



*LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT*

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*Sunday, Feb. 22, 2026*

*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 wish to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of their sins. Those who desire to be baptized, have questions about the meaning of Holy Communion, or wish a private confession and absolution should contact the Pastor.
- 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.

**TODAY:** Conversations with Council

**NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSONS:**

**Genesis 12:1-4a; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17**

*ELW, Setting 4 (First Sunday in Lent)*

*February 22, 2026*

**PRELUDE: Music by Joyful Noiz**

*Today's gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the desert. His forty-day fast becomes the basis of our Lenten pilgrimage. In the early church Lent was a time of intense preparation for those to be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This catechetical focus on the meaning of faith is at the heart of our Lenten journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Hungry for God's mercy, we receive the bread of life to nourish us for the days ahead.*

**+++ 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 In the name of the Father, and of the ✙ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P Gracious God,

**C have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen**

P Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**C Amen**

GATHERING HYMN ELW 556 "Morning Has Broken"

## Morning Has Broken

1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black-bird has  
2 Sweet the rain's new fall, sun - lit from heav - en, like the first  
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the

spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the  
dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet  
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - 'ry

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!  
gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.  
morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

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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.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray.

*A brief silence is kept before the prayer.*

P Lord God, our strength, the struggle between good and evil rages within and around us, and the devil and all the forces that defy you tempt us with empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your word, and when we fall, raise us again and restore us through your Son, 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: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7**

A reading from Genesis.

<sup>15</sup> The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. <sup>16</sup> And the LORD God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, <sup>17</sup> but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

<sup>3:1</sup> Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” <sup>2</sup> The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” <sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die, <sup>5</sup> for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” <sup>6</sup> So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was a delight to the eyes and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked, and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

R The word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 32** *The psalm is spoken responsively.*

<sup>1</sup> Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,  
and whose sin is put away!

<sup>2</sup> **Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt,  
and in whose spirit there is no guile!**

<sup>3</sup> While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,  
because of my groaning all day long.

<sup>4</sup> **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**

<sup>5</sup> Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

<sup>6</sup> **Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;  
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**

<sup>7</sup> You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

<sup>8</sup> **"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;  
I will guide you with my eye.**

<sup>9</sup> Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;  
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

<sup>10</sup> **Great are the tribulations of the wicked;  
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

<sup>11</sup> Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;  
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

**SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-19**

A reading from Romans.

<sup>12</sup> Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned <sup>13</sup> for sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. <sup>14</sup> Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin in the likeness of Adam, who is a pattern of the one who was to come.

<sup>15</sup> But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. <sup>16</sup> And the gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the gift following many trespasses brings justification. <sup>17</sup> If, because of the one man's trespass, death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

<sup>18</sup> Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. <sup>19</sup> For just as through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so through the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

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

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION W&P 144 "Thy Word" Refrain, Verse 1, Refrain

### Thy Word

Words and Music by  
Amy Grant and Michael W. Smith

**CHORUS**

$\text{♩} = 70$  F C/E F B $\flat$ /D C F

Thy Word is a lamp un - to my feet and a light un - to my path.

5 C/E F B $\flat$ /D C F *Fine*

Thy Word is a lamp un - to my feet and a light un - to my path.

**VERSE**

C Gm Dm Am B $\flat$  C

1. When I feel a - fraid, and I think I've lost my way, still You're there right be -  
2. I will not for - get Your love for me, and yet my heart for - ev - er is

12 B $\flat$ /F F C Gm Dm Am B $\flat$  C

side me. Noth - ing will I fear as long as You are near. Please be near me  
wan - der - ing. Je - sus, be my guide and hold me to Your side; I will love You

16 C/D D Csus C *D.C. al Fine*

to the end. \_\_\_\_\_  
to the end. \_\_\_\_\_

**GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11**

P The holy gospel according to Matthew.

**C Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup> Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tested by the devil. <sup>2</sup> He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was famished. <sup>3</sup> The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” <sup>4</sup> But he answered, “It is written,

‘One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’ ”

<sup>5</sup> Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup> saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’ ”

<sup>7</sup> Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’ ”

<sup>8</sup> Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory, <sup>9</sup> and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’ ”

<sup>11</sup> Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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

*The assembly is seated.*

**SERMON**

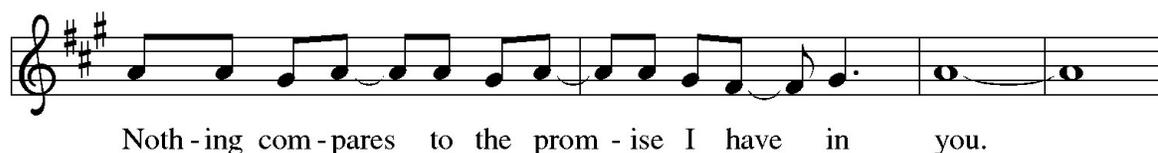
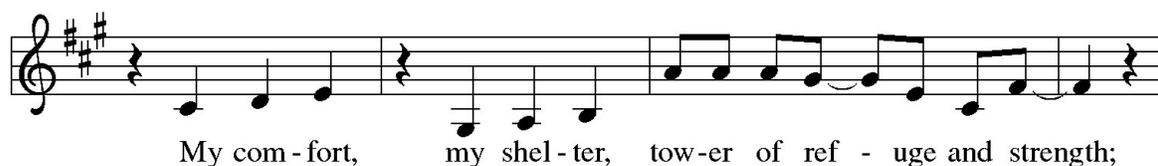
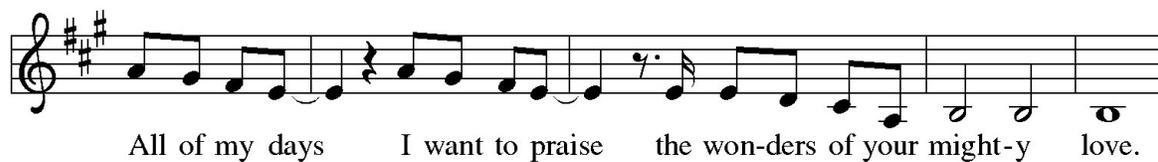
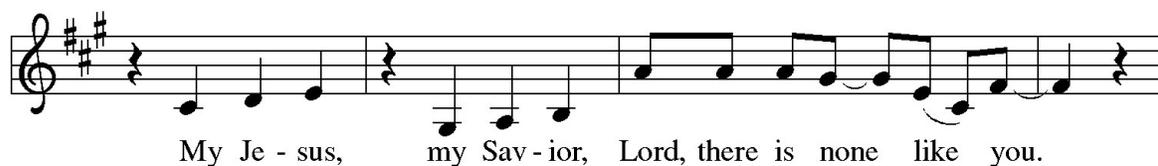
**Pastor Larry Lemke**

***Meditation: Time to reflect on the message.***

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

**SONG OF THE DAY ELW 821 “Shout to the Lord” (see next page)**

# Shout to the Lord



Text: Darlene Zschech, b. 1965

Music: SHOUT TO THE LORD, Darlene Zschech

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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.*

**+++ 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: CCLI 20285 "Give Thanks"

Give Thanks

Words and Music by  
Henry Smith

**CHORUS**

♩ = 80 Am/C F C/E Dm Am

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the Ho - ly One; Give

5 Bb F/A F Eb Gm7/C C7 Am/C Gm7/C C7 C/Bb

thanks be - cause He's giv - en Je - sus Christ, His Son. Give Son. And

**VERSE**

Am7 Dm7 C/D Dm7 Gm7 Bb/C C Bb/D C/E Fmaj7 Am/E

now let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am rich" be - cause of

15 Dm7 C/D Dm7 Eb Eb/D Gm7/C C7 C/Bb Gm7/C C7 Am/C

*Last time to Coda*  $\Phi$  *D.S. al Coda*

what the Lord has done for us; And us. Give

**ENDING**

19 Gm7/C C7 Bb/C F Fmaj7

$\Phi$  Coda

us. Give thanks.

21 Gm7/F F

## OFFERING PRAYER

A: O God, maker of heaven and earth,

**C: your steadfast love embraces all creation.  
You send rain and sunshine to nourish the earth  
and bring forth its bounty.  
Through these gifts of bread and wine,  
draw us into the death and life of your Son,  
who calls us to bear witness to his saving work.  
We ask this in Jesus' name.  
God of abundance. 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 525 "You are Holy"**

# You Are Holy

## *Du är helig*



*Du är he - lig, du är hel. Du är all - tid myck-et mer*  
You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more



*än vi nån - sin kan för - stå, du är nä - ra än - då.*  
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.



*Väl - sig - nad va - re du som kom - mer hit just nu,*  
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here



*väl - sig - na - de vår jord, blir till bröd på vår jord.*  
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.



*Du är he - lig, du är hel - het,*  
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,



*du är när - het he - la kos - mos lo - var dig!*  
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!



*Ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na,*  
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!



*ho - si - an - na, ho - si - an - na vår Gud.*  
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

\* *May be sung in canon.*

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## **EUCCHARISTIC 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:**

A: Come to the table.

C: Feast on God's goodness and mercy.

*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**

**ELW 336 "Lamb of God, Your Only Son" (see next page)**

LENT

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# Lamb of God

## Your Only Son



1 Your on - ly Son, no sin to hide, but you have  
 2 Your gift of love we cru - ci - fied. We laughed and  
 3 I was so lost, I should have died, but you have



sent him from your side to walk up - on this guilt - y  
 scorned him as he died. The hum - ble king we named a  
 brought me to your side to be led by your staff and



sod and to be - come the Lamb of God.  
 fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. O Lamb of  
 rod and to be called a lamb of God.



God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the ho - ly Lamb of God. Oh, wash me



in your pre - cious blood, my Je - sus Christ, the Lamb of God.

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Music: Twila Paris

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YOUR ONLY SON

LMD

# The Lamb

Words and Music by  
Gerald Coleman

Csus C C/B Am Am/G Dm/F G2



1. The Lamb, the Lamb, O Fa - ther, where's the sac - ri - fice? Faith  
 (2. The) Lamb, the Lamb, one per - fect fi - nal of - fer - ing. The  
 (3. The) Lamb, the Lamb, as way - ward sheep their shep - herd kill. So  
 (4. He) sighs, He dies, He takes my sin and wretch - ed - ness. He  
 (5. He) rose, He rose, my heart with thanks now o - ver - flows. His

5 Csus C C/B Am Am/G Dm/F G2 Am Em



sees, be - lieves God will pro - vide the Lamb of price! Wor - thy is the Lamb whose  
 Lamb, the Lamb, let earth join heav'n His praise to sing.  
 still, His will on our be - half the law to fill.  
 lives, for - gives, He gives me His own right - eous - ness.  
 song pro - long till ev - 'ry heart to Him be - long.

1, 2, 3, 4 | 5

11 F C2sus C C/B Dm/A Am Dm G C C



death makes me His own! The Lamb is reign - ing on His throne! 2. The throne!  
 3. The  
 4. He  
 5. He

# Christ, Be Our Light



1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for  
2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for  
3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for  
4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for  
5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.  
shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.  
to one an - oth - er, signs of your king - dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

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*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: God of salvation,  
we give you thanks for this meal that restores our souls,  
reconciles us to you, and strengthens us for the journey.  
Through the body and blood of your Son,  
may we become Christ's body in the world,  
bearing witness to your love for all creation,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
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 671 "Shine, Jesus, Shine" (see next page)**

# Shine, Jesus, Shine

671



Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa-ther's glo - ry;



blaze, Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.



Flow, riv - er, flow, flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy;



send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!



1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the midst of the  
2 As we gaze on your king - ly bright-ness, so our fac - es dis -



dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, light of the world, shine up - on us,  
play your like - ness, ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry,



set us free by the truth you now bring us.  
mir - rored here, may our lives tell your sto - ry.



Shine on me, shine on me:  
Shine on me, shine on me:

**DISMISSAL**

A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE: ELW 671 reprise “*Shine, Jesus, Shine*”**

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## WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher.....	<i>Pastor Larry Lemke</i>
Assisting Ministers.....	<i>Jennifer Negwer, Ruth Blundell</i>
Communion Assistants.....	<i>Norm Koch, Bonnie David, Gerri Stevenson</i>
Bell Choir Director.....	<i>Sharon Carter Eichenberger</i>
Organist.....	<i>Cindy Vantine</i>
Choir Director.....	<i>Dr. Bruce Vantine</i>
Joyful Noiz Director.....	<i>Jim Baumgartner</i>
Altar Guild.....	<i>Jack &amp; Bonnie David, Lisa Hackmeister, Jodi Laffold</i>
Greeters.....	<i>Mary Beth &amp; Jeff Sandcork, Kris Thompson</i>
Counters.....	<i>Jodi Laffold, Julie Hammer, Lisa Moravec</i>
Usher.....	<i>Ron Behrens</i>
Trustee.....	<i>Tom Blight</i>

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

**Death:** June Schmidt

**Birth:** Daniel Lee Vaughn 4<sup>th</sup>, Great-Grandson of Marge Purgahn

**Hospitalized or Ill:** Ann Behrens, Adele Bolen, Betty Cook, Linda Gibilterra, Ginny Groves, Shirl Henke, Jim Hickerson, Delores Johanninger, Don Kuethe, Sharon Love, Jane Mark, Rachel Moore, Carolyn Nimmons, Marge Purgahn, Steve Rosenfeld, Elaine Skarstad, Jan Sullivan, Glenda Warren, Barb Wishon

**Our Loved Ones/Friends:** Jason Behrens, Becky Cole (Dave Cole's sister), Ian Hawkins (Faith Brooks's son), Christina and Rev. Cyril Hurnyak (Jaimy Suydam's friends), Stacy Kreider (Jaimy Suydam's friend), Lisa Lamont (Lisa and Jeff Moravec's friend), Jane McClug (daughter-in-law of former/deceased members Barbara and Joseph McClurg), Taffy Perryman, Tom Sappington (Ginny Groves' friend), Cynthia Slater (Marge Purgahn's daughter), Marilee Viehman (Greg Viehman's mother), Dennis Whittington (Mary Beth Sandcork's father), Richard Wishon, Thom Velde ( Jaimy Suydam's cousin), Mike Zorich

**Our chronically-ill and homebound loved ones and friends:** Jacki Bickel, Teri Branhof, Thelma Carlson, Nancy Marxkors, John Meyer, Vivian Meyer, Jim Temps, Joan Torbeck, Wayne & Joyce Winter

*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.*

## 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 – First Sunday in Lent*  
Blood Pressure Checks before and after service  
9:30 a.m. Holy Communion Worship, Joyful Noiz  
Conversations with Council

### Monday, Feb. 23

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi  
1:30 p.m. Seniors Alive

### Tuesday, Feb. 24

7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

### Wednesday, Feb. 25

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi  
7:00 p.m. Mid-Week Lenten Worship

### Thursday, Feb. 26

11:00 a.m. Health Cabinet Meeting

### Friday, Feb. 27

### Saturday, Feb. 28

9:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, held off-site  
11:00 a.m. Girl Scout cookie booth on parking lot  
6:00 p.m. Texas Hold'em

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