

+ Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost +
Holy Communion (LBW Setting 1)
November 5th, 2023
+ Festival of All Saints +

(* = Stand as you are able; LBW = Lutheran Book of Worship-green book)

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Parish News

* **Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness**

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* **Entrance Hymn**

For All the Saints

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(st 3-w, st 4-harmony, st 5-m, st 6-quietly, st 7 & 8- boldly)

* **Apostolic Greeting & Kyrie**

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* **Hymn of Praise:**

This is the feast . . .

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(1-women, 2-men)

* **First Prayer** (*1549 Book of Common Prayer*)

O Almighty God, you have knit your elect together into one fellowship, the mystical body of Christ our Lord. Give us grace to follow the godly lives of your blessed saints, that we may also come to those inexpressible joys which you have prepared for those who truly love you, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. He lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Musical Offering

WORD

First Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17 A lesson from Revelation:

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. [10] They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

[11] And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces

before the throne and worshiped God, [12] singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

[13] Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" [14] I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. [15] For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple,

and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
[16] They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;
[17] for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

Psalmody: 34:1-10,22 (tones 32-single; 24-double)

I will bless the Lord / at all times;*

his praise shall continually be / in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast / in the Lord;*

let the humble hear / and be glad.

O magnify the / Lord with me, *

and let us exalt his / name together.

I sought the Lord, and he / answered me, *

and delivered me from / all my fears.

Look to him, / and be radiant;*

so your faces shall never / be ashamed.

This poor soul cried, and was heard / by the Lord, *

and was saved from / every trouble.

The angel of the / Lord encamps*

around those who fear him, and de- / livers them.

O taste and see that the / Lord is good;*

happy are those who take re- / fuge in him.

O fear the Lord, you his / holy ones, *

for those who fear him / have no want.

The young lions suffer / want and hunger, *

but those who seek the Lord lack / no good thing.

The Lord redeems the life / of his servants;*

none of those who take refuge in him will / be condemned.

**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: 1 John 3:1-3 A lesson from First John:

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. [2] Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. [3] And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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

* **Alleluia Verse**

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

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Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. [2] Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

[3] "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

[4] "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

[5] "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

[6] "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

[7] "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

[8] "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

[9] "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

[10] "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

[11] "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. [12] Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

* **Praise to you, O Christ**

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Homily

Pr. Paul Messner (A/ St. M)

Tom Collins (E/ St. J)

* **Hymn of the Day**

Oh, What Their Joy

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RESPONSE

* **Nicene Creed**

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* **Prayers of the Church**

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* **Commemoration of the Faithful Departed**

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First Intercession:

Lord God, we rejoice in your teaching that the church is an ageless "communion of saints". Having gathered those who faithfully waited in hope for the redemption you promised, consider us also who are celebrating the love of your Christ for the redemption of the world. Prepare a place for us among those who already rejoice with you. Help us remember them as an encouragement to saintly living, exciting us to love as we anticipation reunion.

*** Sharing the Peace of the Lord**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering (plate at the door)

Musical Offering

*** Presentation of Gifts and Offertory**

Let the Vineyards

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*** Offertory Prayer**

Almighty God, your saints were often poor, but you made them rich in works of faith. Help us bring gifts that store up heavenly treasure, which no moth nor rust destroy, through 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**

Lord, now let . . .

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*** Post Communion Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ, we eagerly await the day when we will eat and drink with you and all the saints in light. We thank you for this sacred meal which already joins us to them in faith and praise. Make us more like these who followed you. We bless you now and evermore. **Amen.**

SENDING

*** Benediction**

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*** Recessional Hymn**

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

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*** Dismissal**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

+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, Rebecca Pollack (Joan Carman), Bridgette Shepardson (Thompson), Rene Prins, Heather Mendoza, Grace & Chuck Dietzman, Rita Nelson, Thoranne Winkler, Monica Koulis (Winkler), Valerie England, Jennifer Carman, Lisa Cooper (Syvertsen), Janna Benston (Sherrill), Gary Williams, Jill A. (Cindy), Jason Pallack (Carman), Barb Delaney (Serra-Lima/ Winkler), Stash Tarka (Thompson), Jim Baker, John Cook, Florence Jelliffe (Heaney), Karla Goss (Bauer)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Sue Dana & Les Leviness

For young adult: Tyler Evans

+Evangelical+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: 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), Kenny Medor (Butts), Joan Ackerman (Butts), Ansley (Butts), Wendy Wenck Craighill (Miller), Julie Sharrett, Lynne Hecker, Roberta Rowland Raybold, Elsie Wells, Davin Ruffles (Messner), Bob Pierro (Butts), Jean Haff, Debbie Kiser (Butts)

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

For Young Adult: Abe Lippitt

+St. Matthew+

For healing in body, mind and spirit in our own congregation: Scott Forbes, Tina Keator, Sherrie Roy (Lawyer), Barbara Gesile, Gina Pywar, Melissa McLaughlin (S. Eggers), Cathy Walsh (Stevens), Owen Basher (Marsh), Rennie Brown (Janet), Jason Hahn, Maureen McAndrew (Greenleaf), Mike McAndrew (Greenleaf), Jack Anthony (Stevens), Troy Lutz (Bush), Alan & Linda Peeters, Corinne Pollak, James Wikoff (Hulbert), Vicky Vesely (Bush), Helmut Boehl, Anna Elwyn (Rose Nelson), Ellie Bauman, Carol Evans, Patti Hulbert, Ann and Mike Monahan, Gus Pfeuffer, Carol (Nelson) Doane, Lynn Robinson, Larry Winslow, Mary Crouthamel, Jennifer Dilello (Stevens)

For senior and/ or homebound members and friends: Carol Evans

For Young Adult: Travis Marsh

+Beyond the Parish+

For healing in body, mind and spirit: Jackie Hesse (Lawyer), Rosemary Pepe (Eggers), Dorothy Fernandez, (Eggers), Dick Armstrong, Gina Utter (Thompson), Cathy Deleski (Thompson), Alicia Biesler (Thompson), Margie Ortega (Thompson), Pr Lynn Ash, former President Jimmy Carter & 1st Lady Rosalyn Carter, David Wolff, Davilynn Cifonelli (Doane-Nelson), Kathryn Morris (Messner), Sue Stevens (Mansbach), Joe Bales (Messner), Dave Powell (Simmerly), Tyler Brazinski (Messner), Dorcas Brown (Christine Brown), Alen Brown (Christine Brown), Karen Flaherty (Crouthamel), Davin Ruffles, Dave Delker, Vinny Mortellaro (Messner), Pat Wheeler (Serra-Lima), Marilyn Gonzalez (Messner), Dave McDermott (Messner)

For those preparing for marriage: Eric Jones & Susan Caramundo

For those preparing for childbirth: Josh & Faith Gruver

For those in the military, law enforcement and emergency services: Michael Andela, US Army

In the Foothills Conference: All those who have died in the faith, especially in the past year (name your own)

National/ International Concerns: For all refugees and migrants; victims of violence in our communities; those struggling with economic conditions, food insecurity, and homelessness; the people of Ukraine and Russia; for the victims of the terrorist attacks and war in Israel, Gaza, and Lebanon

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

+ Kathy Parsons +
(1947-2023)

+ Edward Knowles +

+ Howard Turnbull +

+ Parish News and Notes +

+OCLP+

The Voices of Cooperstown is excited to offer a traditional Festival of Lessons and Carols on Saturday December 16 at 4pm. Rehearsals are on Sundays at 6pm in the church at Christ Church. Mark Johnson, the Director of Music at Christ Church will be conducting and leading our rehearsals and Peter Deysenroth will be playing the organ. We look forward to getting together and singing again!

Pastors Pericope Paragraph 11/5

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

To be blessed, in Jesus' understanding, is to be in a relationship with God, that is counterintuitive to the power games and "one-up-manship" of this world. Jesus' followers live by a different protocol, a way of life that makes no logical sense here and now (Gospel). Jesus' followers have come through "the great ordeal" and have remained faithful. Their reward is great, as the Lamb guides them, and the Father "wipes away every tear from their eyes" (1st lesson). God "proves" His love by calling us His children. And so we live in hope! (2nd 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.

+OCLP+

We welcome Tom Collins to lead worship at Evangelical and St. John

Next Sunday ELCA Deacon (Ret.) Sandy Shear will lead worship at St. Matthew and Atonement

Readings Through This Week

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

Serving Today	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew
Asst. Minister			Deb Lawyer
Comm. Asst.	Sue Dana	Cindy L	
Lector	Sue Dana	Esther H	Jim Crouthamel
Cantor	Sue Dana		
*Altar Care	Becky Milford	Carol B & Dorothy	
Ushers/Greeters	John Mushtare & Victor G	Lanes	
Coffee Hour			
Acolyte	Henry Underwood	Levi VanDeusen	Alicia Stevens
Sound System		Hazzard	
Bell Ringer			
Church Cleaner			

Attendance & Offering Statistics

Date	Atonement	Evangelical	St. Matthew	St. John
10/29	22/ 1108	13/ 640	18/ 936	4/ 263
11/1	5/ 148	1/ 68	7/ 354	
**	(\$1,290)	(\$850)	(\$1,309)	

**** Needed to meet weekly expenses**

+ THIS WEEK +

+ Tuesday 11/7

Election Day

6:00pm 1st Tuesday Supper @ St. Matthew, theme: pies (main dish, dessert, etc.)

+ Wednesday 10/18

7:30am St. Matthew – worship

10:30am Clergy Bible Study, Christ Church, Cooperstown

Noon Evangelical – devotions
3:00pm Evangelical Council meeting
4:00pm Atonement Worship & Music Committee
7:00pm Atonement – devotions

+ Saturday 11/11
8:30am OCLP deacons' breakfast @ Evangelical

+ **COMING UP** +
+ Sunday 11/12
Service of the Word for Healing (transferred from 10/29)

+ Tuesday 11/14
4:00pm Atonement Worship & Music meeting

+ Wednesday 11/15
3:00pm Evangelical Council meeting

In the Rising of the Sun, A Jewish Prayer

In the rising of the sun and in its going down, we remember them.
In the glowing of the wind and in the chill of winter, we remember them.
In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring, we remember them.
In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer, we remember them.
In the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn, we remember them.
In the beginning of the year and when it ends, we remember them.
When we are weary and in the need of strength, we remember them.
When we have joys and we yearn to share, we remember them.
So long as we live, they too shall live, for they are now a part of us, as we remember them.