



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

+ Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost +  
Festival of Christ the King  
Holy Communion (LBW Setting 2)  
November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

(\* = stand as you are able; LBW = Lutheran Book of Worship-green book;  
+ = hymn requests; WOV = With One Voice Hymnal-blue book)

## **GATHERING**

**Prelude Welcome Parish News**

Ringing of the Church Bell (StM/Ev)

\* **Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness**

pg.77

\* **Entrance Hymn**

*Rejoice, the Lord Is King!*

LBW #171

\* **Apostolic Greeting and Kyrie**

pg. 78

\* **Hymn of Praise:**

*This is the Feast of Victory* (cantor and congregation)

pg. 81

\* **Salutation**

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**First Prayer:** *(20th Century Roman)*

**Almighty, Everlasting God, you have crowned your Son as King and will by him renew this whole creation. May the families of the earth now torn apart and yoked by sin find liberty in Him and choose to be subjected to His gentle rule, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**Musical Offering**

(St.M/Evan)

**First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6** A lesson from Jeremiah:

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them, who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. [6] In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."  
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalmody: 46** (Tones: Single 22; double 45)

God is our ref- / uge and strength,\* a very present / help in trouble.

**Therefore we will not fear, though the / earth should change,\* though the mountains shake in the heart / of the sea;**

though its waters / roar and foam,\* though the mountains tremble / with its tumult.

**There is a river whose streams make glad the / city of God,\* the holy habitation of / the Most High.**

God is in the midst of the city; it shall / not be moved;\*

God will help it when the / morning dawns.

**The nations are in an uproar, the / kingdoms totter;\* he utters his voice, / the earth melts.**

The Lord of / hosts is with us;\* the God of Jacob / is our refuge.

**Come, behold the works / of the Lord;\* see what desolations he has brought / on the earth.**

He makes wars cease to the end / of the earth;\*he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the / shields with fire.

**"Be still, and know that / I am God!\* I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted / in the earth."**

The Lord of / hosts is with us;\* the God of Jacob / is our refuge.

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

### **Second Lesson: Colossians 1:11-20** A lesson from Colossians:

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers--all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

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

\* **Alleluia Verse** pg. 83

\* **Gospel Acclamation** **Glory to you, O Lord** pg. 83

### **Holy Gospel: Luke 23:33-43**

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering

him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**\* Gospel Response** **Praise to you, O Christ** pg. 83

**Children's Sermon/Homily**

Pr. Paul Messner (St.M/ A)  
Deacon Tom Collins (Ev/ St. J)

**\* Hymn of the Day** *Christ Is the King!* LBW #386  
*Children of the Heavenly Father* LBW #474 (A)

**Sacrament of Holy Baptism (Atonement)**

### **RESPONSE**

**\* Nicene Creed** pg. 84

**\* Prayers of the Church** pg. 85

### **First Intercession:**

Almighty God, we proclaim you to the world as we see you through the things you have created. Still more so are we impressed to recognize Jesus our King by his having been lifted up on the cross. But we hunger to see you by his second advent, to meet you as you are, to rejoice in your greatness, to have you make us whole and holy with yourself. Add patience to our faith to match the mystery of your delay.

**\* Sharing of the Peace of the Lord** pg. 86

**Offering** pg. 86

**Musical Offering** (A)

**\* Offertory** *Let the Vineyards* pg. 86

**\* Offertory Prayer:** pg. 87-88

Eternal God, in death we leave potential gifts behind, that none may cast a shadow on your grace in Christ. We bring our offerings while we still have life that they may follow us as witness to our love for you and Him whom you have made our King, through this same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## MEAL

* <b>Great Thanksgiving/Dialog</b>		pg. 88
<b>Preface &amp; Sanctus</b>	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i>	pg. 89
<b>Eucharistic Prayer &amp; Lord's Prayer</b>		pg. 89-91
<b>Agnus Dei</b>	<i>Lamb of God</i>	pg. 92
<b>Distribution Hymns</b>		WOV #740 x5 LBW #385+, 390+
* <b>Post Communion Blessing &amp; Canticle</b>	<i>Thank the Lord . . .</i>	pg. 92

### \* Post-Communion Prayer: pg. 94

May your sacrificial love, O Lord, rule us more firmly through each celebration of your gift. Draw us together by its power, and use us to become the King of all. We bless you now and evermore. **Amen.**

## SENDING

* <b>Benediction</b>		pg. 94
* <b>Recessional Hymn</b>	<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>	LBW #170+
	(stz. 3 – women, stz. 4 – men, stz. 5 – 4 part harmony)	

**Dismissal**            Go in Peace, Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

### Pastors Pericope Paragraph 11/20

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

"If you are the King of the Jews save yourself"! Instead He sacrifices Himself to save us. Christ the King, indeed! (Gospel). Shepherds who scatter the sheep are replaced by God Himself who will gather the remnant from all lands. No more fear and none shall be missing. God's people will be saved and live in safety. (1<sup>st</sup> lesson). We have been rescued from the power of darkness and transferred into the kingdom (realm, life, home) of God's beloved Son - who has "made peace through the blood of His cross" (2d lesson)

### **Weekly Worship Practice:**

Note to parents and guardians- Please bring quiet, soft toys 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!

**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, or another ordained pastor, 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.

**All baptized Christians are welcome to God's Table of Grace.** All the baptized may commune in the OCLP with no age restriction; baptized children may begin communing after parents have consulted with Pastor. 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. 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.

+OCLP+

We welcome SAM\* Tom Collins to lead worship at Evangelical & St. John

Next week we welcome deacon Deb Lawyer to lead worship at St. Matthew & Atonement

\* (Synodically Authorized Minister)

<b>Serving Today</b>	<b>Atonement</b>	<b>Evangelical</b>	<b>St. Matthew</b>
Asst. Minister	Sue Dana		Dave Forbes
Comm. Asst.	Cindy Heaney	Lee Sliviak	
Lector	Sue Dana	Len P	Jim Crouthamel
Cantor	Sue Dana		
Altar Care	Eli England	Dorothy & Ilse	
Ushers/Greeters	John	Carol B	
Coffee Hour	Cindy Heaney		
Acolyte	Stevie Mendez	Max Pelcer	Alicia Stevens
Sound System		Brunner	
Bell Ringer			
Church Cleaner			

**+ Readings Through This Week +**

See website: <https://www.otsegocounty Lutheranparish.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, John Laitsch, 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), TJ Dwyer (Sherrill), Mary Ann Ross (Englands), Barbara Loitsch, Sue (M. Messner); Carleen (M. Messner), Valerie England, Alice Burdick, Jennifer Carman, Jaelen (M Messner), Lisa Cooper (Syvertsen), Harold Goss (Leslie Bauer's father)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Bob & Mary Mansbach

For young adult: Billy 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), Dwaine Sharett (Butts), Kenny Medor (Butts), Joan Ackerman (Butts), Chuck Scorzafava, Alex Zoeller

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Eileen Burda

For Young Adult: Kristoff Jaeck

**+St. Matthew+**

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Scott Forbes, Tina Keator, Sherrie Roy (Lawyer), Laura Emmet (Lawyer), Lynn Benekin (Forbes), Barbara Gesile (Lapp), 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), Bernie Sitts Jr. (Klafehn), Jack Anthony (Stevens), Troy Lutz (Bush), Alan Peeters, Isabell Tophoven, Bev Lapp, Corinne Pollak, James Wikoff (Hulbert), Doris Allen (Klafehn), Wayne Bush Sr (Bush), Vicky Vesely (Bush), Rita Knapp (Klafehn)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Rod & Patty Klafehn

For Young Adult: Travis Marsh

**+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), Mike Quinn (Messner), Stash Tarka (Messner), Pr Lynn Ash, Cathy Carroll Ziemba (Messner), Cadence Love (Messner), the Rev. Ken Hunter (St. James Episcopal Church), those in hospice care or living in long-term care facilities. Those dealing with Covid, cancer, auto-immune diseases, mental illness, addictions and other debilitating conditions

**For those preparing for marriage:** Christian Hargraves & Kelsie Booker

**For those preparing for childbirth:** Chelsea & Anthony Casimano

**For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services:** Andrew & Keith Winslow, the National Park Service

**In the Foothills Conference:** St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Richmondville (seeking new pastoral leadership).

**Natural/Man-made Disasters:** Victims of drought in Ethiopia & 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 southern border, the people of Ukraine and Russia

+ We rejoice with the VanderLinden & Syversten families on the baptism of Charles Lucas & Henry Jakob at Atonement

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

+ Bryin P. Cuccinello +  
(2002 – 2022)

**+ 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.



## Attendance & Offering Statistics

Date: Last Sun/ YTD	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
11/13	27/ 1019	25/ 780	22/ 916
**	<b>(\$1,290)</b>	<b>(\$705)</b>	<b>(\$1,309)</b>
11/16	1/ 94	1/ 75	7/ 380

\*\* Needed to meet weekly expenses

### +OCLP

Please check your mailbox anytime you are in the building. Thanks!  
Remember to sign in for attendance and contact tracing. Thank you

### + OCLP +

+Annual “Adopt a Soldier” supply drive by Laurens American Legion; final date for collecting of items is November 18<sup>th</sup>. See bulletin board for details, or pick up info flyers. Thanks!

+A message from our neighbors at First United Presbyterian

The Oneonta Community Warming Station for our neighbors who are unhoused has moved from 189 Chestnut Street, Oneonta to First Presbyterian (269 Main St., Oneonta).

Help is needed to move items and set up the new location.

It is our intention to be open on November 1<sup>st</sup>. We believe that we will be able to move into the space in the coming week, but we will need help moving items from our office to the church. If you are able to donate, time, muscles, or a truck to this please call our office at 607-432-0061.

Once we are in the space and ready to operate, we will be accepting donations of items from our wonderful supporters including:

- Non-skid socks, hats and gloves
- Ready to eat/ shelf stable foods, and grab and go foods
- Juice, bottled water
- Coffee, tea, hot cocoa, cream, sugar, sugar substitute

### + THIS WEEK +

+Today Sunday 11/20

Festival of Christ the King, Holy Communion

Last Sunday of the Church Year

+Tuesday 11/22

Laurens Community Thanksgiving Service, St. Matthew 7pm

+Wednesday Services:  
7:30am St. Matthew  
Noon Evangelical  
7:00pm Atonement  
11:00am Clergy Bible Study, Christ Church, Cooperstown

+Thursday 11/24  
Thanksgiving Day (pause to give thanks)

**+ COMING UP +**

+Sunday 11/27  
Advent Begins  
LBW Setting 1 (Holy Communion) &  
WOV Service of Word & Prayer return  
Blessing of the Harvest  
OCLP Finance Committee Meeting, 1pm St. Matthew

+Tuesday 11/29  
Evangelical Women's Lunch

+Saturday 12/3  
St. Matthew Worship & Music, 9am

+Tuesday 12/6  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday at St. Matthew  
St. Nicholas Day, Christmas Food

+Thursday 12/8  
Evangelical Council, 3:30pm  
St. Matthew Council, 7pm

+Saturday 12/10  
Women's Advent Tea, Atonement 10-11:30am (hosted by Sandy Shear)

+Sunday 12/11  
Installation of Christian Educators  
Bible Study  
OCLP Council, St. Matthew 1:30pm

## **Quote of the Week**

Heaven's not a place where time doth race  
Across the flatted fields of edgeless space  
Thou shall not hear its news, nor its retreat discover.  
No! 'tis a dance where love perpetual, rhythmical, musical, maketh advance  
Loved one to lover.

-- Evelyn Underhill

## **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

Barbara Loitsch: Choir Director

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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<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.