to work outside. The next major job is to figure out the best method for refinishing the front door. In October, we'll deal with the raking of leaves in the back. As always, we are impressed daily with the beauty of God's handiwork in our surroundings.

-Dale & Sybil Bath

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...



UpComing Special Events

Mark your calendars!

- Sept. 4** Church Council Meeting, 7 PM
- Sept. 5** New Women's Bible Study begins, 4:30pm
Call for location, 523-9263
- Sept. 7** Sunday School begins, 10:30am
Church-wide lunch at Noon
- Sept. 11** "Stepping Up", women's study, 523-3559
- Sept. 19** Women's LOOK UP Rally, LPBC, 7 PM
- Sept. 24** Hunger SOS~Food for Thought Supper/Solar Ovens
- Sept. 25** The North Country Needs Jesus Prayer Group, 7pm
- Oct. 13** New England Nights with Beth Moore, Vermont
- Dec. 5-7** Weekend to Remember, Saratoga Hilton

**Mercy Care for the Adirondacks
Invites you to a "Friendship Volunteer"
Training Program**

Afternoons of October 8 & October 15
Contact: Sr. Catherine Cummings, 523-5582 or
 Email: ccummings@adkmercy.org
 (Flyer on church bulletin board.)

**Church-wide Picnic on the Grounds
To Welcome Art, Erin & Emma Summers!**
 Sunday, September 7, 2008
 Following the 10:30am Service

Sandwiches, lemonade, paper products provided.
 Please bring a salad, chips, or a dessert to
 share.

This Week at ACC

Sunday – August 31

- 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

Monday– September 1

Labor Day—Church Office Closed

Tuesday– September 2

- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts Com. Meeting
- 7:00 PM Knitting Group, 523-3548
- 7:00 PM 20's/30's Group at Parsonage, 66 Acorn St.

Wed. – September 3

- 2:30 PM Help needed to escort residents to chapel service at Uihlein. Call 523-9835
- 4:30 PM "FlabULess Girls", Todd Room

Thursday—September 4

- 9:45 AM Communion at The Greenwood/ Rev. I. Johnson
- 7:00 PM Ch. Council Meeting

Friday—September 5

- 4:30 PM Ladies Bible study, 523-9263
- 7:15 PM Home Group, 523-3096

Saturday– September 6

- 8:00 AM Healing Ministry Team
- 1:00 PM S.S. Teachers Meeting
- 5:00 PM Worship Service

Birthdays

This week:

- 09/02 Wyatt Friedlander
- 09/04 Kelsey Bickford
- 09/06 Frank Lescinsky
- 09/06 Linda Preston Jones



Next Week:

- 09/07 Ann Grady, Austin Scholl
- 09/08 Joy Conway, Patrick DeTraglia
- 09/12 Peter Meister
- 09/13 Joni Lundin
- 09/13 Macy Fischer, Alyssa Hoffman

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:

August 24

- Exodus 1:8-2:10
- Psalm 124
- Romans 12:1-8
- Matthew 16:13-20

August 31

- Exodus 3:1-15
- Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c
- Romans 12:9-21
- Matthew 16:21-28



The flowers on the altar today are given in memory of Fletcher Boyer by the Lions Club of Lake Placid.

A Testimony from a Native American . . .

For 500 years, my people have been told in so many ways, "You're no good. You are a savage. Change your ways. You are not civilized. Your ways are heathen and witchery. Your ways are not Christian!" My grandfather gave up his tribal religion and customs. He adopted Christianity. He, my grandmother, and the other people on the reservation did their best to give up the old ways, become farmers, quit hunting, go to church and be "good Indians, civilized Indians." They wept when the federal agents rounded up their children to take them away to boarding school. Some of the children never came home. Some came home to be buried. My grandparents and the people wept again because their children grew up learning alien ways, forgetting their language and customs in schools too far away to visit.

My parents married soon after they came home from the boarding school. They came from different tribes. They left my Father's reservation encouraged by the U.S. government and the boarding school system to find jobs in the "real world." . . . The promised jobs never materialized and, stuck between two worlds, the big city and the reservation, the Indian world and the White, my father drank and beat my mother. My mother worked at menial jobs to support us. My life was built on this foundation. I was never parented because my parents, raised in government boarding schools, had nothing to give me. They had lost their languages and retained only traces of their cultures. They had never been parented themselves. Boarding school nurturing was having their mouths washed out with soap for talking Indian and receiving beatings for failing to follow directions.

So this is my legacy and the legacy of many Indians, both reservation and urban . . . We are survivors of multigenerational loss and only through acknowledging our losses will we ever be able to heal.

(This "testimony" is from the book by Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum – **Why Are All the Black Kids Sitting Together in the Cafeteria?**)



“Sharing God’s Love In All We Do”

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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For your spiritual health...

Weekend to Remember

Mark your calendar now to attend a fabulous marriage retreat. December 7-9, Friday night through Sunday noon. Saratoga Hilton. Stay tuned for more details...

Women’s Bible Studies

“Live a praying Life” by Jennifer Kennedy Dean. Fridays, 4:30pm Starting September 5
Call Patti Skeels for location: 523-9263

“Stepping Up” by Beth Moore. Join us in a journey that explores the pilgrimage theme found in Psalms 120-134. Through this study, you’ll interact with the Scriptures in totally new ways through the seven video sessions and six weeks of personal study.

When: 2 options, Thursdays, 12:45pm-2:30pm or 7-8:30pm, (b’sitting provided)

for 7 weeks beginning Sept. 11
Where: 92 Averyville Lane, Lake Placid, 523-3559 (daytime)
16 ComLinks Way Apt. 2, 524-7524 (evening)