



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

Welcome to the House of the Lord

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
July 2, 2017 - 8:30 a.m.



INTRODUCTION

The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of cold water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

Song for the Nations

Chris Christensen

BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
full of compassion and mercy,
abounding in steadfast love.

Amen.

Trusting God's promise of forgiveness,
let us confess our sin against God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Eternal God our creator,

in you we live and move and have our being.

Look upon us, your children,

the work of your hands.

Forgive us all our offenses,

and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.

By your grace draw us near to you,

our refuge and our strength;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Since we are justified by faith,

we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

God's love has been poured into our hearts

through the Holy Spirit given to us.

In the mercy of almighty God,

Christ died for us while we still were sinners;

and for his sake, God ☩ forgives you all your sins.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG

As We Gather at Your Table

ELW #522

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.
O God, you direct our lives by your grace, and your words of justice and mercy reshape the world.
Mold us into a people who welcome your word and serve one another, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 28:5-9

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A reading from Jeremiah the 28th chapter.

Through a symbolic action, Jeremiah insisted that Judah and all the surrounding nations should submit to the king of Babylon. Hananiah contradicted Jeremiah, who in reply insisted that Hananiah's rosy prediction should not be believed until it came true. God confirmed the word of Jeremiah and sentenced the false prophet Hananiah to death (vv. 16-17).

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Romans 6:12-23

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A reading from Romans the 6th chapter.

Sin is an enslaving power that motivates us to live self-serving, disobedient lives. Sin's final payoff is death. We, however, have been set free from sin's slavery to live obediently under God's grace, whose end is the free gift of eternal life.

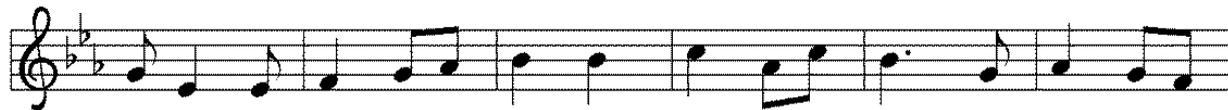
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW #209



Bless-ed be God, the source of all life, the word of sal -



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life, the word of sal - va-tion, the spir - it of mer - cy.

GOSPEL: Matthew 10: 40-42

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The holy gospel according to St. Matthew the 10th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

All Are Welcome

ELW #641

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Called together in the Spirit’s embrace, let us pray for the mending of God’s world.

Please respond at the end of each petition: Hear us, O God, **Your mercy is great.**

A brief silence.

All these things, and whatever else you see that we need, we entrust to your care through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING



OFFERING SONG



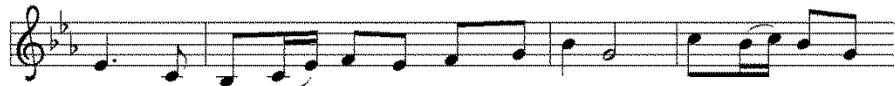
Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful God,
you open wide your hand and satisfy the need of every living thing.
You have set this feast before us. Open our hands to receive it.
Open our hearts to embrace it. Open our lives to live it.
We pray this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise. When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

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.

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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 acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, 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

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

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

Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread. Our Lord's body let us take together.

COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jesus Christ, host of this meal, you have given us not only this bread and cup, but your very self, that we may feast on your great love.

Filled again by these signs of your grace, may we hunger for your reign of justice, may we thirst for your way of peace, for you are Lord forevermore.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

May God, whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, grant you the gifts of faith and hope. Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

This Is My Song

ELW #887

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Preaching & Presiding: Pastor Joel Guttormson
Organist: Ruth Sheldon
Ushers: Lloyd & Margaret Okland Family
Reader: Roy Kvale

Communion Servers: Delane & Darlene Behr
Video Coordinator: Carol Abbey
July Altar Guild: JoAnn Villa

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Coffee and rolls are served in the fellowship hall Sunday mornings following the 8:30 a.m. service.

The radio broadcast this morning is given in loving memory of Patti Renae Banwart's birthday, July 4th.

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

Reserve your special date to sponsor the 2017 8:30 a.m. worship service broadcast on KLOW (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 dates. Cost for 2017 is \$83. Dates available: Aug. 13 and Oct. 29.

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 in 2017.**

The Outdoor Worship Service is held Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. on the south lawn. You may bring lawn chairs/blankets to sit on. Folding chairs will be available. In the event of inclement weather the service will be held in the sanctuary.

Summer lunches are served through the summer from 11 – 12:00 p.m. weekdays at Salem. Open to all children 18 and younger. NO Enrollment, NO Cost!
Volunteers needed to distribute food and help to manage the site.
Salem has Tuesdays. Call the office at 641.592.1771 to volunteer.

Readings for next Sunday:

Zechariah 9:9-12, Psalm 145:8-14, Romans 7:15-25a, Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Those worshipping June 24/25: 171 Giving for June 11: \$2924/June 18: \$7016.65/June 25: \$3582.35

The Council is looking for a volunteer to pull Salem's Float in the Lake Mills July Jubilee Parade on Saturday, July 8. The float is on a light one axel trailer with a ball hitch. It can be towed behind a small tractor, truck or SUV. Route starts at Iowa Street, through downtown, then south on Lake Street to the school and east on 4th Ave S. Entries may proceed back to Leonard Fjelstad Memorial Complex, where there is parking. Registration Booth will be located at the junction of Hwy 105 & N 3rd Ave E. **If you are able help with the float please contact the Church Office – 641.592.1771.**

**Salem Lutheran Church/
Lake Mills Area & Community Day Camp**

*Sponsored by LAKE MILLS AREA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION
& HOSTED BY SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH IN COOPERATION WITH EWALU CAMP & RETREAT CENTER, STRAWBERRY POINT, IA*



For kids who have finished grades:
Kindergarten – 5th Grade

JULY 10—14
FROM 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM
@ SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
401 S LAKE STREET, LAKE MILLS IA
Info: 641-592-1771

Activities include: Music, Snacks, Bible Study, Arts & Crafts, etc.
There is only room for 30 kids – get registered as soon as possible.

Registration Forms are also available from the ushers, in the narthex and outside the office.

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, JULY 2

8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion Service - Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
10:30 a.m. Outdoor Communion Service – South Lawn

MONDAY, JULY 3

11:00 – 12:00 p.m. Summer Lunch – Fellowship Hall
2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open

TUESDAY, JULY 4

OFFICES CLOSED

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

11:00 – 12:00 p.m. Summer Lunch – Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m. New Life Nutrition – Room #4

THURSDAY, JULY 6

11:00 – 12:00 p.m. Summer Lunch – Fellowship Hall
5:00 p.m. Life & Growth Board – Library

FRIDAY, JULY 7

11:00 – 12:00 p.m. Summer Lunch – Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY, JULY 8

5:30 p.m. Casual Service – Lounge

SUNDAY, JULY 9

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service – Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
10:30 a.m. Outdoor Communion Service – South Lawn

At the 10:30 service this morning we welcome into the family of God through Holy Baptism Stella Nichole Gonzales. Stella is the daughter of Jacob Gonzales and Chelsey Adams. Her godparents are Kjerstin Langfald and Jonas Gonzalez and Jeni Stevenson and Michael Froendt.

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