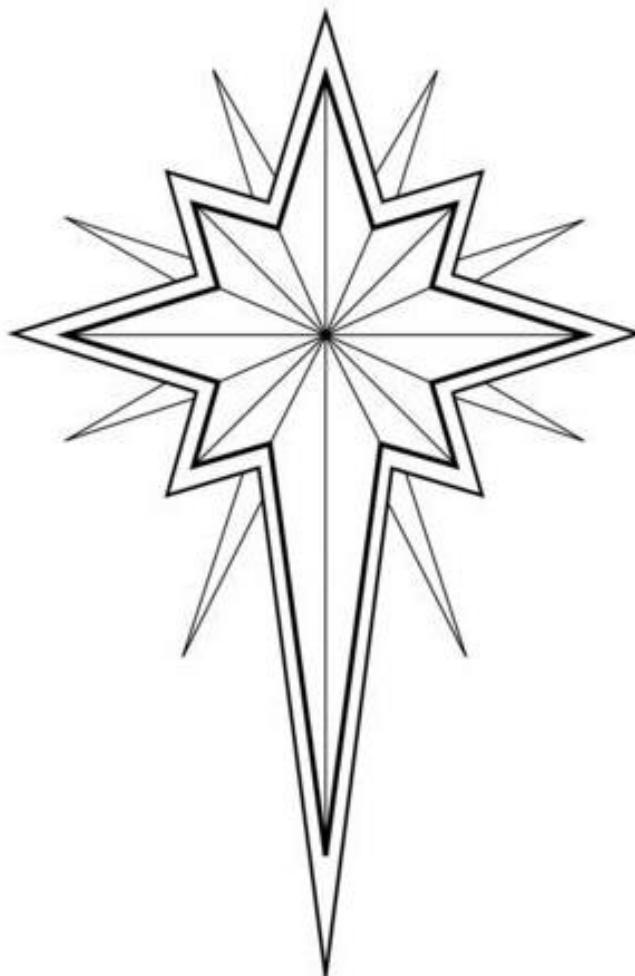


# Second Sunday After Epiphany

January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

9:30 a.m. In-person and Livestream Worship

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**Atonement Lutheran Church**

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1900 Westfall Road, Rochester, NY 14618

# GATHERING

**PRELUDE**

*Christ, Be Our Light*

*-B. Farrell*

**\*WELCOME**

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Holy One, source of our renewal,

**we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Thus says our God:

“The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare.”

God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of † Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

**\*PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*\*Please Stand As You Are Able*

**\*APOSTOLIC GREETING**

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

**And also with you.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord . **Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

**WORD**

**FIRST READING**

*Isaiah 49:1-7*

*A reading from Isaiah*

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, O coastlands,  
pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
The LORD called me before I was born,  
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.  
<sup>2</sup>He made my mouth like a sharp sword,  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow,  
in his quiver he hid me away.  
<sup>3</sup>And he said to me, "You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."  
<sup>4</sup>But I said, "I have labored in vain,  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the LORD,  
and my reward with my God."

<sup>5</sup>And now the LORD says,  
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him,  
and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,  
and my God has become my strength—  
<sup>6</sup>he says,  
“It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

<sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,  
the slave of rulers,  
“Kings shall see and stand up,  
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the LORD, who is faithful,  
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

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

## **SECOND READING**      *1 Corinthians 1:1-9*

*A reading from First Corinthians*

<sup>1</sup>Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, <sup>2</sup>To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—<sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ.

8He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Lamb of God*

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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. O Lamb of  
fraud and sac - ri - ficed the Lamb of God. God.  
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.

**\*HOLY GOSPEL***John 1:29-42*

The Holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup>[John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”<sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’<sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”<sup>32</sup>And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.”<sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’<sup>34</sup>And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

<sup>35</sup>The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples,<sup>36</sup>and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!”<sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.<sup>38</sup>When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?”<sup>39</sup>He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.<sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother.<sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed).<sup>42</sup>He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON****\*HYMN OF THE DAY***He Comes to Use as One Unknown*

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## PRAYERS

Called together to follow Jesus, we pray for the church, the world, and all in need. Merciful God, **Hear our prayer.**

Hear the cries of your people, O Lord, and be gracious to us; for you are our salvation through Christ, the Lamb of God. **Amen.**

## OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

*-T. Dorsey*

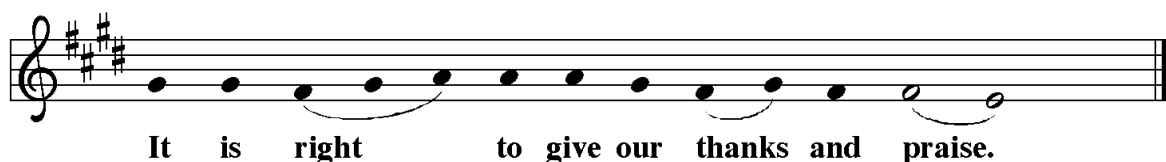
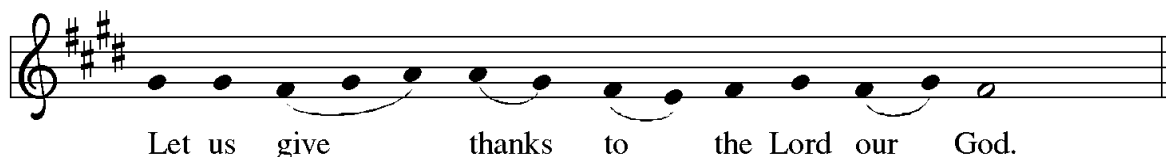
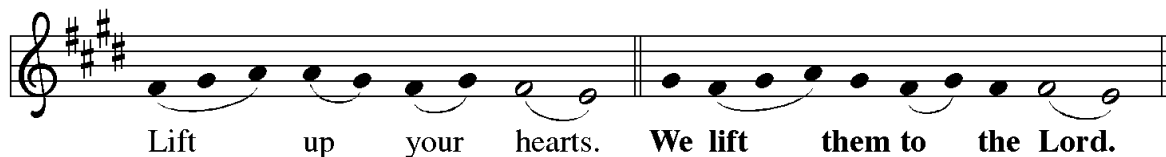
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in the plates located near the sanctuary doors as you exit.*

## \*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Our God has done wondrous things, too numerous to count. Through steadfast love and care, God enriches us in every way. Therefore, do not delay! Let us offer our gifts and ourselves to God this day, with all that we have and all that we are, in praise and love to Christ. **Amen.**

## MEAL

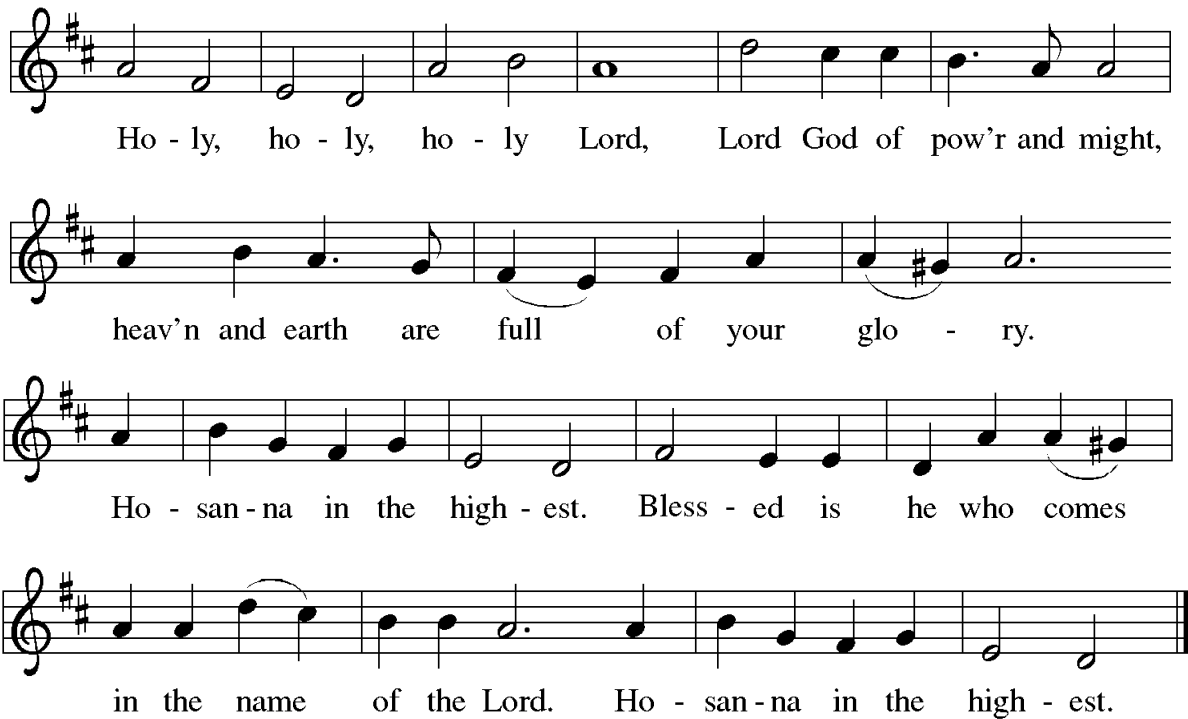
### \*GREAT THANKSGIVING



## \*PROPER PREFACE

.... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



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.

## \*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

### \*LORD'S PRAYER

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.**



## LAMB OF GOD



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.

## DISTRIBUTION

*All the baptized are invited to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion, Christ's body and blood truly present in the bread and the wine.*

*~Come forward to the altar rail by the center aisle.*

*~As you kneel or stand, please allow space between yourself and others.*

*~Children are invited to come forward for a blessing.*

*~White grape juice and gluten-free wafers are also available.*

*~Dispose of the cup in the basket provided.*

*~Please tell an usher if you would like the communion elements brought to you in the pew.*

## **SENDING**

### **\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray. Holy God, we thank you for the grace and healing that springs forth abundantly from this table. Renew us for works of mercy, and shape us as people eager to share the good news of your saving love in Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

### **\*BENEDICTION**

May God's steadfast love and mercy in Christ † lead you and make your steps secure, keeping you forever safe on paths of righteousness and peace. **Amen.**

### **\*SENDING HYMN**

*Arise, Your Light Has Come*

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### **\*DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Follow in the way of Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE**

*Marche*

*-A. Guilmant*

*The congregation is invited to remain for the postlude;  
and following it, to respond with "Amen!"*

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Assisting Minister .....	Jean Seager
Livestream Recorder.....	Andrew Spillane
Counters .....	Bryan Howe, Adam Darder
Altar Care .....	Judy Lazenby
Usher .....	Skip Waterstreet, Bob Heinig

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ADULT FORUM**

***TODAY at 10:45 a.m. in Reissig Hall***

**“The Church and Music Publishing” presented by David McCarthy**

Come and hear some interesting history of the early Lutheran Church and its subversive hymnals that Catholic countries tried to confiscate. We will also take a look at the current process of getting a musical work published.

**FAITH-FILLED FUN DAY ON SUNDAY Sunday, January 29th, 4:00-5:15 p.m.**

***“Wade in the Water: Baptism at a River”***

All children ages 3 through 6th grade are invited to participate in these afternoons of faith and fun.

Join us for a new twist on faith formation for our Atonement children: a Vacation Bible School-type gathering once a month on Sunday afternoons! Each session will include story time, crafts, games, and snacks related to the Bible story of the day. We look forward to seeing you!

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

A few hardy volunteers are needed to help shovel the walks into the church (Sanctuary entrance and Office entrance) for this season. We haven't had much snow yet, but we'll need assistance when it arrives. If you can help, please contact Stew Stover or Skip Waterstreet to let them know.

### **COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED**

Please help us host a coffee hour for the upcoming months. A signup sheet is on the table in the narthex. Please see Barb Sanko for details.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ANNUAL REPORTS DUE**

Please submit all 2022 Annual Reports to the church office *by January 22<sup>nd</sup>*.

### **GREEN TIP**

Panel Discussion on Human Health and Climate Change: Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at Brighton Memorial Library, or you can register for the *Zoom* link at (585) 784-5300, or Email [bmlcurbsidepickup@gmail.com](mailto:bmlcurbsidepickup@gmail.com). Dr. Allen Blair, internist; Dr. Daniel Croft, pulmonologist; Dr. Sandra Jee, pediatrician; Dr. Janet Lewis, psychiatrist; Dr. Valerie Lou, emergency medicine physician; and Dr. Jane van Dis, obstetrician/gynecologist.

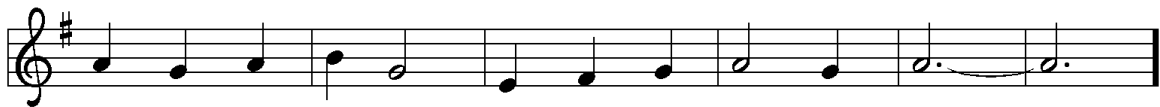
# Christ, Be Our Light



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



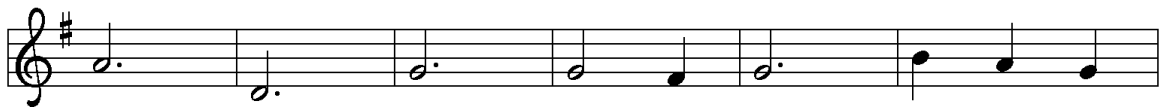
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



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.

## He Comes to Us as One Unknown



1 He comes to us as one un-known, a breath un - seen, un -  
2 He comes when souls in si - lence lie and thoughts of day de -  
3 He comes to us in sound of seas, the o - cean's fume and  
4 He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and  
5 He comes in truth when faith is grown; be - lieved, o - beyed, a -



heard; as though with - in a heart of stone, or shriv - eled seed in  
part; half - seen up - on the in - ward eye, a fall - ing star a -  
foam; yet small and still up - on the breeze, a wind that stirs the  
birth; to bear with - in our mor - tal frame a life, a death, a  
dored; the Christ in all the scrip - tures shown, as yet un - seen, but



dark - ness sown, a pulse of be - ing stirred, a pulse of be - ing stirred.  
cross the sky of night with - in the heart, of night with - in the heart.  
tops of trees, a voice to call us home, a voice to call us home.  
sav - ing name, for ev - 'ry child of earth, for ev - 'ry child of earth.  
not un - known, our Sav - ior and our Lord, our Sav - ior and our Lord.

## Arise, Your Light Has Come!

1 A - rise, your light has come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;  
2 A - rise, your light has come! Fling wide the pris - on door;  
3 A - rise, your light has come! All you in sor - row born,  
4 A - rise, your light has come! The moun - tains burst in song!

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp). The treble staff contains a melody with a dotted quarter note followed by an eighth note, then a quarter note, and a half note. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day.  
pro - claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.  
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.  
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us strong.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. It features similar rhythmic patterns and chordal structures, ending with a double bar line.



## **ATONEMENT LUTHERAN CHURCH**

The Rev. Gail Swanson, Pastor

*Email: pastorgails@aol.com*

David McCarthy, Director of Music Ministry

Becky R. Wiesmore, Administrative Assistant

***Welcome to worship,***  
*and a special welcome to those who are visiting with us today.*  
*If you are interested in becoming a member of our congregation*  
*or learning more about our ministries,*  
*please speak to our pastor.*



### **MISSION STATEMENT**

*Atonement Lutheran Church is a gathering of God's people in Christ called to:*  
***Invite*** all people into the presence of the living God,  
***Prepare*** for ministry in daily life and  
***Go*** into the world as disciples

Our Church Nursery is available  
for parents to use with their children.

Thank you for joining us in worship today!

*"Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"*

*John 1:29*

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