



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

+ **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost** +
WOV Service of Word and Prayer
October 10th, 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**

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Welcome & Parish News

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* **Invocation and Dialog**

You Are the Treasured People

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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: *(7th Century Gelasian)*

Continue the faithful care of your Family, O Lord. Under your protection it can be free from trouble / and devoted to the works that bring glory to your name, 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: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 A lesson from Amos:

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore because you trample on the poor

and take from them levies of grain,

you have built houses of hewn stone,

but you shall not live in them;

you have planted pleasant vineyards,

but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions,

and how great are your sins--

you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe,

and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time;

for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil, that you may live;

and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you,

just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate;
it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts,
will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

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

Psalmody: 90:12-17 (Tones: single – 54; double – 10)

So teach us to / count our days*
that we may gain / a wise heart.

Turn, O / Lord! How long?*

Have compassion / on your servants!

Satisfy us in the morning with your / steadfast love,*
so that we may rejoice and be glad / all our days.

**Make us glad as many days as you have af- / flicted us,*
and as many years as we / have seen evil.**

Let your work be manifest / to your servants,*
and your glorious power / to their children.

**Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
and prosper for us the work / of our hands--***

O prosper the work / of our 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: Hebrews 4:12-16

A lesson from Hebrews:

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. [13] And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

[14] Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. [15] For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. [16] Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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

* **Gospel Acclamation**

Word of Life

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Holy Gospel: Mark 10:17-31 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" [18] Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. [19] You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.' " [20] He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." [21] Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." [22] When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

[23] Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" [24] And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! [25] It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." [26] They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" [27] Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

[28] Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." [29] Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, [30] who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age--houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions--and in the age to come eternal life. [31] But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

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

Children's Sermon/Homily

Pr. Jim Crouthamel (Evangelical & St. John)
Deacon Deb Lawyer (St. Matthew & Atonement)

* **Hymn of the Day**

When Long Before Time

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD & PRAYER

Apostles' Creed

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Confession & Forgiveness

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* **Sharing the Peace of the Lord**

Offering

Musical Offering

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* **Offertory**

Glory to You God (St.3)

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* **Offertory Prayer:**

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Lord Jesus Christ, you came with empty hands to gain our trust. Show us those in whom you still are poor and crucified; and help us fill your hands and cleanse your wounds / that we may gladly greet you when we see you glorified. You are the Lord forevermore. **Amen.**

* Prayers of the Church

First Intercession:

Eternal Lord, you have blessed us with much that is good and pleasant. We worship you for this love and pray to become more worthy of it. Help us, however, to distinguish between this love and that unique love which you have shown us in Jesus your Son, by which we have eternal life. By grateful lives of obedience and sacrifice, make us fit for his heavenly fellowship.

Lord's Prayer

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SENDING

* Benediction

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Sending Song:

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

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Dismissal

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

Postlude

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Pastors Pericope Paragraph 10/10

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

"What must I do...?" A good man, steeped in the traditions of Judaism and a keeper of the commandments, asks with sincerity. Jesus loves him straight away yet sees the one thing lacking: his possessions possessed him. "Go, sell, give to the poor, and follow me...". He leaves in grief. The disciples in shock, wonder about what they've already given up: "Everything", Peter says. Jesus responds - you will get more than this back (Oh, "with persecutions"). What will we "Leave behind" for Jesus? What will we get in return? (Gospel). "Seek the Lord and live"...or else...! (1st lesson). Jesus is our High Priest who sympathizes with us and endures all for us, so we may approach God with boldness! (2d lesson)

Weekly Worship Practice:

Prior to worship, many take time to reverently prepare themselves for the liturgy by praying, quietly reflecting, marking hymnals and Bibles etc. Please respect those doing this by keeping conversation and greeting whispered or outside the sanctuary (in the narthex or parlor). This also models reverence to our children and youth! Thank you!

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 or education 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.

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.

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+ We welcome Deacon Deb Lawyer to lead worship at Atonement and St. Matthew, and Pr. Jim Crouthamel to lead worship at Evangelical and St. John.
Next week Deacon Dave Forbes 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 Becky Milford Christine Brown Emerson Riley	Len P Cindy L & Joyce Pelcers Brunner	Jim Crouthamel Nancy Miller

+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), Jeremy Sorese (C. Heaney), Evelyn Hamilton (Lehenbauer), Rene Prins, Thomas Mendez, Heather Byrnes, Charlotte Grant, Grace & Chuck Dietzman, Barbara Loitsch, Rita Nelson, Elizabeth Robinson (Messner), Micheal George (Brown), Thoranne Winkler

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Sandee Fleisher

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 & Pam Miller, David Glynn, Len Price (son), Esther Hughes, Tom Pritchard, Tad Mahoney, Micheal George (Brown), Bill Jacobson (D. Brown), Carl Hecker, Eric & Amy Burda

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Roberta Rowland-Raybold

For Young Adult: Gunnar 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, Mary Hartmann (Nelson), Kent Hoyt Jr. (Ganio), Owen Basher (Marsh), Rennie Brown (Janet), Jason Hahn, Kathy & Rich Parsons, Karen Smith, Joe Hartmann, Terri Ibelli (Wood), Robert & Patricia Psaltz (Sherry), Maureen McAndrew (Greenleaf), Mike McAndrew (Greenleaf), Fred Veseley, Cathy (Struckle), Bernie Sitts Jr.

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

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, Sue Haney, Rachel Fisher (Messner), Doug Dutcher (Crouthamel), Geoff Murphy (Walters), Helga Lange (Winkler), Elise Zayat, Kelsey Kohler (Mansbach), Judy Carnal (Dana), Gina Utter (Thompson), Cathy Deleski (Thompson), Alicia Biesler (Thompson), Margie Ortega (Thompson), Amy Cooper (Messner)

For those celebrating marriage: Sydney Flemister & Matthew Parnell

For those preparing for childbirth: Kyle & Jillian (Skidmore) Besemer

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: for the US Border Patrol

In the Foothills Conference: Sunday Schools, students and staff, all educational ministries

National/ International Concerns: all victims of religious, ethnic, and racial hatred, prejudice, genocide and slavery; the people of Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Haiti, Israel & Palestine (for Jews, Muslims, & Christians in the Holy Land); for those involved in the continuing crisis on our Southern border; for refugees & migrants

Natural and Man-Made Disasters: for those living in long term care facilities

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

+ Eleanor Messner +
(1944-2021)

+ Kathleen Wayman +
(-2021)

+ Martha Gold +
(1927-2021)

+ The Rev. Dr. David W. Preus +
Former President, The American Lutheran Church
(1922-2021)

+ The Rev. Dr. Walter Wangerin +
(1944-2021)

+ 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
10/3	23/ 716 \$1140	20/ 781	15/ 804 \$1171
**	(\$1,290)	(\$705)	(\$1,309)
10/6	1/ 52	1/ 47	9/ 272

**** 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

Wednesday 10/13: Evangelical Council Meeting, 12:30pm

Saturday 10/16: Foothills Conference Fall Assembly @ Grace Lutheran Church, Johnstown

+ Coming Up +

Sunday 10/17: Atonement Council follows worship

Saturday 10/23: Acolyte Training & Review, St. Matthew 10am

Sunday 10/24: OCLP Council Meeting, St. Matthew 1pm

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Quote of the Week

Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of the overcoming of it.

-- Helen Keller

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 9:30 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 must 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.

Items should be emailed to the OCLP office and appear exactly as you wish them to in the bulletin.