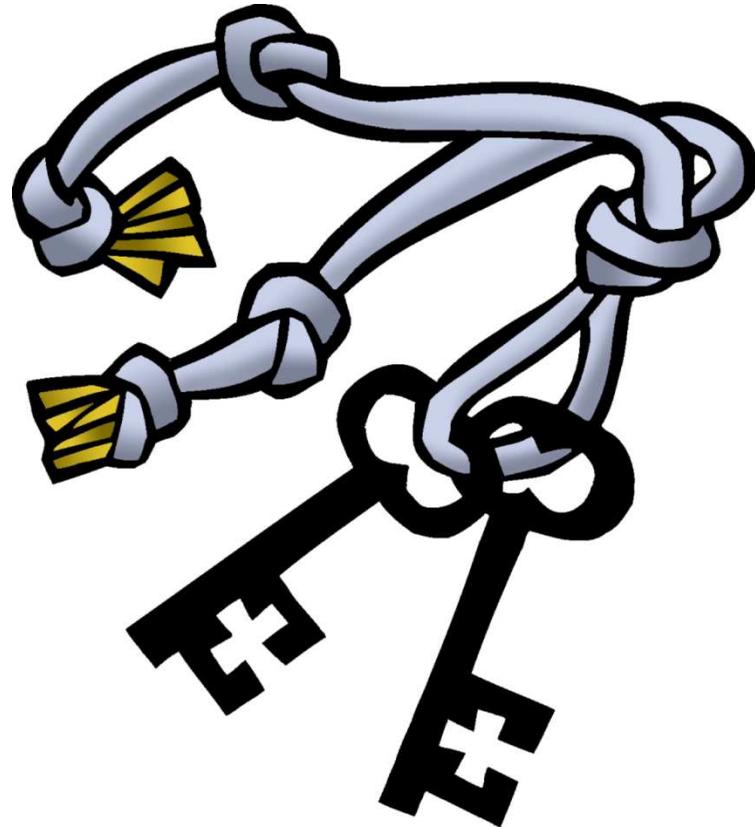




Salem Lutheran Church
401 S. Lake St. Lake Mills IA 50450

Welcome to the House of the Lord

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 27, 2017 - 8:30 a.m.



INTRODUCTION

In Isaiah the people are bid to look to their spiritual ancestors as the rock from which they were hewn. Jesus declares that the church will be built on the rock of Peter's bold confession of faith. God's word of reconciliation and mercy are keys to the church's mission. Paul urges us to not be conformed to this world, but to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, using our individual gifts to build up the body of Christ. From the table we go forth to offer our spiritual worship through word and deed.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Cornet Voluntary

Wm. Walond (1725-1771)

BELLS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in the name of the living Christ to worship God.

Surely, God is in this place and calls us to worship in spirit and in truth.

God's love is for you and for all people everywhere.

**That we may share God's love and life,
may we be renewed in the refreshing Spirit of the living Christ.**

The living Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord!

~ posted on **Life in Liturgy**. <https://lifeinliturgy.wordpress.com/>

GATHERING SONG

The Church's One Foundation

ELW #645

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

O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING: **Isaiah 51:1-6**

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A reading from Isaiah.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING:

Romans 12:1-8

Bible Page 168

A reading from Romans

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION*Lord, Let My Heart be Good Soil*

ELW #512

Lord, let my heart be good soil, o-pen to the seed of your word.

Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is un-der-stood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone a - way. When my heart is cold,

warm it with the day. When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

GOSPEL: Matthew 16:13-20

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

At a climactic point in Jesus' ministry, God reveals to Peter that Jesus is "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," and Jesus responds with the promise of a church that will overcome the very gates of Hades.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.**HYMN OF THE DAY***Just As I Am, without One Plea*

ELW #592

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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**

Generous, compassionate God, we gather before you to pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

Please respond at the end of each petition: Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.***A brief silence.*

Into your hands we place all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, trusting in the mercy of Christ Jesus.

Amen.**PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.**RESPONSE TO THE WORD****OFFERING****MUSICAL OFFERING****OFFERING SONG***We Plow the Fields and Scatter*

ELW #681 Verse 2

OFFERING PRAYER

Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of your son who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.

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

We All Are One in Mission

ELW #576

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Preaching: Pastor Joel Guttormson Assisting: Pastor Melinda McVey McCluskey Organist: Ruth Sheldon Ushers: Bill, Linda, Jacob Tweeten	Reader: Carol Abbey Video Coordinator: Carol Abbey August Altar Guild: Sharon Casey, Gloria Kvale, Jean Rondeau
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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 Victor Knudtson from Evelyn and family.

**The 8:30 a.m. worship service is broadcast weekly on KIOW-FM 107.3.
Reserve your special date to sponsor the 2017 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 dates. Cost for 2017 is \$83. Dates available: October. 29.**

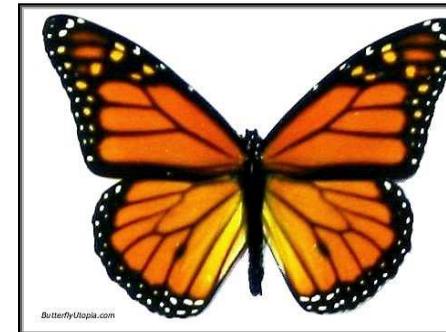
**We also have a sponsorship program for the live internet broadcast of the 10:30 a.m. worship
service. Sponsorship is available for \$40 per Sunday. Call the office to reserve a date in 2017.**



**RALLY
DAY
2017**

Rally Sunday is Sunday, September 10th

4 year olds thru 6th graders and their parents are invited to kick off **FAITH FORMATION** on **Rally Sunday, Sept. 10th**, from 9:15am to 10:15am. Join us in registering for the new year while completing crafts, playing games, winning prizes, visiting the photo booth, having a snack, and praising GOD for a year full of FUN! Weather permitting; festivities will be located in the playground area to the East of the church. Interested in volunteering or donating? Contact Jennifer Sauer at [641.903.1847](tel:641.903.1847)



The Lake Mills Care Center is hosting a Monarch Tag & Release on August 29, 2:00 p.m. in the dining room. Winnebago Conservationist, Lisa Ralls, will discuss about Monarch migration and the reason for tagging. Monarchs will be tagged and released in the Care Center Garden. Anyone interested is welcome to attend. Individuals may bring their own Monarch to tag and release or use one of the conservation Monarchs.

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service – Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
10:30 a.m. Outdoor Service – South Lawn
Fjelstad/Saxon Baptism Brunch – Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

1:00 p.m. Mission Quilters – Fellowship Hall
2:00 p.m. Food Shelf

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

1:45 p.m. Mills Harbour Communion
2:30 p.m. LMCC Communion
5:30 p.m. New Life Nutrition – Room #4

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

5:30 p.m. Casual Communion Service – Lounge

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

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

Readings for next Sunday: Jeremiah 15:15-21, Psalm 26:1-8, Romans 12:9-21, Matthew 16:21-28

Those worshipping August 19/20: 155 Giving: \$5618.51



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