

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT

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Sunday, Oct. 27, 2024

8:15 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: Children will be dismissed during the 8:15 a.m. service.

CONFIRMATION: Multipurpose Room, 9:30 with Pastor Delaney, 6th, 7th and 8th Grades

ADULT FORUM: Small Chapel, 9:30 a.m.

NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSONS: All Saints

Isaiah 25:6-9; Psalm 24; Revelation 21:1-6a; John 11:32-44

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Oct. 27, 2024, Reformation

PRELUDE: *The Church's One Foundation/How Firm a Foundation* - arr. Callahan and Thompson

Stewardship Emphasis: *"Respond Through Faith"* - Ruth Blundell

+++ **GATHERING** +++

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

The assembly stands.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

P Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

Let us confess the ways we have fallen short of God's hopes for creation.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God of reformation,

**C We confess that we have clung to the old ways,
worshipping what is and what was,
rather than looking for your Spirit in our midst.**

**We confess that we believe old stories about those with whom we disagree,
We ignore your Spirit's call love our neighbors, to include others, to celebrate the gift of
your presence in all people.**

**We confess that we have ignored your call to newness of life, resting on the way things
have always been, fearing your reformation and the abundant life you offer.
Amen.**

Good news, beloved in Christ!

By grace we have been saved.

In the name of † Jesus Christ,

the source of eternal healing,

your sins are forgiven.

May God's Holy Spirit reform us that we may reflect God's love and grace for all people.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: ELW 527 *"Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now"*

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 Setting 4

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

CHOIR ANTHEM (8:15) “*Jubilate, Sing Praise!*” - Diane Hanibal, arr. – Stewart Harris

+ + + **WORD** + + +

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

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34

A reading from Jeremiah.

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

R Word of God, Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: 46 *The psalm for the day is chanted responsively using psalm tone 7.*



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- ¹God is our ref-¹uge and strength,
a very present¹ help in trouble.
- ²**Therefore we will not fear, though the¹ earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths¹ of the sea;**
- ³though its waters¹ rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble¹ with its tumult.
- ⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the cit-¹y of God,
the holy habitation of¹ the Most High.**
- ⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall¹ not be shaken;
God shall help it at the¹ break of day.
- ⁶**The nations rage, and the¹ kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth¹ melts away.**
- ⁷The LORD of¹ hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob¹ is our stronghold.
- ⁸**Come now, regard the works¹ of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought up-¹ on the earth;**
- ⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in¹ all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the¹ shields with fire.
- ¹⁰**“Be still, then, and know that¹ I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted¹ in the earth.”**
- ¹¹The LORD of¹ hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob¹ is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28

A reading from Romans.

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

²¹But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, ²³since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; ²⁴they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith.

He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; ²⁶it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. By what law? By that of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.

R Word of God, Word of Life.

C Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S TIME

The children are invited to join Pastor Delaney at the front of the sanctuary. The children are then dismissed for Sunday School.

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Alleluia" ELW Setting 4



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." ³³They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. ³⁶So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Pastor Delaney Schlake-Kruse

The assembly stands

HYMN OF THE DAY – ELW 504 “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

APOSTLES’ CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

*Each petition concludes: Hear us, O God, **Your mercy is great.***

BELLS ANTHEM: (8:15) “Praise the Lord” - arr. Anna Laura Page

THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

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.

+++ **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.

OFFERING SONG ELW 885 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711, alt.

OFFERING PRAYER

A God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

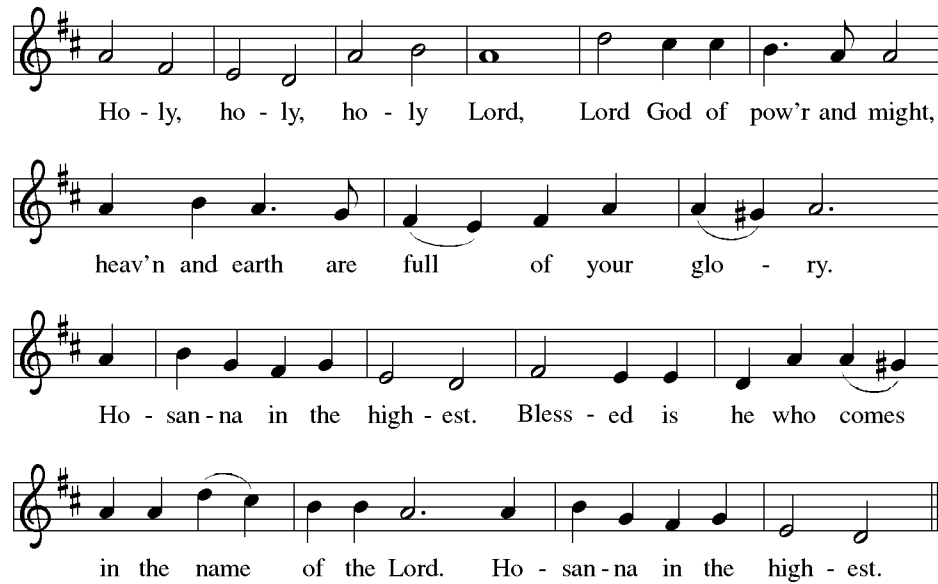
PREFACE

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.

Fulfilling the promise of the resurrection, you pour out the fire of your Spirit,
uniting in one body people of every nation and tongue.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY ELW Setting 4



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal:
you we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore.

You formed the earth from chaos;
you encircled the globe with air;
you created fire for warmth and light;
you nourish the lands with water.

You molded us in your image,
and with mercy higher than the mountains,
with grace deeper than the seas,
you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own.

That also we, estranged and dying,
might be adopted to live in your Spirit,
you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

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.

Together as the body of Christ,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach 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

P Jesus invites you to the feast.

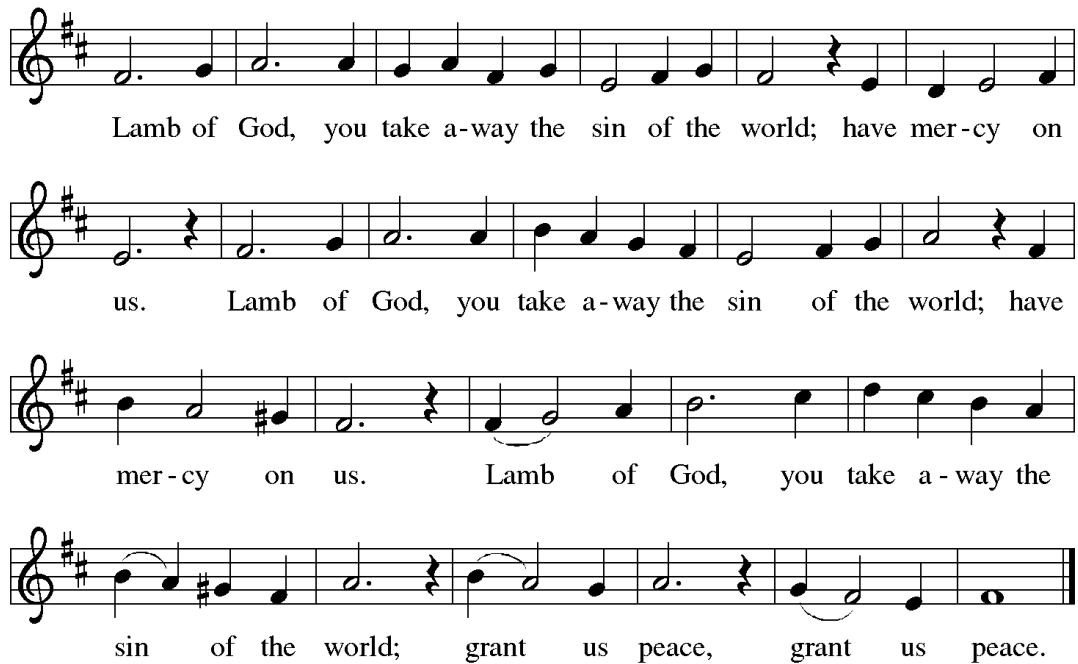
C Come, eat, and be filled.

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

“Lamb of God” ELW Setting 4



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

ELW 654 *“The Church’s One Foundation”*

ELW 460 *“Now the Silence”*

The assembly stands.

COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, our life, our strength, our food, we give you thanks for sustaining us with the body and blood of your Son. By your Holy Spirit, enliven us to be his body in the world, that more and more we will give you praise and serve your earth and its many peoples, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

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.

BLESSING

P The blessing of God,
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,
✠ be upon you now and forever.

C Amen.

SENDING SONG: ELW 660 *“Lift High the Cross”*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: *A Mighty Fortress* - J.G. Walther and Robert Lau

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After worship, you are invited to choose a Post-It Note and make your mark on our own church doors! Write your response to this question: “How is the Holy Spirit reforming Atonement?” and stick it to the glass doors in the narthex.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher.....	<i>Pastor Delaney Schlake-Kruse</i>
Assisting Ministers.....	<i>(8:15) Brenda Blight, Don Posey;</i> <i>(10:45) Ruth Blundell, Greg Viehman</i>
Bell Choir Director.....	<i>Sharon Carter Eichenberger</i>
Organist.....	<i>Cindy Vantine</i>
Choir Director.....	<i>Dr. Bruce Vantine</i>
Altar Guild.....	<i>Rick & Claire Brown, Jim Bunzel</i>
Greeters.....	<i>(8:15) Kris Thompson;</i> <i>(10:45) Jeri Dietz</i>
Counters	<i>Greg Viehman, Jeff Moravec</i>
Ushers.....	<i>(8:15) Tom Blight; (10:45) Bill Meyerkord, Melanie White</i>
Trustees.....	<i>(8:15) Don Posey; (10:45) Vern Square</i>

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Hospitalized or Ill: Ann Behrens, Ginny Groves, Darlen Johnosn, Jen Johnson, Vickie Minter, Maxine Pabst, Carol Peachee, Don Posey, Roger Riemann, June Schmidt

Our Loved Ones/Friends: Kathy Amido (sister-in-law of Kris Thompson), Kathleen Boyd, Becky Cole (sister of Dave Cole), Susan Hall (friend of Joyce Pingel), Ian Hawkins (son of Faith Brooks), Joyce Johnson (sister of Patrick Walker), Kelly Keel (daughter of Larry & Joyce Hanebrink), Rachel Moore (niece of Rachel Moore), Gail Mueller (sister-in-law of Barb Stoneburner), David Pierce (cousin of Jaimy Suydam), Abby Pruitt-Pimentel (friend of Emma & Evan White and Jeanine Dalton), Martha Sanford (relative of Greg & Paula Viehman), Trevor Thwing (grandson of Jeanette Thwing), Tom Velde (cousin of Jaimy Suydam), Dennis Whittington (Dad of Mary Beth Sandcork)

Our chronically-ill and homebound loved ones and friends: Janice Bailey, Jean Beck, Jacki Bickel, Teri Branhof, Gus and Thelma Carlson, Carol Hegger, Nancy Marxkors, John Meyer, Vivian Meyer, Jim Temps, Cheryl Tucker

Please notify the church office if you would like your prayers to remain, otherwise they will be removed after two weeks.

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

Flowers on the altar are in honor of the 50th anniversary of David and Cindy Steinbruegge.

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 Sunday, Reformation

8:15 a.m. Holy Communion Worship
Sunday School
9:25 Choir Rehearsal
9:30 Confirmation W/Pastor Delaney in MP room
9:30 Adult Learning, Small Chapel
10:45 a.m. Holy Communion Worship, Joyful Noiz

Monday, Oct. 28

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi
1:30 p.m. Senior Alive
7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Church Council

Tuesday, Oct. 29

9:00 a.m. Chair Yoga

Wednesday, Oct. 30

8:45 a.m. Chapel All Welcome!
9:00 a.m. Tai Chi
6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Bible Study

Thursday, Oct. 31

9:30 p.m. Bible and Breakfast

Friday, Nov. 1

Church Office Closed On Fridays
No School, School Office Closed

Saturday, Nov. 2

9:30 a.m. Men’s Bible Study Off-site
11:00 a.m. Grief Support Meeting

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