



Midweek Message

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Sunday, November 3rd at 9:30 a.m.



Join us as we listen to the sound of the Bell Banner ...celebrate the victory won for the saints who have gone before us... and conclude our service in the Atonement Memorial Garden. Throughout worship we will lift up the life and witness of those who now rest from their labors, and share in everlasting glory with Christ.

Yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Special Music For All Saints Sunday

Many thanks to David McCarthy, our choir, guest soloist, oboe player, and string quartet, who will be offering two selections from the renowned choral work *Requiem* by John Rutter. Both the texts and the musical settings of his lovely choral work offer an expression of trust and hope in God, that we may "dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS MEETING

Friday, November 1st from 10:00 a.m. until Noon in Reissig Hall

Mark your calendars and join us for our next 'First Friday Friends' gathering. This month, we will be working on a Christmas craft! Coffee and treats are provided. If you have any questions, contact Karen Goodyear or Barb Sanko.



All are welcome!

LOOKING FORWARD: November Adult Forum

Join us for coffee, snacks, fellowship, and conversation. We welcome those of High School and up following worship at 10:30 a.m. in Reissig Hall. If you have an idea, suggestion, or would like to make a presentation, please see Susan Touhsaent or Margy Peet. Here's what we have scheduled for this month:

November 10th presenter will be Michele Quinn from Saint's Place

November 17th presenter will be Elizabeth Martinez from Spiritus Christi Prison Outreach, a recipient of the BMGLF Grant.

November 24th presenters will be Matt & Jess McGill, who will be sharing their experiences from their trip to South Africa.



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Join us for in-person worship in our Sanctuary, or Livestream via our Facebook page on Sunday mornings.

Livestream Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. by going to the Atonement Facebook page at [fb.com/atonementlutheranchurch/](https://www.facebook.com/atonementlutheranchurch/)

A worship bulletin with hymns is also posted weekly on our web site at www.atonementrochester.org

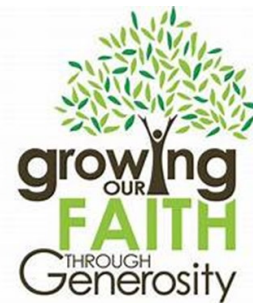
Don't Forget to *Set Your Clocks!*

Be sure to turn your clocks back one hour on Saturday night, November 2nd for the end of Daylight Saving Time.



HOLY GENEROSITY: STEWARDSHIP

It is your holy generosity which has blessed Atonement, allowing us to serve and support our church family as well as our neighbors and friends inside and outside of our congregation. In the coming year, your financial gifts will assist in providing the foundation for the ministry and mission we do in sharing Christ's love in word and deed.



With a spirit of holy generosity, please prayerfully consider your financial support of Atonement as you receive your stewardship packet in the mail this week. Please complete and return your Pledge Card to the Church Office or in the offering plates Oct. 27th - Nov. 10th.

ELCA WORLD HUNGER COLLECTION THROUGH NOV.

Thanksgiving is coming! A time to celebrate our blessings and join together to share our food and resources. 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.*

Lord, pour out the Spirit of your love, that we may pour ourselves out for the hungry.

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 \$550 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
- Social Justice
- Food Insecurity, Hunger, Community Gardening
- Criminal Justice
- Racial Justice

Grant Request Forms can be found online at the web site bmglegacyfund.org. *Deadline for applications is November 15th.*

CONGRATULATIONS AND BLESSINGS

We offer our congratulations and blessings to Pastor DongKi Kim and the Rochester International Japanese United Methodist Church upon their 20th Anniversary. The congregation was founded in 2004 and began worshipping at Atonement in 2015.



CONFIRMATION CLASS MEETING: November 3rd

The Confirmation Class will meet in the Conference Room following worship.

EXCITING NEWS FOR 2025! PRESCHOOL AT ATONEMENT

We are delighted to announce that Small Wonders Preschool will be leasing the use of Founders Hall for classes Monday through Friday mornings beginning in September 2025. Under the leadership of directors and teachers Andra Smith and Brooke DeMartin, Small Wonders Preschool aims to create a welcoming and inclusive program, offering four year olds the opportunity to explore, create, and build connections with their peers and the world around them. Final approval for the Preschool was given at the October Board of Ministries meeting.



Founders Hall will continue to provide space for our monthly Sunday School classes, Flower City Pride Band rehearsals, as well as occasional weekend events hosted by the Latvian and Japanese congregations who worship in our building.

Please stop in and see the amazing and updated transformation of Founders Hall!

CLICK ON OUR MUSIC LINKS

"Next to the Word of God, Music Deserves the Highest Praise" -Martin Luther

[John Rutter | The Lord is my Shepherd \(with score\)](#) It's All Saints again this Sunday, and we'll be doing this piece (along with other gorgeous music) with our glorious choir helped out by a guest soprano, oboe, and string quartet. I hope you're able to come and remember loved ones who have gone before us.

[For All The Saints \(OCP Spirit and Song arrangement\)](#) Here's a very gentle arrangement of the central hymn of All Saints. I wish people didn't feel the need to "fix" every lyric except when absolutely necessary, but luckily the words and melody are so strong they can take it.

Choir practice is on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome!



Prayers

For Healing

May the love of Jesus and His healing power fill your body and soul. May the Savior's strong arms and prayers of special friends embrace and hold you close.

We pray this day for:

Andrea Fleishman
Pastor Deb Johnson
Florence Wright

ELECTION DAY PRAYER

Gracious God,

Amid the turmoil, worries and fears of this election time, your love is steadfast and your strength never fails. Guide this nation by your Spirit to move forward in all things right and pleasing to you. Bless our land with honesty in government, truth in decision-making, and honor in daily life.

Give us leaders whose hearts are large enough to match the breadth of your vision. Drive from them any selfishness, corruption and every evil action.

Give us hearts to choose leaders willing to work to end hateful rhetoric and demonization of others. Help us to choose those who will bring safety, peace and well-being to our country and our world. Grant us oneness in our diversity, and to see it as a gift from you.

Give us a government that provides for the common good of others; that seeks justice for all, and ensures respect for the dignity and rights of every person.

Give us insight to elect leaders who can tell strength from power, economic growth from greed, and wisdom from desire for political gain. Grant us leaders who model leadership with integrity, service with compassion and are capable in leading us from fear to trust.

We ask these things, merciful God, with hearts that trust in your eternal care as we face the future. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

VOTING DAY TRANSPORTATION

Don't forget to vote in this year's crucial election! Need a ride to cast your vote on Tuesday, November 5th? Atonement member Andra Smith is offering transportation to your polling location. Call or text her at (585) 455-1322, or Email asank123@gmail.com to make arrangements.

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Worship

9:30 a.m. Sundays
in our Sanctuary

Livestream Worship

9:30 a.m. Sundays via the
Atonement Facebook page.

Church Office Hours

9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday

I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me,
Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord,
for they shall rest from their labors.
Grant them eternal rest, O Lord,
and let light perpetual shine upon them.

