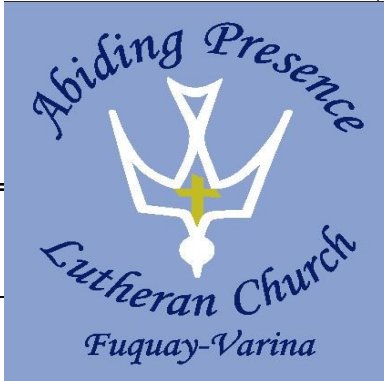




# The Good News

Abiding Presence Lutheran Church



## APLC to host SpiriTed

On October 9<sup>th</sup> APLC will be hosting daily columnist / humorist, Jonathan Richard Cring and master musician Janet Clazzy. The performances will take place during both church services, at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. It will be a morning of music and monologue, including readings from Mr. Cring's book "Digging for Gold (In The Rule)" with original musical tunes performed by Ms. Clazzy on the oboe and WX-5 wind machine.

Mr. Cring is the author of eleven books, including "I'M: The Legend of the Son of Man", "20 Other Reasons to Kiss a Frog:", "Jesonian", and "Living a Legendary Life". He is a winner of a Billboard Music Award, recent recipient of the Best Screenplay Award at the Top Ten Films in America, and has a daily column at [www.jonathots.com](http://www.jonathots.com).

"Thirty-nine minutes is all we have to give you music, humor, dialogue and some fresh insights about bringing creativity into our practical lives," Mr. Cring shares from his home in Hendersonville, Tennessee. "The presentation is a delicate and delicious blending of spirit and humor that produces the wonderful by-product of good cheer."

Ms. Clazzy has played oboe in orchestras for thirty years from coast to coast, including San Jose, Chicago, Shreveport and Houston. "I have this fabulous instrument called the WX-5 Wind Machine which gives me 250 sounds," she says. "When you add some of the beautiful music and inspiring melodies, it just lends itself to an occasion to enrich the heart and exalt the spirit." She is also the first female conductor in the state of Tennessee.

A free will offering will be taken and copies of books, CDs and DVDs of the movies will be available for purchase. For more information contact the church office.

## Craft Sale in November

Consider sharing your talents with your friends and neighbors for our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Abiding Presence Lutheran Church craft, gift and bake sale, to be held November 5<sup>th</sup>, from 10am to 4pm. We are in need of your lovingly made crafts, homemade baked goods and used books.

We will have more information in the coming days. In the meantime, if you have any questions you may contact Peggy Staley at [pstaley1@nc.rr.com](mailto:pstaley1@nc.rr.com) or Peggy Smith at [fsupeggy@gmail.com](mailto:fsupeggy@gmail.com).



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### Special points of interest:

- Oct 2 — Blood Drive
- Oct 3 — Worship, Music and Arts Team
- Oct 3, 17, 31 — Girl Scouts
- Oct 4, 11, 18, 25 — Sent Forth
- Oct 5, 12, 19, 26 — OWLS, Koinonia Wednesday
- Oct 6, 13, 20, 27 — FV Women's Group, Chime Choir
- Oct 8 — Work Day, Altar Guild Team
- Oct 9 — SpiriTed
- Oct 10 — Property Team
- Oct 11 — Finance Team
- Oct 22 — Girl Scout Leader Meeting
- Oct 25 — Memorial Garden Committee
- Oct 29 — Anew Women's Group, Fuquay Festival
- Oct 30 — Reformation Sunday, Halloween Party

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## Music and Arts Groups on Koinonia Wednesdays

A reminder that some of the music and arts groups meeting on Koinonia Wednesdays rotate rehearsals on a monthly basis. During the month of October the music and arts groups meeting on Koinonia Wednesdays are:

Wee Rejoice 6:00-6:50pm  
 Singing Angels 6:00-6:50pm  
 Chancel Choir 7:00-8:30pm

Full information about all music and arts groups can be found at <http://www.doveandcross.org/ministries/aim/worship-music-arts/>

## Be a Worship Assistant on Sunday Mornings

Every time we gather for worship at Abiding Presence, volunteers help to lead us. In fact, each worship needs about 12 volunteers in the various Worship Assistant roles (and that doesn't include the band/choir). Worship Assistant roles include:

Nursery Attendant, Acolyte, Crucifer, Assistant Minister, Reader, Audio/Visual Booth, Altar Guild, Ushers, and Greeters/Presenters. If you are already serving as a Worship Assistant, thank you very much. ☺



If you would like to become a Worship Assistant, send an e-mail to [amanda@doveandcross.org](mailto:amanda@doveandcross.org) or [worship@doveandcross.org](mailto:worship@doveandcross.org) and you will be connected to the appropriate people for your training.

## Gluten-free Option for Communion

The Altar Guild and Worship, Music, and Arts Team are pleased to provide a gluten-free option for those worshippers who need it. Gluten-free wafers are in stock in the sacristy. These wafers are made with potato and rice and are free of gluten, soy, dairy, and wheat.



If you are in need to receive these gluten-free wafers, please contact Pastor Jeffrey or a member of the altar guild — please give them timely notice as special preparations do need to be made.

## Seasonal Worship Services

Here's a little preview of upcoming special worships — mark your calendars now and plan to participate in these seasonal worship services:

**October 30<sup>th</sup>, Reformation Day** – The entire congregation is invited to wear red — RED is the liturgical color for this festive day. We will officially receive new partners in ministry into our congregation at both services.

**November 6<sup>th</sup>, All Saints' Day** – Worshipers are invited to display a photo of a departed loved one who was influential in your faith life. Baptismal Festival during the 11:00am worship; contact Pastor Jeffrey if you or a family member is interested in being baptized on this day.

**November 20<sup>th</sup>, Christ the King Sunday** – This is the last Sunday of the Church Year (Cycle A).

**November 27<sup>th</sup>, First Sunday in Advent** – This is the beginning of a new Church Year (Cycle B).

## Church Policy Awareness

APLC has instituted policies that are designed to promote a safe and positive environment for church members and guests.

Did you know a policy exists to provide guidance off campus? Some church functions may require group travel to or from APLC. If you are involved in one of these events please review the transportation policy for guidance and some key safety reminders.

<http://groups.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org/viewtopic.php?f=10&t=24>



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*Service To Others Resource Ministry*

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## Blood Drive

We are hosting a blood drive this Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> in the bloodmobile from 9:00-1:30pm. We have a lot of spaces left after 10:00am and we need more donors to reach our goal.

If you can give, please sign up online at <http://www.redcrossblood.org>, then click on enter sponsor code and enter 14544. If you have any problems you can contact Beth Hartzell at [bethhartzell@aol.com](mailto:bethhartzell@aol.com) or at (919) 557-0778 (leave a message) and she will sign you up. As always, supplies are low so all donations help. Thank you.

## Halloween Party

Looking for something to do on Saturday October 30<sup>th</sup>? Why not come to our Halloween Party. The party will be from 5-8 pm and will include dinner, games, dancing and more. Watch for more information as the date gets closer. Start looking for a good costume and get ready to have some fun. For more information or to sign up to help, please call Debbie at 757-5810 or e-mail [apexdebbie@aol.com](mailto:apexdebbie@aol.com).



## Spread the Word at the Fuquay Festival!

The "Day in Downtown" festival will take place in Fuquay-Varina on October 29<sup>th</sup>. Camp Agapé and APLC are pleased to be participating in the event by having a booth that day in front of Shoppes on Main. If you enjoy interacting with people and would like to represent our congregation among the community, you would be perfect to help with our booth.

What does this entail, you ask? Camp Agapé will be having a quilt auction inside the building so our representatives would encourage people to go in and look around; and answer any questions people may have about the auction, Camp Agapé, or APLC. We would have brochures on-hand to distribute, as well. The more people who would like to participate, the shorter each shift will be, so please don't hesitate to get involved! We'd like to have at least two people at a time, with the duration being from 9:30 to 4:00 pm, as well as setup and tear-down shifts.

To sign up, please contact Jessica at [jlstygles@yahoo.com](mailto:jlstygles@yahoo.com) or look for the sign up sheet in the narthex.





God's work in mission always propels us to encounter the neighbor, particularly in the stranger. ELCA Glocal Mission Gatherings equip us for God's work in today's global and local realities and their "glocal" intersections.

What is mission? Who is the neighbor? Let's answer these questions together for our migrating and immigrating world. Come, join some of the most relevant mission conversations around the realities of the world we live in today.

The ELCA Glocal Mission Gathering brings together congregational teams and leaders for worship, workshops and sharing around global and local mission.

**When?**

**Friday, January 27, 2012, 2:00 PM - 8:30 PM**  
**Saturday, January 28, 2012, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**Where?**

**Christ the King Lutheran Church**  
**600 Walnut Street**  
**Cary North Carolina, 27511**

You are invited to gather a congregational team and register for an upcoming event.  
The cost is only \$35 per person with a 1-1/2 day time commitment.

A significant part of the ELCA Glocal Mission Gatherings is the time for skill-building workshops. These in-depth workshops help team members build capacity for work and service within one specific area of mission. Skill-building workshops may include: Cross-Generational Engagement, Growing a Missional Congregation, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service, Mission 101, Mission Interpretation: Growing Your Mission Interpretation Ministry, Music and Mission, Radical Hospitality, Short-Term Mission, Social Action, Stewardship: Embracing the Gifts of Diversity.

Each team member attends only one skill-building workshop, so by gathering a team, you are able to get the most out of the event by sharing information from each of the skill-building workshops when you return home.

[Click Here for More Detailed Information](#)



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## Supporting this Ministry

Abiding Presence seeks to fulfill its statement of mission but can only do so with your support. In addition to offerings collected during our weekly worship services, several other giving options are also available as you commit to this specific activity of faith – financially supporting Abiding Presence and its ministries.

### Online Giving

**Gifts can now be made online via debit or credit card.** Please note that Abiding Presence Lutheran Church encourages the use of debit cards. Donations can be made online to either the General Fund or the Mortgage Fund at [www.doveandcross.org/donate](http://www.doveandcross.org/donate). Payment processing is done through PayPal, but an account is not required. Further instructions are available at the website.

### Simply Giving®

[Simply Giving®](http://www.doveandcross.org/donate) is a convenient, safe and simple way for individuals to make automatic payments through electronic funds transfer (EFT) directly from checking or savings accounts. Authorization forms may be requested from the church office, or a link is also available at [www.doveandcross.org/donate](http://www.doveandcross.org/donate). Completed forms should be returned to the church office.

### Electronic Bill Payment

Many banks offer electronic bill payment via their website or through the use of online banking software. You can also utilize this method to send donations to Abiding Presence, in many cases with no additional fees.

If you have questions regarding any of these payment methods, please contact the church office or any member of the Finance Team.

## So Blessed!

The week of September 12<sup>th</sup> was an especially uplifting week for one of our church family. Below is a note that Sharon Silcox asked to share with the congregation.

“Last week the oncologist declared me cured from my cancer. It has been five years! I want to thank each and everyone one of you for your love and support. You have always been there for me, and I love you very much. I laugh, dance, and celebrate each day, and you are always there with me in the dance of joy! I thank God for all of you! Sharon Silcox”

When I read this note to the congregation, I thought about the words to a song that Amanda sings occasionally, “Untitled Hymn (Come To Jesus)” by Chris Rice. One verse stands out above all the others in reflecting on the joy of good news for Sharon . . .

“O, and when the love spills over, and music fills the night  
And when you can't contain your joy inside, then  
Dance for Jesus, Dance for Jesus, Dance for Jesus, and live!”

Sharon, there are so many of us at APLC that love you too, and we cannot be more thrilled to celebrate with you on your triumph over cancer. Together, we dance for Jesus!

Sherry Hartman

## A COOKIE SMILE

Make these cheerful lollipop cookies to share.

### What you need:

- An adult to help
- 1 roll of sugar cookie dough
- Knife
- Cookie sheet
- Wooden craft sticks
- Frosting
- Sprinkles
- Cellophane treat bags
- Ribbon



### What you do:

1. Freeze the roll of dough.
2. Cut dough into ¼-inch slices.
3. Place slices 2 inches apart on cookie sheet.
4. Bake at 350 degrees for five minutes.
5. Remove cookies from oven and place a stick into the bottom of each cookie (about 1 inch into the dough).
6. Return cookies to the oven until done, three to five more minutes.
7. After cookies are cool, make a “face” on each one, using frosting and sprinkles.
8. Put cookies into bags and tie with a ribbon. Then give away these edible smiles!



## Youth and Family Ministries News

Youth & Family Ministry Website: [youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org](http://youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org)

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# Affirmation of Baptism (AoB)

## (Affirmation of Baptism Ministry 6<sup>th</sup> — 8<sup>th</sup> Graders)

**AoB Weeknight AoB Events:** Wednesday evening gatherings will be October 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade families are asked to join us for dinner at 6:30pm and then AoB from 7-8pm each evening.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Journey Time at Christ the King:** Sunday, Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> all 8<sup>th</sup> graders and families will travel to Christ the King Lutheran Church in Cary for our very first journey time. Journey times are 8<sup>th</sup> grade AoB experiences that take us to other congregations and faith traditions. Keep your eyes peeled for the next opportunity!

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

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## Youth and Family Ministry Opportunities

**Working w/ youth and children (Being a youth advisor!):** At APLC adults who work with the youth and children are called "Youth Advisors". These individuals have the opportunity make a difference in a young person's faith journey by leading or assisting in leading youth group events on Koinonia Wednesdays, and/or participating at service events and lock-ins. They make a difference in a young person's life by being a positive presence who is willing to listen and share their life experiences with others. Adults are asked to be present at one-two youth events a month. Youth Advisors are asked to complete a brief training w/ the director of youth and children's ministry before participating.

**Fish and Loaves Team:** The Fish and Loaves Team is a ministry that provides meals for families, couples and individuals who want to participate on Koinonia Wednesdays. This group works together to plan, prepare, serve and clean up the meal to provide a meal. People who enjoy cooking, coordinating, setting up or taking down our space, and corresponding with people via phone / e-mail are all invited to be part of this team.

**High School Youth Ministries:** Hey 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade youth! Join us as we serve, laugh and play, learn and praise God together. You will have opportunities to lead other age groups, join youth your age in discussion about your journey with God and get away from the stresses of school and other extra curricular activities.

**Middle School Youth Ministries:** Hey 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade youth! Join us as we serve, laugh and play, learn and praise God together. You will have opportunities to lead other age groups, join youth your age in discussion about your journey with God and get away from the stresses of school and other extra curricular activities.

**APE Kids Youth Ministries:** 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to explore their faith journey with other youth their age and caring leaders. Youth will have opportunities to serve, play and laugh, learn and praise God together. Your youth will have the opportunity to build solid relationships with other youth their own age before they begin middle and high school.

**Mustard Seeds Children's Ministries:** 4 year olds to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade children now have the opportunity to gather at APLC with caring leaders! This young group will focus on relationship building, learn how much God loves them and how we can spread that love in the world. **\*\*6th Grade Leaders Needed!\*\*** Each 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays, 6<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to help out and lead the Mustard Seeds youth group while the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade youth are in AoB.

**How do I get involved?** To get you or your family involved in any of these groups as participants, leaders or helpers, please contact Jim Nelson [colg868@gmail.com](mailto:colg868@gmail.com).

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# Youth and Family Ministries News continued

Youth & Family Ministry Website: [youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org](http://youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org)

## National Youth Gathering

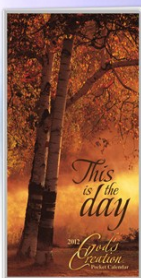
Youth and adults from APLC will be traveling to New Orleans, LA for the July 18-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2012 National Youth Gathering. This group will be gathering with 36,000 other Lutheran's from across the United States to serve, praise, build relationships and learn how we can better serve our communities here in NC.

Stay tuned for more information about how this group is preparing for the gathering and how you can support them through their preparation this year. Participants and parents, please keep an eye out for fundraising and meeting times in weekly announcements.



## Wall and Pocket Calendar Sales

Pick up your 2012 wall or pocket calendar in the narthex on Sunday mornings between worships. They make great holiday gifts for family and friends! Cost is \$8 per calendar. Proceeds go towards the youth going on the National Youth Gathering.



### Pocket Calendar

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- Highest quality materials and presentation
- Beautiful professional photographs
- 12-month calendar in a transparent cover
- 3" x 6" overall size
- Removable 50-page notepad
- 2011, 2012 and 2013 At-A-Glance calendars
- Pages for important addresses, phone numbers, birthdays and anniversaries

[View the Pocket Calendar](#)

[Pocket Calendar Refill Notepad](#)

## Sunday School Off to a Great Start

Sunday school officially started on September 11<sup>th</sup> and is off to a great start. We have averaged 121 students, teacher and helpers in attendance each week and have already collected \$180 in offering.

If you haven't registered or attended Sunday School this year, it's not too late! You are welcome to come at any time. Look for Julie Malone or Sherry Hartman during opening and they will help you locate your classroom.



"Listening to a 40-minute sermon is not suffering for Jesus, Sammy."



## Agapé † Kure Beach Ministries — News and Events

**Golfers Invited:** Monday Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> is the twelfth annual fall Golf Outing in Wilmington to support Agape + Kure Beach Ministries. Funds raised send kids to camp with Campership funds. Our goal is a at least two foursomes from APLC. Contact Randy Youngquist-Thurow or visit the camp web site to sign-up. <http://www.agapekurebeach.org>. If you don't golf, how about being a prize or hole sponsor – gifts of \$25 to \$125 will make a difference.

**Camp Agapé Work Day:** Saturday Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>. Come for breakfast and stay through mid-afternoon or join us for a couple of hours. We have tasks for the entire family; carpentry, trail work, cleaning, mailings and more. Contact Randy or Mir Youngquist-Thurow or call the camp office to let us know you are coming. Call (919) 552-9421.



**Quilt and Folk Art Auction:** Saturday Oct 29<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the downtown Fuquay festival. We will have quilts and fine handcrafted items to auction off at 4:30 p.m. at Shoppes on Main, downtown Fuquay. Do you have an item you would like to donate? This is an exciting new friend building and fund raising event. Join us and get some great Christmas gifts.



**Hike-a-thon:** Saturday Nov 12<sup>th</sup> at camp Agapé. The day includes hiking, basket raffles, prizes, tee-shirts, free lunch and closing worship. Come and support our environmental education program with a gift or sponsorships to recognize your hiking on these beautiful trails in the midst of the changing colors around you.

**O Holy Night:** Dec 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> at camp Agapé. Put this special evening on your calendar now. This popular Christmas pageant around the pond at Agapé has drawn up to 200 people. Bring your family or come and join other friends in faith and experience the real reason for the season. Each showing is less than an hour. Many of the summer staff will return to make this event extra special for summer campers.



Please check our web site at [www.agapekurebeach.org](http://www.agapekurebeach.org) for details on all of these great opportunities. Remember camp is only 12 miles from the Church and these are wonderful opportunities to get to know your camp better.



### Lids for Agapé

One of the ways we care for God's creation is to re-use things for educational purposes as much as possible. They eventually wear out, and we're finding that we need to replace some of the lids we have for some of our displays and activities.

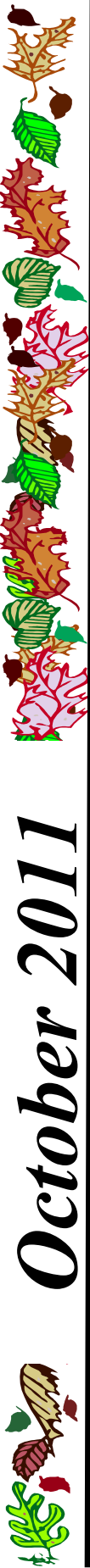


Specifically, we need circular lids that are 4-6" diameter -- Clorox wipes lids, Baby Wipes, or similar products. We're also in need of lids for frosting containers: 3.5" diameter.

If you happen to have any lids that fit the bill, please bring them to church. It's fine to leave them beside the praise band keyboard; I'll be sure to get them there. Thank you so much for those who have already provided lids. Keep them coming!

Mir Youngquist-Thurow  
Environmental Education Director





# October 2011

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5:00pm Halloween Party	6:00pm Girl Scouts					



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**  
**Traditional Worship — 11:00 am**

# AGAPÉ + KURE BEACH MINISTRIES

**UP-COMING EVENTS:**

- ✚ Golf Outing, Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>: Echo Farms, Wilmington.
- ✚ Work Day, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Camp Agapé. Lodging is provided Friday night. Breakfast and lunch are provided on Saturday. You must make reservation. Call 919 552-9421 or e-mail [aceed@agapekurebeach.org](mailto:aceed@agapekurebeach.org).
- ✚ Second Annual Quilt & Folk Art Auction, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-6:30pm at Shoppes on Main during the Fuquay-Varina Downtown Festival.
- ✚ Eighth Annual Hike-A-Thon and Basket Raffle, November 12<sup>th</sup> at Camp Agapé. Hikers of all ages are welcome. Help raise money for the Environmental Education program at Camp Agapé.
- ✚ Kure Beach Center: Get great rates from December 1<sup>st</sup> to February 28<sup>th</sup>. Call Pastor Rachel 910-458-0783.
- ✚ BYG Leaders Retreat, December 2<sup>nd</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup>, share skills and experience and learn tricks of the trade. Two options are available for the event, see our web site for details.
- ✚ O Holy Night December 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Come see and hear the re-telling of the Good News. Cost \$12 per person, \$45 maximum per family. We have two showing each night.



Special Needs: golf carts, used mini vans for travel day camp teams, commercial string trimmer

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