



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

+ **Seventh Sunday of Easter** +
Holy Communion (LBW Setting 1)
May 16th, 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

- * **Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness** pg. 56
- * **Entrance Hymn** *The Day of Resurrection!* LBW# 141 (tune: Lancashire)
- * **Apostolic Greeting & Kyrie** pg. 57
- * **Hymn of Praise** *This is the Feast . . .* pg. 60
(St 1 – W, St 2 – M, Refrain – all)

First Prayer: (6th Century Gregorian)

O King of glory and Lord of countless angels, in triumph you ascended to the highest heaven. Abandon us not to be orphans, but keep your Father's promise to send your Spirit of Truth. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Musical Offering

(St.Matt/Evan)

First Lesson: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 A lesson from Acts:

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, [16] "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- [17] for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry." [21] So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, [22] beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." [23] So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. [24] Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen [25] to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." [26] And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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

Psalmody 1 (Tones: 54-single; 10-double)

Happy are those who do not follow the advice / of the wicked,*

or take the path that sinners tread,

or sit in the / seat of scoffers;

but their delight is in the law / of the Lord,*

and on his law they meditate / day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit / in its season,*

and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they / do, they prosper.

The wicked / are not so,*

but are like chaff that the wind / drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand / in the judgment,*

nor sinners in the congregation / of the righteous;

for the Lord watches over the way / of the righteous,*

but the way of the wick/ed will perish.

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: 1 John 5:9-13 A lesson from First John:

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. [10] Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. [11] And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. [12] Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

[13] I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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

* **Alleluia Verse**

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Holy Gospel: John 17:6-19 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. [7] Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; [8] for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. [9] I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. [10] All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. [11] And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. [12] While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. [13] But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. [14] I have given

them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. [15] I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. [16] They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. [17] Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. [18] As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. [19] And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

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

Children's Sermon/Homily

Todd Eames (A/St.M)
Pastor Paul Messner (E/St.J)

***Hymn of the Day**

Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain

LBW #132

RESPONSE

***Nicene Creed**

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***Prayers of the Church**

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First Intercession:

Faithful God, ever true to yourself and to your promise now made sure in the human life, death and resurrection of Jesus your Son, continue your mercy by sending your Spirit of Truth that he may guide your people to life. Preserve the friendship and fellowship established with us by our savior, and sanctify us more and more in the truth of your love.

*** Sharing the Peace of the Lord**

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Offering

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Musical Offering

(Atone)

*** Offertory**

Let the Vineyard . . .

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*** Offertory Prayer:**

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Come risen Lord Jesus, help us with one accord to devote ourselves to prayer. This is your Upper Room, abide with us and in your glorious presence give us life. Receive our various gifts as one song of praise; and keep us one as you are one with the Father and the Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

MEAL

*** Great Thanksgiving/Dialog**

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Preface & Sanctus (*Holy, Holy, Holy*)

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Eucharistic Prayer & Lord's Prayer

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Agnus Dei (*Lamb of God*)

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Distribution Hymns

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* **Post Communion Blessing & Canticle** *Thank the Lord . . .*

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* **Post-Communion Prayer:**

Lord Jesus, you prepared this holy meal / to help each one know that you still abide with us. Use this food to fulfill your prayer / that we may all be one in you. You are the Lord forevermore.

Amen.

Sending

Extinguishing of the Paschal Candle

***Benediction**

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***Recessional Hymn** *Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing*

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

Postlude

Pastors Pericope Paragraph +Fifth Sunday of Easter 5/2

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

Jesus has ascended. We are left to our own devices...? NO! Jesus and the Father are One - bound together by, with and in their Spirit. The Name of God protects us from the evil one (Gospel). God gave us eternal life in His Son. Believe it! (2d lesson). Matthias replaces Judas, as a witness to the resurrection. The 12 are whole again. The Full People of God, representing the 12 Tribes of Israel (1st lesson).

Weekly Worship Practice:

Please help us keep our sanctuaries neat by placing worship resources in their appropriate places. Each pew rack should hold two *LBWs* (green book); one *WOV* (blue book) and a pew *Bible*. Thanks

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
Assisting Minister Comm. Asst.	Peg Serra-Lima	Mark Howard Cindy L	Deb Lawyer
Lector	Peg Serra-Lima	Ilse S	
Cantor	Peg Serra-Lima		
*Altar Care	Christine Brown	Cindy L & Joyce	
Ushers/Greeters	Gary Walters	Shirley G	
Coffee Hour			
Acolyte	Steve Mendes	Mia Pelcer	Megan Cleveland
Sound System		Lane	
Bell Ringer			
Church Cleaner			

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We welcome Todd Eames to lead worship at Atonement and St. Matthew.
Next Sunday Dave Forbes will lead worship at Evangelical and St. John’s.

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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, 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), Jeremy Sores (C. Heaney), Evelyn Hamilton (Lehenbauer), Beth Gilmore (Pudelka), Virginia Pudelka, Rene Prins, Thomas Mendez, Bill Heaney, Allison Heaney, Heather Byrnes, Charlotte Grant, Grace & Chuck Dietzman, Barbara Loitsch, Rita Nelson, Elizabeth Robinson (Messner), Micheal George (Brown)

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

For young adult: Evan Heaney

+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), Gloria Hendricks, Susan Howard, John Miller, David Glynn, Len Price, Esther Hughes, Tom Pritchard, Charlie Hughes

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

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) , Peg Hughes (Janet B.), Lynn Benekin (Forbes), Barbara Gesile (Lapp), Gina Pywar, Erika Baker-Heinegg, Michele Tolen (T. Wood), Melissa McLaughlin (S. Eggers), Triston (Hahn), Cathy Walsh (Stevens), Ginny Ganio, Jill Baumann, Mary Hartmann (Nelson), Kent Hoyt Jr. (Ganio), Owen Basher (Marsh), Bev Lapp, Rennie Brown (Janet), Jason Hahn, Kathy Parsons, Omar Andrades, Donna Sorrentino, Karen Smith, Joe Hartmann, Karen Rollins (Winslow), Terri Ibelli (Wood), Robert & Patricia Psaltz (Sherry), Sherry family, Mike Mauro, Maureen McAndrew (Greenleaf), Mike McAndrew (Greenleaf), Gary Hulbert

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Joe Rotolo

For Young Adult: Spencer Sherry

+Beyond the Parish+

For healing in body, mind and spirit: Nancy Saxton Miller (Mansbach), Jackie Hesse (Lawyer), Rosemary Pepe (Eggers), Dorothy Fernandez, (Eggers), Dick Armstrong, Sue Haney, Julie Steinmueller (Sandy Shear), Rachel Fisher (Messner), Kerri Gorsch (Messner), Doug Dutcher (Crouthamel), Brock Patrick Miller (Crouthamel), Jim Sippel (Velez), Geoff Murphy (Walters), Steven Morris (Messner), Dave Clapp, Helga Lange (Winkler), Henry Gregory (St. John)

For those preparing for marriage: Bethany Young & Terence Ryan

For those preparing for childbirth: Marcus & Natalia Hudson

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: Edmeston EMS & Fire Department

In the Foothills Conference: Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center and all camp/conference ministries of the Lutheran Church

National/ International Concerns: all victims of religious, ethnic, and racial hatred and prejudice, for victims of genocide and slavery (Uigher Muslims in China, Tibetan Buddhists, other religious and ethnic minorities); the people of Afghanistan

Natural and Man-Made Disasters: Victims of all debilitating diseases, and those struggling with social isolation; for those involved in the continuing crisis on our Southern border, our country in this time of continuing deep division

+Blessed are the Dead+ Who Die in the Lord

+ Pastor Richard Niebank +
(1931 – 2021)

+ Charles Holcomb +

+ Warren Robinson +

+ Patty Rotolo +

+ Parish News and Notes +

+ The festival of Pentecost is next Sunday. Wear Red - or bright colors! If you plan to bring or memorialize Pentecost flowers, please use the form in the bulletin and return via the offering plate or by mail the parish office ASAP. 1Center St., Oneonta, NY 13820.

+ Disaster Response: The COVID-19 Pandemic is running amok in India & elsewhere. To contribute to Lutheran World Relief efforts there or in other crisis situations anytime, use a Lutheran Disaster Response envelope. Make check payable to your congregation, and designate the crisis you are contributing to. Thank you.

+ 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

(Last Week/ Year to Date)

Date	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
5/9	18/ 339 \$840	17/ 387	23/ 399
**	\$1290	\$705	\$1309
5/12	3/ 31	1/ 27	7/ 157

**** 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

+ THIS WEEK +

+Wednesday Services:
7:30am St. Matthew
Noon Evangelical
7:00pm Atonement

5/16: Blessing of Seed & Soil
5/16: St. John Council Meeting follows worship
5/18: Evangelical Women's lunch @ Council Rock Brew Pub, 11:30am
5/19: Evangelical Council Meeting, 3pm
5/20: Foothills Conference Ministerium @ Evangelical
5/20: St. Matthew Food Distribution, 4pm
5/22: Memorial Service for Margaret Ahlqvist @ Atonement, 10am
5/22: Grave side service for Bonnie Burch, Unadilla Forks Cemetery

+ COMING UP +

5/23: Festival of Pentecost (wear red or bright colors)
5/23: Dedication of new Sanctuary Lamp @ Atonement
5/23: Atonement Council Meeting following service
5/29: OCLP Deacon Breakfast @ St. Matthew, 8:30am

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+ Smile of the Week +

Higher Power

A Sunday school teacher said to her students, "We've been learning how powerful kings & queens were in Biblical times, but there is a higher power. Can anyone tell me what it is?"

One child blurted out, "Aces!"

RED GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST

To have your geraniums (or other red flowers) listed in the bulletin for Pentecost Sunday (May 23rd, 2021), please fill out the form below and return via the offering plate or the parish office (1 Center St., Oneonta NY 13820) by Wednesday May 19th. You may provide your own flowers. Atonement members may bring a check made payable to Atonement Lutheran Church. Cost is \$10.00 per plant, and comes in a six-inch pot if ordering thru your local congregation.

NAME _____ **PHONE** _____

PENTECOST FLOWERS given (check one)
IN LOVING MEMORY _____ **OR** **IN HONOR OF** _____

NAMES _____



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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.