



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

+ The Baptism of Our Lord +

+ **First Sunday after the Epiphany** +
Holy Communion (LBW Setting 1)

January 10th, 2021

(* = 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

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- * **Entrance Hymn** LBW# 56
The First Noel
- * **Apostolic Greeting & Kyrie** pg. 57
- * **Hymn of Praise** LBW# 14
Listen you Nations
(St 1 – W, St 2 – M, St 3 – all)

***First Prayer:** *(new)*

Father in heaven, as you strengthened Jesus for his ministry by your approving voice and the Spirit's gifts, so you have confirmed that we are your beloved ones. Work faith in his fulfillment of righteousness that we may pursue our call to serve you in the world, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Musical Offering

(St.Matt/Evan)

First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-5 A lesson from Genesis:

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, [2] the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. [3] Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. [4] And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. [5] God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

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

Psalmody 29 (Tones: 22-single; 24-double)

Ascribe to the Lord, O hea- / venly beings,*

ascribe to the Lord glo- / ry and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory / of his name;*

worship the Lord in / holy splendor.

The voice of the Lord is o- / ver the waters;*

the God of glory thunders,

the Lord, over / mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is / powerful;*

the voice of the Lord is full of / majesty.

The voice of the Lord / breaks the cedars;*

the Lord breaks the cedars of / Lebanon.

He makes Lebanon skip / like a calf,*

and Sirion like a / young wild ox.

The voice of the Lord flashes forth / flames of fire. *

The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;

the Lord shakes the wilder- / ness of Kadesh.

The voice of the Lord causes the oaks to whirl,

and strips the / forest bare;*

and in his temple / all say, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned o- / ver the flood;*

the Lord sits enthroned as / king forever.

May the Lord give strength / to his people!*

May the Lord bless his peo- / ple with peace!

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.

Second Lesson: Acts 19:1-7 A lesson from Acts:

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. [2] He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." [3] Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." [4] Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." [5] On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. [6] When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied-- [7] altogether there were about twelve of them.

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: Mark 1:4-11 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. [5] And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. [6] Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. [7] He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming

after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. [8] I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

[9] In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. [10] And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. [11] And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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

Children's Sermon/Homily

Deb Lawyer (A/St.M)
Pastor Paul Messner (E/St.J)

***Hymn of the Day**

Baptized into Your Name Most Holy

LBW #192

RESPONSE

***Affirmation of Baptism**

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***Prayers of the Church**

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First Intercession:

Almighty God, accept our grateful worship that Jesus came according to your promise, and that he lived with full devotion to you on our behalf, trusting your blessing and direction. Make us bold in view of his sacrifice and victory to live as your beloved and obedient children. Take pleasure in our faith and build on our good intentions, perfecting us ever more completely for the sake of Jesus' blood and righteousness.

*** Sharing of the Peace of the Lord**

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Offering

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Musical Offering

(Atone)

*** Offertory**

What shall I render . . .

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*** Offertory Prayer:**

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Heavenly Father, we bring offerings to dedicate ourselves and all we have to you. Since everything is useful to make your kingdom come, encourage us by a vision of your generous salvation / to live for the welfare of your glorious creation. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

MEAL

- * **Great Thanksgiving/Dialog** pg. 68
* **Preface & Sanctus** (*Holy, Holy, Holy*) pg. 69
* **Eucharistic Prayer & Lord's Prayer** pew card
* **Agnus Dei** (*Lamb of God*) pg. 72

Distribution Hymns LBW# 518, 191, 234

* **Post Communion Blessing & Canticle** *Lord, now you let . . .* pg. 73

* Post-Communion Prayer:

O Lord, our Baptism is your sign which makes us bold to come to eat and drink your sacrament. With the power that comes with its forgiveness and fellowship, strengthen us to serve you when and where you call. We bless you now and evermore. **Amen.**

SENDING

***Benediction** pg. 74

***Recessional Hymn** *God, Whose Almighty Word* LBW #400

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

Postlude

Pastors Pericope Paragraph 1/10

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

+ "John the Baptizer appeared...Jesus came...and was baptized by John in the Jordan...a voice came 'my Son, the Beloved'...St Augustine wrote: "the Word comes to the element, and so there is a sacrament." Water and the Word. On this day - the first Sunday after the Epiphany, we affirm our baptismal faith! (Gospel). In the beginning God created light and life (1st lesson). The Holy Spirit comes upon the believers at their baptism and they speak God's Word in power! (2d lesson).

Weekly Worship Practice:

We gather weekly in reverence and awe, in joy and thanksgiving, in hope and peace. We come seeking forgiveness and reconciliation-inspiration and a sense of God's presence. We depart renewed, refreshed and recommitted to serve all God's people in need, as we have opportunity. We come open to God's giving. Having received we depart to share that with which God has blessed us.

All baptized Christians are welcome to God's Table of Grace. All the baptized may commune in the OCLP with no age restriction. Those who commune in their home parishes are welcome to commune; 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.

Serving Today	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
Comm. Asst.		Cindy L	
Asst. Minister	Peg Serra-Lima		
Lector	Peg Serra-Lima	Mark Howard	
Cantor			
*Altar Care	Laura Sherrill	Ilse & Dorothy	
Ushers/Greeters		Ellen B	
Coffee Hour			
Acolyte	Gavin Underwood	Luka Hendricks	Victoria Stevens
Sound System		Howard	
Bell Ringer			
Church Cleaner			

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We welcome Deb Lawyer to lead worship at Atonement and St. Matthew

Next Sunday ELCA Deacon Sandy Shear (Ret.) will lead worship at Evangelical and St. John's.

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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, Richard Laitsch (John's brother), John Laitsch, Rebecca Pollack (Joan Carman), Juan Perez (D. Sherrill), Bridgette Shepardson (Thompson), Barbara Richardson (Denise), Patsy (H. Byrnes), Ken Nye (S. Dana), Linda Czernak (P. Serra-Lima), Stan Whitmore (C. Brown), Jeremy Sorese (C. Heaney), Evelyn Hamilton (Lehenbauer), Beth Gilmore (Pudelka), Virginia Pudelka, Rene Prins, Tony and Thoranne Winkler, Thomas Mendez, Bill Heaney, Allison Heaney, Heather Byrnes, Charlotte Grant, Barbara Gee, Grace & Chuck Dietzman, Barbara Loitsch, Rebekah Hopkins (Messner), Mary Mansbach, Mike Lambiaso, Sue Nelson, Emily Bassett (France)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Peggy Serra-Lima

For young adult: Anna Boerner

+Evangelical+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Kathi Yule (C. Butts), Yvonne Cornell, Dan Barrows (John and Pam Miller), Alex Reynolds (C. Butts), Marilyn Urbiss (Burda), Roz Winne (C. Butts), Janet Underwood (Burda), Bob Hazelton (C. Butts), Karen Ingraham (C. Butts), Gloria Hendricks, Mary Peterson, Susan Howard, John Miller, Tad Mahoney, Roxanna Sliviak, David Glynn, Len Price, Esther Hughes

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Marshall & Mary Beth Pedersen

For Young Adult: Jeremiah Parr

+St. Matthew+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Scott Forbes, Tina Keator, Sherrie Roy (Lawyer), Laura Emmet (Lawyer) , Peg Hughes (Janet B.), Lynn Benekin (Forbes), Barbara Gesile (Lapp), Tennison (T. Wood), Gina Pywar, Erika Baker-Heinegg, Michele Tolen (T. Wood), Melissa McLaughlin (S. Eggers), Triston (Hahn), Priscilla Galbreth (Hulbert), Kelly Ives (Wood), Cathy Walsh (Stevens), Ginny Ganio, Jill Baumann, Mary Hartmann (Nelson), Kent Hoyt Jr. (Ganio), Vincent Spataro, Owen Basher (Marsh), Bev Lapp, Linda Peeters (Forbes), Rennie Brown (Janet), Jason Hahn, Jeff Hahn, Kathy Parsons, Omar Andrades, Wayne (“Junior”) Bush, Donna Sorrentino, Ron Struckle

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Ellie Baumann

For Young Adult: Travis Marsh

+Beyond the Parish+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Nancy Saxton Miller (Mansbach), Jackie Hesse (Lawyer), Rosemary Pepe (Eggers), Dorothy Fernandez, (Eggers), Dick Armstrong, David Brenner (Former Oneonta Mayor), Sue Haney, Warren Robinson (Messner), Julie Steinmueller (Sandy Shear), Hilary Elf (Messner), Rachel Fisher (Messner), Pr. Colleen Quirion (Shear), Pr. Ameen Aswad (Jail Ministry)

For those preparing for marriage: Joanna Rappleyea & Derek Matolka

For those preparing for childbirth: Angelika & Brian Underwood

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: Phil Kraft, OPD

In the Foothills Conference: The Hudson-Mohawk Conference of our synod, its dean (Pr. Jo Page)

National/ International Concerns: all victims of religious, ethnic, and racial hatred and prejudice

Natural and Man-Made Disasters: Victims of the coronavirus, and those struggling with social isolation. For medical researchers, pharmaceutical companies, hospital workers, and all medical professionals.

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

+ Jean McEwen +
(Ellie Baumann's sister)

Jeff Hahn
(1944-2021)

+ 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	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
1/3	24	16	17 \$2257
**	(\$1,290)	(\$705)	(\$1,309)
1/6			

**** Needed to meet weekly expenses**

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ENVELOPES – At Atonement, envelope boxes for 2021 will be available by the end of December, and will be placed in your church mailbox. If you have had envelopes this year, you will have envelopes assigned automatically, so you do not need to do anything. If you do NOT have envelopes and would like a box, please print your name on the sheet on the table in the Narthex. Use of envelopes helps in several ways. They are a good reminder of your commitment to the church's well-being; they help you keep up with your pledge to the church; they make it much easier for the financial secretary to keep the records of giving. Envelopes are dated for each week of the year, as well as Church holidays, but you can use them as you wish – weekly, monthly, quarterly, annually, etc. If you turn in several weeks' pledge at one time, you can put the total, (check or cash) in **one** envelope as your donations will only be recorded on the date they are received. It is important to use only the current year's envelopes as they are assigned alphabetically by number, and your number may change from one year to the next. Virginia Pudelka, Financial Secretary, 432-0825

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

Dear OCLP Parish family,

A thank you, for all the generous gifts, cards, and prayers from our congregation and from many individuals, Martha & I want to say a sincere thank you! It truly is a blessing to serve in this parish with you. May God the Father bless our ministry together in 2021, in Jesus' name by the power of the Holy Spirit – Pr. Paul & Martha

+ THIS WEEK +

+Wednesday Services:

7:30am St. Matthew

Noon Evangelical

7:00pm Atonement

+ COMING UP +

See Advent/ Christmass/ Epiphany Calendar

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+ Cartoon of the Week +



Otsego County Lutheran Parish

Lutheran Church of the Atonement, Oneonta, NY

John Mushtare: President

Leslie Bauer: Organist

Barbara Loitsch: Choir Director

Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hartwick Seminary, NY

Vernon Lee Sliviak: President

Donna Brown: Organist

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Any news/ announcements/ or other information that you wish to have included in the weekly service bulletin should be received by the OCLP office no later than 9am on Thursday.

Items received after this time cannot be guaranteed to appear in that week's bulletin.