

### 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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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.

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**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"

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# WEEKLY

Adirondack Community Church



Sermon Title: **"Not Satisfied with Angels"**

Scripture: **Exodus 33:12-33**

Some one recently told me that most construction projects finish up at about 95%. In other words, there is always a bit more to do after the contractor goes home.

Sometimes it seems that way around the house - that there is just a bit more to do. You are warm in bed for the evening, and then you remember you have to put the wash in the dryer. Or, you are in the car and you have everything you need for the day - except your driver's license. That's when the bargaining begins - "I never get stopped! I don't need the license!"

Or what about this - you are lost, and you stop to get directions. You listen, and you've almost got it. You get back in your car and head off, but you only remember the first three of five specific directions you were given.

By the time we get to Exodus 33 Israel has been in the wilderness near Mount Horeb for some time now. They have had some run-ins with their God, but it is getting time for them to move on. Expecting God would accompany them on the journey, God promises to send an angel to lead the way instead. *An angel!* Not bad! That's good enough, isn't it? *An angel is going to fight for us!* That's like getting a Honda Civic when you ordered a Lamborghini. If you needed God, would you be satisfied with an angel?

- Pastor Mark Demers

**Your Church Council at work!**



I have been involved with committee work at the Adirondack Community Church for 30 years and I have never been more excited about what is happening than I am now. One of the reasons for my excitement is that I have become more active in the word of God myself and am working faithfully to live my life as an example for others. When you start to be more involved, you see that we should constantly be looking at what we are doing and asking ourselves the question of how we could do it in a way so that more people can know Jesus.

This week, the Church Council took a step in that direction and changed our format from a business meeting of reports to a meeting of discussion about direction and future. We invited members of the 20's and 30's group to be in conversation with us about how we can attract more members of their age group. We talked about what things or events in their lives brought them into this church, how they felt once they had stepped in, what it is that is keeping them involved and what more we need to do to make this an easy step for other young adults. We had some great discussions, they were honest about their experiences with us and the Church Council was presented with many opportunities to attract more 20's and 30's. It can't go without mention that both Pastors Mark and Art have been an integral part in their involvement by feeding them the word and keeping them challenged and involved in ways to serve Jesus. We learned that they like the fellowship hour before church and that we are a very welcoming and supportive body once they have entered our doors. We also were challenged to be much more creative with our Website and be open to "Facebook" and blogging. What a joy it is to see young adults involved in VBS, Sunday School teaching, giving seniors rides to church and taking Northwood kids home after church as well as just having them around us from day to day! There is so much more that they are willing to do! Thanks to all who were present and active in this great meeting!

Our next Church Council meeting on October 30 will be centered on Advent and Christmas as we prepare for this wonderful Season of Joy. We will have discussions about what we want to look like, what message we will send and how we can reach out more to those that are lead to our doorstep during this season. We are looking for volunteers who are willing to step up and help us put all of these thoughts together and create a focused theme for all to enjoy. We know that "Jesus is the reason" so how do we, as the Adirondack Community Church show that?

It is a blessing to be in fellowship with you all and we look forward to continue the growth of our programs and congregation and development of members so that they too can be better followers of Jesus. Let's continue to strive for our goal of EVERY MEMBER ENGAGED!

God Bless,  
Steven Preston



**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...



**This Week at ACC**

**Sunday –October 19**

- 9:00 AM Traditional Service
- 9:00 AM Adult Bible Study, Todd Room, Parent’s Group, Conf. Room, 5th-8th Graders, Youth Room
- 9:45 AM –10:30 AM Fellowship
- 10:30 AM Worship Service with The Sunday School Children singing (Nursery Provided)
- 10:30 AM Children Sunday School
- Noon Open House at the Parsonage
- 6:30 PM Home Group, 523-3096

**Monday—October 20**

Church Secretary away  
District Superintendent here for meetings with Pastors.

**Tuesday– October 21**

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District Superintendent here for meetings with Pastors.

6:45 AM Men’s Breakfast, Erd. Hall

6:30 PM Boy Scouts/Erd. Hall

7:00 PM Knitting Group, 523-3548

7:00 PM 20’s/30’s Group

**Wednesday—October 22**

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 “Collision” Dinner

7:00 PM Youth Group

**Thursday—October 23**

5:30 PM High Peaks Ringers Reh.

7:00 PM N.C. Prayer Group

**Friday—October 24**

4:30 PM Ladies Bible study, 523-9263

7:00 PM Social in Saranac Lake

**Saturday– October 25**

12:00 PM Fishing Trip

5:00 PM Worship Service

**Birthdays**

**This week:**

- 10/21 Tommy Small
- 10/22 Eleanor Woodman
- 10/25 Lethe Lescinsky, Steve Preston

**Next Week:**

- 10/27 Hal Schmidt
- 10/28 Linda Blair, Carter Timon
- 10/29 Eva Hare
- 10/30 Juliette Larzelere
- 10/31 Holly Carey, Sophia Morelli



**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:**

**October 19**

- Exodus 33:12-23
- Psalms 99
- 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
- Matthew 22:15-22

**October 26**

- Deuteronomy 34:1-12
- Psalms 90:1-6, 13-17
- 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
- Matthew 22:34-46

*Read the Bible every day!*

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

### Why did carved wooden Indians stand outside cigar stores?

Cultural stereotyping is as old as humankind. Perhaps the greatest danger of stereotyping others is that it reduces them to caricatures. And it is



a short step to go from the creation of the caricature to ridiculing those we have caricatured. As soon as Europeans laid eyes on Native Peoples in the "New World", the stereotyping began – but why were cigar stores and smoke shops associated with Indians? The

answer is simple. The Native Peoples of the Americas cultivated the tobacco plant thousands of years ago. Three days after he made landfall, Columbus was given tobacco by the Taino people. From that time on tobacco and the Native People of the New World were connected. For Europeans in the old country and the explorers who first landed on the shores of the New World, reading was not a skill they had mastered. Visual images were used to teach and to advertise. "Cigar Store Indians" began to appear as early as the 1600s in Europe. Carved out of wood or cast iron, these colorful, nearly life-sized statues can still be found in antique and "western" shops around the United States.

(This information is taken from an article by Liz Hill (Red Lake Band of Ojibwe), contained in the book: **Do All Indians Live in Tipis?**)



“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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## Sunday Morning Happenings

- 9:00 AM **Traditional Worship Service** with Organ Music in Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM **Adult Bible Study**, Todd Room, “The Jesus I Never Knew” Video Series by Philip Yancy. Jan Demers, facilitator
- 9:00 AM **Parent’s Group**, “*HomeBuilders*”, learning to nurture character in their children, God’s way. Conference Room
- 9:00 AM **Bible Study**. “Yeda” Group for 5th-8th Graders, Youth Room
- 9:55 AM –10:30 AM **Fellowship time** in Sanctuary with refreshments
- 10:30 AM **Contemporary Worship Service** with Children singing today (Staffed Nursery Provided in Educational Wing)
- 10:30 AM *SonWorld, Passport to Adventure* **Children’s Sunday School**, Educational Wing.
- Noon—Open House at the Parsonage, 66 Acorn Street, Lake Placid, come see the renovations!

