



ATONEMENT LUTHERAN CHURCH
ONEONTA, NY

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
HARTWICK SEMINARY, NY

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH
LAURENS, NY

The Rev. Paul R. Messner, S.T.S., Pastor
The Rev. Robert Mansbach, Pastor Emeritus

+ **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost** +
Holy Communion (LBW Setting 1)
August 6th, 2023

(* = Stand as you are able; LBW = Lutheran Book of Worship-green book)

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Parish News

Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness

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* **Entrance Hymn**

Blessing and Honor

LBW #525

* **Apostolic Greeting & Kyrie**

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* **Hymn of Praise:**

This is the feast . . .

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(1-women, 2-men)

* **First Prayer** (*7th Century Gelasian*)

Almighty, Eternal God, your kindness is far more than we desire or deserve. Generously pour out your mercy to forgive where our conscience is afraid and to provide what by ourselves we do not even presume to pray, through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Musical Offering

WORD

First Lesson: Isaiah 55:1-5 A lesson from Isaiah:

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters;
and you that have no money, come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.

[2] Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.

[3] Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.

I will make with you an everlasting covenant,
my steadfast, sure love for David.

[4] See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.

[5] See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody: 145:8-9, 14-21 (tones 26-single; 9-double)

The Lord is gracious and / merciful,*
slow to anger and abounding in / steadfast love.

**The Lord is / good to all,*
and his compassion is over all that / he has made.**

The Lord upholds all / who are falling,*
and raises up all who / are bowed down.

**The eyes of all / look to you,*
and you give them their food / in due season.**

You op- / en your hand,*
satisfying the desire of every / living thing.

**The Lord is just in / all his ways,*
and kind in / all his doings.**

The Lord is near to all who / call on him,*
to all who call on / him in truth.

**He fulfills the desire of / all who fear him,*
he also hears their / cry, and saves them.**

The Lord watches over / all who love him,*
but all the wicked he / will destroy.

**My mouth will speak the praise / of the Lord,*
and all flesh will bless his holy name forev- / er and ever.**

**Glory to the Father, and / to the Son,* and to the / Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginn- / ing, is now,* and will be forev- / er. Amen.**

Second Lesson: Romans 9:1-5 A lesson from Romans:

I am speaking the truth in Christ--I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit-- [2] I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. [3] For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. [4] They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; [5] to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

* **Alleluia Verse**

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* **Gospel Acclamation** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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Holy Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. [14] When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. [15] When it

was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." [16] Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." [17] They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." [18] And he said, "Bring them here to me." [19] Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. [20] And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. [21] And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

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Homily

Pr. Jim Crouthamel (A/ St. M)

Pr. Paul (E/ St. J)

* **Hymn of the Day**

Lord, Who the Night You Were Betrayed

LBW #206

RESPONSE

* **Apostles' Creed**

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* **Prayers of the Church**

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First Intercession:

Almighty God, we worship you because your glorious power is mercifully contained. We would fear you in our helplessness were it not for the revelation and the demonstration that you are the ultimate measure of compassion. Thank you for the gift of your son with his merciful love and unimaginable sacrifice for our salvation. Help us to live each day trusting your promise through the historical reality of his work.

* **Sharing the Peace of the Lord**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering

Musical Offering

* **Presentation of Gifts and Offertory**

Let the Vineyards

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* **Offertory Prayer**

Almighty God, with golden fields of grain you offer bread for all. We claim a part through daily work / and hope to stretch your hand to feed the world. Accept our gifts as prayers to find good ways to eat and share this bread / that everyone may taste and trust your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

MEAL

* Great Thanksgiving/Dialog		pg. 68-71
Preface & Sanctus	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i>	pg. 69
* Eucharistic Prayer & Lord's Prayer		pg. 69/ pew card
Agnus Dei	<i>Lamb of God</i>	pg. 72
Distribution Hymns		LBW #219, 214, 518
* Post Communion Blessing & Canticle	<i>Thank the Lord . . .</i>	pg. 72

* **Post Communion Prayer**

O Lord, we came hungry for righteousness and you have satisfied us with this feast of forgiveness. Help us multiply your generous gift through mercy and hospitality to all. We bless you now and evermore. **Amen.**

SENDING

* Benediction		pg. 74
* Recessional Hymn	<i>O Living Bread from Heaven</i>	LBW #197
* Dismissal		

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Pastors Pericope Paragraph 8/6

(a "pericope" is a selected reading from scripture used as a lesson at worship)

John the baptizer has been executed, on a whim and a drunken promise made by King Herod. Jesus is saddened by the news and retreats to a "deserted place" for grieving and prayer. But it is not deserted for long. People have seen Him go and follow Him. Their needs are greater than His. And so, despite the disciples' pleas, He does not send them away but provides what they need: food for body and spirit. The disciples are amazed (Gospel). YHWH issues an invitation to a great feast for all His people - because this Holy One loves them! (1st lesson). Paul is grieved for his people. He can recite their history in relationship to G-D. They have everything they need, but most can't accept Jesus of Nazareth as Messiah. So what becomes of them? He has an answer (in Chapter 11). (2^d lesson).

Weekly Worship Practice:

Note to parents and guardians- Please bring quiet, soft toys or backpacks for our younger friends to use in the pews during worship. Some of our congregations have Children's Activity Bags available-feel free to use one any Sunday. Help us to keep them cleaned, re- stocked and placed back where they'll be ready for next Sunday. Thank you!

All baptized Christians are welcome to God's Table of Grace.

All the baptized may commune in the OCLP with no age restriction. Those not yet communing of any age and for any reason may come forward to receive a verbal blessing. Indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest. Baptized children may begin communing after parents have consulted with Pastor. The Lutheran Church believes, teaches and confesses that in, with and through the elements of bread and wine, Our Lord gives us His true body and blood for the forgiveness of our sin and the salvation of our lives. Anyone who has a legitimate impediment to receiving either element of the meal may receive in one kind only (bread or wine) and trust the Lord's grace that they are receiving full communion. Members, please fill out a "Voice From the Pew" folder to record your communion at least once a year. This is a constitutional requirement to determine our "Active" Voting membership roster. Thank You.

In the OCLP We Practice The "Reserved Sacrament". When laity "preside" at Holy Communion, they will use elements (bread and wine) previously consecrated by Pr. Paul at a prior worship service. Reserved elements are kept in an ambry for subsequent use in worship and distribution to the sick and shut-ins.

+OCLP+

We welcome Pr. Jim Crouthamel to lead worship at Atonement and St. Matthew
Next Sunday Deacon Deb Lawyer will lead worship at Evangelical and St. John

Serving Today	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
Asst. Minister			Robin Bush
Comm. Asst.	Sue Dana	Cindy L	
Lector	Sue Dana	Gabe L	JoAnn Winslow
Cantor	Sue Dana		
*Altar Care	Laura Sherrill	Ilse & Dorothy	
Ushers/Greeters	Christine Brown	Pelcers	
Coffee Hour			
Acolyte	Ethan Temming	Paxton Hazzard	Megan Cleveland
Sound System		Sliviak	
Bell Ringer			
Church Cleaner			

Readings Through This Week

See website: <https://www.otsegocountylutheranparish.com>

+Prayers of the Church+

(Please take this prayer list home and use with your personal devotion time)

+Atonement+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Joan Lambiaso, Rebecca Pollack (Joan Carman), Juan Perez (D. Sherrill), Bridgette Shepardson (Thompson), Rene Prins, Heather Mendoza, Grace & Chuck Dietzman, Rita Nelson, Thoranne Winkler, Monica Koulis (Winkler), Valerie England, Jennifer Carman, Lisa Cooper (Syvertsen), Martha Messner, Janna Benston (Sherrill), Gary Williams, Gary Herion, Jill A. (Cindy), Jason Pallack (Carman), Barb Delaney (Serra-Lima/ Winkler), Stash Tarka (Thompson), Kathryn Walters, Ed (Joe Sherrill)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Emilie Stamps

For young adult: Daniel Herion

+Evangelical+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Yvonne Cornell, Alex Reynolds (C. Butts), Marilyn Urbiss (Burda), Roz Winne (C. Butts), Janet Underwood (Burda), Gloria Hendricks, Susan Howard, John & Pam Miller, David Glynn, Bill Jacobson (D. Brown), Kenny Medor (Butts), Joan Ackerman (Butts), Chuck Scorzafava, Martha Messner, Ansley (Butts), Wendy Wenck Craighill (Miller), Lynne Hecker

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Patty & Cliff Brunner

For Young Adult: Tyler Loewenguth

+St. Matthew+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Scott Forbes, Tina Keator, Sherrie Roy (Lawyer), Barbara Gesile, Gina Pywar, Melissa McLaughlin (S. Eggers), Cathy Walsh (Stevens), Owen Basher (Marsh), Rennie Brown (Janet), Jason Hahn, Kathy & Rich Parsons, Maureen McAndrew (Greenleaf), Mike McAndrew (Greenleaf), Jack Anthony (Stevens), Troy Lutz (Bush), Alan & Linda Peeters, Corinne Pollak, James Wikoff (Hulbert), Vicky Vesely (Bush), Martha Messner, Helmut Boehl, Frank Wood, Ray Gilmore (Winslow), Anna Elwyn (Rose Nelson), Ellie Bauman

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Deb & Herb Simmerly

For Young Adult: Derek Sherry

+Beyond the Parish+

For healing in body, mind and spirit: Jackie Hesse (Lawyer), Rosemary Pepe (Eggers), Dorothy Fernandez, (Eggers), Dick Armstrong, Gina Utter (Thompson), Cathy Deleski (Thompson), Alicia Biesler (Thompson), Margie Ortega (Thompson), Pr Lynn Ash, former President Jimmy Carter & 1st Lady Rosalyn Carter, David Wolff, Davilynn Cifonelli (Doane-Nelson), Jim

McCoy, Spike Dibble (Frank & Toni Wood), Kathryn Morris (Messner), Sue Stevens (Mansbach), Joe Bales (Messner), Oneonta Mayor Mark Drnek, Dave Powell (Simmerly), The Rev Richard Johnson (STS, Lutheran Forum Letter, editor), The Rev Pari Bailey (STS Treasurer), Robert Potter (Crouthamel)

For those celebrating marriage: Ashley (Stack) & Matt Sivacek

For those preparing for childbirth: Christy & John Pirone

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: Mike Nelson, EMS

In the Foothills Conference: For the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS), the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS), the North American Lutheran Church (NALC), Lutheran Churches in Mission for Christ (LCMC), and all other Lutheran denominations in America that we may give common expression to our Christian faith and Lutheran heritage

Natural/Man-made Disasters: Victims of violence in our cities, suburbs and rural communities; those struggling with economic conditions, food insecurity, and homelessness

National/ International Concerns: For all refugees and migrants and those contending with the continuing crisis on our northern & southern borders; the people of Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Palestine, and Niger (following a coup)

**+Blessed are the Dead+
Who Die in the Lord**

+ The Rev. Roy Harrisville Sr. +
(1922 – 2023)

+ Parish News and Notes +

+ A special welcome to all visitors, friends and guests. Please fill out a Voice from the Pew folder and sign our Guest Book. Please include your complete mailing, e-mail address, and phone number. If you are new to the community or are looking for a Church Home, please let us know how we can be of service and consider our Christian family your own.

+All active members and friends should normally be receiving our weekly bulletin via email before Sunday each week. If you are not please let the OCLP office or Pastor Paul know. Be sure we have your current email address. TY! If you'd like the bulletin mailed to you because you cannot come to worship and don't have email, or know someone in that situation, let us know the name(s) and mailing address(es). If you wish to add someone to this mailing list, let us know that, too!

+OCLP

Finances are tight at this halfway point of the year in all of our congregations. Please help us stay current on our responsibilities to our vendors and staff.

Attendance & Offering Statistics

Date	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew	St. John
7/30	26/ 768	13/ 468	18/ 661	
8/2	1/ 94	5/ 56	7/ 257	
**	(\$1,290)	(\$850)	(\$1,309)	

**** Needed to meet weekly expenses**

+ THIS WEEK +

+ Today Sunday August 6th
Holy Communion

+Wednesday August 9th
7:30am St. Matthew – worship
10:30am Clergy Bible Study, Christ Church, Cooperstown
Noon Evangelical – devotions
7:00pm Atonement – worship

+Thursday August 10th
St. Matthew Worship & Music committee, 5:00pm
St. Matthew Council meeting, 7:00pm

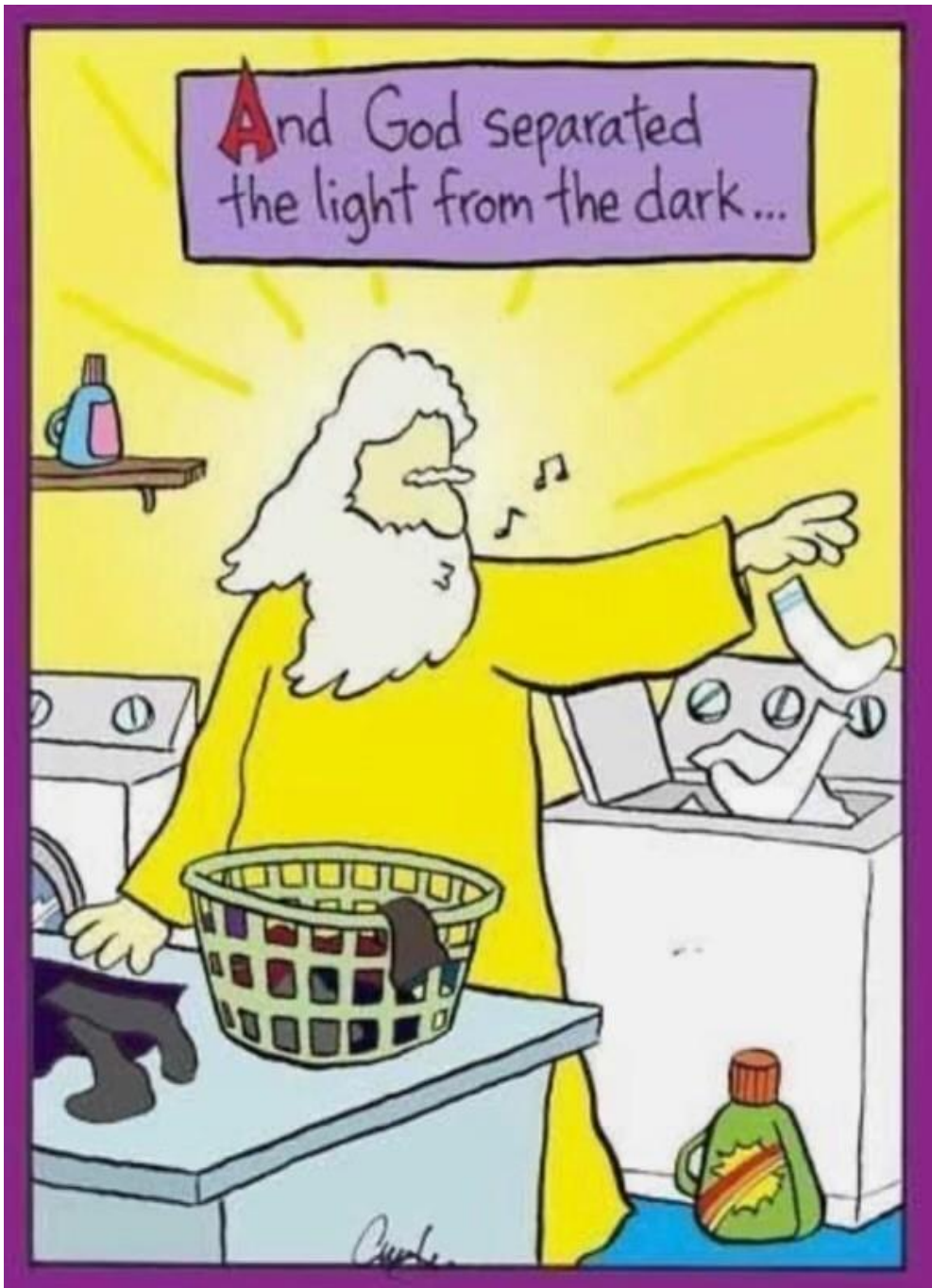
+ COMING UP +

+Wednesday 8/16
Evangelical Council meeting, 3:00pm

+Saturday 8/19
OCLP Men's Breakfast, St. John, 8:30am
Atonement Worship & Music committee, 11:00am

+Saturday 8/26
OCLP Deacon's Breakfast, St. John, 8:30am

Cartoon of the Week



OCLP DIRECTORY UPDATES

This summer the OCLP office will be updating our membership records and creating a new directory for each of our member churches. To assist in this matter, all members are requested to submit the following information. Please fill out the following form for each member of your family using one form per person. Submissions should be received by the OCLP office no later than Sunday June 4th.

Congregation _____

Senior ___ Adult ___ Young Adult ___ Youth ___ Friend of ___

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Email _____

Please do not include the following information in the directory
(Your name will still be listed in the membership roster)

Address _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

I would be interested in receiving a digital copy of the directory

Yes _____ No _____

I would be interested in receiving a physical copy of the directory

Yes _____ No _____

Otsego Country Lutheran Parish

Lutheran Church of the Atonement, Oneonta, NY
Sunday Worship 10:30 am (Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays + festivals)
John Mushtare: President
Leslie Bauer: Organist

Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hartwick Seminary, NY
Sunday Worship 9:15 am (Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays + festivals)
Tami Pelcer: President
Donna Brown: Organist

St. John Lutheran Church, West Burlington, NY
Sunday Worship 11:15 am (Holy Communion 2nd and 4th Sundays + festivals)
Paul Hecker: President
Ethel Mills: Accompanist

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Laurens, NY
Sunday Worship 8:30 am (Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays + festivals)
Ed Winslow: President
Janet Brown: Organist

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Services of Healing are usually held on the 5th Sunday of a month

<http://facebook.com/oclpny/>
<http://otsegocountylutheranparish.com>

Any news/ announcements/ or other information that you wish to have included in the weekly service bulletin must be received by Pr. Paul no later than 9am on Thursday of that week. Items received after this time cannot be guaranteed to appear in that week's bulletin.

Items should be emailed to the OCLP office and appear exactly as you wish them to in the bulletin.