



Salem Lutheran Church

Welcome to the House of the Lord
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
February 15, 2015 - 10:30 a.m.



All the baptized have a calling in God's world. God calls not just the clergy but also the youngest child, like Samuel. The story of the calling of Nathanael plays with the idea of place. Nathanael initially dismisses Jesus because he comes from Nazareth. But where we come from isn't important; it's where—or rather whom—we come to. Jesus refers to the story of the vision of Jacob, who called the place of his vision "the house of God, and ... the gate of heaven" (Gen. 28:17). Jesus says he himself is the place where Nathanael will meet God.

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Greeting

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

All: And also with you.

Song *Your Amazing Love*

Opening Prayer *Your Name*

WORD

Prayer

Pastor: God of power and might,

**All: You sent prophets to your people,
calling us back to your covenant,
and teaching us your ways.**

**In the fullness of time,
you sent us your Son Jesus,
teaching with such authority,
that our eyes were opened
to see your ways anew.**

**Open our hearts and minds,
that we may understand
and proclaim your teachings
for all to hear.**

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Old Testament 2 Kings 2:1-12 Page 369

New Testament 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 Page 190

***The Gospel** Mark 9:2-9 Page 45

Children's Sermon/Sermon

Sermon Song *Humble Thyself*

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

MEAL

Offering

Offering Music *In Christ Alone*

***Offering Prayer**

Pastor: Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. **C: Amen**

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Distribution of Communion

Communion will be served in a continuous manner using intinction. Ushers will direct you from both sides down the center aisle. You receive the bread at the center station and then walk to the side where you will dip the bread in the wine or grape juice. All who believe in the real presence of Jesus in the sacrament are welcome at the table.

***Post Communion Blessing and Prayer**

SENDING

Blessing

Pastor: God the Father, light-creator; God the Son, Light from Light; and God the Holy Spirit, light-revealer, bless you and give you peace. **C: Amen.**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Sending Song *I Want To See Jesus Lifted High*

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the good news. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Preaching & Presiding: Pr. Melinda McCluskey

Assisting: Pr. Peter Soli

Pianist: Bill Georgia

Video Coordinator: Anna Ramaker

The radio broadcast this morning is in loving memory of Royden & Lorraine Johnson, from their family.

Flowers have been placed in loving memory of Alvira Kloster, from her family. Services for Alvira were held February 2nd at Salem.



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Valentine Roller Skate Party

Sunday, February 15th 1 – 3 pm

Roller City in Mason City

A party for members, friends, neighbors AND

Your Valentine!!

Meet at Roller City...1:00 PM -

Cost \$5.00

Bring a snack to share or visit the concession stand.

You may pick up your 2015 offering envelopes and Annual Reports in the narthex.

Time to think about Bible Camps!

Registrations forms for area Bible Camps are available on the Education Board table or online at these websites:

www.ewalu.org www.okoboji.org www.riversidelbc.org

Salem WELCA will provide scholarship funds to help with camp costs.

Contact Pastor Soli with any additional financial needs.

Contact the Salem office if you plan on attending any Camp and **register early to take advantage of Camp discounts!**

The Lenten season offers an opportunity to focus on a particular theme from scripture. This year's focus for Wednesday Lenten services will be **Our Need...God's Healing.** Jesus our healer, has inspired churches to establish hospitals, nursing homes, to provide counseling, and more. During Lent we are reminded of his healing power and presence.

Lent begins on Wednesday, February 18th with Ash Wednesday. On each of the five Wednesdays following Ash Wednesday, we will consider five basic needs for healing. Each service will include hymns, scripture, the message, and individual or family healing prayer. For those who would like to enjoy a soup supper a weekly **fellowship meal will be served every Wednesday from 6-7 pm.**

Lent Soup & Sandwich Suppers Served 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

February 18: Chili & Chicken Noodle Soup,
Ham & Beef Sandwiches

February 25: Vegetable Beef & Broccoli Cheese Soup
Beef & Turkey Sandwiches

New Worship Service Opportunity in Lent Wednesday Morning Worship Starts February 25

Throughout his ministry Jesus offered healing to those suffering from physical and emotional ailments. Join us to study how Jesus offers healing to the broken and sinful world in which we live. This Lenten Season Salem is offering an alternative to the evening Lenten service. Salem will be offering a service at 10:00 a.m. on five Wednesdays: February 25, and March 4, 11, 18, and 25. On these Wednesday mornings you are invited to gather in the Chapel for worship, hymns, scripture, prayer, and a Bible Study. This morning worship service will complement the evening service which will take the form of a healing service.

This Lent we're joining Lutheran World Relief's
BASKETS *of* PROMISE

campaign. Each week we'll collect a different item that we'll use to assemble **Personal Care Kits** that give people around the world tools to stay healthy in life's most challenging situations.

Our goal is to assemble 175 LWR Kits during Lent.

HERE IS OUR CARE KIT COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Bring items to the narthex or office:

February 22: Bars of Soap

(4 – 5 ounces any brand, in original wrapping)

March 1: Bath Towels

(Light-weight, dark color, maximum 52" X 27")

March 8: Toothbrushes (Adult size, in original packaging)

March 15: Combs

March 22: Nail Clippers (Metal, attached file optional)

March 29: Bars of Soap

The 8:30 a.m. worship service is broadcast weekly on K1OW-FM 107.3.

Cost for 2015 is \$83. Call the office to reserve your dates.

Dates available for 2015: Feb. 22, March 8, April 19, 26, May 3, 10, 31, Oct. 18, Nov. 1, 15, 29, Dec. 6, 13, 27

Here's what people are saying about Stephen Ministry ...

"Before I had a Stephen Minister, I struggled with whether I even believed in God. Now I have seen God's love face-to-face through my Stephen Minister. It is life-changing." Stephen Ministry is a spiritual caring ministry where a Stephen Minister walks with you through a time of crisis. If you think you could use a Stephen Minister to walk alongside you, call Pastor Randy at 641-590-0727. Stephen Ministry is a shared ministry between One in Christ, Our Savior's and Salem.

Learn About New VA Programs

New programs available for Veterans and their Families presented by Thomas Coffman, Winnebago County Veterans Affairs Director. Tuesday, February 15 – 1:30 p.m. at the Lake Mills Care Center Dining Room. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Please remember in prayer this week...

Trena Nelson

The family & friends of Alvira Kloster

Please remember the following Prayer Families in your prayers this week: Randy/Christi Grothe Family, Kermit/Blanche Grunhovd, Duane/ Judy Gudmonson, Courtney Gulick, Zachary Gulick, Anthony Nelson/Miranda Gulick Family, Jed/Tiarria Hacker Family, Holly Hagen Family, Michael Hagen Family, Vern/Carole Hagen

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THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Worship – Sanctuary
- 1:00 p.m. Valentine’s Day Skate Party – Roller City

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

- 1:00 p.m. Mission Quilters – Fellowship Hall
- 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open
- 7:00 p.m. Quilt Club – Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

- 12:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service - Sanctuary
- 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Confirmation – Room #4
- 4:00 p.m. Tai Kwon Do – Room #2
- 5:15 p.m. Good Samaritan - Lounge
- 6:00 p.m. Fellowship Meal – Fellowship Hall
- 7:15 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service - Sanctuary
- 8:00 p.m. Choir

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

- 2:00 p.m. WELCA – Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship – Sanctuary

Next Week’s Lessons: Genesis 9:8–17, 1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:9-15

Salem Women of the ELCA will hold their regular monthly meeting Thursday, February 19th at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship. All women are encouraged to attend. Deborah Circle’s program will be given by Pastor Melinda McCluskey, sharing her and her husband Scot’s journey into the adoption of their daughter.

Those worshipping at Salem last week: 165

Last week’s giving to the glory of God: Not available

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