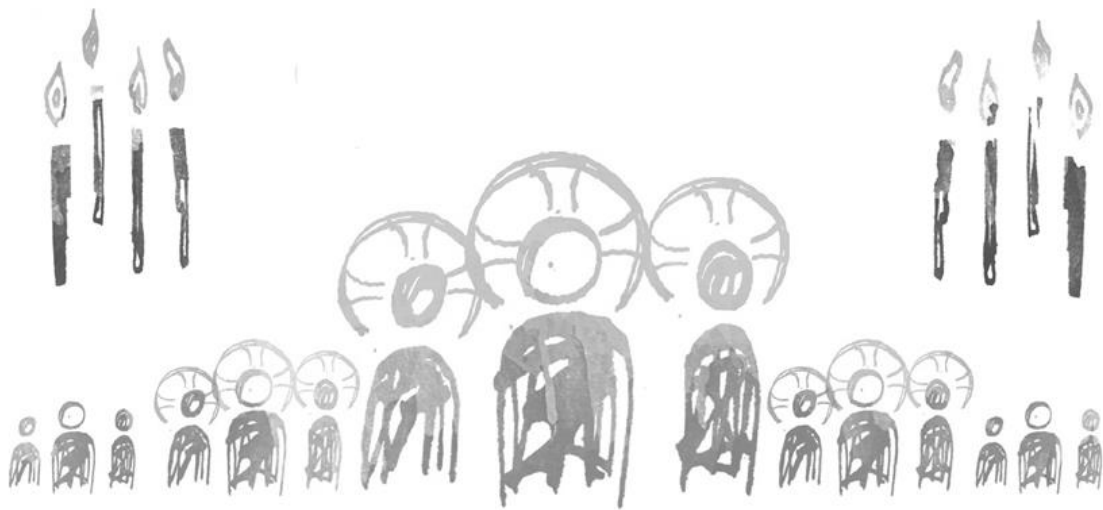


# All Saints Sunday

November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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

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All Saints



**Atonement Lutheran Church**

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1900 Westfall Road, Rochester, NY 14618

# **GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**

*Fughetta on "Sine Nomine"*

*-C. Callahan*

**WELCOME**

## **\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed are they that die in the Lord; † for they will rest from their labors.

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

For the peace and unity of the saints, and trusting in the promise of grace, let us confess our sin to God and to one another.

*Silence for Reflection*

**Holy God, you call your people into one beloved community. Your Son teaches us the way of peace in our life together, yet we persist in wounding that body with our divisions, our hate, and our neglect. Forgive us, and teach us to nurture unity and peace for the sake of Jesus Christ and the world he came to save. Amen.**

In his death and resurrection, Jesus has shown us God's forgiveness for our sins; and gives us a vision of God's eternal reign with all the saints, whose witness brought us, and now keeps us, in this community of faith. Help us to follow in faith where they have led the way, through the power and love of the Father, † the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## **\*PEACE**

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

*\*Please Stand As You Are Able*

**\*GATHERING HYMN**

*For All the Saints*

# 422

*Stanzas 1,2,6,7: All*

*Stanza 3: Choir*

*Stanza 4: Lower voices (Alto & Bass)*

*Stanza 5: Higher voices (Soprano & Tenor)*

**\*GREETING**

Beloved of God, called to be saints; grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, 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**

*Revelation 7:9-17*

*A reading from Revelation*

<sup>9</sup>After 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. <sup>10</sup>They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”  
<sup>11</sup>And 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, <sup>12</sup>singing,

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

<sup>13</sup>Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” <sup>14</sup>I 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.

<sup>15</sup>For 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.

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

<sup>17</sup>for 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.**

## **PSALM 34:1-8**

*Read responsively. Congregation reads **bold** type.*

<sup>1</sup>I will bless the LORD at all times;  
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

<sup>2</sup>**I will glory in the LORD;**  
**let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

<sup>3</sup>Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;  
let us exalt God’s name together.

<sup>4</sup>**I sought the LORD, who answered me**  
**and delivered me from all my terrors.**

<sup>5</sup>Look upon the LORD and be radiant,  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

<sup>6</sup>**I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me**  
**and saved me from all my troubles.**

<sup>7</sup>The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.

<sup>8</sup>**Taste and see that the LORD is good;  
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

**SECOND READING**

*1 John 3:1-3*

*A reading from John*

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Taste and See (sung twice)*

# 493

The musical notation consists of two staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the acclamation, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,  
taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

**\*HOLY GOSPEL**

*Matthew 5:1-12*

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

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:  
<sup>3</sup>“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup>“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup>“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup>“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup>“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup>“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup>“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup>“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup>“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

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

## **SERMON**

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**      *Sing With All the Saints in Glory*      # 426

### **\*NICENE CREED**

Let us confess our faith, and the faith of the Church, with the words of the Nicene 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

Gathered with the saints by the river of life, let us pray to God who is our eternal home. Lord in your mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

*During the final prayer petition, the names of Atonement members who have died in the past year are spoken aloud. After these names are shared, we invite the congregation to speak the names of other departed loved ones.*

Trusting in your never-failing love, O Lord, receive these prayers; joining us to your holy ones before the throne, now and forever. **Amen.**

**OFFERTORY MUSIC**

*Who Will Be A Witness?*

*-D. Moore*

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

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray.

With gratitude for God's blessings through the power at work in Christ Jesus, we offer now the gifts of the church for the sake of the Gospel; in Christ's 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.**

**\*PROPER PREFACE**

It is indeed right to give you thanks, most loving God, through Jesus Christ our Savior, crucified, risen, and ascended; who is one with us always, one of us, yet from the heart of God. Therefore with saints and evangelists, apostles and prophets, and all the redeemed, we praise your holy name and sing:



**\*SANCTUS**

*Holy God, We Praise Your Name, verses 1 & 2*

# 414



1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we  
2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,  
bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,



all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your  
in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.  
sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"

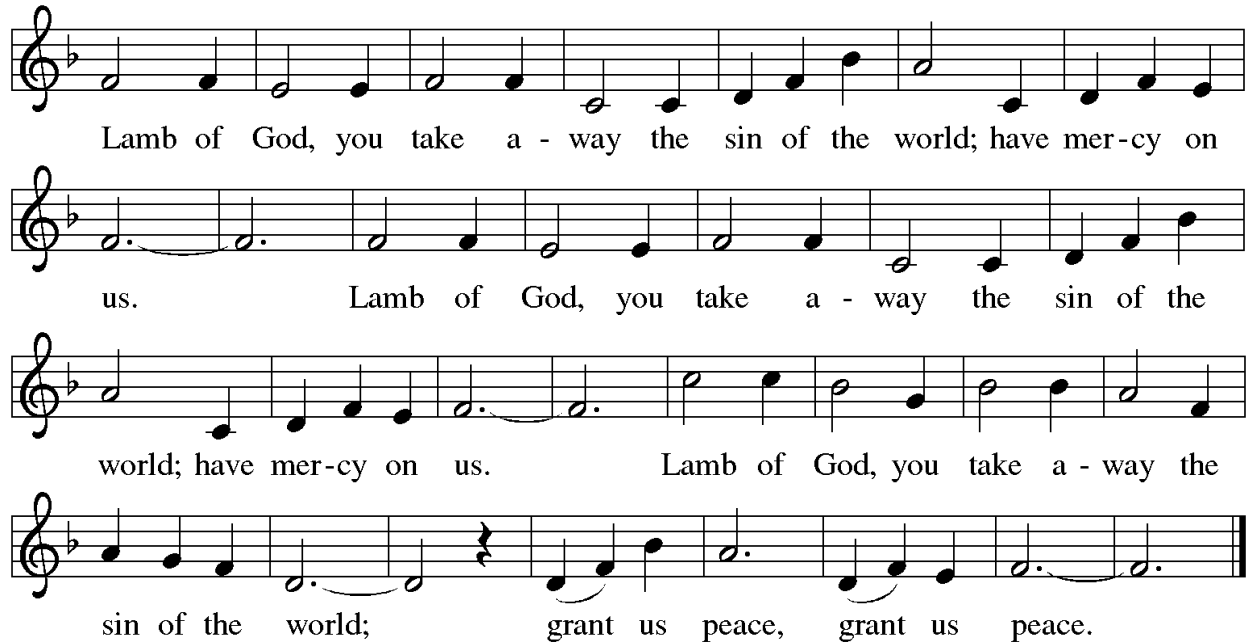
**\*EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**\*LORD'S PRAYER**

Gathered with the saints by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught:

**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.*

*~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.

We give you thanks, Gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Inspire us to be your body in the world and a blessing to those in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **\*BENEDICTION**

Jesus says, Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;  
for I am gentle and humble in heart,

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

And you will find rest for your soul.

In the name of the Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### **\*SENDING HYMN**

*Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones*

# 424

### **\*DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **POSTLUDE**

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

-P. Manz

*During the postlude, the congregation is invited to join the Recession  
as we follow the Bell Banner to the Memorial Garden  
for the final few minutes of the liturgy.*

*~ The liturgy continues on the next page. ~*

## **REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS**

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.  
**Gracious is the Lord who has redeemed us from the grave.**

The Living Christ stands among us, Shepherd and Lamb.  
**To lead God's saints through death to life.**

They are before the throne of God, and the One who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

We remember all our beloved dead, whom we mourn; especially those we name silently or aloud at this time... and those whose lives and memories are marked in stone in this place:

Bertha Anderson	Barb Macholz Grimaldi	Courtney Phelps
Ernest Anderson	Thomas Haelen	Philip Price
Betty Browne	Robert Heinig	The Rev. Fred Reissig
Mabel Mibb Browne	Janice Hunt	Marcia Spillane
Carol Condemi	Ruth S. Hunt	Ginny Van Graafeiland
John Condemi	Howard Jensen	Isaac & Margaret Vanee
William Ewan	Eloise Kress	
Patricia Foucht	Gary Lazenby	Brown Family Loved Ones
Marion Ginegaw	Harold Pearson	Sonnenfroh Family Loved Ones
Barbara Goodrich	Helen Pearson	

Let us pray:

Compassionate God, your love is stronger than death, more powerful than the grave. We rejoice in the lives of those whom you have drawn into your eternal embrace. Keep us in joyful communion with them until we join that great cloud of witnesses gathered before your throne; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Led on by the saints before us, let us go in peace to live in hope.

**Thanks be to God.**

We all go down to the dust; yet even at the grave, we make our song:

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Assisting Minister .....	Eric Domroes
Livestream Recorder.....	Karen Goodyear
Offering Counters .....	John Kruidenier, Michelle Laraby
Usher(s) .....	Karan Thompson
Altar Care .....	Judy Lazenby
Fellowship Host .....	Desiree Wolfe

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **COFFEE HOUR \*TODAY\* following worship in Reissig Hall**

Please join us for some fellowship, coffee, conversation, and refreshments in Reissig Hall.

### **NOVEMBER ADULT FORUMS following worship in Reissig Hall**

The November 12<sup>th</sup> Adult Forum Topic is *What's Faith-Based Living Got to Do With Civic Life?* presented by Susan Touhsaent.

The November 19<sup>th</sup> Adult Forum Topic is *What's How to Talk With Family Members Across the Political Divide* presented by *Braver Angels* ([braverangels.org](http://braverangels.org)).

### **NOVEMBER SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY FUN DAY**

#### **Sunday, November 12th 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 forgiveness.

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

### **CONCERT This Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

Join us for an evening of beautiful music and for a small reception following the concert, with the music of Dr. Sungmin Shin (with other musicians). Dr. Shin, professor of guitar at SUNY at Buffalo, was our guest musician during worship two weeks ago.

This concert will be a fundraiser for St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center. The music will be focused on Filipino music, and used for a record Dr. Shin is making in the spring. There will be a number of members of Rochester's Filipino community there, so it's a great chance to welcome them to our church.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## NOVEMBER ELCA WORLD HUNGER COLLECTION

Thanksgiving is coming! A time to celebrate our blessings and join together to share our food. Sadly, more than 820 million people in our world (about 11%) are hungry. Atonement will be collecting donations through the month of November to benefit ELCA World Hunger.

There will be a collection bin on the table in the Narthex. *Checks should be made payable to Atonement Lutheran Church; write 'ELCA World Hunger' on the memo line.*

## FALL STEWARDSHIP: A NEW WAY TO GIVE

Have you ever seen a QR code? QR stands for *quick response*. You may have seen them in restaurants on tables to scan to see their menu, or on posters to register for events. They are a simple way to connect us to a website or document in the blink of an eye. It's easier than ever to give to Atonement by simply scanning the code below.



All you need to do is point your smartphone's camera at the code. Once your camera recognizes the QR code, a notification will pop up that features a link. Tap on this link and you will be taken directly to Atonement's giving website.

If your phone doesn't automatically take a snapshot of the code, you may need to download a QR code reader app. Many are available free of charge in the Google Play store, or the Apple App store. If you have any questions, please contact Lindee Krapf.

## PLEDGE CARDS

As we conclude this Stewardship season, please consider **making a financial commitment** to the mission and ministry of Atonement by **filling out a pledge card for 2024** and returning it to the church office. Additional pledge cards are available on the table in the narthex and in the church office.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **SIDEWALK SNOW SHOVELING & SALTING**

We are looking for a few hardy souls to assist with sidewalk snow shoveling and salting before Sunday services and during the week beginning in December. See Tom Thompson for details.

### **OUTREACH MINISTRY: Barbara Macholz Grimaldi Legacy Grants**

Atonement Lutheran Church has been blessed with a unique opportunity to remember the life and legacy of Barbara Macholz Grimaldi through a Legacy Fund established in her memory. Grants of \$500 are available for distribution for congregational and community outreach projects, programs and ministries throughout the Upstate New York Synod (and beyond) addressing the following issues:

- **Biblical Justice**
- **Criminal Justice**
- **Social Justice**
- **Racial Justice**
- **Food Insecurity, Hunger, Community Gardening**

A Grant Request Form can be found on our BMGLF bulletin board and on our web site. *Deadline for applications is November 15<sup>th</sup>.*

### **GREEN TIP**

The average tool is used for just 12 minutes in a person's life. For a small annual fee, tool libraries lend lawn equipment, hand tools, saws, and more. Save money, save the energy and resources needed to create more tools, and keep waste out of landfills. Type your city name and 'tool library' into your search engine to find a tool library near you.



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# For All the Saints



1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who  
 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou,  
*Stanzas 3-5 below.*  
 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the  
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through



thee by faith before the world confessed, thy  
 Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; ..  
 saints triumphant rise in bright array; the  
 gates of pearl streams in the countless host, ..



name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
 thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
 King of glory passes on his way.  
 singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine, we feebly struggle,  
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the  
 5 The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful



they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are  
 distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again and arms are  
 servants cometh rest; . . . sweet is the calm of paradise the



thine. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 strong.  
 blest.

# Sing with All the Saints in Glory



- 1 Sing with all the saints in glo - ry, sing the res - ur - rec - tion song!
- 2 Oh, what glo - ry, far ex - ceed - ing all that eye has yet per - ceived!
- 3 Life e - ter - nal! heav'n re - joic - es: Je - sus lives who once was dead.



Death and sor - row, earth's dark sto - ry, to the for - mer days be - long.  
Ho - liest hearts for a - ges plead - ing nev - er that full joy con - ceived.  
Shout with joy, O death - less voic - es! Child of God, lift up your head!



All a - round the clouds are break - ing, soon the storms of time shall cease;  
God has prom - ised, Christ pre - pares it, there on high our wel - come waits.  
Life e - ter - nal! Oh, what won - ders crowd on faith; what joy un - known,



in God's like - ness we a - wak - en, know - ing ev - er - last - ing peace.  
Ev - 'ry hum - ble spir - it shares it, Christ has passed the e - ter - nal gates.  
when, a - mid earth's clos - ing thun - ders, saints shall stand be - fore the throne!

# Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright  
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more  
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye  
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su -



ser - apts, cher - u - bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain:  
 glo - rious than the ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es:  
 pa - tri - archs and proph - ets blest: "Al - le - lu - ia!  
 per - nal an - thems ech - o - ing: "Al - le - lu - ia!



"Al - le - lu - ia!" Cry out, do - min - ions, prince - doms,  
 "Al - le - lu - ia!" Thou bear - er of the e - ter - nal  
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Ye ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyr  
 Al - le - lu - ia!" To God the Fa - ther, God the



pow'rs, arch - an - gels, vir - tues, an - gel choirs:  
 Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the Lord:  
 strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the song:  
 Son, and God the Spir - it, Three in One:



"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!" Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

# Atonement Lutheran Church

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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*

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

Thank you for joining us in worship today!

*"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."*

-Matthew 5:4

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