



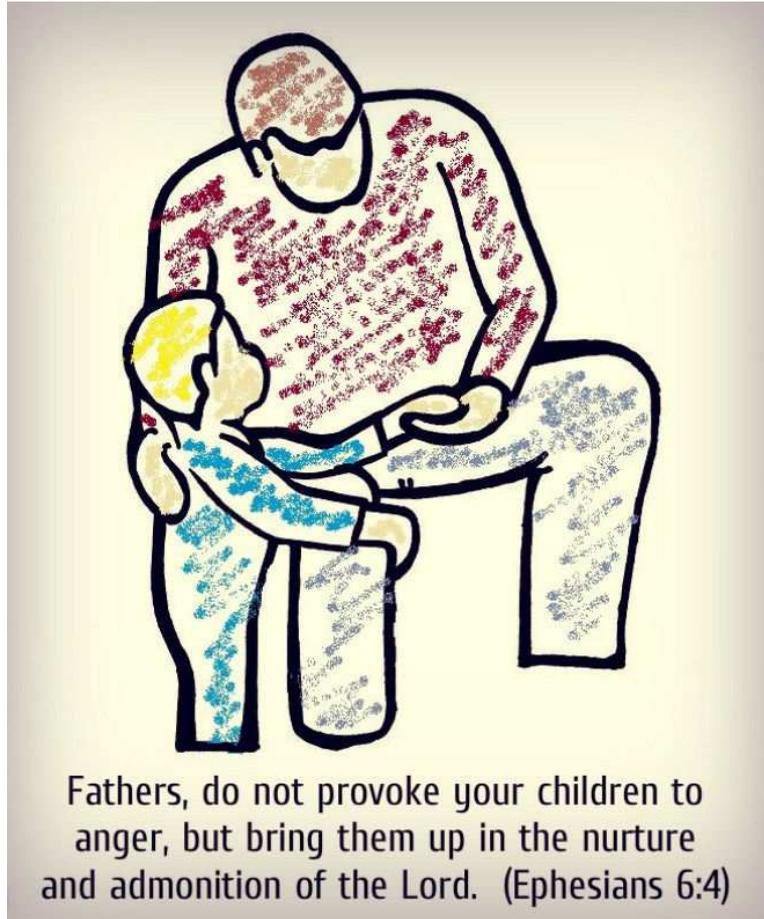
Salem Lutheran Church
401 S. Lake St. Lake Mills IA 50450

Welcome to the House of the Lord

Fifth Sunday in Lent
THE MARK OF DISCIPLESHIP: Nurturing Relationships

April 7, 2019 - 8:30 a.m.

Children, Obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right...And (parents), do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord (Ephesians 6:1,4).



The Christian home is the Master's workshop where the process of character molding are silently, lovingly, faithfully and successfully carried on – Richard Monckton Milnes

PRELUDE

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BELL

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Each week the assembly will participate in both the public acknowledgement of sin and the and proclamation of forgiveness. The designated leader or group begins the confession.

Women: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned by my own fault in thought, word, and deed. I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

Men: **Almighty and merciful God grant you healing, pardon, and forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.**

Men: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned by my own fault in thought, word, and deed. I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

Women: Almighty and merciful God grant you healing, pardon, and forgiveness of all your sins. Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Christ be with you always.

And also with you,

MORNING CANTICLE*Restore in Us, O God*

ELW #328



1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen-dor of your love; re -
 2 O Spir - it, wake in us the won - der of your pow'r; from
 3 Bring us, O Christ, to share the full - ness of your joy; bap -
 4 Three-per - soned God, ful - fill the prom - ise of your grace, that



new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.
 fruit-less fear un - furl our lives like spring-time bud and flow'r.
 tize us in the ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy.
 we, when all our search-ing ends, may see you face to face.

GATHERING PRAYER

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 61:1-4

A reading from Isaiah,

¹The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; ²to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; ³to provide for those who mourn in Zion — to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory. ⁴They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

Word of God Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.**PSALMODY**

Psalm 71:19-23

Today's psalm will be spoken responsively beginning with the women

Your righteousness, O God, reaches to the heavens; you have done great things; who is like you, O God?

You have shown me great troubles and adversities, but you will restore my life and bring me up again from the deep places of the earth.

You strengthen me more and more; you enfold and comfort me.

Therefore I will praise you upon the lyre for your faithfulness, O my God; I will sing to you with the harp, O Holy One of Israel.

My lips will sing with joy when I pray to you, and so will my soul, which you have redeemed.

SECOND LESSON

Galatians 6:1-5

A reading from Galatians,

¹My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. ⁴All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. ⁵For all must carry their own loads.

Word of God Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.**LENTEN ACCLAMATION**

ELW #176



Let your stead - fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom - ised; we will trust your word.

GOSPEL

John 17:21-26

The holy gospel according to John,
Glory to you, O Lord.

As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The gospel of our Lord,
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Our Call to Relationship with Spirit



SERMON HYMN

Healer of Our Every Ill

ELW #612

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Salem's Mission and Vision

We are God forgiven and mission driven.

As God's people...we desire to be that Lake Mills place where belonging, healing, growing, serving and believing are open to all, regardless of background, experience or aptitude. Central to this is that we are a -forgiving, mission-driven community, which means we all want to have an impact, shaped by the love of Christ to serve all others.

Belonging means:

..that we all belong! We all have a place! We all fit!

Healing means:

...that we all have brokenness and are in need of wholeness. God's Word, the Bread of Life, and so much more, helps us to take these important steps forward!

Growing means:

...we are designed by God to change, to grow, to evolve. We are committed to that process for everyone who is open to it!

Serving means:

...that Jesus made clear that being a servant was central to being a disciple. Therefore, we see that everyone who is a follower is a servant, as well.

Believing means:

...that faith and not works is central to our life. Simple, and yet profound trust in the promise of forgiveness and mercy, and the presence of the Spirit, guides us in all we do.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Seeking the grace, mercy, and love of almighty God, we offer our prayers for the church, for people in need, and for all of creation.

A brief silence. Response to the prayers: **Your mercy is great.**

Reveal your will as you receive our prayers, and conform our ways to your ways; through the saving work of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

MUSICAL OFFERING

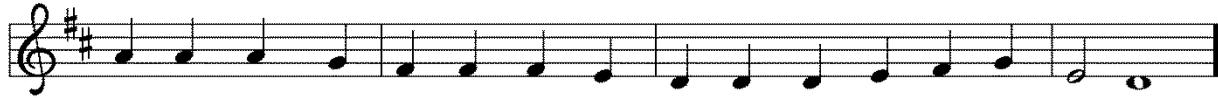
OFFERTORY

In the Singing

ELW #466



1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - pect - ant, o - pen,
2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac - cept - ance,



in the bless - ing, in the break - ing, in your pres - ence at this ta - ble,
in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing, in the cir - cle of your peo - ple,



Refrain
Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace;



Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

OFFERING PRAYER

Generous God, you feed us with the harvest of the land, and you provide for our every need. Receive our gifts of money, imagination, and labor, and transform them into a feast that welcomes all, in Jesus Christ, our host and our guest.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

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.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has prepared the feast. Come to the table where all are welcomed home.

DISTRIBUTION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Tender and merciful one, at your feast, you fed us who brought nothing, turning our emptiness into joy. Filled with your abundant grace, send us now to be ministers of reconciliation, mending broken hearts, working for justice, and striving for peace among all people, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

BLESSING

God, who fills the creation with abundance, Christ, who spreads his arms in forgiveness, Holy Spirit, who draws ever near to us, ✠ bless you and bring you to life everlasting.

Amen.

SENDING SONG*When I survey the Wondrous Cross***ELW #803****DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

POSTLUDE

Preaching: Pastor Joel Guttormson	Organist: Ruth Sheldon
Assisting: Pastor Melinda McVey McCluskey	Acolytes: Josie Gilbertson, Isabelle Schoonover
Ushers: Alan Sterrenberg, Russell Smidt	Reader: Janelle Gilbertson
Communion Servers: Lyle Thompson, Nancy Guttormson, Shannon Bruhns	Altar Guild for April: Marilyn Hoffman, Janet Swenson, JoAnn Villa

The radio broadcast this morning is in loving memory of Pete's birthday, April 11th, from Marilyn Pederson.

Flowers have been placed in loving memory of Ozzie Rognes, from his family.

Readings for next week: Luke 19:28-40, 1 Chronicles 29:12-17, Psalm 49,
2 Corinthians 8:9-12, Matthew 6:19-21, 24

Seeking Easter Breakfast Volunteers:

Youth board is seeking volunteers for Easter Breakfast. We will have 2 shifts... 7:30am to 9:30am and 9:30am to 11:30am. The breakfast will be served from 9am to 10:30am. Please contact Jennifer Sauer at 641.903.1847 if you are able to assist. Thank you!

Bake Sale, Sunday, April 14, 2018 - Stop by the bake sale table in the narthex to pick up some yummy baked goods! Free will donations will go towards the high school youth mission/service trip to Savanna, Georgia July 19-28, 2019.

If you would like to donate an Easter lily for our Easter Sunday services in honor of or in memory of a loved one please call the office (641.592.1771) or email (salem@wctatel.net) the office with that information by **TUESDAY MORNING APRIL 16th**. Lilies may be brought to the sanctuary on Friday or Saturday before Easter. Put your name on the bottom if you wish to pick it up after 10:30 worship on Easter Sunday.

Lutheran World Relief...Health Kits

Kit items will be collected during Lent. You may place them in the basket in the narthex.
Kits include: 1 light-weight bath sized towel; dark color, 2 or three bath-sizes bars of soap equaling 8-9 ounces, in original wrapping; 1 adult-size toothbrush in original packaging; 1 sturdy comb, removing packaging; 1 metal nail clipper, remove packaging.

Reserve your special date to sponsor a 2019 8:30 a.m. radio broadcast. The 8:30 a.m. worship service is heard on KIOW (107.3 FM) radio in Forest City and on cable channel 2. Cost for 2019 is \$83. CALL THE OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR DATE - 641.592.1771.
2019 BROADCAST DATES AVAILABLE: March 24, 31, May 5, 12, June 9, 16, July 28, Aug. 18, Oct. 20, 27

April Calendar

Wednesdays During Lent – Salem Choir will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the choir room.

Wednesdays, April 10 – April 17: 6:00 p.m. Lent Soup Meal

7:00 p.m. Book Study in the Fellowship Hall.

Sundays, April 7: 5th Grade 1st Communion Classes is held at 9:35 a.m. for kids and their parents during Faith Formation time.

Holy Week Prayer Vigil Thursday, April 18th, 8:00 p.m. – Friday, April 19th, 7:00 p.m.

Mark 14:37-38 “Jesus came and found his disciples sleeping, and he said to Peter, “Simon, are you asleep? Could you not watch one hour? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation.”

Prayer is an important part of our discipleship. Consider signup up for an hour of prayer individually or as a couple or family group. The prayer vigil will be held in Salem’s Chapel. Signup sheet is in the narthex.

WELCA Living Waters Cluster Spring Salad Luncheon

Saturday, April 13, 2019 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church ▪ 428 W Walnut ▪ Manly IA
Gathering at 9:00 a.m. ▪ Program at 9:30 a.m. Program ▪ Lutheran Disaster Response by Steve O’Neil, Emergency Management & Homeland Security of Cerro Gordo County, ELCA Lay Minister. Contact Sheryl Thompson at 641.425.8324 if you are interested in attending.

Church Dashboard for Contributions 03/31/2019

LAST SUNDAY, 03/31/19: \$5,642

Year-to-date as of 04/02/19: \$62,119 - Last year as of 04/02/18: \$71,471

DIFFERENCE YEAR-TO-DATE: -\$9,352

Attendance: Those worshipping March 30/31: 173

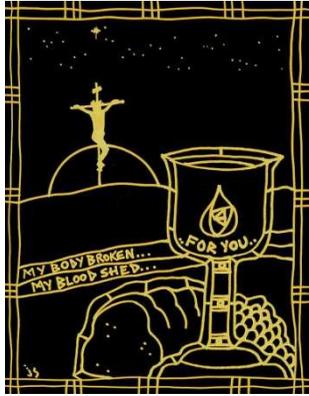
Ongoing Financial Needs: Remember whether you are at worship or on vacation, Salem still needs to keep working. **We need \$6,500-\$7,000 per week** to do the Lord’s work.



**Palm Sunday Worship
Sunday, April 14**

Noisy Offering Canisters Will be Collected Today

- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Faith Formation - Chapel; Praise Creature Choir; Coffee Fellowship
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service
4 Year Olds – 2nd Grade Sing



**Maundy Thursday & 5th Grade First Communion Service
Thursday, April 18**

- 6:15 p.m. 5th Grade Meal
- 7:15 p.m. Maundy Thursday & 5th Grade First Communion Service

Prayer Vigil begins in the Chapel following the Maundy Thursday Service and ends prior to the Good Friday service.



**Good Friday Worship
Friday, April 19**

- 7:15 p.m. Stations of the Cross Service

**Saturday Worship
April 20 - 5:30 p.m. Easter Vigil in the Chapel**

**Easter Sunday Worship
Sunday, April 21**

- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Easter Worship
- 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast
- 9:45 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Easter Worship



THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion Service
- 9:35 a.m. Faith Formation - Chapel; 5th Grade 1st Communion Class Bakes Bread; Praise Creature Choir– Choir Room; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service – Sanctuary

MONDAY, APRIL 8

- 8:00 a.m. Monday Coffee – Lounge
- 1:00 p.m. Mission Quilters – Fellowship Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet Open – Room #7
- 2:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open
- 3:15 p.m. Daisy Scouts – Room #2
- 5:30 p.m. Council - Library

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

- 9:30 a.m. Fine Arts Guild - Lounge
- 10:00 a.m. Caregivers Support Group – Fellowship Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Bridal Show Planning – Library

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

- 5:30 p.m. Senior Choir – Choir Room
- 6:00 p.m. Lent Soup Meal – Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Book Study – Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

- 9:00 a.m. Layette Assembly – Fellowship Hall
- 3:15 p.m. Brownie Scouts – Room #2

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

- 3:15 p.m. Junior Scouts – Room #2

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

- 5:30 p.m. Casual Service - Chapel

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

- Noisy Offering Collection
- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Service
- 9:35 a.m. Faith Formation - Chapel; Praise Creature Choir– Choir Room; Play & Pray – Lounge; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service – Sanctuary (4 year olds – 2nd grade sing)

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