

# THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT

## The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Holy Eucharist

January 24, 2021 at 10:00 am

Voluntary

*Wer nun den lieben Gott lässt walten*

J.S.Bach

Welcome

The Rector

### Hymnal 533

*How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise*

1 How won - drous and great thy works, God of praise!  
2 To na - tions of earth thy light shall be shown;  
How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!  
their wor - ship and vows shall come to thy throne:  
O who shall not fear thee, and hon - or thy Name?  
thy truth and thy judg - ments shall spread all a - broad,  
Thou on - ly art ho - ly, thou on - ly su - preme.  
till earth's ev - ery peo - ple con - fess thee their God.

Words: Henry Ustick Onderdonk (1759-1858), alt.; para. *The Song of the Redeemed* Music: Lyons, att. Johann Michael Haydn (1737-1806)

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant then continues*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Song of Praise S280

Glory to God

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
 King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5, 10  
Read by Phil Siska

A reading from Jonah

The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

***People*      Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 62:6-14**

- 6 For God alone my soul in silence waits; \*  
truly, my hope is in him.
- 7 He alone is my rock and my salvation, \*  
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.
- 8 In God is my safety and my honor; \*  
God is my strong rock and my refuge.
- 9 Put your trust in him always, O people, \*  
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.
- 10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, \*  
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.
- 11 On the scales they are lighter than a breath, \*  
all of them together.
- 12 Put no trust in extortion;  
in robbery take no empty pride; \*  
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
- 13 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, \*  
that power belongs to God.
- 14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, \*  
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 7:29-31  
Read by Rita Hannigan

A reading from 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians

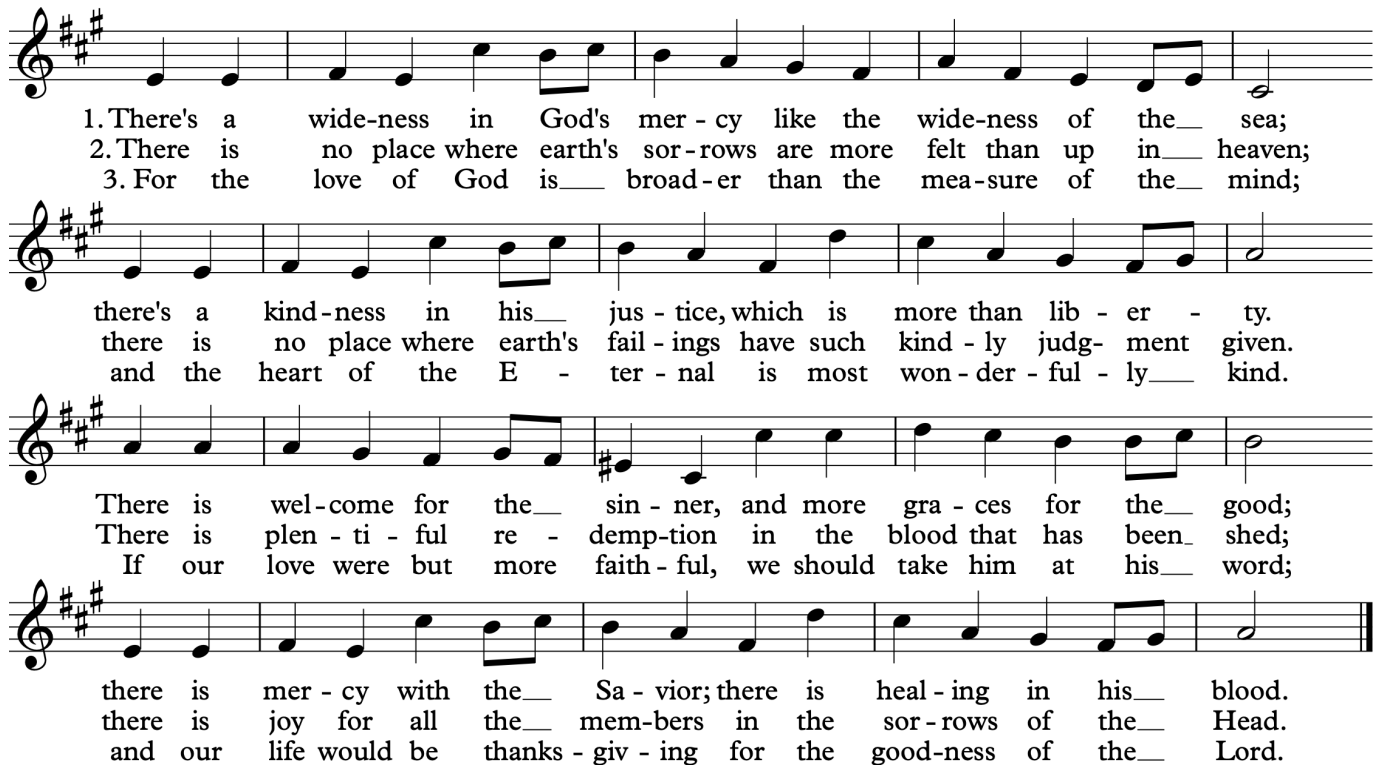
I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no

possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

### Hymn 470

*There's a wideness in God's mercy*



1. There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy like the wide-ness of the sea;  
2. There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven;  
3. For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure of the mind;  
there's a kind - ness in his jus - tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.  
there is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.  
There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;  
There is plen - ti - ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed;  
If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;  
there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.  
there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.  
and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

### The Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of Our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of our Savior.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### Sermon

The Rev. Nancy Webb Stroud

## 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. 4  
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,  
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 of the People for Epiphany

*Liturgy for the Whole Church, Susan K. Bock*

*Leader* Shine in your church, O God; embolden us, in a dark world, to speak truthfully and to act with the courage of love.

*People* This day and always,  
**Christ, be our Light.**

*Leader* Shine on your world, O God; heal the warring of nations and the wounding of the earth to give us peace at last.

*People* This day and always,  
**Christ, be our Light.**

*Leader* Shine for your people, O God; make us one human family who clothe each other with mercy and feed each other with justice.

*People* This day and always,  
**Christ, be our Light.**

*Leader* Shine in our hearts, O God; help us to reach to the heavens and deep in our souls to seek you, to find you, and to know you.  
This day and always,  
*People* **Christ, be our Light.**

*Leader* Shine in the saints, both the living and the departed, O God. Today we remember especially Irakli G. Kallfa and Georgiana Tsianco Kallfa, for whom the sanctuary lamp burns; and Dorothy P. Lovett in whose memory livestreaming equipment has been donated, and Edmund Frazar, recently departed, and all those we call before you now.  
*People may offer names silently or aloud.*  
Teach us to follow their lead to outrageous faith and eternal love.  
This day and always,  
*People* **Christ, be our Light.**

*Leader* Shine for the afflicted, O God; remind them of your deep compassion and how you tenderly bear all our sorrows.  
*Particular intercessions and petitions may be offered.*  
This day and always,  
*People* **Christ, be our Light.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

Shine, O God, as the Light that creates, the Light that calls, the Light that comes again with every dawn. Shine as the Light that scatters every shadow, and the Light in which we promise to walk, with your help.  
**Amen.**

The Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept. Minister and People*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

## The Great Thanksgiving

*When we gather, we are happy to receive an offering of "our life and labor" which we present to God.*

- *If you are able to continue to give weekly, or on a regular schedule, please do so. You may send a check through the mail or arrange with your bank to make a regular payment, OR*
- *Give electronically by signing up with Tithe.ly*
- *If your income has been reduced due to the requirement for social distance, we ask that you give what you can.*
- *If you are in need, please be in touch with us, so that we may offer assistance.*
- *We anticipate the need to offer assistance; if you can make a contribution beyond what you usually give, please do so.*
- *At this time when we are not decorating our Altar with beautiful flowers, memorials may be offered toward the purchase of audio and video equipment to allow us to livestream our services.*

*Thank you for your care of God's people as we are drawn closer to God's grace and reach out even more in God's love.*

## Offertory Anthem

*Jesus calls us o'er the tumult*

Cecil Frances Alexander

*Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild, restless sea,  
day by day his clear voice soundeth,  
saying, "Christian, follow me;"*

*as, of old, Saint Andrew heart it  
by the Galilean lake,  
turned from home and toil and kindred,  
leaving all for his dear sake.*

*Jesus calls us from the worship  
of the vain world's golden store;*

*from each idol that would keep us,  
saying, "Christian, love me more."*

*In our joys and in our sorrows,  
days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love me more than these."*

*Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,  
Savior, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thine obedience,  
serve and love thee best of all.*

*The people stand.*

*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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Savior.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
 high - est. Bless-ed is the one who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember Christ's death,**

**We proclaim Christ's resurrection,**

**We await Christ's coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.



By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

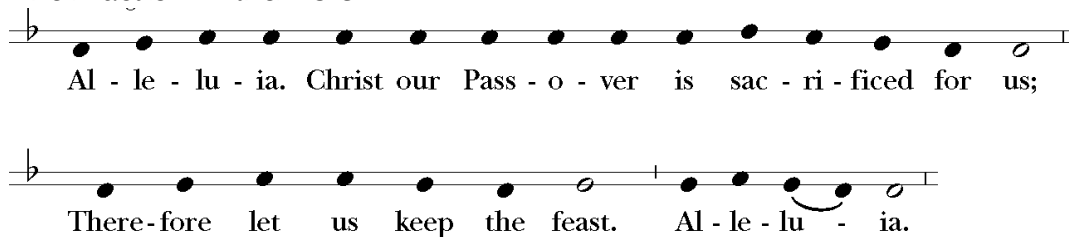
**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

### **The Fraction Anthem S152**



*The Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*While those in the church receive the Holy Eucharist, those at home are invited to offer this prayer of Spiritual Communion:*

In union, Blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, I long to offer you praise and thanksgiving.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart.

I unite myself with you and embrace you with all the affections of my soul.

Let nothing separate me from you; let me live and die in your love. Amen.

### **Communion Voluntary**

*The Summons*

Kelingrove, Traditional Scottish Melody  
Arr. Scot Bailey

*After Communion,*

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

*The people stand to pray.*

*Celebrant and people*

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

*Celebrant* May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

*People* Amen.

### Hymnal 530

*Spread, O spread, thou mighty word*

1 Spread, O spread, thou might - y word, spread the king - dom of the Lord,  
2 word of how the Fa - ther's will made the world, and keeps it, still;  
3 word of how the Sa - vior's love earth's sore bur - den doth re - move;  
4 word of how the Spi - rit came bring - ing peace in Je - sus' name;  
5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the na - tions long,  
1 that to earth's re - mot - est bound all may heed the joy - ful sound;  
2 how his on - ly Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save;  
3 how for - ev - er, in its need, through his death the world is freed;  
4 how his nev - er - fail - ing love guides us on to heaven a - bove.  
5 spread a - broad, un - til from night all the world a - wakes to light.

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Dismissal

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary

*The Heavens are Telling*

Bernedetto Marcello

## The Ministers of the Liturgy

Altar Guild	Linda Zielinski and Lesley Frazar
Linens	Debbie Randzio
Readers	Phil Siska and Rita Hannigan
Livestreaming Team	Bill Stroud and Margaret Hannigan

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

*Please use this list in your daily prayers. We are happy to add your concerns.  
Please contact Program Minister Jess Lee at [program@atonementwestfield.org](mailto:program@atonementwestfield.org)  
or call 562-5461 ext. 100.*

**The Sanctuary Lamp** burns to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Irakli G. Kallfa and Georgiana Tsianco Kallfa by Dr. and Mrs. Seth Kellogg, Jr. **Livestreaming equipment** has been given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dorothy P. Lovett by her daughters Susan, Mary, Nancy, and Linda.

**Anglican Communion Cycle of Prayer** Pray for The Church of Bangladesh

**Diocesan Prayer Cycle** Saint John's Athol; Church Without Walls, Springfield; Spouses of deceased clergy; The House of Deputies; Jubilee Ministries.

**At this time of pandemic** we remember those made ill by the Covid-19 virus and all doctors, nurses, medical technicians, hospital workers, essential workers, research scientists, and all working to distribute vaccines.

**For the departed** Edmund Frazar

**For these families and individuals** Art, Anne, Jean, Ruth, Virginia, Ruby, Roger, Thelma, Vivian, Connie, Seth, Candy, Catherine, Betty, Jeff, Bonnie, Edward, Liz, Irida, Bryan, Jayden, Jillian, Jasmin, Steve, Mary, Kris, Florence, David, Lesley, Ciro, Christina, Andrea, Ted, Ginni, Rebecca, Edmund, Owen, Scott, Bill, Becky, Mark, Iris, Jenny, Theodore, Hilda, Bill, Cheryl, Brad, Sarah, Skip, Chris, Marcia, Christopher, Ruth, Joy, Amrita, Len, Hallie, Chris, Paul, Mary, Dick, John, Lyla, Scott, Jeff, Michelle, the Frazar family

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE ANNUAL MEETING** of our parish will take place during our morning worship on **Sunday, January 31, 2021, at 10 am by Zoom**. All members of the parish who are 16 years or older, and confirmed or received in The Episcopal Church are welcome to vote. Please make every effort to join us! If you have a report to make to the parish, please send it to Program Minister Jess Lee at [program@atonementwestfield.org](mailto:program@atonementwestfield.org) as soon as possible. Written reports will be available by email or in hard copy at the end of next week.

**VISITING THE CHURCH** While we cannot *gather* in the church, individuals or families may visit the church for private prayer, or to receive Communion. *Visits should be scheduled in advance with Mother Nancy or Program Minister Jess*. The office is open every Tuesday through Friday from 9 am to 12:30 pm. Other times to visit may be arranged.

**SACRED GROUND** *Sacred Ground* is a film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Small groups are invited to walk through the chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving the threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity. Atonement will be beginning this series on Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm on *Zoom*. There is no advance preparation required. Please contact Mother Nancy or Kathy DeJean if you are interested.

**STEWARDSHIP** Thank you to the 63 households who have pledged financial support for 2021, offering \$119,264. About 112 households have not yet pledged financial support. Our Vestry has adopted an operating budget of \$270,370 for the coming year. We are fortunate to have investment income, and a small amount of income from community use of our building and grounds. Even so, we are expecting a deficit of \$78,690 for 2021. The largest part of our operating budget—the funds that pay salaries, maintain our building, and most importantly allow for formation and outreach—the largest part of that yearly expenditure comes from the yearly pledges of our members. If you have not yet, please send us your pledge soon.

**PRAYER CHAIN** Do you have a prayer request? Call or email Jess to activate the chain. 413-562-5461, ext. 100 or [program@atonementwestfield.org](mailto:program@atonementwestfield.org)

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**EVENSONG ON THURSDAYS** 6:30 pm on Zoom and Facebook Live.

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*“Drawn in by Grace; Reaching out in Love”*

*God calls people of any age, race, ethnicity, gender, or sexuality to join us in worship and work in the world. God’s grace draws us in: straight, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer—all of us.*

*And together all of us reach out with God’s love.*



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