



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 after Pentecost** +
LBW Service of the Word
July 24th, 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

* **Entrance Hymn**

* **Invocation and Dialog**

* **The Apostles Creed**

* **Canticle**

Parish News

Lord of Light

Holy is the Lord

And have the great immensities . . .

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First Prayer: *(7th Century Gelasian)*

O God, your almighty power is most clearly shown in your mercy and pity. Multiply your grace that we may run to your promises / and be made to share in your heavenly joy, 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: Genesis 18:20-32 A lesson from Genesis:

Then the Lord said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! [21] I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

[22] So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. [23] Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? [24] Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? [25] Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" [26] And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." [27] Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. [28] Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." [29] Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." [30] Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." [31] He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." [32] Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody: Psalm 138 (Tones: single 22; double 24)

I give you thanks, O Lord, with / my whole heart;*
before the gods I / sing your praise;

**I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your
name for your steadfast love and your / faithfulness;*
for you have exalted your name and your word above /
everything.**

On the day I called, you / answered me,*
you increased my / strength of soul.

**All the kings of the earth shall praise / you, O Lord,*
for they have heard the words / of your mouth.**

They shall sing of the ways / of the Lord,*
for great is the glory / of the Lord.

**For though the Lord is high, he re- / gards the lowly;*
but the haughty he perceives from / far away.**

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve me against the wrath of my / enemies;*
you stretch out your hand, and your right hand de- / livers
me.

**The Lord will fulfill his pur- / pose for me;*
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.**

Do not forsake the work / of your hands.

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: Col. 2:6-19 A lesson from Colossians:

As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, [7] rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

[8] See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. [9] For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, [10] and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. [11] In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; [12] when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. [13] And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, [14] erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. [15] He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

[16] Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. [17] These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. [18] Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, [19] and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God. The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

***Gospel Hymn:** *In Thee is Gladness* LBW #552 (St 1)

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

Holy Gospel: Luke 11:1-13 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." [2] He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

[3] Give us each day our daily bread.

[4] And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

[5] And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; [6] for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' [7] And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' [8] I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

[9] "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. [10] For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. [11] Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? [12] Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? [13] If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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

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

***Gospel Hymn:** *In Thee is Gladness* LBW #552 (St 2)

Children's Sermon/Homily

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

RESPONSE

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

Offering (plates are at the door)

Musical Offering

(A)

* **Offertory**

Peace to Soothe our Bitter Woes

LBW #338

* **Offertory Prayer:**

We taste your kindness, O God, in the good things of this creation. Yet we hunger for the fullness of your promise. Take pleasure in the faith that inspires our offerings / and satisfy us with your everlasting gifts. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

* **Prayers of the Church**

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First Intercession:

We worship you O God, for having been a true father to Jesus in the days of his earthly flesh. With that memory he invited us to call you by that happy name. By him we have come to trust the love you have for us and dare to offer our prayers; we come with the faith of children who know they have been blessed with a wonderful father. May our confidence in your love be our freedom to serve your creatures in the same spirit as your Son served us by his cross.

Lord's Prayer

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SENDING

* **Benediction**

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* **Recessional Hymn**

Bind Us Together

WOV #748

Dismissal

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

Postlude

Pastors Pericope Paragraph 7/24

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

"Lord, teach us to pray..." And He did. And we learned to call God "Father", because His Son taught us to. We have been invited into the life and relationship and language of God. We have been invited to ask, seek receive good gifts! (Gospel). Abraham bargains with God, on behalf of others. He challenges God to see just how far His mercy extends. A "minyan" is established (10 as the minimum number for a service) - Jeus will extend it even further ("where 2 or 3 are gathered..."). (1st Lesson). Buried in baptism. Raised in faith. Our sins nailed with Him to His cross. We are rooted in Him and "grow with a growth that is from God" (2d Lesson)

Weekly Worship Practice:

In our pews help us maintain the pew holders with pens/pencils, and 4 or 5 *Voice from the Pew* folders. Use these folders to: record your Holy Communion (at least once a year); request a hymn or prayer; update our records; what else? Check one out!

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 Deb Lawyer to lead worship at Evangelical & St. John

Next week we welcome Deacon Tom Collins to lead worship at St. Matthew & Atonement

Serving Today	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
Comm. Asst.			
Asst. Minister			Jim Crouthamel
Lector	Ed Pixley	Gabe L	Robin Bush
Cantor	Ed Pixley		
Altar Care	Eli England	Cindy L	Nancy Miller
Ushers/Greeters	Dennis	Pelcers	
Coffee Hour			
Acolyte	Ethan Temming		
Sound System		Sliviak	
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 Carol Hart (Walters), Mary Ann Ross (Englands), Margo Graham (Sue Dana), Barbara Loitsch, Doris Quinn (Brown), David Kelefant (Walters), Allen and Ted Case (uncle/nephew) (Messner), Sue (M. Messner); Carleen (M. Messner), Valerie England, Sue Dana, Alice Burdick

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Linda Syversten

For young adult: Alison 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 & Pam Miller, David Glynn, Esther Hughes, Bill Jacobson (D. Brown), Anthony Scarfuto (Boyd), Dwaine Sharett (Butts), Jim Desrocher (Boyd), Dick Woodhouse (Hazzard), Kenny Medor (Butts), Joan Ackerman (Butts), Mary Beth Pedersen

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Yvonne Cornell

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, 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), Rita Knapp (Klafehn)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Corinne Pollak

For Young Adult: Shanna Hitchcock

+Beyond the Parish+

For healing in body, mind and spirit: 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), Ashwin Kalyandurg (Bush), Larry Antemann (Messner), Stash Tarka (Messner), Carl Roberts (Messner), Pr Lynn Ash, Cathy Carroll Ziemba (Messner). Those struggling with cancer. The mentally ill and those who care for them.

For those preparing for marriage: Todd and Sarah (Gosek) Bates

For those preparing for childbirth: Alicia and Michael Hopkins

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: Lt Cody DiNapoli, US Air Force

In the Foothills Conference: The Hartwick Seminary Institute of Theology and all deacon training programs of our synod (name your own deacon); for all deacons and deacon candidates and synod authorized ministries (SAMs); The Rev Kenneth Hunter, St James Episcopal Church, Oneonta. St Mary's Roman Catholic Church in transition as Fr David Mickiewicz leaves to become Rector of Immaculate Conception Cathedral, Albany

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; those who use the internet to foment hatred, for those suffering from Summer's extreme heat.

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

+Joyce Boyd+
(1952?-2022)

+Rita Gallipani+
(1945-2022)

+ 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.

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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

Attendance & Offering Statistics

Date	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
7/17	23/ 613	14/ 470	17/ 591
**	(\$1,290)	(\$705)	(\$1,309)
7/20	1/ 80	2/ 61	10/ 275

**** Needed to meet weekly expenses**

+ OCLP +

+Theo Inst Starts today "Adult Vacation Bible School"! It's called the Hartwick Seminary Summer Institute of Theology! July 24-29 at Hartwick College. Monday-Friday courses (1 hour each day). One time Seminars in the afternoon and Evening. Great teachers. Fellowship! Reasonable costs! Pick up a brochure at any of our congregations. Register now for one class or the week. All are welcome!

Worship daily Evenings (starting Sunday) at 9:15 pm. Mornings at 7:30 am. You don't have to be registered for a class to attend worship.

+ THIS WEEK +

+7/24-29 - 31st Hartwick Seminary Summer Institute of Theology at Hartwick College

+Wednesday Services:

St Matthew service moves to Hartwick College Chapel this week only, 7:30 AM

Noon Evangelical

7:00pm Atonement

10:00am Clergy Bible Study, Christ Church, Cooperstown

+7/30 - 9:30 am - Atonement Worship and Music Comm.

+ COMING UP +

Sunday July 31 - 5th Sunday Service of the Word for Healing (invite others)

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+ QUOTE OF THE WEEK +

*“SUNDAY IS THE GOLDEN CLASP THAT BINDS
TOGETHER THE VOLUME OF THE WEEK.”*

– H. W. LONGFELLOW

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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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 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.