

## LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT

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Sunday, Nov. 2, 2025

9:30 a.m.

## Welcome to Worship at Atonement

- > We are delighted to have you worship at Atonement today. Wherever you are on your journey of faith and life, we extend to you a warm welcome. May the Holy Spirit richly bless your worship.
- ➤ We invite you to fill out the attendance form in the bulletin and hand it to the ushers when coming forward for Holy Communion. If you are a guest with us this morning, please leave some contact information so we can get in touch with you about how to connect with what's going on in this faith community.
- Sound enhancement receivers for the hearing-impaired and those with hearing aids are available. Large print worship folders are also available. Please ask an usher prior to the service.
- We welcome to the Lord's Table all Baptized Christians who commune in their home parish and who wish to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of their sins. Those with questions about the meaning of Holy Communion or who wish a private confession and absolution should contact a pastor during the week prior to communing.
- ➤ Both individual cups and the chalice (common cup) are now offered to communicants. The chalice is available only for intinction (dipping the host into the wine). The darker wine in the center of the tray is non-alcoholic. Gluten-free wafers are available by asking the pastor. Those desiring a blessing may fold their arms across their chests.
- > The congregation responds with those portions in **bold** print.
- ➤ Please turn off all cell phones and pagers and refrain from flash photography.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Will meet today.

**ADULT FORUM (Education Hour):** Everyone meet in Fellowship to hear Pastor Michael Jones discuss Atonement's new Early Learning Center.

**NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSONS:** 

Job 19:23-27a; 2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 13-17: 5; Luke 20:27-38

## ELW, Setting 3 (All Saints Sunday) Nov. 2, 2025

PRELUDE: Rise Up, O Saints of God - Michael Burkhardt

#### **WELCOME**

In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest." In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today's gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory.

#### **+++GATHERING+++**

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

The assembly stands.

### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P In the name of  $\pm$  One who was, who is, and who is to come.

C Amen.

P Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, And called to live the baptized life, Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

P Holy God, We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,

Water that makes a people your own,

That restores us to wholeness,

And empowers us to be witnesses in your name.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,

Waters that strengthen believers

And give new life to beloved servants of your church;

Waters that extend your boundless love

And cross barriers of your own making.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

C make us one as you are one.

P We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, Waters that open the hearts of believers And give a voice in the night to those in captivity; Waters that set your people on a new path, Rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One, C make us one as you are one.

P Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C Amen.

GATHERING HYMN ELW 873 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" vs 1-3

# Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!



- 5 At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest. *Refrain*
- 6 Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore: the Father, Son, and Spirit blest, one God forevermore. *Refrain*

Text: Edward H. Plumptre, 1821–1891, alt. Music: MARION, Arthur H. Messiter, 1834–1916

#### **GREETING**

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

## HYMN OF PRAISE "This is the Feast" ELW pg. 139





### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

P Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you,

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### C Amen

The assembly is seated.

#### +++WORD+++

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

## FIRST READING: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

A reading from Daniel.

<sup>1</sup> In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: <sup>2</sup> I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, <sup>3</sup> and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

<sup>15</sup> As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. <sup>16</sup> I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: <sup>17</sup> "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. <sup>18</sup> But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

R The word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

**PSALM: Psalm 149** The psalm is spoken in unison.

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song, God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

<sup>2</sup> Let Israel rejoice in their maker;

let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.

- <sup>3</sup> Let them praise their maker's name with dancing; let them sing praise with tambourine and harp.
- <sup>4</sup> For the LORD takes pleasure in the people and adorns the poor with victory.
- <sup>5</sup> Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; let them sing for joy on their beds.
- <sup>6</sup> Let the praises of God be in their throat and a two-edged sword in their hand,
- <sup>7</sup> to wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,
- <sup>8</sup> to bind their kings in chains and their nobles with links of iron,
- <sup>9</sup> to inflict on them the judgment decreed; this is glory for all God's faithful ones. Hallelujah!

## **SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:11-23**

A reading from Ephesians.

<sup>11</sup> 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, <sup>12</sup> so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup> 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; <sup>14</sup> this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

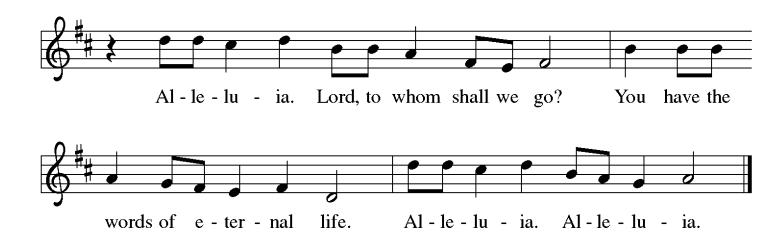
<sup>15</sup> I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup> so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup> God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup> And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

R The word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Children's message. Children are then dismissed to Sunday School.

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW SETTING 3 pg. 142



### GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31

P The holy gospel according to Luke.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

- <sup>20</sup> Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:
  - "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
  - <sup>21</sup> "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.
  - "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.
- <sup>22</sup> "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.
  - <sup>24</sup> "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.
  - <sup>25</sup> "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.
  - "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.
- <sup>26</sup> "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets. <sup>27</sup> "But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; <sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. <sup>29</sup> If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup> Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. <sup>31</sup> Do to others as you would have them do to you."

P The gospel of the Lord. C Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

**SERMON** Pastor Larry Lemke

Meditation: Time to reflect on the message.

Here at Atonement we give you thanks for the lives of those who have died since November 1, 2024, and we raise them up now, trusting in your promise of eternal life.

Janice Bailey, Beverly Hammer, Henry Kuethe, Carol Peachee, Roger Riemann, Dorothy Becker, Tom Lanzer, Jean Beck, James Laffold, Cheryl Tucker, Carol Hegger, Richard Meyer, Martha Sandford, Gus Carlson

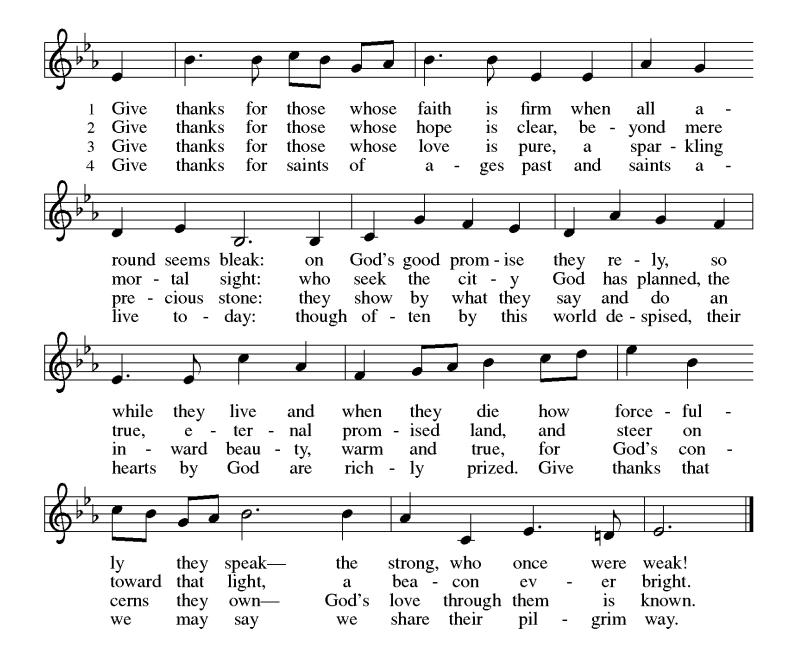
We praise you for the gift of baptism and pray for all who have been baptized since November 1, 2024. Bless these families as you knit them together with the Body of Christ. *Averie Christine Blight, Lillian Rose Desmond, Franklin Wayne Renot-Taggart* 

We praise you for the gift of baptism affirmed, naming before you those who have publicly affirmed their baptism since November 1, 2024. *Noah Mandrell, Emma Randoll* 

We praise you, O God, for all the saints, those who are living and those who have died, those gathered here today. Amen.

## HYMN OF THE DAY ELW 428 "Give Thanks for the Saints"

## Give Thanks for Saints



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## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each petition concludes: Hear us O. God,

C: Your mercy is great.

#### THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

The people may greet each other with a sign of peace and may say "Peace be with you" or similar words. Then the assembly is seated.

MUSIC DURING THE OFFERING: Oh, Sing to the Lord a New Song John Leavitt

#### +++MEAL+++

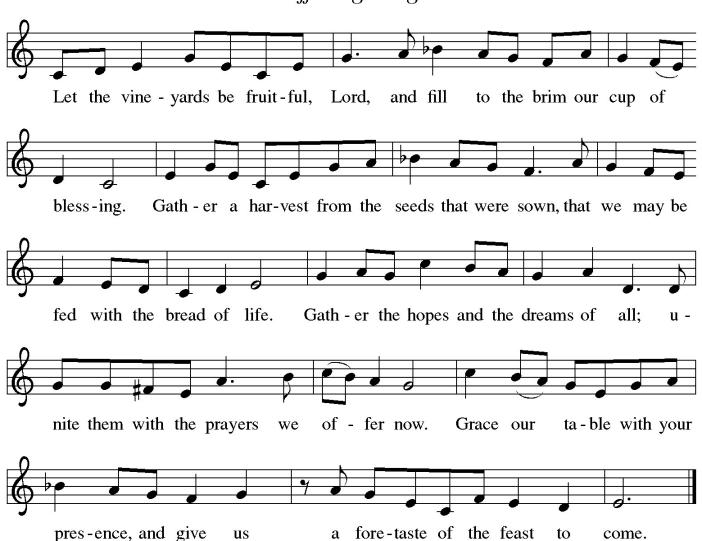
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

The gifts of our tithes and offerings are presented and the altar is prepared for the Lord's Supper.

The assembly stands as the gifts are brought forward.

**OFFERTORY: ELW 182** 

# Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful Offering Song



Text: John W. Arthur, 1922-1980 Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923

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#### OFFERING PRAYER

A Merciful God,

C We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

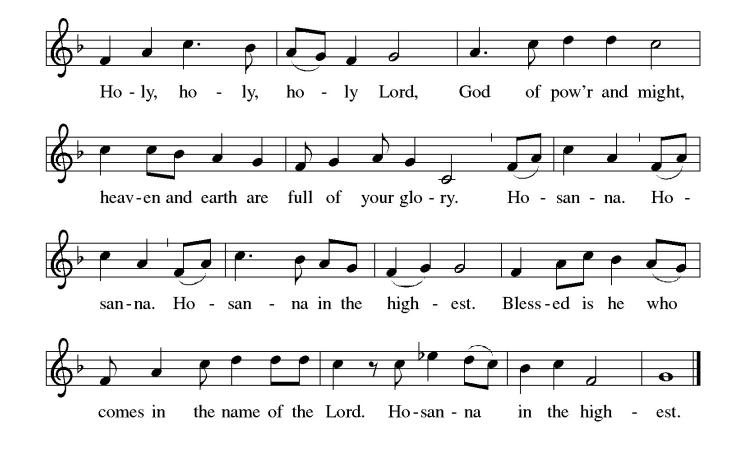
C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **PREFACE**

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ.

In the wonder and mystery of the Word made flesh you have opened the eyes of faith to a new and radiant vision of your glory, that, beholding the God made visible, we may be drawn to love the God whom we cannot see. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW pg. 144



#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

## C Amen

### LORD'S PRAYER

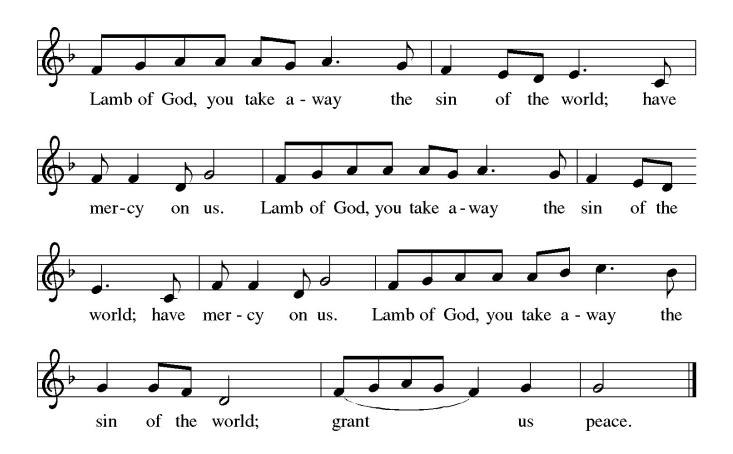
P Please join me in the prayer Jesus taught us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION: LAMB OF GOD ELW pg. 146

P The gifts of God for the people of God. *The assembly is seated*.

The ushers invite the assembly forward, where they receive bread and either wine or grape juice. If you need to receive communion in your pew, please let the usher(s) know.



## **HYMNS DURING DISTRIBUTION** (see next page)





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## For All the Saints





Text: William W. How, 1823–1897 Music: SINE NOMINE, Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958 Outside USA: Music from *The English Hymnal*, © Oxford University Press 1906.

# By All Your Saints Apostles, Prophets, Martyrs



- 1 By all your saints still striv ing, for all your saints at rest,
- 2 A pos-tles, proph-ets, mar tyrs, and all the no-ble throng
- 3 Give praise to God Al might y, and wor ship God the Son,



your ho - ly name, O Je - sus, for - ev - er - more be blessed! who wear the spot - less rai - ment and raise the cease-less song—and sing to God the Spir - it, e - ter - nal Three in One,



For you a - rose vic - to - rious that they might wear the crown for these passed on be - fore us, we sing our praise a - new till all the ran-somed num - ber fall down be - fore the throne,



and share the light of glo - ry re - flect - ed from your throne. and, walk - ing in their foot - steps, would live our lives for you. and hon - or, pow'r, and glo - ry as - cribe to God a - lone.

Text: Horatio Bolton Nelson, 1823–1913, alt. Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

The assembly stands.

#### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

P May this body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

中 Amen

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

C Amen

#### +++ **SENDING** +++

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Brief announcements may be made, especially those related to the assembly's participation in God's mission in the world.

### RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING

P May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you + peace.

Amen.

**SENDING SONG: ELW 873** "Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart" vs 4-6 (see music from Gathering Hymn)

#### **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Toccata in D Minor - Johann Sebastian Bach

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### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Preacher	Pastor Larry Lemke
Assisting Ministers	Jennifer Negwer, Ruth Blundell
Communion Assistants	Norm Koch, Bonnie David, Jeri Dietz
Crucifer	Greg Viehman
Bell Choir Director	Sharon Carter Eichenberger
Organist	Cindy Vantine
Choir Director	Dr. Bruce Vantine
Joyful Noiz Director	Jim Baumgartner
Altar Guild	Jeanette Thwing, Jan Keppel
Greeters	
Ushers	Bill Meyerkord
Trustee.	Ron Behrens

#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**Deaths:** Gus Carlson

**Hospitalized or Ill:** Ann Behrens, Thelma Carlson, Ginny Groves, Shirl Henke, Jane Mark, Carolyn Nimmons, June Schmidt, Elaine Skarstad, Glenda Warren, Barb Wishon

**Our Loved Ones/Friends:** Becky Cole (Dave Cole's sister), Ian Hawkins (Faith Brooks's son), Jeannette Higginbotham (friend of Jaimy Suydam), Ted Hinkebein, Marilee Viehman (Greg Viehman's mother), Dennis Whittington (Mary Beth Sandcork's father), Joyce & Wayne Winter

Our chronically-ill and homebound loved ones and friends: Jacki Bickel, Teri Branhof, Nancy Marxkors, John Meyer, Vivian Meyer, Maxine Pabst, Jim Temps, Joan Torbeck Names will be removed from the prayer list after two weeks unless the church office is notified on Monday of the preceding week.

\*\*Copies of Taking Faith Home are available at the usher stand or on the table in the narthex.

Flowers on the altar are from Greg Viehman in memory of Greg's father, Ed Viehman.

#### **OUR CONGREGATION**

Atonement is a family of professing Christians who are in ministry to serve the Lord Jesus Christ. We have been in ministry since September 30, 1951. Atonement School has begun its 69th academic year with the mission statement "Teaching children of God the skills needed for a lifetime of learning, worshipping, and caring, so that the world see Jesus in them."

#### **OUR AFFILIATIONS**

We are members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and support local ministries including Lutheran Family and Children's Services, Humanitri, Lutheran High Schools, LuMin Campus Ministry, PAKT, and The Emergency Assistance Ministry (TEAM).

#### **OUR TEAM**

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#### **OUR CALENDAR**

This Weekend – All Saint's Sunday
9:30 a.m. Holy Communion Worship
Fellowship Hall- Discussion with Pastor Michael
Jones about Atonement Early Learning Center
Soup & Salad Bar. ALL WELCOME!

Monday, Nov. 3 9:00 a.m. Tai Chi 9:00 a.m. Parish Nurse Office Hours, until 11 7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, Nov. 4

Wednesday, Nov. 5 9:00 a.m. Tai Chi

Thursday, Nov. 6 9:30 a.m. Bible & Breakfast 6:30 p.m. Health Cabinet Meeting

Friday, Nov. 7
No School

Saturday, Nov. 8 9:00 a.m. Properties Workday

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