



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

+ **Seventh Sunday in Easter** +
LBW Service of the Word for Healing
Memorial Day Weekend
May 29th, 2022

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

GATHERING

Prelude

Meditation and Prayer

Welcome

Parish News

***Entrance Hymn:**

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

WOV #678

***Invocation and Dialogue**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, **and his mercy endures forever.**

They cried to the Lord in their trouble, **and he delivered them from their distress.**

He sent forth his Word and healed them, **and saved them from the grave.**

The Lord is righteous in all his ways, **and loving in all his works.**

The Lord upholds all who fall; **He lifts up those who are bowed down.**

The Lord sustains them on their sickbed, **and ministers to them in their illness.**

The Lord is my strength and my song, **and he has become my salvation.**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, **and his mercy endures forever.**

*** The Apostles' Creed**

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Salutation**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray

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

O God, you know of the perilous settlements we are prone to make / in which our fragile humanity cannot survive. Visit and support us with your Word of Truth, that we may grow through what we suffer for our sin, 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

(E/St.M)

First Lesson: Acts 16:16-34 A lesson from Acts:

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalmody: 97 (Tones: single 22; double 24)

The Lord is king! Let the / earth rejoice;*

let the many coast- / lands be glad!

Clouds and thick darkness are / all around him;*

righteousness and justice are the foundation / of his throne.

Fire / goes before him,*

and consumes his adversaries on / every side.

His lightnings light / up the world;*

the earth / sees and trembles.

The mountains melt like wax be- / fore the Lord,*

before the Lord of / all the earth.

The heavens proclaim his / righteousness;*

and all the peoples be- / hold his glory.

All worshipers of images are / put to shame.*

**those who make their boast in worthless idols;
all gods bow / down before him.**

Zion hears and is glad, and the towns of Ju- / dah rejoice,*

because of your judg- / ments, O God.

For you, O Lord, are most high over / all the earth;*

you are exalted far a- / bove all gods.

The Lord loves those / who hate evil;*

he guards the lives of his faithful; he rescues them from the hand / of the wicked.

Light dawns / for the righteous,*

and joy for the up- / right in heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, / O you righteous,*

and give thanks to his / holy name!

**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: Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 A lesson from Revelation:

"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."

And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

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

* **Gospel Acclamation**

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

WOV #783 (St 1-2)

Holy Gospel: John 17:20-26 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. "Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and

Let us pray for those in affliction. Almighty and everlasting God, comfort of the sad and strength to those who suffer: Let the prayers of your children who are in any trouble rise to you. To everyone in distress grant mercy, grant relief, grant refreshment; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for those who minister in healing. Almighty God, source of human knowledge and skill: Guide physicians and nurses and all those you have called to practice the arts of healing. Strengthen them by your life-giving Spirit, that, by their ministries, the health of all people may be promoted and your creation may be glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for the ministry of family and friends. Loving God, our creator and redeemer: Give strength and gentleness, patience and faithfulness to family members and friends. Let their hope be in you, and by their ministry of love let your love be known; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for those who desire our prayers. Blessed Lord, we ask your loving care and protection for those who are sick in body, mind or spirit and who desire our prayers. Take from them all fears and help them put their trust in you, that they may feel your strong arms around them. Touch them with your renewing love, that they may know wholeness in you and glorify your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray for those making decisions. Oh Lord our God, send your Holy Spirit to guide us, that we may make our decisions with love, mercy and reverence for your gift of life, especially on behalf of those most vulnerable at the beginning and the ending of life in this world; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Praise to you, almighty God and Father. You sent your Son to live among us and to bring us your salvation. **Blessed be God.**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, incomparable Son of the Father. You humbled yourself to share in our humanity, and you came to heal all our illnesses. **Blessed be God.**

Praise to you, Holy Spirit, our defender and consoler. You heal our sickness with your mighty and life-giving power. **Blessed be God.**

Holy and blessed Trinity, sustain your servants, whom we have named before you this day, with your presence; drive away their sickness of body, mind and spirit; and give them that victory of life and peace which enable them to serve you now and evermore. **Amen.**

Laying on of Hands

Hymns during Laying on of Hands

WOV #670, 673, 671

(Those who wish to receive laying on of hands (and anointing) come to the altar rail, or the foot of the altar and if conditions permit, kneel. The minister lays hand(s) on each person's head)

Father in heaven for Jesus' sake, send your Holy Spirit upon your servant, drive away all sickness of body and spirit, make whole that which is broken; deliver *him/her* from the power of evil; and preserve *him/her* in true faith, to share in the power of Christ's resurrection and to serve you with all the saints now and evermore. **Amen.**

(After all have returned to their places)

The almighty Lord—a strong tower to all who put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth bow and whom they obey—be now and evermore your defense, and make you know and feel that the only name under heaven given for health and salvation is the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Let us pray in unison.

Merciful Lord God, constant source of all healing, we give you thanks for all your gifts of strength and life, and above all we thank you for the gift of your Son, through whom we have health and salvation. As we wait for that day when there will be no more pain, help us by your Holy Spirit to be assured of your power in our lives and to trust in your eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SENDING

***Benediction**

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favor and give us peace: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***Recessional Hymn**

I Know that My Redeemer Lives!

LBW #352

(St 3- women; St 4 - 4 part harmony; St 5 - men)

Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Remain to Pray Depart when you wish.

Pastors Pericope Paragraph 5/29

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

At the last supper Jesus prays for the one-ness of His followers: that they might share the same one-ness Jesus shares with the Father; that they may share with Him and one another. In love. (Gospel). Paul and his companions are arrested for upsetting a business venture. They pray and sing their faith. God intervenes and they are set free. Their jailer and his household are baptized. Stranger things...(1st lesson). Amen. Come Lord Jesus. Surely He is coming soon. And His grace will be with all the saints - with us! Amen! (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 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 Deacon Todd Eames to lead worship at Evangelical & St. John
Next week we welcome to lead worship at St. Matthew & Atonement

Serving Today	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
Comm. Asst. Asst. Minister Lector Cantor Altar Care Ushers/Greeters Coffee Hour Acolyte Sound System Bell Ringer Church Cleaner	Martha Messner Denise Richardson Denise Richardson Bob Loitsch Emerson Riley	Ilse S Cindy L & Joyce Shirley G Lane	Deb Lawyer Robin Bush

+ 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 Carol Hart (Walters), Mary Ann Ross (Englands), Kathy Beach (Joan Lambiaso), Margo Graham (Sue Dana), Barbara Loitsch, Doris Quinn (Brown), David Kelefant (Walters), Carmen Alvarez (Hopkins), Allen and Ted Case (uncle/nephew) (Messner)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Pr. Paul & Martha Messner

For young adult: Joe Sherrill

+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 & Pam Miller, David Glynn, Esther Hughes, Bill Jacobsen (D. Brown), Anthony Scarfuto (Boyd),

Dwaine Sharett (Butts), Jim Desrocher (Boyd), Dick Woodhouse (Hazzard), Joyce Boyd, Kenny Medor (Butts), Joan Ackerman (Butts)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Len & Diann Price

For Young Adult: Tyler Lowenguth

+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, Erika Baker-Heinegg, 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), Marge Bonney, Jack Anthony (Stevens), Troy Lutz (Bush), Alan Peeters, Isabell Tophoven, Bev Lapp, Corinne Pollak, Joe Rotolo, James Wikoff (Hulbert), Doris Allen (Klafehn), Wayne Bush Sr (Bush), Vicky Vesely (Bush)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Elsie & Ron Haus

For Young Adult: Matt Struckle

+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, Helga Lange (Winkler), Elise Zayat, Gina Utter (Thompson), Cathy Deleski (Thompson), Alicia Biesler (Thompson), Margie Ortega (Thompson), Amy Cooper (Messner), Mike Quinn (Messner), Rev Judy Thistle (following a car accident), Carman Alvarez (Hopkins), Rita Gallipani (Messner), Ashwin Kalyandurg (Bush), Larry Antemann (Messner), Stash Tarka, Carl Roberts (Messner), Laurence Messner (Pr. Paul), Pr Lynn Ash, Charles Holcomb (Hopkins), Winifred Vogel (Messner). Those struggling with cancer. The mentally ill and those who care for them.

For those preparing for marriage: Shawn and Rebecca (Schultz) Pokorny

For those celebrating childbirth: Brandon and Samantha Damiani

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: All our military veterans and all who are currently serving in all 6 military branches. All those who have given their lives in service to our country throughout America's history

In the Foothills Conference: St. Paul's Lutheran Church, St. Johnsville (Pr. Dave Johnson)

National/ International Concerns: all victims of religious, ethnic, and racial hatred; the people of Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Ukraine, Russia and Taiwan; for the Uyghur Muslims, Tibetan Buddhists, and Christians of China; for those involved in the continuing crisis on our Southern border; for refugees & migrants; for those living in long term care facilities; for an end to violence in our schools and communities; the communities of Buffalo & Erie County; Conklin, Broome County and SUNY Binghamton. The perpetrator and his family. Those who use the internet to foment hatred.

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

+ Peg Hughes +

+ Tom Underwood +

+ the schoolchildren and teacher killed in Uvalde, TX +

+ Parish News and Notes +

+ Pr Lynn Ash (St Matthew and Evangelical) , recently had a stroke while staying with her daughter in Arkansas. She is in occupational and physical therapy; a nurse comes to the home. She is improving slowly and steadily and is in good spirits. She appreciates the prayers and concern. She's staying with her daughter, Eileen (probably will not go back to Florida). The address is 1618 West Emma Ave., Springdale AR 72762.

+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.

+OCLP

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

Attendance & Offering Statistics

Date	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
5/22	17/ 456	9/ 324	17/ 434
**	(\$1,290)	(\$705)	(\$1,309)
5/25	1/ 72	1/ 51	8/ 213

** Needed to meet weekly expenses

+ OCLP +

+Atonement

Thanks to those who came to the special congregational meeting last Sunday after worship. The 4 proposed changes to our current constitution were presented, discussed and unanimously approved. Our updated 2022 Constitution will be available in the office. Thanks to our congregation President, John Mushtare, for shepherding this labor intensive, necessary work on our behalf.

+ THIS WEEK +

Monday, 5/30 - Memorial Day

PrPaul participating at Laurens and Burlington observances

+Wednesday Services:

7:30am St. Matthew

Noon Evangelical

7:00pm Atonement

10:00am Clergy Bible Study

Thursday, 6/2 - St Matthew Council, 7pm

Saturday, 6/4 - Kahrs-Hahlquist weddings, Morris (Pr Paul presides)

+ COMING UP+

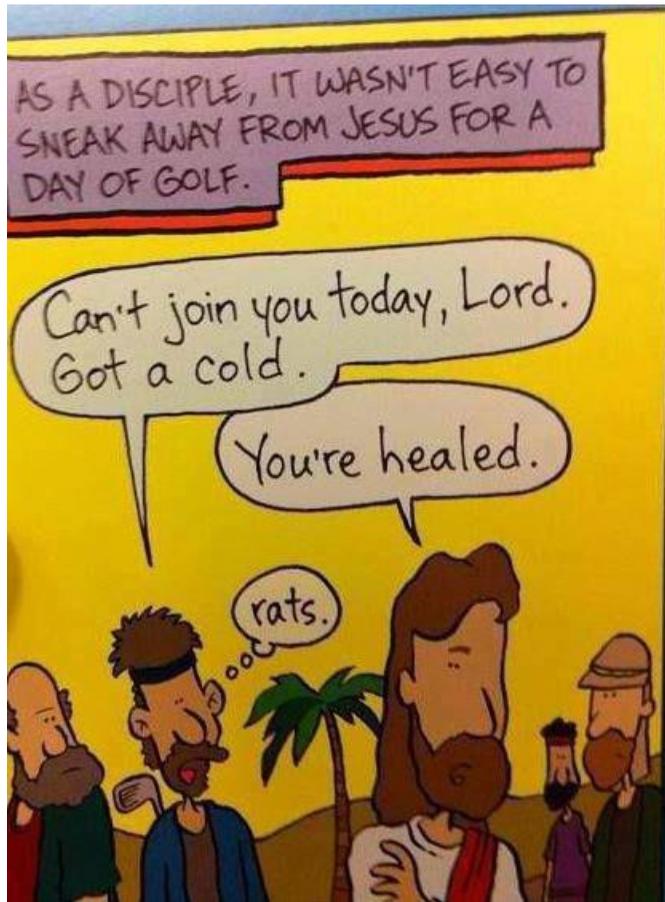
Sunday-Monday, 6/5-6 Upstate NY Synod Assembly, Rochester

Monday- Wednesday, 6/6-8, Pr Paul to Center for Catholic and Evangelical Theology (CCET) conference, Loyola University, Baltimore MD

Saturday 6/11 - OCLP Men's Bkfst, 8:30 am Evangelical

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+CARTOON OF THE WEEK+



RED GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST

To have your geraniums (or other red flowers) listed in the bulletin for Pentecost (June 5th, 2022), please fill out the form below and return via the offering plate or the parish office (1 Center St., Oneonta NY 13820) by Monday May 30th. You may provide your own flowers or bring a check made payable to your congregation. Cost is \$5.00 per plant if ordering thru your local congregation.

NAME _____ **PHONE** _____

PENTECOST FLOWERS given (check one)

IN LOVING MEMORY _____

NAMES _____

IN HONOR OF _____

NAMES _____



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)

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

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.