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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

+ **Festival of Pentecost** +  
Holy Communion (LBW Setting 1)  
May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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

## GATHERING

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome**

\* **Entrance Hymn**

\* **Apostolic Greeting & Kyrie**

\* **Hymn of Praise:**

### **Parish News**

*O Day Full of Grace*

*This is the Feast (1-W, 2-M)*

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

**O God, on this day you taught the hearts of the faithful with the light of your Holy Spirit. By the same Spirit guide us into wisdom; and through His good counsel may we find eternal joy, through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## WORD

**First Lesson: Acts 2:1-21** A lesson from Acts:

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. [2] And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. [3] Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. [4] All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

[5] Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. [6] And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. [7] Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? [8] And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? [9] Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, [10] Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, [11] Cretans and Arabs--in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." [12] All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" [13] But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

[14] But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. [15] Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. [16] No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

[17] 'In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,

and your old men shall dream dreams.

[18] Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

[19] And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

[20] The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

[21] Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

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

**Psalmody: 104:24-35** (tones 3-single; 8-double)

O Lord, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have / made them all;\*  
the earth is full / of your creatures.

**Yonder is the sea, great and wide,  
creeping things innumer- / able are there,\*  
living things both / small and great.**

There / go the ships,\*  
and Leviathan that you formed to / sport in it.

**These all / look to you\*  
to give them their food / in due season;**

when you give to them, they gath- / er it up;\*  
when you open your hand, they are filled / with good things.

**When you hide your face, they / are dismayed;\*  
when you take away their breath, they die  
and return / to their dust.**

When you send forth your spirit, they / are created;\*  
and you renew the face / of the ground.

**May the glory of the Lord en- / dure forever;\*  
may the Lord rejoice / in his works--**

who looks on the earth / and it trembles,\*  
who touches the mountains / and they smoke.

**I will sing to the Lord as long / as I live;\*  
I will sing praise to my God while / I have being.**

May my meditation be pleas- / ing to him,\*  
for I rejoice / in the Lord.

**Let sinners be consumed from the earth,  
and let the wicked / be no more.\***

**Bless the Lord, O my soul. / Praise the Lord!**

**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: 1 Cor. 12:3b-13** A lesson from First Corinthians:

No one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

[4] Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; [5] and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; [6] and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. [7] To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. [8] To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, [9] to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, [10] to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. [11] All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

[12] For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. [13] For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

\* **Alleluia Verse** pg. 63  
\* **Gospel Acclamation**      **Glory to you, O Lord.** pg. 63

**Holy Gospel: John 20:19-23**      **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." [20] After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. [21] Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." [22] When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. [23] If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

The Gospel of the Lord.      **Praise to you, O Christ.** pg. 63

**Homily** Pr. Jess Lambert (A/ St. M)  
Pastor Paul Messner (E/ St. J)

\* **Hymn of the Day**      *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling* LBW #523

**RESPONSE**

\* **Nicene Creed** pg. 64  
\* **Prayers of the Church** pg. 65

## **First Intercession:**

Most Merciful God, we worship you for the peace you have created with your people by the gift of your son. Knowing our fears and helplessness, you announced your reconciliation through the cross. By your Spirit lead us boldly to believe its possibilities in dealing with each other; and may peace and its fruit of joy be our vision of your eternal promises.

\* **New Members Received** (Evangelical & St. John)

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\* **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**

Holy Father, with new gifts you announced the sending of your Spirit. And with new offerings we declare that we would be your holy ones. In your mercy, receive us, and by your grace, use us; send your Spirit to sanctify us for the sake of those who are being saved, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **MEAL**

\* **Great Thanksgiving/Dialog**

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**Preface & Sanctus**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

\* **Eucharistic Prayer & Lord's Prayer**

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**Agnus Dei**

*Lamb of God*

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**Distribution Hymns**

LBW #475, 508, 559

\* **Post Communion Blessing & Canticle**

*Thank the Lord . . .*

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\* **Post Communion Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ, your Sacrament is a common language for every race. With this message of love confirmed and working in us, reverse the scattering of your creatures. We bless you now and evermore. **Amen.**

## **SENDING**

\* **Benediction**

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\* **Recessional Hymn**

*Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*

LBW #486

\* **Dismissal**

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

**Postlude**

## **Pastors Pericope Paragraph 5/28**

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

The giving/coming of the Holy Spirit (the 3d person of the Holy Trinity, who was present at the creation - Genesis 1 - as God's breath), comes in both John's Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. And it arrives both times as breath, wind, life force, empowering Spirit - from the Father. And both times it sends the disciples/apostles out from hiding, into the hostile world of the Roman Empire. Forgiveness and the Good News of Jesus pours out into this world in every known language, with a drunken fervor AND the peace of God - down to this day! (Gospel/ 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson). Paul reminds the small band of Corinthian Christians that, despite their differences and disagreements, they are One Body in Christ, whose Spirit gives them all the gifts they need in Baptism, as they drink from the Spirit's ever-flowing grace (2d Lesson).

### **Weekly Worship Practice:**

When the Gospel is read from the center aisle, please feel free to turn and face the reader. In this way we enact the Gospel (the Good News of Jesus Christ) being the center of our lives.

### **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 Pastor Jess Lambert to lead worship at Atonement and St. Matthew  
Next Sunday Pr. Jim Crouthamel will lead service at Evangelical and St. John

<b>Serving Today</b>	<b>Atonement</b>	<b>Evangelical</b>	<b>St. Matthew</b>
Asst. Minister	Peg Serra-Lima		Jim Crouthamel
Comm. Asst.	Cindy Heaney	Cindy L	
Lector	Peg Serra-Lima	Gabe L	Robin Bush
Cantor	Peg Serra-Lima	Gabe L	
*Altar Care	Becky Milford	Carol B & Esther	
Ushers/Greeters	John Mushtare & Victor G	Ilse S	
Coffee Hour			
Acolyte	Carter Thompson	Grace Pelcer	Kayla Joubert
Sound System		Pelcer	
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), Sue (M. Messner), Valerie England, Jennifer Carman, Lisa Cooper (Syvertsen), Martha Messner, Lucy (Richardson), Barbara Gee, Mark Bauer, Joanne Burdick, (Messner/Dana), Brad Guillerm (Dana), Donna Coyne (Serra-Lima), Janna Benston (Sherrill)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Mike & Joan Lambiaso

For young adult: Tom King

#### **+Evangelical+**

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Kathi Yule (C. Butts), 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)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Dorothy LaGasse

For Young Adult: Sarah Parr

**+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), Triston (Hahn), Cathy Walsh (Stevens), Mary Hartmann (Nelson), 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, Isabell Tophoven, Corinne Pollak, James Wikoff (Hulbert), Vicky Vesely (Bush), Martha Messner, Helmut Boehl, Frank Wood, Ray Gilmore (Winslow), Judy Berkshire (Crouthamel), Janet Brown, Kevin Bonney

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Patti Hulbert

For Young Adult: Catie Cleveland

**+Beyond the Parish+**

For healing in body, mind and spirit: Jackie Hesse (Lawyer), Rosemary Pepe (Eggers), Dorothy Fernandez, (Eggers), Dick Armstrong, Helga Lange (Winkler), Gina Utter (Thompson), Cathy Deleski (Thompson), Alicia Biesler (Thompson), Margie Ortega (Thompson), Amy Cooper (Messner), Pr Lynn Ash, former President Jimmy Carter, Phil Roberts (Messner), David Wolff, Octavia Bradshaw (Grandparents Toni & Frank Wood), Davilynn Cifonelli (Doane-Nelson)

**For those preparing for marriage:** Ashley Stack & Matt Sivacek

**For those celebrating childbirth:** Alek Vernold & Krista Jones on the birth of Taryn Rose

**For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services:** Eddie Knowles, USMC officer candidate school, Quantico, VA; for all veterans and those currently serving in the armed forces

**In the Foothills Conference:** Confirmation ministry, confirmands (name your own), teaching staff and Lutheran Confirmation Camps

**Natural/Man-made Disasters:** Victims of drought in Ethiopia, Somalia & Afghanistan; 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, China, Taiwan, and the Sudan

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

+ Gary MacPherson +  
(1941 – 2023)

+ For all our hallowed war dead who gave “the last full measure of devotion” +

+ Children killed in a school fire in Guyana +

**+ Parish News and Notes +**

+OCLP Office

The OCLP Office will be closed from Monday May 29<sup>th</sup> to Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

+OCLP

We are updating our membership records. PLEASE fill out the form on the literature table or in your mailbox as soon as possible. One per person, please! TY!

+OCLP

Please sign up to host a coffee hour. Anyone can - as a family or small group! It's not that hard - the sign-up forms are on the bulletin board. Thanks!

+OCLP

Finances are tight at this 1/3 point of the year. Please help us stay current on our responsibilities to our vendors and staff.

**+ 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.

## Attendance & Offering Statistics

Date	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew	St. John
5/21	24/ 520	12/ 311	14/ 471	6/ 146
5/24	4/ 78	1/ 43	9/ 188	
**	<b>(\$1,290)</b>	<b>(\$850)</b>	<b>(\$1,309)</b>	

\*\* Needed to meet weekly expenses

### + THIS WEEK +

+Today Sunday 5/28

Festival of Pentecost, Holy Communion service; wear something red, or bright and colorful  
New Members received at Evangelical & St. John - receptions after

+Monday 5/29

Memorial Day observance, Pr. Paul participates in Laurens and Burlington Flats

+Wednesday 5/30

7:30am St. Matthew - worship

10:30am Clergy Bible Study, Christ Church, Cooperstown

Noon Evangelical - devotions

5:30pm Atonement – The Chosen video series, episode 7 (bring movie snacks)

### + COMING UP +

+Sundays 5/28, Festival of Pentecost

New Members received at Evangelical & St. John - receptions after

+Friday/ Saturday June 2 - 3, Upstate NY Synod Assembly @ Bethany Baptist Church, Syracuse

+Sunday June 4, Festival of the Holy Trinity, new members received @ St. Matthew & Atonement – reception after

+Tuesday June 6, 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday dinner @ St. Matthew, 6:00pm “K-Rations”

+Wednesday June 7, midweek services as usual, The Chosen episode 7

+Saturday June 10, OCLP Men’s Breakfast, Evangelical 8:30am

# RED GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST

-In Loving Memory of

Lorna Maksuta by Esther Hughes

Agnes & Gus Miller by Pat Taylor

Kathleen Chase by Carol Butts

Joyce Boyd by Cindy Lane

James Zachow by Dorothy LaGasse

Barbara Richardson by Denise Richardson

Frank Gee & Edward Gee by Douglas Gee

Thor & Esther Nordberg, Karl Inge Eilertsen, Federico Serra-Lima by Peg Serra-Lima

Roena, Fred, & Joyce Messner by Pr. Paul & Martha Messner

Mark & Erna Richtsfeld, Winifred Lehenbauer by Pr. Paul & Martha Messner

loved ones by Bob and Mary Mansbach

family by Robin Bush & Roberta Vesely

-In Honor of

Kathi Yule by Carol Butts

loved ones by Bob and Mary Mansbach

## **Prayer of the Week**

An Invitation to the Holy Spirit

O God, the Holy Spirit,  
come to us, and among us;  
come as the wind, and cleanse us;  
come as the fire, and burn;  
come as the dew, and refresh;  
convict, convert, and consecrate  
many hearts and lives  
to our great good  
and to thy greater glory;  
and this we ask for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

## **Otsego Country Lutheran Parish**

Lutheran Church of the Atonement, Oneonta, NY

Sunday Worship 10:30 am (Holy Communion 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays + festivals)

John Mushtare: President

Leslie Bauer: Organist

Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hartwick Seminary, NY

Sunday Worship 9:15 am (Holy Communion 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays + festivals)

Tami Pelcer: President

Donna Brown: Organist

St. John Lutheran Church, West Burlington, NY

Sunday Worship 11:15 am (Holy Communion 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays + festivals)

Paul Hecker: President

Ethel Mills: Accompanist

St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Laurens, NY

Sunday Worship 8:30 am (Holy Communion 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays + festivals)

Ed Winslow: President

Janet Brown: Organist

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(texting is often the most effective way to reach pastor)

Services of Healing are usually held on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of a month

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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.