

### LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT

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Sunday, Oct. 12, 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. There is no Children's Message today.

ADULT FORUM (Education Hour): Conversation with Council in Fellowship Hall

NEXT WEEK: Strategic Planning and light lunch in Fellowship Hall

**NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSONS:** 

Genesis 32:22-31; 2 Timothy 3:14-4: 5; Luke 18:1-8

### ELW, Setting 3 (Lectionary 28, Pentecost 18) Oct. 12, 2025

### PRELUDE: Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices - Paul Manz

It's a miracle! Multiple miracles! The waters of holy baptism have healed us. The body and blood of Jesus in holy communion have made us clean. We have died with Christ and been raised with him. For all this we have returned to offer thanks. From this place we are sent on our way rejoicing to share the good news.

#### +++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 + 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.

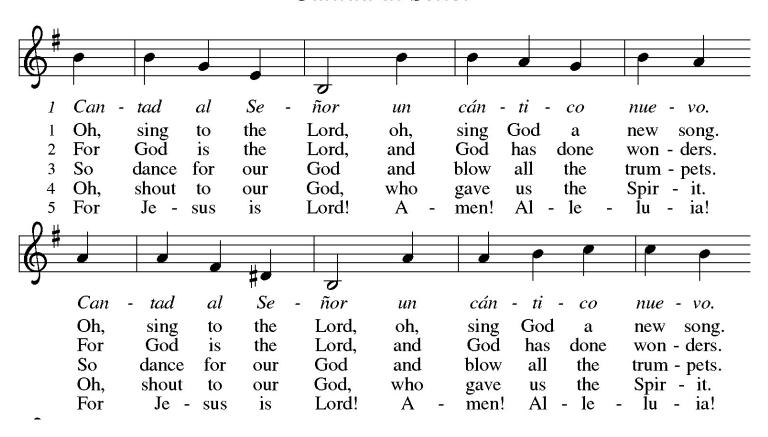
P Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you.

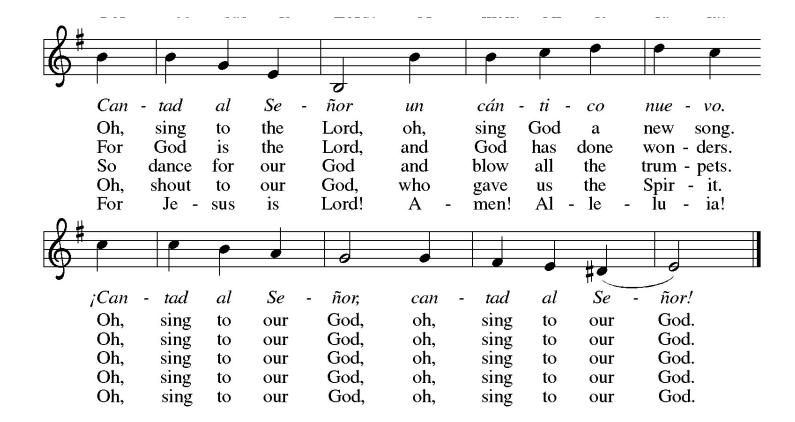
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C Amen.

### GATHERING HYMN ELW 822 "Oh, Sing to the Lord / Cantad al Senor"

# Oh, Sing to the Lord Cantad al Señor





- 2 Pues nuestro Señor ha hecho prodigios. Pues nuestro Señor ha hecho prodigios. Pues nuestro Señor ha hecho prodigios. ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!
- 3 Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa. Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa. Cantad al Señor, alabadle con arpa. ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!
- 4 Es él que nos da el Espíritu Santo. Es él que nos da el Espíritu Santo. Es él que nos da el Espíritu Santo. ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!
- 5 ¡Jesús es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya! ¡Jesús es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya! ¡Jesús es Señor! ¡Amén, aleluya! ¡Cantad al Señor, cantad al Señor!

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#### **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 and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### C Amen

#### +++WORD+++

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

### FIRST READING: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

A reading from 2 Kings.

<sup>1</sup> Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from a skin disease. <sup>2</sup> Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. <sup>3</sup> She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his skin disease."

<sup>7</sup> When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his skin disease? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

<sup>8</sup> But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." <sup>9</sup> So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. <sup>10</sup> Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored, and you shall be clean." <sup>11</sup> But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God and would wave his hand over the spot and cure the skin disease! <sup>12</sup> Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. <sup>13</sup> But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" <sup>14</sup> So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

<sup>15a, b, c</sup> Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

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

**PSALM: Psalm 111** *The psalm is spoken in unison.* 

- <sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
- <sup>2</sup> Great are your works, O LORD, pondered by all who delight in them.
- Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

- <sup>4</sup> You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.
- <sup>5</sup> You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.
- <sup>6</sup> You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.
- <sup>7</sup> The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure.
- <sup>8</sup> They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.
- <sup>9</sup> You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.
- <sup>10</sup> The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding. God's praise endures forever.

### **SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 2:8-15**

A reading from 2 Timothy.

<sup>8</sup> Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, <sup>9</sup> for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. <sup>10</sup> Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. <sup>11</sup> The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

<sup>12</sup> if we endure, we will also reign with him;

if we deny him, he will also deny us;

<sup>13</sup> if we are faithless, he remains faithful—

he cannot deny himself.

<sup>14</sup> Remind them of this, and warn them before the Lord that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. <sup>15</sup> Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

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

Children are dismissed to Sunday School.

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ELW SETTING 3 pg. 142



**GOSPEL:** Luke 17:11-19

P The holy gospel according to Luke.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, <sup>13</sup> they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" <sup>14</sup> When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. <sup>16</sup> He prostrated himself at Jesus's feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine? <sup>18</sup> Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" <sup>19</sup> Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

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

The assembly is seated.

#### **SERMON**

Pastor Roy Christel

Meditation: Time to reflect on the message.

After meditation, the assembly stands for the Hymn of the Day.

# We Come to You for Healing, Lord



Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., b. 1923 Music: MARTYRDOM, Hugh Wilson, 1764–1824

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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: God of grace,

C: Receive our prayer.

#### 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.

# CHORAL ANTHEM: In the Silence of This Moment – Welsh Folk Tune, arr. Douglas Wagner

In the silence of this moment, in the quiet of this place, Lord, your people come before you, kneeling at your throne of grace.

Bread of heaven, heal our spirits, bring us comfort, hope, and love. With the wheat and grape as tokens, bind us to your home above.

With the whole of all our being, we will worship and give praise. Fill our lives with goodly purpose, be with us through all our days.

In the silence of this moment, in the quiet of this space, be with us, Lord.

#### +++MEAL+++

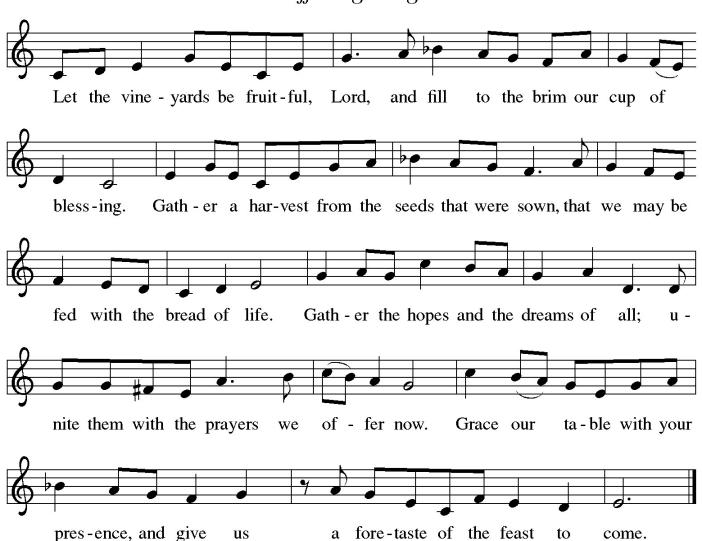
God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

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.

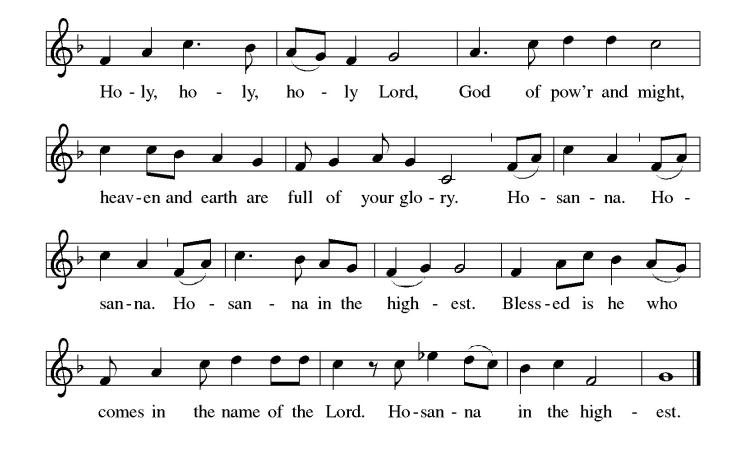
C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### **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

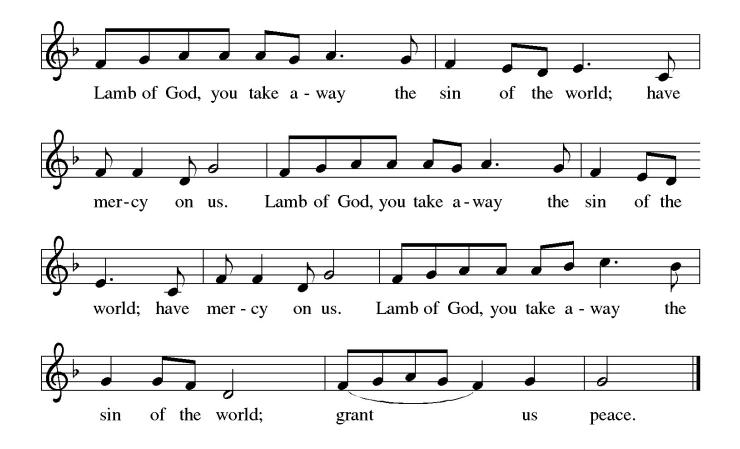
P Please join me in the prayer Jesus taught us to pray.

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

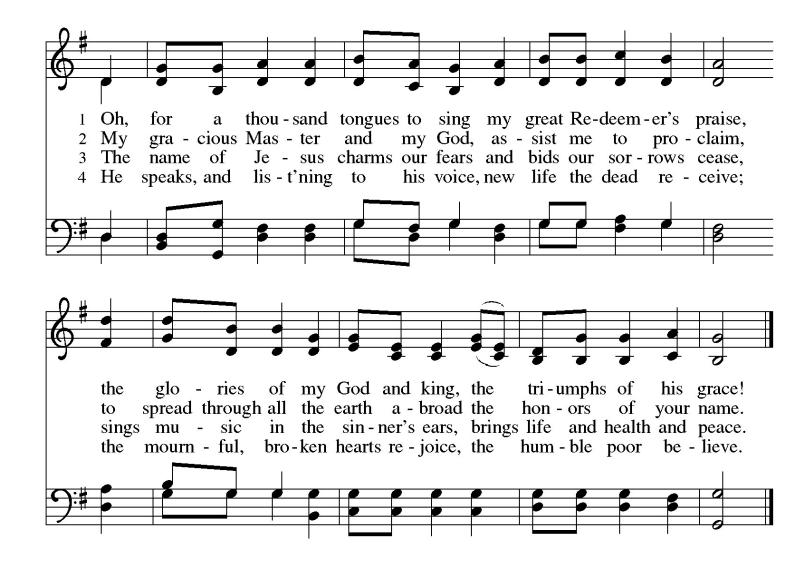
P The gifts of God for the people of God. *The assembly is seated*.

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**

# Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing



- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own,O fallen human race!Look and be saved through faith alone,be justified by grace!
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, alt.

Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser, 1784–1829; arr. Lowell Mason, 1792–1872

# Baptized and Set Free



Text: Cathy Skogen-Soldner, b. 1956

Music: BAPTIZED AND SET FREE, Cathy Skogen-Soldner

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### Now Thank We All Our God



The assembly stands.

#### **COMMUNION BLESSING**

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

+ 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 543 "Go, My Children, With My Blessing"

## Go, My Children, with My Blessing



Text: Jaroslav J. Vajda, b. 1919, alt.

Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional; arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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#### **DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: "A Joyous Air" - George Frederic Handel

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### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Preacher	Pastor Roy Christel
Assisting Ministers	Cathy Hohl, Betty Luebke
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Bell Choir Director	
Organist	
Choir Director	Dr. Bruce Vantine
Joyful Noiz Director	Jim Baumgartner
Altar Guild	Rick & Claire Brown, Verina Ruiz
Greeters	Barb Wishon, Gwen Westbrooks
Ushers	Don Meier, Chuck Graham, Don Posey
Counters	Jeff Moravec, Greg Viehman, Wendy Gehner
Trustees	Don Posey, Carl Beck
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#### PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**Hospitalized or III:** Ann Behrens, Thelma Carlson, Ginny Groves, Jane Mark, Carolyn Nimmons, June Schmidt, Elaine Skarstad, Glenda Warren, Joyce Winter, Barb Wishon

**Our Loved Ones/Friends:** Becky Cole (Dave Cole's sister), Ian Hawkins (Faith Brooks's son), Ted Hinkebein, Marilee Viehman (Greg Viehman's mother), Dennis Whittington (Mary Beth Sandcork's father).

Our chronically-ill and homebound loved ones and friends: Jacki Bickel, Teri Branhof, Gus Carlson, 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.

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

#### **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 – Lectionary 28 9:30 a.m. Holy Communion Worship Conversation with Council in Fellowship Hall 1:30 p.m. Atonement Book Club Florissant Fall Festival

Monday, Oct. 13

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi

10:00 a.m. Oasis, Ask a Techie

5:45 p.m. Anniversary Planning Meeting

6:00 p.m. School Board Meeting

7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, Oct. 14

4:30 p.m. Properties Meeting

Wednesday, Oct. 15

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi

4:00 p.m. Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, Oct. 16

9:00 a.m. Parish Nurse Office Hours, until 11

9:30 a.m. Bible & Breakfast

4:00 p.m. Parent Teacher Conferences

5:00 p.m. Finance Meeting

Friday, Oct. 17

No School

Saturday, Oct. 18

9:00 a.m. Properties Workday

9:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study – held off site

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