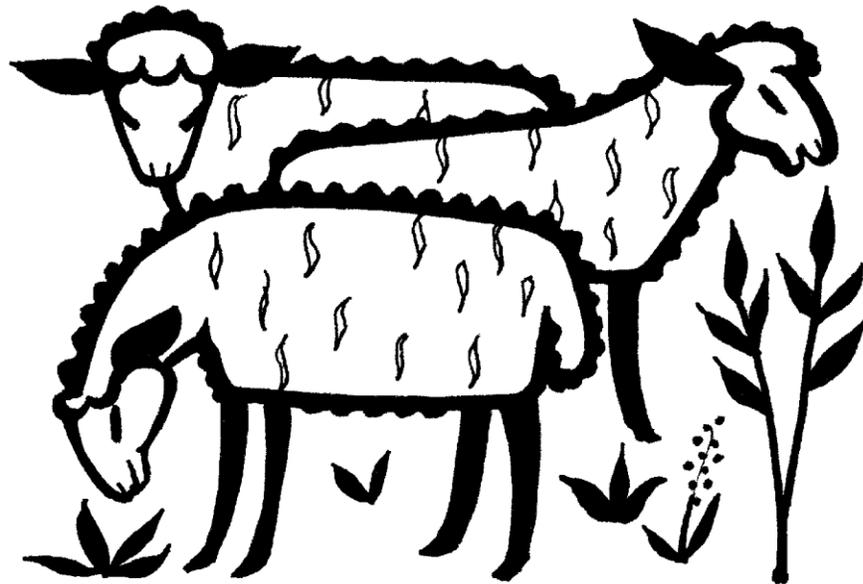


Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8th, 2022

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



Atonement Lutheran Church

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1900 Westfall Road, Rochester, NY 14618

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Turnbull

-T. Pavlechko

WELCOME

***OPENING DIALOGUE**

Come, you who are filled with anxiety, regret or fear. Christ leads you beside still waters:

The Lord is our good shepherd, we need nothing more.

Come, you who walk in death's dark valley and along the sorrow road:

God is with us in the dark shadows, God's comfort is ours.

Come, you who long for reconciliation between peoples and nations:

God's table is set in the presence of enemies; where we can feast together on Christ's mercy.

Come, you who are in search of goodness and yearn for mercy:

We rest securely in God's house, now and all the days of our lives.

***PEACE**

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

***GATHERING HYMN**

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

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***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.**

**Please Stand As You Are Able*

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

O God of peace, you brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep. By the blood of your eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good that we may do your will, and work among us all that is well-pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

WORD

FIRST READING

Acts 9:36-43

A reading from the book of Acts.

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴²This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

SECOND READING *Revelations 7:9-17*

A reading from the book of Revelations.

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”
¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” ¹⁴I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

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

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Celtic Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is a simple, folk-like tune. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. The notes are: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter). The second staff continues the melody: D4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter). The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the first staff, and 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the second staff.

***HOLY GOSPEL**

John 10:22-30

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

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” ²⁵Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one.”

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

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY**

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me

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***NICENE CREED**

Let us confess our faith, and the faith of the church, with the words of the Apostles' Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS

In the light of Christ's resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who long for new life. Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Receive the prayers we offer, O God, and grant us what we truly need, in the name of Jesus, our risen Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

***OFFERTORY HYMN**

Savoir, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

-W. B. Roberts

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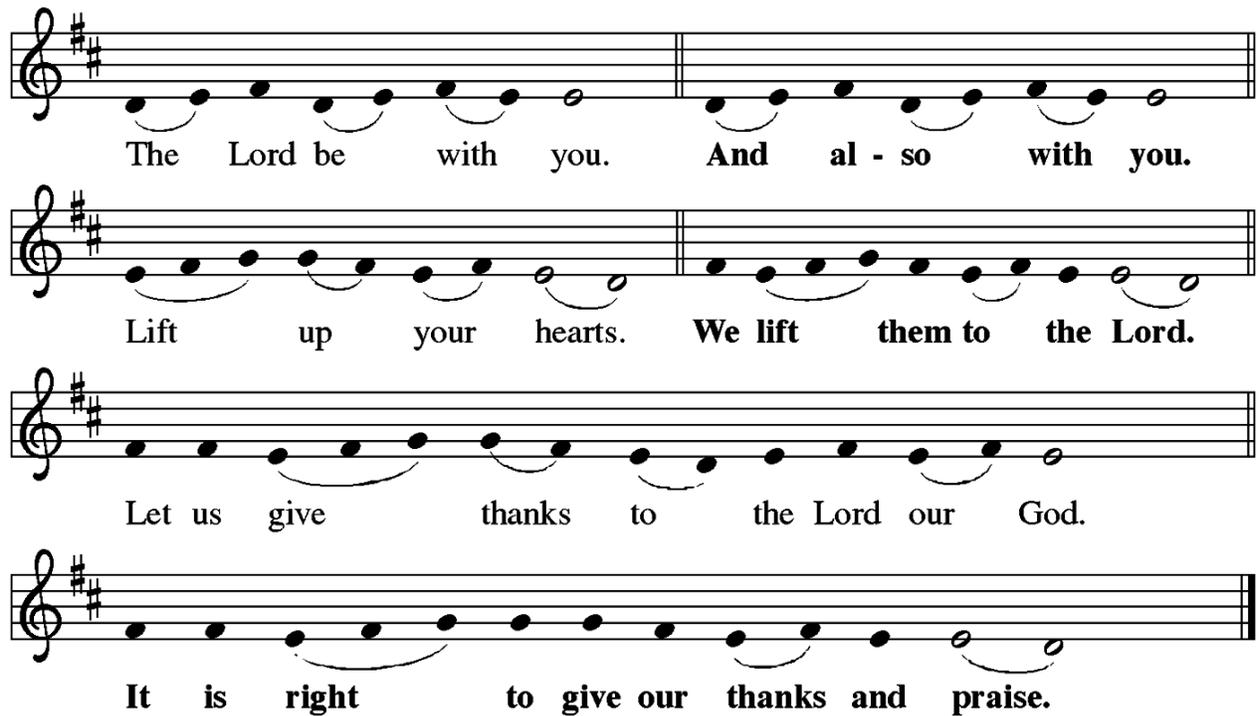
*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Divine Shepherd, you anoint us with the oil of gladness and generosity. Accept our offerings for the good of the world, as we joyfully give thanks for our life in you. **Amen.**

MEAL

*GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

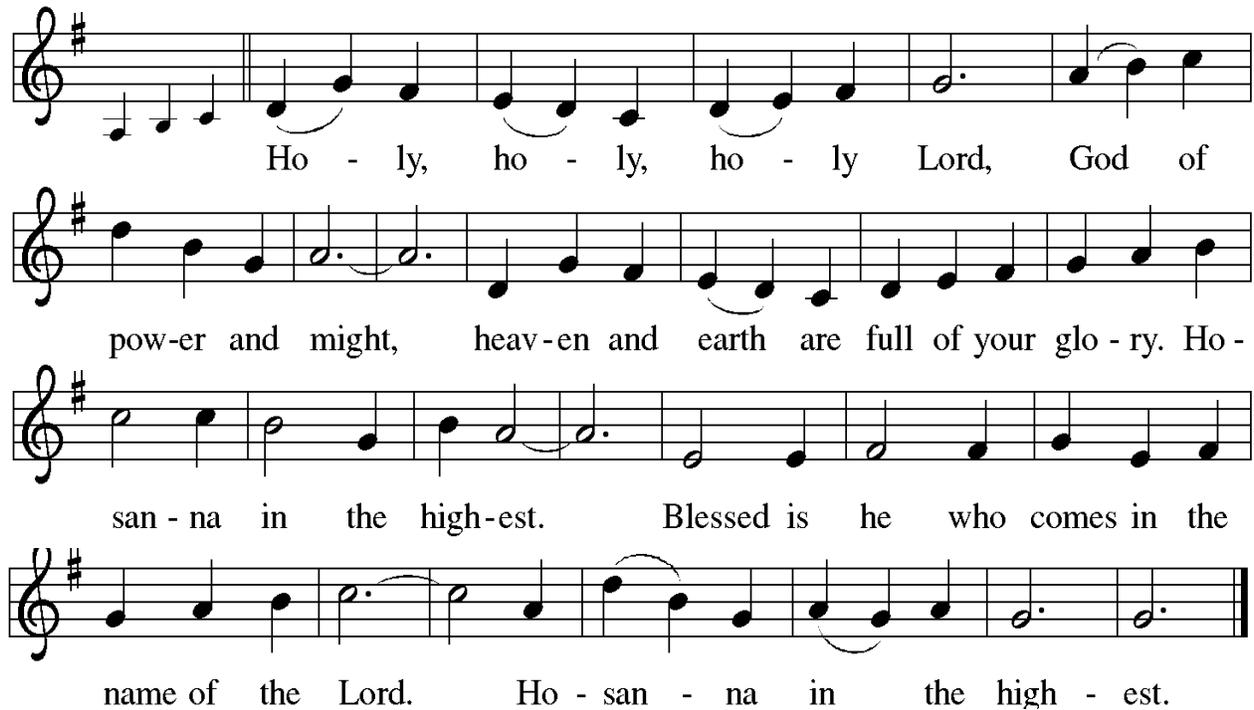
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PROPER PREFACE

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

*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

.... We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*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 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.

SENDING

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Let us pray. Shepherd of our souls, you have called us to an abundant feast at your table. Open our hearts to share your grace and goodness, that all might dwell ever more deeply in you. **Amen.**

***BENEDICTION**

Go forth to follow paths of righteousness as you serve the risen Lord, that you may be blessed and guided this day and always; in the name of the Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***SENDING HYMN**

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Christ is risen! **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Pastorale

-J. S. Bach

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Assisting Minister	Kathy Wilkinson
Usher.....	Skip Waterstreet
Livestream Recorder.....	Andrew Spillane
Altar Care	Judy Lazenby and Judy Karsten
Offering Counters	Bob Touhsaent, Jim Krapf

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO THE LORD'S TABLE

We welcome Julianna Baker, Timothy Bell, Ella Milazzo, and Amelia Smith to God's Table as they receive Holy Communion this morning for the first time. May this sacrament be a source of strength and grace for them in their life of faith.

NEW-TO-YOU SALE: *May 13th (9:00-4:00) & 14th (9:00-2:00)*

We will begin accepting donations in Founders Hall **today** following worship, **through 12:00 Noon on Thursday, May 12th**. Items we are accepting this year include: toys, puzzles, linens, household and kitchen items, small appliances, books, garden supplies, frames, baskets, jewelry, and vintage items. PLEASE: NO clothing, shoes, electronics, computers, exercise equipment, or furniture. **We need volunteers!** There is a sign up sheet in the church narthex, or you may contact the church office to let Becky know when you'd like to volunteer.

HOLY COW! THE 'UDDER' JOY OF GIVING TO ELCA WORLD HUNGER

The Upstate NY Synod is encouraging each congregation to offer support for world hunger efforts by meeting a challenge goal of \$500. These gifts will go toward the purchase of a **HOLY COW**. Your gifts help sustain the livelihood of farmers across the globe, where ELCA dollars are at work. Experience the **UDDER JOY** of giving by helping us reach our goal. One dairy cow can produce a few gallons of milk each day. Milk provides nutrition for growing children, and a family can generate income by selling extra milk, cheese, yogurt, butter, and more. Please consider making a donation by cash or by check made payable to Atonement Lutheran Church with Holy Cow Project written on the memo line between now and May 15th.

COFFEE HOUR RETURNS

Join us today immediately following worship for a cup of coffee, a sweet treat, and conversation in Reissig Hall.

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing



1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to
 2 Praise we Christ, whose love di - vine gives his
 3 Where the pas - chal blood is poured death's dread
 4 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, pas - chal



our vic - to - rious king, who has washed us in the tide
 sa - cred blood for wine, gives his bod - y for the feast—
 an - gel sheathes the sword; Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go
 vic - tim, pas - chal bread; with sin - cer - i - ty and love



flow - ing from his wound - ed side. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest. Al - le - lu - ia!
 through the wave that drowns the foe. Al - le - lu - ia!
 eat we man - na from a - bove. Al - le - lu - ia!

5 Mighty victim from the sky,
 hell's fierce pow'rs beneath you lie;
 you have conquered in the fight,
 you have brought us life and light.
 Alleluia!

7 Easter triumph, Easter joy!
 This alone can sin destroy;
 from sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free,
 newborn souls in you to be.
 Alleluia!

6 Now no more can death appall,
 now no more the grave enthrall;
 you have opened paradise,
 and your saints in you shall rise.
 Alleluia!

8 Father, who the crown shall give,
 Savior, by whose death we live,
 Spirit, guide through all our days:
 Three in One, your name we praise.
 Alleluia!

I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me



1 I'm so glad I'm so glad
2 Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me. Sa - tan had me bound,
3 When I was in trou - ble, When I was in trou - ble,



Je - sus lift - ed me. I'm so glad
Sa - tan had me bound, Je - sus lift - ed me,
When I was in trou - ble,



sing - ing glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Je - sus lift - ed me.

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

1 The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
 2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
 3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
 soul he lead - eth and, where the ver - dant
 love he sought me, and on his shoul - der
 Lord, be - side me, thy rod and staff my

I am his and he is mine for - ev - er.
 pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
 com - fort still; thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
 thine unction grace bestoweth;
 and, oh, what transport of delight
 from thy pure chalice floweth!

6 And so, through all the length of days,
 thy goodness faileth never.
 Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
 within thy house forever.

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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.*



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Thank you for joining us in worship today!

*Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death,
so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the
glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.*

Romans 6:4



HE IS RISEN

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