



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

Welcome to the House of the Lord

Day of Pentecost
May 20, 2018 - 8:30 a.m.



INTRODUCTION

On the fiftieth day of Easter we celebrate the Spirit, through whom and in whom the people of God are created and re-created. Pentecost is sometimes called the church's birthday, but might more appropriately be called its baptism day, since the gift of the Spirit is the fullness of baptism. Ezekiel's vision shows the Spirit resurrecting and re-creating not just individuals but a whole people. Romans makes it clear that God is in the process of re-creating the entire cosmos; yet the Spirit is also at work in the most intimate and personal way, praying in us "with sighs too deep for words" when we do not know how to pray.

***Larger print bulletins are available from the ushers.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Sonatina Op. 36, No.4

Muzio Clementi

BELLS

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

O Day Full of Grace

ELW #627

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.**

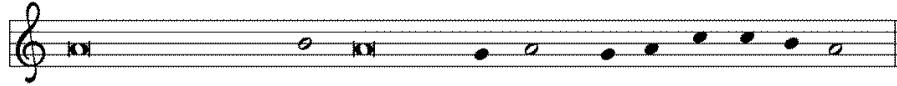
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In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



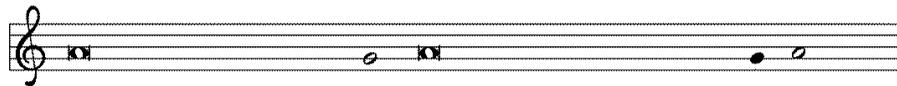
Lord, have mer - cy.



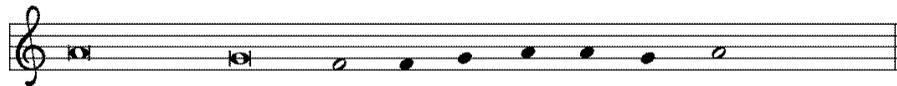
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



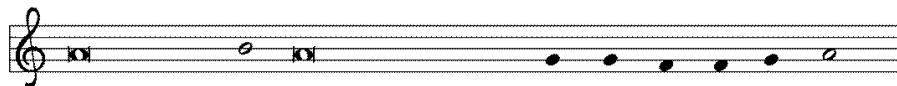
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



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

Refrain
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through 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 2:1-21

A reading from Acts.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

²⁴How manifold are your works, O LORD!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full | of your creatures.

²⁵**Yonder is the sea, great and wide, with its swarms too many to number, living things both small and great.**

²⁶There go the ships to and fro, and Leviathan, which you made for the sport of it.

²⁷**All of them look to you to give them their food in due season.**

²⁸You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

²⁹**When you hide your face, they are terrified;**

when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; and so you renew the face of the earth.

³¹**May the glory of the LORD endure forever; O LORD, rejoice in all your works.**

³²You look at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke.

³³**I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have my being.**

³⁴May these words of mine please God. I will rejoice in the LORD.

^{35b}**Bless the LORD, O my soul. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: Romans 8:22-27

A reading from Romans.

²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. ²⁶Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

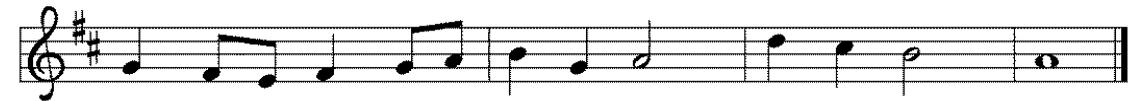
Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 15:26-27; 4b-15

The Holy Gospel according to St. John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ²⁶"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have

been with me from the beginning. ^{16:4b}“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. ¹²“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading*

ELW #401

BLESSING OF THE GRADUATES

See Insert

SPECIAL MUSIC

Shine On Us

Senior Choir

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 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

Lord of life, you baptize your people with the fire of the Spirit. Grace your church everywhere with your visions and dreams, so that as we testify, all will hear the gospel and call upon your saving name. *A brief silence.* **Response: Your mercy is great.**

By the sure guidance of your Holy Spirit, O God, we lift up our prayers in trust and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

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

MEAL

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.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE: Day of Pentecost

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.

Holy God,
Breath of life and Fire of love:
with a mighty wind you brought creation into being,
and by a pillar of fire you led your people into freedom.
We praise you for the gift of your Son,
who poured out your Spirit on his disciples of every race and nation.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection,
and the sending of the holy and life-giving Spirit,
we await his coming again to renew the face of the earth.

Send now your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this meal:
anoint us with your gifts of faith, hope, and love,
that, with thankful hearts, we may be witnesses to your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church, both now and forever.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Now let us feast this Easter day on Christ, the bread of heaven. Hallelujah!

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Life-giving God,
in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness,
water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people.
Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world;
through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **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

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

ELW #582

SPECIAL MUSIC

A Blessing/7-Fold Amen

Senior Choir

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

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| Preaching: Melinda McVey McCluskey Organist: Ruth Sheldon Ushers: Ron & Phyllis Moen, Dennis Madson & Janet Vinson | Reader: Kayler Jensen Acolytes: Thea Hoffman and Tasha Swanson Communion Servers: Kari Osheim and Crystal Sanden Altar Guild for May: Linda Helgeson, Kathy Nelson |
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The radio broadcast this morning is given by the members of Salem Lutheran Church in honor of the 2018 Graduates.

Flowers have been placed in loving memory of Leo Schmidhuber, from his family.

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: 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!

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| Church Dashboard for Contributions 5/13/2018 |
| Last Sunday, 5/13/18: \$3,772 |
| Year-to-date as of 5/16/18: \$105,332 - Last year as of 5/16/17: \$118,833 |
| Difference year-to-date: -\$13,501 (or) -11.4% |
| Attendance |
| Those worshipping May 12/13: 231 Giving: \$3,772 |

We are celebrating our graduating Salem Seniors at all services this weekend. All seniors, family and friends are invited to join us for fellowship and rolls in the Fellowship Hall this morning at 9:30 a.m. Congratulations to the following Salem youth:

Cole Bergo, Clayton Butler, Hannah Evenson, Mariah Fails, Morgan Fritz, Claire Grothe, Laura Knudtson, Addison Kopp, Jacob Langenbau, Anthony Naser, Justin Okland



NOISY OFFERING COLLECTION TODAY

Stewardship, Life and Growth has been working to improve our collection of our “noisy offering” collections. 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.

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.



**Join the adventure as One in Christ Lutheran Parish and Salem Lutheran Church 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!!

Readings for next week: Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 29, Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, MAY 20

8:30 a.m. Traditional Graduate Blessing Service

9:30 a.m. Graduate Recognition/Coffee – Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Graduate Blessing Service – Sanctuary

MONDAY, MAY 21

2:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open

7:00 p.m. Quilt Club – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, MAY 22

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23

2:30 p.m. Brownie Girls Scouts – Room #2

5:15 p.m. Good Samaritan - Lounge

5:30 p.m. 7th Grade Confirmation Class – Fellowship Hall; New Life Nutrition – Room #8

SATURDAY, MAY 26

5:30 p.m. Casual Service – Chapel

SUNDAY, MAY 27

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service

9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship–Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Service – Sanctuary



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Stop by the office for help setting it up on your cell phone. Thank you for your continued generosity!

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