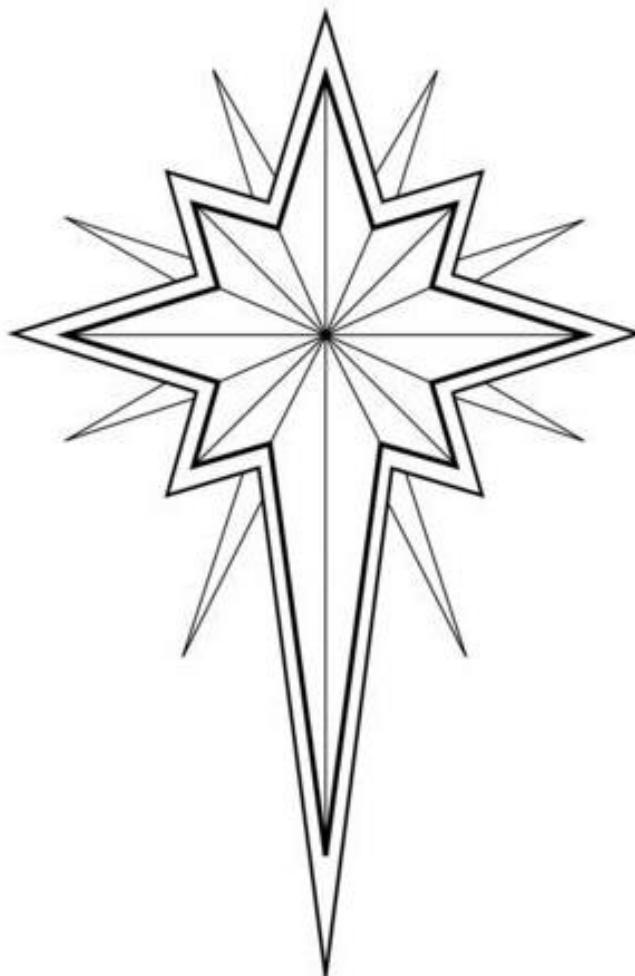


# Third Sunday After Epiphany

January 22<sup>nd</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

### \*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 have not been faithful to you in our thoughts and actions. We have been selfish in our desires and quarrelsome in our relationships. We have allowed fear to divide us from those who seem different, and let distrust separate us from our brothers and sisters. Shine your light into our darkened hearts. Save us from our sinful ways. Unite us in the same mind as Jesus Christ who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit. 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.**

### \*GATHERING HYMN

*Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult*

# 696

*\*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**

Lord God, your lovingkindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

## **CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

### **WORD**

#### **FIRST READING**

*Isaiah 9:1-4*

*A reading from Isaiah*

<sup>1</sup>There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time [the Lord] brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

<sup>2</sup>The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light;  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness—  
on them light has shined.

<sup>3</sup>You have multiplied the nation,  
you have increased its joy;  
they rejoice before you  
as with joy at the harvest,  
as people exult when dividing plunder.

<sup>4</sup>For the yoke of their burden,  
and the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressor,  
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

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

**SECOND READING***1 Corinthians 1:10-18**A reading from First Corinthians*

<sup>10</sup>Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. <sup>11</sup>For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. <sup>12</sup>What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." <sup>13</sup>Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? <sup>14</sup>I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup>so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup>(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup>For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

<sup>18</sup>For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *Will You Come and Follow Me, vv 1 and 5* #798

The musical notation consists of three staves of music in a single system, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes, with line numbers 1 and 5 indicating the start of phrases.

1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 5 Lord, your sum - mons éch - 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  
 grown in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.

**\*HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 4:12-23*

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

<sup>12</sup>Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. <sup>13</sup>He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

<sup>15</sup>“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,  
 on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—  
<sup>16</sup>the people who sat in darkness  
 have seen a great light,  
 and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death  
 light has dawned.”

<sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

<sup>18</sup>As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

<sup>23</sup>Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

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

## **SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**      *Here I Am, Lord*

# 574

### **\*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

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 God, and be gracious to us; for you are our salvation through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## OFFERTORY MUSIC

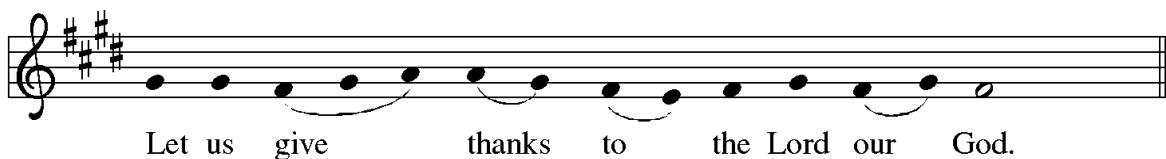
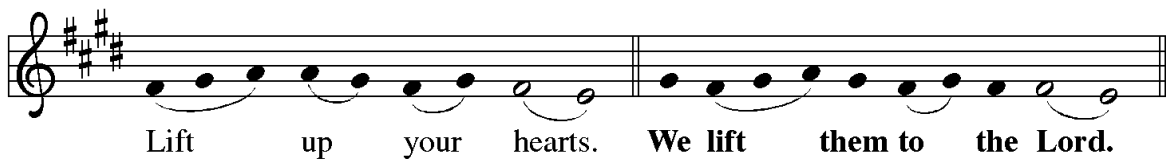
*Offering gifts are gratefully received  
in the plates located near the sanctuary doors as you exit.*

### \*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

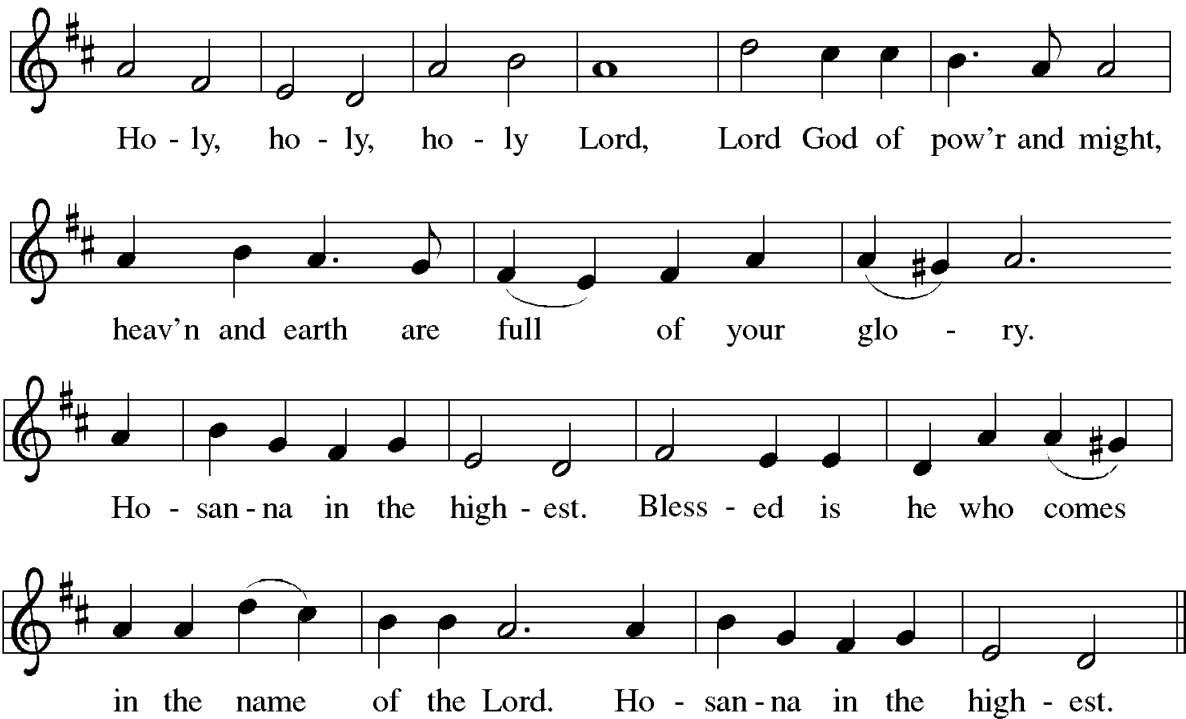
### \*GREAT THANKSGIVING



## \*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 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.*

*~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 the grace of Christ who calls us, go with you.

May the power of the Spirit who empowers us, sustain you.

May the saving grace of God † who loves us, give you peace. **Amen.**

### **\*SENDING HYMN**

*I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

# 332

### **\*DISMISSAL**

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

### **POSTLUDE**

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

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Assisting Minister .....	Joanne Scanlon
Livestream Recorder.....	Dave Irish
Counters .....	Amy Irish, Tom Thompson
Altar Care .....	Judy Lazenby
Usher .....	Skip Waterstreet, Bob Heinig

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ANNUAL REPORTS DUE**

Please submit all 2022 Annual Reports to the church office *by the end of today.*

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING</b> <i>Sunday, February 5th at 10:30 a.m. in Reissig Hall</i></p>
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### **FAITH-FILLED FUN DAY 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.

### **BAKER NEEDED**

We are looking for someone to make three dozen cutout cookies for our January 29<sup>th</sup> Fun Day Sunday School event. A dove-shaped cookie cutter will be available in the office for use. Please call the office to let us know if you are able to help. Thank you!

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **VALENTINE'S DAY COLLEGE CONNECTIONS**

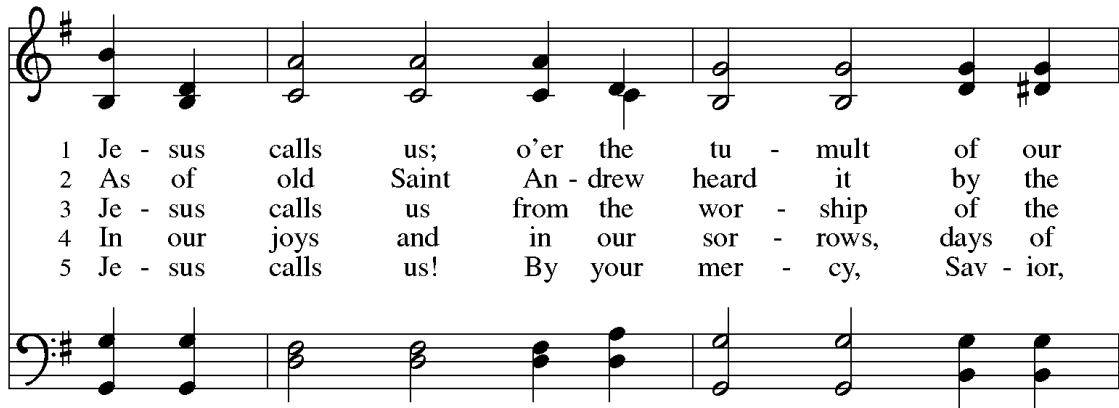
Let's spread some love to our Atonement college-attending students! We will be collecting items to be included in care packages on the next three Sundays, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and February 5<sup>th</sup>. Packages will be delivered to students in time for Valentine's Day.

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.

### **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.

## Jesus Calls Us; o'er the Tumult



1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our  
 2 As of old Saint An - drew heard it by the  
 3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
 4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of  
 5 Je - sus calls us! By your mer - cy, Sav - ior,



life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice  
 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and  
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would  
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and  
 may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o -



sound - ing, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me":  
 kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.  
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
 be - dience, serve and love you best of all.

# Here I Am, Lord



1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.



I, who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?"  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?"



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

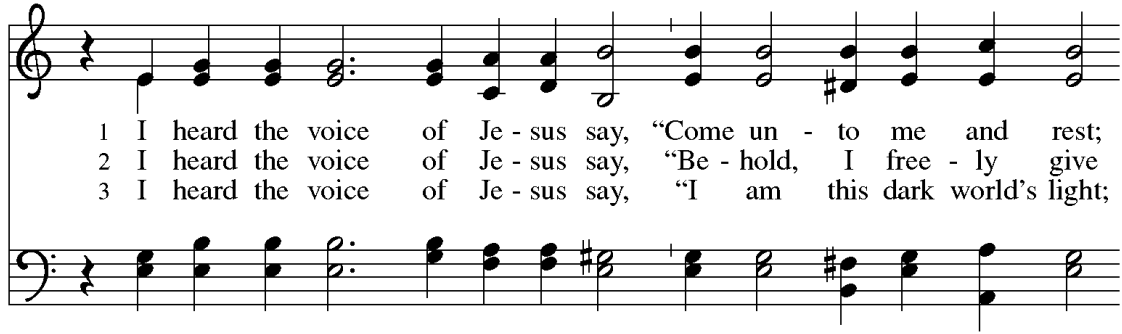


call-ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

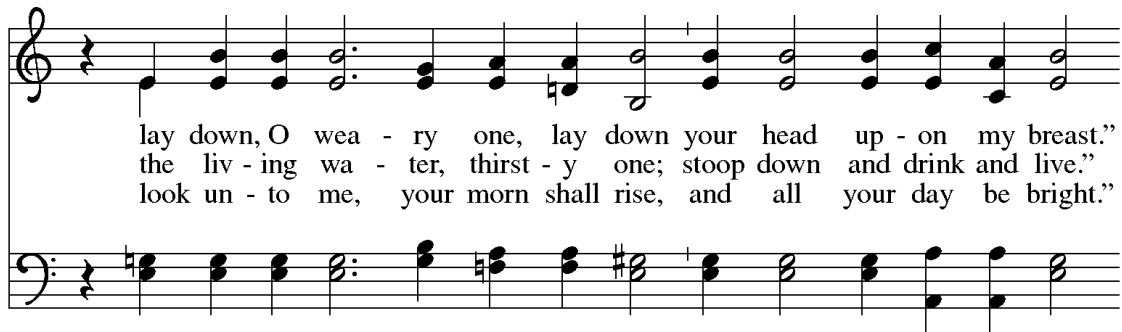


lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

# I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say



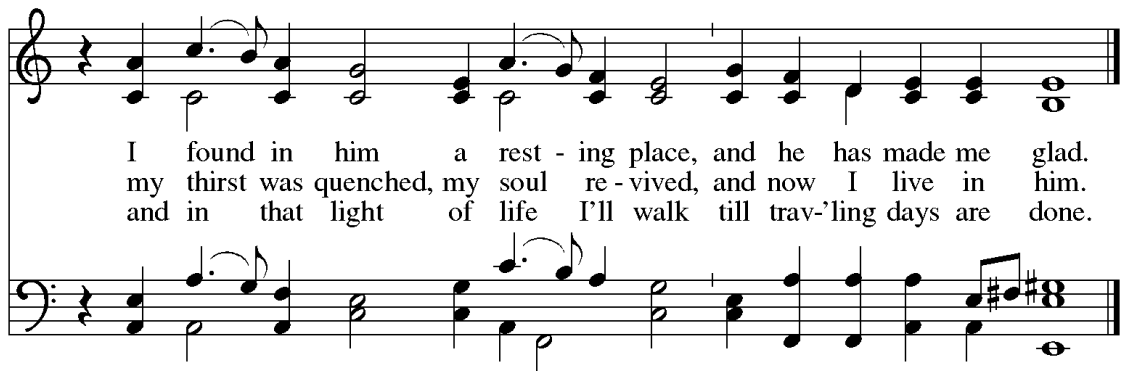
1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and rest;  
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly give  
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's light;



lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down your head up - on my breast."  
the liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; stoop down and drink and live."  
look un - to me, your morn shall rise, and all your day be bright."



I came to Je - sus as I was, so wea - ry, worn, and sad;  
I came to Je - sus, and I drank of that life - giv - ing stream;  
I looked to Je - sus, and I found in him my star, my sun;



I found in him a rest - ing place, and he has made me glad.  
my thirst was quenched, my soul re - vived, and now I live in him.  
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav-'ling days are done.



# 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!

*“Those who loved in a land of deep darkness –  
On them light has shined.”*

Isaiah 9:2

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