



Midweek Message

OUTDOOR HYMN SING SERVICE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 27th at 9:30 a.m. Outdoor and Livestream Worship

Join us in our church parking lot and on the lawn for a hymn-focused worship service or Livestream with us via our Facebook page.

Helpful information for outdoor worship:

- Enter the church parking lot on the Sanctuary (East) side of the building and stop at the table to pick up a bulletin through your car window.
- A container will be available to drop off offering envelopes.
- Sit in your car for worship OR bring a lawn chair, sun hat, and shade umbrella as needed.

*(*In the case of rain, we will move indoors to our Sanctuary*)*

A NOTE OF THANKS FROM LCLC

Lake Chautauqua Lutheran Center is truly blessed by friends like you who give to our outdoor ministries. Your generous donation will help us continue to provide programs that encourage and nurture our campers and guests for a brand new summer of camping adventures. Thanks for making a difference at LCLC!



Atonement Lutheran Church

All Are Welcome

*In-person worship in our Sanctuary, or
Livestream worship via our
Atonement Facebook page.*

Join Pastor Gail and David
McCarthy for music and hymns,
scripture, a sermon, prayers, and
a Children's Moment.

*You can follow us on Sunday mornings
at 9:30 a.m. and for special services by
going to our Atonement Facebook page
at [fb.com/
atonementlutheranchurch/](https://www.facebook.com/atonementlutheranchurch/)*

A worship bulletin and hymns
will be Emailed to our
Atonement families, and
posted weekly on our web site.



Imperfect Vessels

-Christine Caine

The biblical model is that God deliberately chooses imperfect vessels- those who have been wounded, those with physical or emotional limitations. Then he prepares them to serve and sends them out with their weakness still evident, so that his strength can be made perfect in that weakness.

SIGN UP: SUNDAY MORNING SWEET TREATS

During the months of July and August we will be offering a time for fellowship and ice cream served outdoors following each worship service (formerly known as Lemonade on the Lawn).



You can help us by signing up to host on a Sunday by clicking on the link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054FA4AE2FA31-sunday>

CLICK ON OUR MUSIC LINKS!

“Next to the Word of God, Music Deserves the Highest Praise”

This quote by Martin Luther reminds of the gift of music in our worship life, and in our life of faith. Our Director of Music, David McCarthy, will be providing weekly music links of sacred music to offer inspiration, solace and peace. Click on a title to hear the song.

<https://www.livinglutheran.org/2013/05/favorite-hymns/> We have a hymn sing at church this Sunday, and I liked this discussion among Lutherans of their favorite hymns. Lutherans are famous for their love of corporate singing, with everybody having a line that fits their voice, and the whole being greater than the sum of its parts.

[Hymns for Solo Piano](#) Here are some interesting arrangements for solo piano of popular hymns. Dan Musselman is a church musician in Minneapolis, with a doctorate in composition, and there's some very tasteful stuff in here.

[Instrumental Hymns and World Famous Protestant Churches](#)

Here's something similar, but with orchestra. Unfortunately, the times in the description are only the total length of each track, not where they are in the video, but it makes it more fun to pick a random place and see how long it takes to name the hymn. There are some very neat churches featured in the graphics, too.

CHRIST IN OUR HOME



Now Available!

Christ in Our Home devotionals for July/August/September are now available. You can pick one up in the church office or on the narthex table.

ARE WE THERE YET?

By Pastor Gail Swanson

When can we worship without face masks? How long until we return to sitting in our favorite pew instead of socially distanced? Can we sing? Isn't it time to have meetings in the church building rather than on Zoom?

The time has come. As of June 21, New York State health officials have lifted all Covid-19 restrictions across commercial and social settings, including churches. Preventative guidelines are still recommended for unvaccinated individuals. (coronavirus.health.ny.gov/)

Which means that the health protocols and practices which our Atonement congregation has been following to keep us safe throughout the pandemic can now be changed and adjusted. At last night's meeting, the Board of Ministries agreed that this includes the following:

- Many of our Sunday morning practices will return, including using the entrances on the East, West and North sides of the church building... regular seating in the sanctuary...and congregational singing.
- Committees and groups are encouraged to once again gather for meetings in the church building or outdoors on the front lawn.
- Wearing of face masks will be optional for those who are fully vaccinated. Face mask use is requested for those who are not fully vaccinated.
- Sunday morning fellowship and refreshments will be offered outdoors each week following worship.
- Nursery Care/Use of the Nursery will be available beginning on Labor Day Weekend.

It's been a long journey, and by God's continued care, we are returning to our church home and church lives. But I am reluctant to use the phrase "returning to normal". As we move forward, I'm reminded that on Easter morning, Jesus didn't go back to "normal." After the suffering, the cross, the darkness of the tomb, he didn't come back from death and then return to his usual ministry. The risen Jesus was transformed for something new. So too, have we been transformed by what has happened to our world and to our lives through this time of pandemic. Going back to normal is not an option for disciples, apostles, believers, followers...and us. Going forward – is where Jesus is leading.

*Give us joy to match the days of our sorrow
And the years we have suffered.
Let your servants see your saving hand,
Show your glory to your children.
May God's sweet favor rest upon us,
May all that we do prosper.
Bless the work of our hands,
O bless the work of our hands!
Psalm 90: 15-17*

July Celebrations

Happy Birthday!

- 2 Sharon Darder
- 4 Eli Brown
Josh Brown
Keith Condemi
Skip Waterstreet
- 5 Betty Browne
- 6 John Bartlett
- 16 Barbara Granger
- 17 Sue Howe
- 18 David McGill
Laura Bell
- 20 Elizabeth Hanks
- 21 Timothy Baker
Dawson Brown
Savannah Brown
- 27 Jim Krapf
Lori Love

Happy Anniversary!

- 3 Russell Miller & Todd Graber
- 10 Harlan & Barbara Granger
Jim & Lois Rau
- 26 Bob & Kathy Heinig
- 28 Marge Peet & Rod Bailey

