



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** +
WOV Service of Word and Prayer
July 11th, 2021

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

GATHERING

Prelude

*** Opening Hymn**

All My Hope on God is Founded

Welcome & Parish News

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*** Invocation and Dialog**

You Are the Treasure

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*** Scripture Song**

Salvation belongs to our God

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(St 1 – women, St 2 – men, Refrain – all)

First Prayer: (6th Century Leonine)

Richly inspire us, O Lord, to consider and accomplish what you see is good. We cannot live without you / but with you we shall prevail, 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

Wisdom Amos 7:7-15

A lesson from Amos:

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. [8] And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel;

I will never again pass them by;

[9] the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate,

and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste,

and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

[10] Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. [11] For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' "

[12] And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; [13] but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

[14] Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, [15] and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody: 85:8-13 (Tones: single – 54; double – 10)

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,
for he will speak peace / to his people,*
to his faithful, to those who turn to him / in their hearts.

**Surely his salvation is at hand for / those who fear him,*
that his glory may dwell / in our land.**

Steadfast love and faithful/ness will meet;*
righteousness and peace will / kiss each other.

**Faithfulness will spring up / from the ground,*
and righteousness will look down / from the sky.**

The Lord will give / what is good,*
and our land will / yield its increase.

**Righteousness will / go before him,*
and will make a path / for his steps.**

**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: Ephes. 1:3-14 A lesson from Ephesians:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, [4] just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. [5] He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, [6] to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. [7] In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace [8] that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight [9] he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, [10] as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. [11] In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, [12] so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. [13] In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; [14] this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel: Mark 6:14-29 Glory to you, O Lord.

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." [15] But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." [16] But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

[17] For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. [18] For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." [19] And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, [20] for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. [21] But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. [22] When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." [23] And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." [24] She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." [25] Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." [26] The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. [27] Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, [28] brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. [29] When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

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

Children's Sermon/Homily

Pastor Paul Messner (St. Matthew and Atonement)
ELCA Deacon (Ret.) Sandy Shear (Evangelical and St. John)

* **Hymn of the Day**

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD & PRAYER

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

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Apostles' Creed

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Confession & Forgiveness

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* **Sharing the Peace of the Lord**

Offering

Musical Offering

(A)

* **Offertory**

Glory to You God (St.3)

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*** Offertory Prayer:**

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Gracious Father, we know our gifts cannot repay your love. We rather offer them to show our faith in you and Christ your Son. Help us to find good use for all we have / that we may rejoice in what you will always give. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*** Prayers of the Church**

First Intercession:

Father in heaven, you made the world out of nothing and continue to amaze us with a love that obviously plans to make something out of us. We know how ordinary we are, and yet everyday we are glad to see the extraordinary love and good works that you accomplish through us. May these be our vision of the fulfillment of your promise in heaven where undreamed glories will still much more amaze.

Lord's Prayer

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SENDING

*** Benediction**

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Sending Song:

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

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Dismissal

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

Postlude

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Pastors Pericope Paragraph 7/11

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

Herod, the half-Jewish Roman vassal, was jealous and superstitious. He has John the baptizer beheaded because of a foolish drunken promise he made at a party. Vanity and pride often lead to death (Gospel). How do we measure morality? What standard do we use? If we speak out, will we be heard? Amos knows he has no credentials, but he still answered God's call (1st Lesson). We are marked people. Marked with the Spirit of God's promises (in our Baptism), making us "God's own people". We have been adopted as God's children! (2d Lesson)

Weekly Worship Practice:

When hymns have more than 3 or 4 stanzas we often employ a "varied singing" approach, so that not all stanzas are sung by everyone. This can be fun and helps us to hear and "sing" hymns differently (even when we're not singing but listening as we follow the text-the story- the poetry of the hymn). Singing in this antiphonal way (men/women; organ side/pulpit side, etc.) helps us to hear a hymn in a new way. When we are asked to sing in "harmony" most of us will sing the melody tune, but others the alto, tenor and bass parts so we have a nice 4 part harmony. If you have internet access, Google "singing with Lutherans" by Garrison Keillor to re-learn why we are often called "The Singing Church"

Monthly Prayer Lists - Please add any names for our weekly prayer list on the Monthly Prayer List form when you pick up your bulletin. WE are called to pray for one another. Help us do that!

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.

+OCLP+

+ We welcome ELCA Deacon (Ret.) Sandy Shear to lead worship at Evangelical and St. John.
Next week ELCA Deacon (Ret.) Sandy Shear will lead worship at Atonement and St. Matthew
Next week Pastor Jim Crouthamel will lead worship at Evangelical and St. John

Readings Through This Week

See website: <https://www.otsegocountylutheranparish.com>

Serving Today	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
Asst. Minister Comm. Asst. Lector Cantor *Altar Care Ushers/Greeters Coffee Hour Acolyte Sound System Bell Ringer Church Cleaner	Joan Carman Paul Messner Becky Milford Gary Walters Carter Thompson	Gabe L Ilse & Dorothy Pelcers Sliviak	Jim Crouthamel

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+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 Sorese (C. Heaney), Evelyn Hamilton (Lehenbauer), 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), Joan Carman

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Len & Ginny Pudelka

For young adult: Anna Boerner

+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 (son), Esther Hughes, Tom Pritchard, Charlie Hughes, Pete Lane

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Donna & Bill Brown

For Young Adult: Keira Higgins

+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), Maureen McAndrew (Greenleaf), Mike McAndrew (Greenleaf), Kathy Forbes, Mike Keator

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Sara Eggers

For Young Adult: Terri Bonney

+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), Jim Sippel (Velez), Geoff Murphy (Walters), Steven Morris (Messner), Helga Lange (Winkler), Henry Gregory (St. John), Lacey Hecker (St. John), Elise Zayat, Pete Bade

For those preparing for marriage: Alex Tesoriero & Sarah Baum

For those preparing for childbirth: Tim & Alyssa Lehenbauer

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: Phil Kraft, OPD

In the Foothills Conference: Evangelical Lutheran Church, Gallupville (Pr. Peter DeBartolo)
Barnerville United Methodist Church (Pr. Robin Ressler)

National/ International Concerns: all victims of religious, ethnic, and racial hatred and prejudice, for victims of genocide and slavery; the people of Afghanistan, Israel & Palestine (for

Jews, Muslims, & Christians in the Holy Land); victims of anti-Semitism and anti-Asian hatred; for those involved in the continuing crisis on our Southern border; our country in this time of continuing deep division

Natural and Man-Made Disasters: Victims of all debilitating diseases, and those struggling with social isolation; victims of the apartment building collapse in Miami, FL

**+Blessed are the Dead+
Whom We Commend to the Lord**

+ Victims of Tropical Storm Elsa

+ 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
7/4	17/ 498 \$2455	118/ 564	14/ 552 \$4245
**	(\$1,290)	(\$705)	(\$1,309)
7/7	- / 39	- / 35	6/ 198

**** Needed to meet weekly expenses**

+ OCLP +

+Atonement

Today we rejoice with the McCoy & Rothenberger families on the baptism of Taylor Dale today at Atonement

+OCLP

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

+ The 30th Hartwick Seminary Summer Institute of Theology will be held on the Hartwick College campus July 25-30 this year. A total of 12 Monday – Friday classes will be offered, each lasting for one hour during the morning or early afternoon. Additionally, 18 one-time seminars will be held during the afternoon and evening hours. Topics include biblical studies, theology, current issues, spirituality, worship, and faith foundation. A diverse faculty from a variety of Christian traditions will be teaching again this year.

Worship will be held at 7:30am and 9:15am each day at Shineman Chapel on campus. Wednesday evening worship is the service of Holy Communion at 7:30pm. Pre-service music will begin at 7:15pm. All are welcome to any service, even if not taking any classes.

The 30th Institute Banquet is Wednesday evening at 5:30pm, Dewar Hall dining facility. Cost is \$14 and reservations are required. The banquet speaker will be Dr. Gary Herion. Brochures are available at church, or from Pr. Paul via e-mail (prpaul_theoinst@hotmail.com).

Hartwick College does require all those who will be on campus to be fully vaccinated for COVID-19.

+ THIS WEEK +

Today: 1st Coffee Hour at St. Matthew in 18 months!

+Wednesday Services:

7:30am St. Matthew

Noon Evangelical

7:00pm Atonement

Thursday – Sunday (7/15 – 7/18): Pr. Paul to Charleston SC (wedding)

+ Coming Up +

Hartwick Seminary Institute of Theology (7/25 – 30)

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While Pr. Paul is away, Deacon Sandy Shear is on call for pastoral emergencies
(518) 852-6218

Cartoon of the Week

Technically, Moses



**was the first person
with a tablet
downloading data
from the cloud**

Otsego County 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 9:30 am (Holy Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays + festivals)

Joyce Boyd: President

Donna Brown: Organist

St. John Lutheran Church, West Burlington, NY

Sunday Worship 11:00 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)

Dave Forbes: 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 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.