

Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 21st, 2024

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



Atonement Lutheran Church

Invite • Prepare • Go into the World

1900 Westfall Road, Rochester, NY 14618

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Pescador de hombres (Fisher of Men) -C. Gabaráin

*WELCOME

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, creator of darkness and light,
word of truth, wind sweeping over the waters.

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

God, our rock and refuge,

we pour out our hearts before you.

We have known you but have not always loved you.

We have wounded one another and sinned against you.

We have not always recognized the Holy Spirit dwelling in each of us.

Remember your covenant. Renew your creation.

Restore us, that we might proclaim your good news to all.

Amen.

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters.

God has spoken:

The time of grace is now. In Jesus, † the reign of God has come near.

By the authority of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are God's beloved.

Amen.

* *Please Stand As You Are Able*

***PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

***GATHERING HYMN**

Jesus Calls Us, o'er the Tumult

696

***APOSTOLIC GREETING**

The grace of our Savior Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, be with you all.

And also with you.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

WORD

FIRST READING

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

A reading from Jonah

¹The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.” ³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

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

SECOND READING*1 Corinthians 7:29-31**A reading from 1 Corinthians*

²⁹Brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Will You Come and Follow Me, verses 1 & 5* # 798



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
my name. Let me turn and fol - low



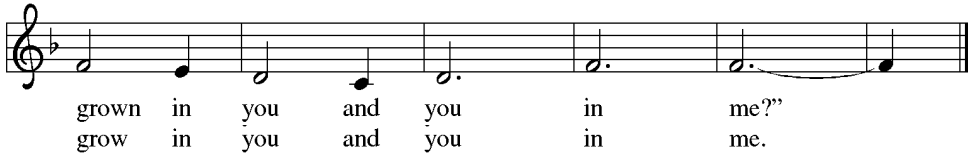
know and nev - er be the same?
you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



***HOLY GOSPEL**

Mark 1:14-20

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

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

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

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

I Want to Walk As A Child of the Light

815



***APOSTLES' CREED**

Let us confess our faith, and the faith of the church, with the words of the 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 to the dead.
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.**

PRAYERS

Rejoicing in the light of Christ that shines upon us, we pray for the church, the world, and all people according to their needs.

God, shining with grace, **hear our prayer.**

Receive our prayers, O God, as we behold the light of Christ's presence, and rejoice in the brightness of his glory. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

-T. Shaw

*Offering gifts are gratefully received
in the plates located near the sanctuary doors as you exit.*

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, Holy One, for all good things come from you. In bread and cup you open heaven to us. Meet us at this table, that we receive what we seek and follow your Son, Jesus, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

MEAL

***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.

***EUCCHARISTIC 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

DISTRIBUTION

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

~Come forward by the center aisle.

~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 need communion elements brought to your pew.

SENDING

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray.

Giver of every gift, Christ's body is our food, and we are Christ's body. Raise us to life by your power for the benefit of all and to your glory, now and forever.

Amen.

***BLESSING**

God who names you,

Christ who claims you,

and the Holy Spirit who dwells in you †

bless you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN**

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore

817

***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are God's beloved. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Allegretto

-N. Dello Joio

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Assisting Minister	Kathy Wilkinson
Livestream Recorder.....	Andrew Spillane
Offering Counters	John Kruidenier, Desiree Wolfe
Usher	Bob Heinig
Altar Care	Judy Lazenby
Fellowship Host	Barb Sanko

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

COFFEE HOUR/ADULT FORUM

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

“Rochester Protectives” presented by Skip Waterstreet.


JANUARY SUNDAY SCHOOL FUN DAY

RESCHEDULED FOR *TODAY* following worship in Founders Hall

All children ages preschool through grade 5 are invited to join us directly after worship in Founders Hall. Join us for a Bible story, an art project, music, activities, and snacks. This month we'll talk about Mending God's World through prayer.

We ask that an adult stay with children under eight years of age to assist us.

VALENTINE'S DAY COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

Let's spread some love to our (7) Atonement college-attending students! We will be collecting items to be included in care packages *through Sunday, February 4th*. Packages will be delivered to our students in time for Valentine's Day. 

In order to keep the cost of postage to a minimum, we are proposing the packages include a few individually wrapped sweets/chocolates and also some \$5.00 gift cards to those favorite beverage stops, Dunkin' Donuts, Starbucks, or Tim Horton's. Please place your donations of candy and gift cards on the table in the Narthex. Any questions should be directed to Barb Sanko.

THANK YOU, SHOVELERS!

Our thanks to Adam Darder, John Macholz, Dave Irish, Jim Krapf, and Andrew Spillane for keeping our sidewalks safe and clear this winter! *If you would like to be added to our list of volunteers for weekday or weekend shoveling, please contact the church office.*

ANNUAL REPORTS DUE

Please submit all 2023 Annual Reports to the church office:

(Board President, Congregational Care, Worship Care, Community Care, Tech & Communications, Facility Care, Resource Care/Finance)

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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

**LARGE PRINT
BULLETINS**
are available on the
table in the narthex.

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

Thank you for joining us in worship today!

*"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near;
repent, and believe in the good news."*

Mark 1:15



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