



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

Welcome to the House of the Lord

Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 13, 2018 - 8:30 a.m.



INTRODUCTION

The gospel for Easter's seventh Sunday is always taken from the long prayer Jesus prays for his followers in John's gospel on the night before his death, and always includes Jesus' desire that his followers will be one as he and the Father are one. This oneness is not mere doctrinal agreement or institutional unity, but mutual abiding, interpenetrating life, mutual love and joy. This oneness is the work of the Spirit whom we have received but also await. Come, Holy Spirit!

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

Sonatina No. 1 in G Major

Beethoven

BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Just as God's work of creation never ends, so the gifts received in baptism are renewed every day. Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life: for water to bathe in, water to drink, for waters to play in and waters that inspire wonder, for water that gives life to our planet.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of life.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place: for water from our tap, for rain and snow, for local water sources.

We give you thanks, O God, for the waters of this place.

We give you thanks for your salvation through water: for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters, for leading your people Israel through the sea into freedom, for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought, for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land, for quenching the Samaritan woman's thirst with living water.

We give you thanks for your salvation through water.

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized, and for all who gather here; for godparents and baptismal sponsors, for children and grandchildren, for our brothers and sisters in Christ whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound.

We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.

We give you thanks for life in Christ through your Holy Spirit: for our entry into Jesus' death through these waters, for our new birth into a life of freedom and service, for our calling to be your people, sent out for the life of the world.

We give you thanks, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

Son of God Eternal Savior

ELW #655

GREETING

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

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



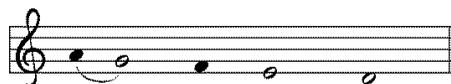
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



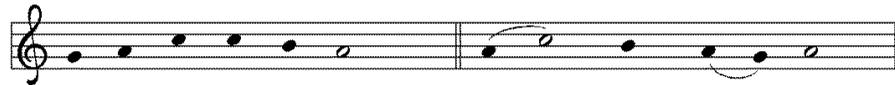
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,

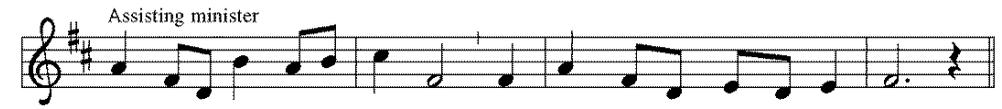


let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

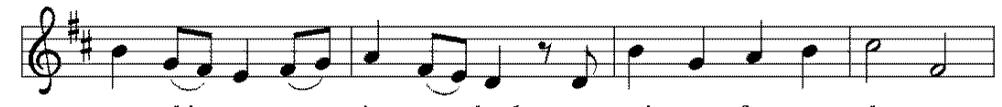
HYMN OF PRAISE



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious and glorious God, you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

A reading from Acts.

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, ¹⁶“Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus—¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” ²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 1

The LORD knows the way of the righteous. (Ps. 1:6)

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²**Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on God’s teaching day and night.**

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season,
with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

⁴**It is not so with the wicked; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

SECOND READING: 1 John 5:9-13

A reading from 1 John.

⁹If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has

given concerning his Son. ¹¹And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹²Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

¹³I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: John 17:6-19

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus prayed:] ⁶“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Oh, Love How Deep*

ELW #322

PROFESSION OF FAITH Confirmation Class of 2018

I believe in God the Father Almighty. Believing in God the Father means I will not be forgotten. I am one of God's children who he loves unconditionally. Knowing this gives me a sense of protection and peace. I believe God created each and every one of us to serve a purpose in life. I don't know what plan he has for me, or if it will be easy, but I do know he has a purpose behind it.

I do believe that Jesus Christ is God's Son and that he created the world with Adam and Eve. Believing in Jesus Christ, God's only Son was a gift to all of us. Knowing that God gave us his most precious gift, tells us just how important it was to God that we know who God is. Do I believe Jesus Christ was physically born of a virgin according to ancient prophecy? Do I believe that he died on the cross for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried in a cave with a boulder in front of it and that he rose again on the third day? Jesus' story had to be told so that we would know the truth, see the truth and be able to tell the story for generations to come.

The Holy Spirit is the best gift of all. I do believe in the Holy Spirit is always with you, when you need him, and when you don't. The Spirit surrounds us, protects us and reminds us on a daily basis of all that God wants for us. The church, to me, is a place where you can worship and learn about God. It's where I feel the strongest connection to God and I will continue to go to church and keep learning and worshipping until I enter his kingdom. And one day I will meet my Lord and creator just like grandfather once did and I hope to join him and have life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we pray for the witness of the church, the wholeness of creation, and all who are in need.

A brief silence. **Response:** *hear our prayer.*

We entrust all our prayers to you, gracious God. Receive them by the power of the Holy Spirit and the love of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always
And also with you.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

OFFERING SONG



Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres - ence, and take
not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. **Amen.**

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.

BLESSING

May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy.
Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Thine the Amen

ELW #826

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Share the good news.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The Spirit sends us forth to serve.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Preaching: Pastor Joel Guttormson
Assisting: Melinda McVey McCluskey
Organist: Ruth Sheldon
Ushers: Ron & Phyllis Moen, Dennis Madson

Reader: Olivia Schoonover
Acolytes: Kelsey Kirschbaum and Tasha Swanson
Altar Guild for May: Linda Helgeson, Kathy Nelson

The radio broadcast this morning is given in loving memory of Vonice Stene's birthday, May 16th, from her son Erich.

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

Reserve your special date to sponsor the 2018 8:30 a.m. worship service broadcast on KIOW (107.3 FM) radio in Forest City. The service can also be heard at 8:30 a.m. on cable channel 2.

CALL THE OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR 2018 DATE - 592.1771. Cost is \$83.

Dates available: May 6, 20, June 17, July 8, 15, Aug. 5, Oct. 7, 28, Nov. 4, 11, Dec. 23, 30

We also have a sponsorship program for the live internet broadcast of the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Sponsorship is available for \$40 per Sunday. **Call the office to reserve a date, Salem's Clothes Closet will be open Mondays from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

Would you like to receive special announcements from Salem via text messaging?
Simply text @slutheran to 81010 to join!

Church Dashboard for Contributions 5/8/2018

Last Sunday, 5/6/18: \$12,881

Year-to-date as of 5/8/18: \$101,170 - Last year as of 5/8/17: \$100,850

Difference year-to-date: \$320 (or) 0.3%

Attendance

Those worshipping May 5/6: 323

Giving: \$15,074.81

Lake Mills Baccalaureate Service

LMAMA is sponsoring a Baccalaureate Worship service put together by Senior Class Members. The Worship service will be held at Salem Lutheran Church, on Tuesday, May 15th, beginning at 7:00 pm. The service is open to all Seniors, their parents and the community.

We will be celebrating our graduating Salem Seniors at all services the weekend of May 19th.

[Saturday, May 19th at 5:30pm and Sunday, May 20th at 8:30am and 10:30am] All seniors, family and friends are invited to join us for fellowship and rolls on Sunday, May 20th in the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am. Congratulations to all Seniors!

May Calendar Notes:

Sunday, May 13: Mother's Day and last day of Faith Formation and Pray and Play

Wednesday, May 15: 7:00 p.m. Baccalaureate Service at Salem

Saturday/Sunday, May 19/20: We will recognize the Lake Mills graduating Class of 2018

WELCA Meeting...Wednesday May 17 at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Ruth Circle's program is *Shell Games* presented by Karen Bradley. Members of the Sarah Circle are hostesses.



NOISY OFFERING COLLECTION – May 19-20

Stewardship, Life and Growth has been working to improve our collection of our "noisy offering" collections. The idea is to offer opportunities to fund ministries, local civic organizations such as the fire department and ambulance service and other organizations or fund appeals that arise that are generally not a part of our annual mission plan/budget. The thought is to have an opportunity for "noisy offering" appeals quarterly.

This quarter the board has chosen to raise funds for our youth who are attending the ELCA Youth Gathering and four of our Outdoor Ministries. Four Salem youth and two adult chaperones are attending the youth gathering in June with youth and pastors Bill Peters and Randy Baldwin and five youth from One-In- Christ Parish. Thirteen youth are attending the Junior High Camp at Riverside in August. Three youth are attending Good Earth Village in July. One youth is attending Ingham Okoboji.



Join the adventure as One in Christ Lutheran Parish and Salem Lutheran Church we sponsor VBS 2018
Babylon - Daniel's Courage in Captivity

Open to ALL children ages 4 years old through 6th grade

Monday, June 4th through Thursday, June 7th - 9:00am - 11:30am

Winnebago Lutheran Church - 40029 210th Ave - Lake Mills, IA

VBS Closing Program will be held at Salem Lutheran Church in Lake Mills

For a registration form call 641-567-3550 or print the form that can be found on One in Christ's Facebook page or outside the church office. Return the form to: One in Christ Lutheran Parish
40029 210th Ave - Lake Mills, IA 50450-7624

Come have fun learning about Jesus' Love!!



Encounter with Heaven sponsored by the Fine Arts Guild

Ever wondered what really happens at the point of death? Karen Gunderson, author of *Encounters with Heaven – Stories of God’s Surprising Presence* along with her son Ryan, will be presenting *Encounter with Heaven*, an experiential evening combining Karin’s incredible true stories from her work as a hospice harpist, with beautiful harp, piano, flute, 3-part vocals and more.

The Gunderson’s will be giving a concert **Wednesday, June 27 at 7:00 p.m. at Salem Lutheran Church.** Enjoy a combination of peaceful music on popular Christian pieces like *What A Wonderful World, It is Well with My Soul.*” You will also be invited to participate in singing a few favorite hymns as well.

For more information view their website www.ChristianHarpMusic.com.



A Celebration of Life will be held for Leo Schmidhuber on Saturday, May 19 at 10:30 a.m. at Salem. Following the service the celebration will continue at Leo’s home, 310 North Lake Street, Lake Mills. All are welcome to attend and celebrate with Leo’s family.



Summer Food Service Program...Summer Food and Fun...First serving day is Monday June 4th

The Summer Food Service Program was established to ensure that all children continue to receive nutritious meals when school is not in session. These free meals meet Federal nutrition guidelines and are provided to all children in qualifying area.

LMAMA is the sponsoring organization and areas organizations have volunteered to help serve meals in the past. The program is fully funded by a reimbursement method. All children/youth – infant thru 18 years can eat at the site for free. Meals will be served at Salem Lutheran Church.

Readings for next week: Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:24-34, 35b, Romans 8:22-27, John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, MAY 13

- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Praise Choir – Choir Room; Coffee Fellowship–Fellowship Hall
- 9:35 a.m. Last Play & Pray - Lounge
- 9:45 a.m. Last Faith Formation – Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service – Sanctuary

MONDAY, MAY 14

- 1:00 p.m. Mission Quilters – Fellowship Hall
- 2:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open
- 3:15 p.m. Daisy Girl Scouts – Room #4
- 5:30 p.m. Council - Library

TUESDAY, MAY 15

- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 3:15 p.m. Brownies – Room #4
- 7:00 p.m. Baccalaureate - Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

- 2:30 p.m. Daisy Girl Scouts – Room #2
- 5:00 p.m. Worship & Music - Library
- 5:30 p.m. 7th Grade Confirmation Class – Fellowship Hall; New Life Nutrition – Room #4
- 7:00 p.m. Choir – Choir Room

THURSDAY, MAY 17

- 2:00 p.m. WELCA Meeting – Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY, MAY 19

- 10:30 a.m. Leo Schmidhuber Celebration of Life Service – Sanctuary
- 3:00 p.m. Justin Okland Graduation Party – Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Casual Graduate Blessing Service – Chapel

SUNDAY, MAY 20

- 8:30 a.m. Traditional Graduate Blessing Service - Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Graduate Recognition/Coffee – Fellowship Hall
- 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Graduate Blessing Service – Sanctuary

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Lake Mills Care Center Activities for May.
Community is welcome to attend events.

Sunday, May 13, 2:00 p.m. - Jeff Buege Gospel Music

Tuesday, May 15, 9:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Open House – Resident projects on display

Friday, May 18, 3:30 p.m. - Family Share Event

Saturday, May 19, 2:00 p.m. –
3CDs Music & May Birthday Party