



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

+ Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost +
Holy Communion (LBW Setting 2)
October 16th, 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**

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* **Entrance Hymn** *You Servants of God*

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* **Apostolic Greeting and Kyrie**

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

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* **Salutation**

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First Prayer: *(7th Century Gelasian)*

O God, our refuge and strength, since you yourself are the author of our devotion, graciously consider the devout prayers of your Church. May what we ask in faith effectively follow by your grace, 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)

First Lesson: A lesson from Genesis:

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

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

Psalmody: 121 (Tones: Single 22; double 45)

I lift up my eyes / to the hills-* from where will my / help come?

My help comes / from the Lord,* who made heav- / en and earth.

He will not let your / foot be moved;* he who keeps you / will not slumber.

He who keeps / Israel* will neither slum- / ber nor sleep.

The Lord / is your keeper;* the Lord is your shade at / your right hand.

The sun shall not strike / you by day,* nor the / moon by night.

The Lord will keep you / from all evil;* he will / keep your life.

The Lord will keep your going out and your / coming in* from this time on and for- / evermore.

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: 2 Tim. 3:14--4:5 A lesson from 2nd Timothy:

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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 18:1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' " And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

* **Hymn of the Day**

Lord Jesus, Think on Me

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RESPONSE

* **Apostles Creed**

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* **Prayers of the Church**

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First Intercession:

Almighty God, it is our joy to be servants in your kingdom; and we would be content to simply do our duty in exchange for your care; but you have promised to share the table in your home. Such amazing love is a mystery, and we cannot fully imagine or understand such a glorious destiny. Be among us with your Spirit that we may be true to the faith you have inspired, and give you the praise that our worship intends.

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

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Musical Offering

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* **Offertory**

Let the Vineyards

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* **Offertory Prayer:**

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Heavenly Father, you wait for our support of the Church to help restore our dignity as we learn to live by faith. Through the willingness of Jesus Christ to fulfill your love, inspire us to become partners with him in his saving ministry and then in the glory he has prepared, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **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:**

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Lord Jesus, by faith we have tasted the life-giving food of your Kingdom and hunger to live and reign with you. Help us to make full use of the new strength we have received to produce the good works that you enjoy. We bless you now and evermore. **Amen.**

SENDING

* **Benediction**

* **Recessional Hymn**

Rise Up, O Saints of God

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Dismissal

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

Postlude

Pastors Pericope Paragraph 10/16

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

Persistence in prayer. Unwilling to be deterred. She is determined to find justice. How long will we endure, persist, have faith when God fails to act - according to our timetable? (Gospel). Jacob is desperate and terrified. He wrestles with whom? A river demon? An angel? God? Himself? His name is changed. So is his identity - for good. (1st lesson). "All scripture is inspired by God". So we proclaim what God has inspired - regardless of the consequences. (2d lesson).

Weekly Worship Practice:

What does "S.T.S." mean after Pastor Paul's name in our bulletin? "Societas Trinitatis Sanctae" (Latin for the Society of the Holy Trinity.) The S.T.S. is an organization of Lutheran clergy formed in 1997 to help pastors live out their ordination vows in a disciplined way. Members follow a "rule" of daily prayer, worship, regular retreats and pastoral visitations and oversight. If you would like to see the STS "rule" see Pr. Paul.

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 Todd Eames (SAM) to lead worship at Evangelical & St. John

Next week we welcome deacon Dave Forbes to lead worship at St. Matthew & Atonement

Serving Today	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
Asst. Minister	Peg Sera-Lima		Jim Crouthamel
Comm. Asst.	Christine Brown	Cindy Lane	
Lector	Denise Richardson	Len Price	Deb Lawyer
Cantor	Peg Sera-Lima		
Altar Care	Christine Brown	Cindy Lane	
Ushers/Greeters	Christine Brown	Dorothy	
Coffee Hour			
Acolyte	Stevie Mendez	Max Pelcer	Victoria Stevens
Sound System		Lane	
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, 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: Aleda Koehn

For young adult: Sam 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: Ilse Seitz

For Young Adult: Blake Rinell

+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), Deb Simmerly

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Dave & Kathy Forbes

For Young Adult: Terri Bonney

+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: Amanda (Olah) and Brandon Andersen

For those preparing for childbirth: Michael & Alicia Hopkins on the birth of Valencia

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: Damian Laird US Marine Corps, stationed in North Carolina

In the Foothills Conference: The Society of the Holy Trinity (STS) and its member pastors (Pr. Paul Messner), especially its senior pastor, Pr. Patrick Rooney and its secretary, (Pr. Pari Bailey); for all clergy support groups

Natural/Man-made Disasters: Victims of drought in Ethiopia, Afghanistan and much of Europe, 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

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

+ Seth Muehl-Cooper +
(2008 – 2022)

+ Walter Gladstone +
(Gloria Hendrick’s Brother)
(1930 – 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
10/9	16/	15/ 682	23/ 821
**	(\$1,290)	(\$705)	(\$1,309)
10/12	1/ 89	1/ 70	8/ 346

**** 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 18th. See bulletin board for details, or pick up info flyers. Thanks!

+ THIS WEEK +

+Today Sunday 10/16 - Holy Communion

+Tuesday 10/18 – Evangelical Women’s Group @ Jackie’s Restaurant 11:30am

+Wednesday Services:

7:30am St. Matthew

Noon Evangelical

7:00pm Atonement

11:00am Clergy Bible Study, Christ Church, Cooperstown

+Thursday Saturday 10/20-22+

Event at the Inauguration of Darren Reisberg as Hartwick College’s 14th President
Foothills Conference Fall Conference Assembly, Canajoharie

+ COMING UP +

+Next Sunday 10/23 – Service of the Word for Pentecost 20
Saint John Council Meeting after worship

+Saturday 10/29 – OCLP Men’s Breakfast @ St. Matthew 8:30am
Altar Server (re-)training, 10:30am

OCLP Annual Octoberfest German Dinner @ Atonement, 5:30pm
(bring a dish to share – preferably German, and table setting)

+Sunday 10/30 – Festival of the Reformation
Holy Communion

+Sunday 11/6

All Saint’s Sunday, Holy Communion
Commemoration of the faithfully departed

+Saturday 11/12

Atonement Fall Rummage Sale

Cartoon of the Week

On Anxiety



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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<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 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.