



Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

July 25th, 2021

9:30 a.m.



In-Person and Livestream (via Facebook) Worship

Atonement Lutheran Church

1900 Westfall Road, Rochester, NY, 14618

* *Please Stand As You Are Able*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

In dir ist Freude

-J.S. Bach/P. Manz

WELCOME

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

God, the giver of all good gifts;

It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Forgive our selfishness, our greed, and our self-serving ways. Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

***PEACE**

Christ is our Peace, strangers and friends, old and young;
Christ has broken down the barriers to bind us to himself and to each other.
The peace of Christ with you all. **And also with you.**

***GATHERING HYMN** *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* # 461

***GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

WORD

FIRST LESSON *Ephesians 3:14-21*

A reading from Ephesians

¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



***HOLY GOSPEL**

John 6:1-21

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

¹Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ⁹“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” ¹⁰Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.”

¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”

¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” ²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

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

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

Break Now the Bread of Life

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***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

Hear now the prayers of your people for the hungers of this world, and the hurting ones among us. Help us remember the hungry and the fed; **Lord, have mercy.**

As we remember the suffering and want of others, we acknowledge our own hunger and need, trusting in the promises of Christ our Lord. **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.

***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.

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 by the center aisle.

~Place your right hand over your left hand to receive the wafer of bread.

~Pick up a communion cup of wine at the small table.

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

~Dispose of the cup in the basket provided.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION

Soul, Adorn Yourself With Gladness -J. Brahms

SENDING

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray. Creator of the seed and vine, you come among us as food for all our hungers, and as the One who hungers and thirsts for the needy. As you have nourished us with this holy food, lead us daily to seek the bread of life, and to share it freely in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

***BENEDICTION**

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN**

O Living Bread From Heaven

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***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Sing With All the Saints in Glory

-W.B. Roberts



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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Assisting Minister	David Wilkinson
Livestream Recorder.....	Andrew Spillane
Altar Care	Judy Lazenby and Judy Karsten

*A special thank you to our guest organist for today,
Margaret-Anne Milne.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUTDOOR YOUTH SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday, August 1st 9:30 a.m.

Dress Rehearsal Saturday, July 31st (time to be announced)

There are opportunities for children and youth of all ages to participate in-person or virtually. Please contact Ms. Janeen if you are interested in participating.

DRIVE-THROUGH FOOD COLLECTION

Saturday, July 31st

Our friends and neighbors at Twelve Corners Presbyterian Church (TCPC) are sponsoring a second Drive-Through Food Collection to benefit the Brighton Food Cupboard. Volunteers from the community are needed. *Please contact Tom Upson at tcusma@rit.edu or at (585) 244-3614 if you want to schedule a time for one of these time slots:*

-Saturday, July 31st:

-9:00-11:00 a.m./set up and receive donations

-1:00-3:00 p.m./receive donations and clean-up

-Monday, August 2nd

-9:00-11:00 a.m./deliver donations to Brighton Food Cupboard

Requested items are: non-perishable food items, with an emphasis on **HEALTHY SNACKS** for children's backpacks. There will be an outdoor bin at Atonement by the Sanctuary (East) entrance if you would like to drop off any donations between July 25th- July 31st. Thank you!

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WELCOME! 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*

NURSERY CARE

Is not available at this time, but is planned to resume Labor Day Weekend

YOUR GUIDE FOR SUNDAY IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Welcome!

Please feel free to enter the building through the East, West or North entrances.

Face Masks:

Are optional for those who are fully vaccinated. Face mask use is requested for those who are not yet vaccinated.

Hand Sanitizer:

Please observe good hygiene and hand sanitizing practices before entering the sanctuary.

Bulletins:

Bulletins and hymn packets are available in the narthex.

During Worship:

Windows will be open for fresh air

Congregational Singing is welcomed

Share the Peace with a gesture or words

Children's Moments: Kids are welcomed to come forward.

Nursery Care/Use of Nursery:

Will resume Labor Day Weekend

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Thank you for joining us in worship today!

*Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God.
Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.
1 John 4:7*



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