



ATONEMENT LUTHERAN CHURCH
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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

+ **Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost** +
LBW Service of the Word
October 9th, 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

* **Entrance Hymn**

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LBW # 549

* **Invocation and Dialog**

Blessed are You

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* **Canticle**

Praise the Lord! O Heavens

LBW #540

First Prayer: *(7th Century Gelasian)*

Continue the faithful care of your Family, O Lord. Under your protection it can be free from trouble and devoted to the works that bring glory to your name, 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

(St.M/Evan)

WORD

First Lesson: Second Kings 5:1-15c A lesson from Second Kings:

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel." He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me." But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are

not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

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

Psalmody: Psalm 111 (Tones: single 22; double 45)

Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with / my whole heart,*
in the company of the upright, in the / congregation.

Great are the works / of the Lord,*
studied by all who de- / light in them.

Full of honor and majesty / is his work,*
and his righteousness en- / dures forever.

He has gained renown by his won- / derful deeds;*
the Lord is gracious and / merciful.

He provides food for / those who fear him;*
he is ever mindful of his / covenant.

He has shown his people the power / of his works,*
in giving them the heritage / of the nations.

The works of his hands are faith- / ful and just;
all his precepts / are trustworthy.

They are established forev- / er and ever,*
to be performed with faithfulness and / uprightness.

He sent redemption /to his people;*
he has commanded his covenant forever. Holy and awesome / is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginn- / ing of wisdom;*
all those who practice it have a good understanding. His praise en- / dures forever.
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: Second Timothy 2:8-15 A lesson from Second Timothy:

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David--that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore, I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful--for he cannot deny himself. Remind

them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***Gospel Hymn:** *Wondrous Are Your Ways, O God!* LBW #311 (St 1)

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

Holy Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

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

*** Gospel Response** **Praise to you, O Christ**

***Gospel Hymn:** *Wondrous Are Your Ways, O God!* LBW #311 (St 2)

Children's Sermon/Homily

Pr. Paul Messner (Ev/ St. J)
Deacon Deb Lawyer (St. M/ A)

*** Hymn of the Day** *O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come* LBW #360

RESPONSE

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

Offering (plates are at the door)

Musical Offering

(A)

*** Offertory** *Take My Life, that I May Be* LBW #406 (selected stanzas)

*** Offertory Prayer:**

Lord Jesus Christ, you came with empty hands to gain our trust. Show us those in whom you still are poor and crucified; and help us fill your hands and cleanse your wounds that we may serve them in your name. You are the Lord forevermore. **Amen.**

First Intercession:

Lord God, in the spirit of the thankful leper made whole, we come, ever grateful for the cleansing gift of Jesus your Son. Before we had cried in pain or despair, you sent him to save; and now your Spirit has inspired us to return thanks. Since there is no other hope or cure, protect us from intoxication by the pleasures of life, lest we be swallowed up by death. Hear this prayer of faith and praise, and make us whole and holy.

Lord's Prayer

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SENDING

* **Benediction**

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* **Recessional Hymn**

O Christ the Same

WOV #778

Dismissal

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

Postlude

Pastors Pericope Paragraph 10/09

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

Gratitude is expressed in different ways. Just because of their healing, nine did not come back to give thanks. Perhaps they gave thanks by going home, getting back to lost lives after years of isolation. But one did come back. He had to. He couldn't not return. Prostrate and in shock about what has happened he returns to the only One who can make such healing possible (Gospel). An enemy is healed - a foreigner; a proud and arrogant person. Why would Israel's God do this? (1st lesson). "If we die with Him, we shall also live with Him; if we endure, we will also reign with Him". Such profound faith is expressed barely two decades after Jesus' death and resurrection. How could that happen in the face of such powerful opposition? (2d lesson)

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.

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.

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

Next week we welcome Todd Eames (SAM) to lead worship at Evangelical & St. John

Serving Today	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
Asst. Minister			Deb Lawyer
Comm. Asst.			
Lector	Cindy Heaney	Ilse S	Deb Lawyer
Cantor			
Altar Care	Cindy Heaney	Cindy L	
Ushers/Greeters	John Mushtare	Pelcers	
Coffee Hour			
Acolyte	Gavin Underwood		
Sound System		Brunner	
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, 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, Allen and Ted Case (uncle/nephew) (Messner), Sue (M. Messner); Carleen (M. Messner), Valerie England, Alice Burdick, Jennifer Carman

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Doug & Barbara Gee

For young adult: Daniel Herion

+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), Mary Beth Pedersen, Chuck Scorzafava

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Roberta Rowland-Raybold

For Young Adult: Alex Reynolds

+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, Michele Tolen (T. Wood), 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: Carol Evans

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), Mike Quinn (Messner), Stash Tarka (Messner), Pr Lynn Ash, Cathy Carroll Ziemba (Messner), Cadence Love (Messner), 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 celebrating marriage: Patrick and Taylor (Johnson) Steves

For those preparing for childbirth: Ali and Tim Lehenbauer

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: Edmeston Fire Dept and Emergency Squad

In the Foothills Conference: Sunday Schools, students and staff, all educational ministries

Ordination/Commissioning anniversaries connected to our parish or conference:

Pr Jack Stennett, 9/14/75 - 47 years

Pr Dave Preisinger, 9/24/78 - 44 years

Pr Elisabeth Aurand, 9/21/96 - 26 years

Pr Serena Mollenkopf-Grill - 9/10/90 - 22 years

Deacon Sandy Shear - 9/9/05 - 17 years

Natural/Man-made Disasters: Victims of Hurricane Ian. Drought in Ethiopia, Afghanistan and much of Europe, Victims of violence in our cities, suburbs and rural communities

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

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

+Those people who were killed during Hurricane Ian

+ 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
10/2	28/	16/ 667	18/ 798
**	(\$1,290)	(\$705)	(\$1,309)
10/5	1/ 88	1/ 68	8/ 338

**** Needed to meet weekly expenses**

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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

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+Consider remembering your congregation in your will with a bequest and/or including it in a request for memorial gifts in lieu of flowers, when a loved one dies.

+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!

+ THIS WEEK +

+Today Sunday 10/9 - Service of the Word
Pr. Paul presides at Olah-Anderson wedding, Verona

+Wednesday Services:
7:30am St. Matthew
Noon Evangelical
7:00pm Atonement
10:00am Clergy Bible Study, Christ Church, Cooperstown

+Thurs, 10/6 - St Matthew Council

+Fri/Sat 10/14/15 – St John Rummage Sale

+Fri/Sat 10/14/15 - Adult Education Retreat, St Margaret's Retreat Center, New Hartford

+ COMING UP +

+Next Sunday - Holy Communion

+Next Sunday - St John Council Meeting

+10/18 Evangelical Women's lunch, Jackie's Restaurant, 11:30am

+10/20 - Evangelical Council, 5:30 pm

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+ SMILE OF THE WEEK +

Nick's mother stops for a moment as her son reads the Bible to their cat. "Isn't that sweet?" she says. But an hour later, she hears a terrible racket. Running out the door, she finds Nick trying to dunk the cat in a bucket of water. "Nick, what are you doing?"

"I'm baptizing Muffin," he says.

"But cats don't like to be in water."

"Well, then he shouldn't have joined my church."

- From the Reader's Digest

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

Barbara Loitsch: Choir Director

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

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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 Tuesday 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.