



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

Welcome to the House of the Lord

All Saints Sunday
October 29, 2017 - 8:30 a.m.



INTRODUCTION

All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.

***Larger print bulletins available from the ushers.

GATHERING

PRELUDE *For All the Saints* Hymntune: *Sine Nomine* arr. Hal Hopson

BELLS

CALL *Where Two or Three Are Gathered* Senior Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the Son (+), and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Let us confess our sins before God and in each other's presence. We live in fear of death.
Forgive us, O God, for not seeing that death, as well as life, is in your hands.

Because we see death as the end, we often live as though we have no future, surrendering ourselves to cynicism and despair.

Forgive us, O God, and remind us that Christ was raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died in the faith.

We have a narrow vision of being your people.

Forgive us, O God, and open our eyes to the unity of your whole church and all her saints spanning time and space.

We try to escape the responsibilities of today.

Forgive us, O God, for our lack of faith and our irresponsibility.

The resurrection of God's Son is our living hope. God's Spirit forgives and renews us in hope. Whether we live or whether we die we are the Lord's. We live in this hope. Amen.

We live forgiven under God.

GATHERING HYMN *For All the Saints* ELW #422 verses 1-2

REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS

These saints of Salem Lutheran Church, who have joined the Church Triumphant, are remembered as the bell tolls the joy of Jesus' triumph over death.

A chime tolls as names of those who have died in the past year are read.

We pray:

Almighty God, those who die in the Lord still live with you in joy and blessedness. We give you thanks for the grace you have bestowed upon your saints who have finished their life in faith and now rest from their labors.

Amen.

HYMN

For All the Saints

ELW #345 verses 3, 4, 5

Water is poured into the baptismal font

When we were baptized into Christ Jesus, we were born anew to a living Hope.

By water and the Word we were united to the Church, the community of saints on earth.

These saints of Salem Lutheran Church joined the Church through the waters of baptism and continue to live in the legacy of those who have gone before us:

The chime tolls as the names of all who have been baptized in the past year are read.

Let us pray.

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ; we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising us up to new life. Bless these saints who have been added to your earthly community through the waters of baptism. By the baptism into his death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Amen.

HYMN

For All the Saints

ELW #345 verses 6, 7

GREETING

From the one who is and who was and who is to come, and from Jesus Christ, the first fruits of the resurrection, grace and peace be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, 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

Revelation 7:9-17

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A reading from Revelation

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches in western Asia Minor during a time of great oppression. Today's reading provides a response to the question asked in 6:17: "Who is able to stand?" The writer responds to the faithful with the assurance of God's protection and a vision of eventual victory.

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. ¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; ¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM *Today's psalm will be spoken responsively beginning with the women* Psalm 34:1-10, 22

Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD; for those who fear the LORD lack nothing. (Ps. 34:9)

¹I will bless the LORD at all times; the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

²**I will glory in the LORD; let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; let us exalt God's name together.
⁴**I sought the LORD, who answered me and delivered me from | all my terrors.**
⁵Look upon the LORD and be radiant, and let not your faces be ashamed.
⁶**I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me and saved me from all my troubles.**
⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD and delivers them.
⁸**Taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are they who take refuge in God!**
⁹Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD, for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.
¹⁰**The lions are in want and suffer hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**
²²O LORD, you redeem the life | of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

SECOND READING **1 John 3:1-3** **Bible Page 259**
A reading from 1 John

A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

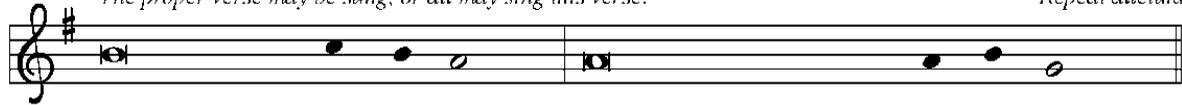
¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The proper verse may be sung, or all may sing this verse. Repeat alleluia



GOSPEL **Matthew 5:1-12** **Bible Page 4**

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

In the beatitudes, Jesus provides a unique description of those who are blessed with God's favor. His teaching is surprising and shocking to those who seek wealth, fame, and control over others.

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:
³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
¹¹"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Blest Are They* **ELW #728**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostle's 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

Welcoming God's reign of righteousness and mercy, let us pray with people of every time and place.

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

A brief silence.

Receive these prayers and the hopes and concerns of our hearts, O God, as we entrust into your loving care all for whom we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

We greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

MUSICAL OFFERING

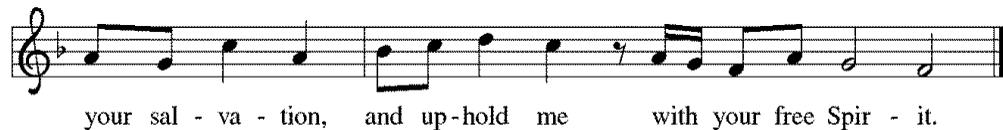
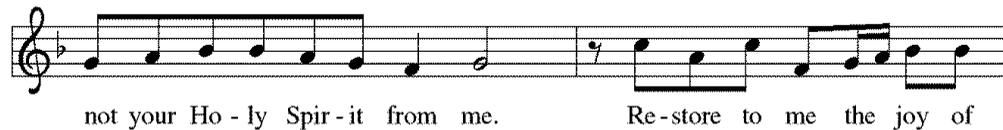
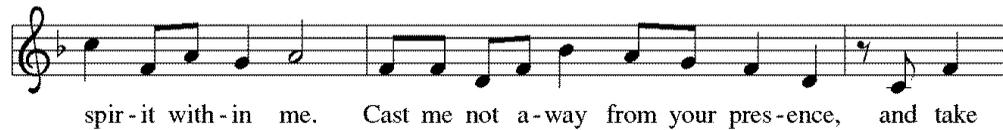
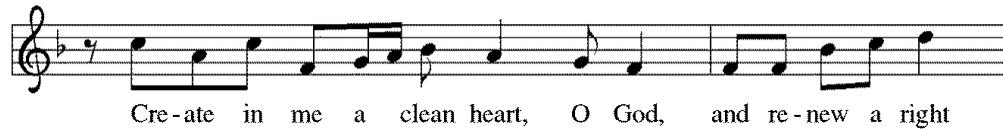
OFFERING

LIGHTING OF CANDLES FOR THE SAINTS AND ANOINTING

Song of the Saints

Senior Choir

OFFERTORY HYMN



OFFERING PRAYER

Creator God, you made everything, and you provide for every need.

The bread we break and the wine we pour come from you. As we eat and drink with thanksgiving, fill us with your love; let that love flow through us to others; and join us to the saints before us in a holy and boundless communion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.

SENDING

BLESSING

The love of God surround you; the grace of \mp Christ release you; and the Holy Spirit be your guide and strength, now and forevermore. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

ELW #414

DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Preaching: Pastor Joel Guttormson

Assisting: Pastor Melinda McVey McCluskey

Organist: Ruth Sheldon

Ushers: Lyle & Orloue Thomson

Acolytes: Megan Knudtson, Kelsey Kirschbaum

Reader: Jan Belica

October Altar Guild:

Joan Kloster, Phyllis Moen, Janet Swenson

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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 Andy & Ruth Haugen and their work in the church, from their 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 2018 DATE - 592.1771. Cost for 2018 is still \$83

2018 - 8:30 A.M. KIOW RADIO BROADCAST DATES AVAILABLE:

Jan. 14, Feb. 25, Mar. 25, April 1, 22, 29, May 6, 20,
June 10, 17, July 8, 15, 29, Aug. 5, 19, Sept. 2, 16,
Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18, Dec. 2, 9, 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 in 2017.

Readings for next Sunday: Micah 3:5-12, Psalm 43, 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13, Matthew 23:1-12

Those worshipping October 21/22: 195 Giving: \$3,780.00

Confirmation pictures and certificates are available on the safe outside the office.

It is not too late to join us for Faith Formation:

4 year olds - 6th graders are all welcome Sundays at 9:45 in the chapel.



The Creature Praise Choir rehearses on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Choir Room beginning Sunday, September 17. Youth in Grades 3-7 are welcome to attend.

Salem's Senior Choir will rehearse on Wednesdays, at 7:00 p.m. in the choir room. All are welcome to attend. Contact Kathy Nelson with any questions.

The Tapestry Singers are rehearsing for their Advent Concert (Dec. 03, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.) Sundays, at 4:30 p.m. in the choir room.



**Celebrating Together
500 Year Anniversary of Reformation
With Neighboring Lutheran Churches**

"Luther" Movie

Saturday, October 28th at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 29th at 12:30 p.m.

Showing at The Mills Theater in Lake Mills

Joint Reformation Worship and Fellowship Meal

Sunday, November 5th at 10:00 a.m. at Salem Lutheran Church.
This will be a joint worship celebrating the Reformation Anniversary
All offerings will go to local and national benevolences.
The meal will be catered with costs covered by a free will offering.



REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS and BAPTIZED

All Saints Sunday is a day of remembrance for the saints.

As we gather for worship this morning we will remember the names of persons in the congregation who have died during the past year: Darlene Hanna, Marilyn VanDenBosch, Rhoda Brue, Bruce Gregor, Christopher Nyguard, Blanche Grunhovd, Bonnie Sanden, Stanley Stover, Elaine Ingebritson, Dominy Twito, Thelma Brunsvold, Phyllis Schat, Cleone 'Toni' Knudtson, Ruth Pederson, Phyllis Brackey, Robert James 'Jim' Tweed.

The people of Salem who submitted names they wished to have included in the prayers this morning are: Bernise Garviek, Irene Fahje, Roy McLauren, Robert Kvale, Vernell Kvale, Christopher Nyguard, James Rychener, George & Lenore Clunis, Rudolph & Mabel Myli, Ruth Myli, Harlan Myli, Vincent Tweed, Clyde Knowles, Rick Vidmar

We will also recognize the newly baptized:

Bram Story
Beckham Fjelstad
Lucas Bellinger
Stella Gonzalez



The following youth will receive Bibles this morning at the 10:30 a.m. service:

Lane Sprecher	Hadlee Thompson	Tori Sterrenberg	Kylah Johnson
Austin Henderson	Cora Sauer	Casey Bryan	Dakota White
Dakota VanGundy	Makenzie Budach	Avah Klebsch	
Hayden Wempen	Kalie Sylvara	Hayden Thompson	

Confirmation Field Trip To Decorah, Iowa

Friday, November 3rd

Leave from Salem at 7:45 am

Leave from Bethany at 8:00 am

Return 7:30 – 8:00 pm

Cost of event: \$15

(gas, museum admission, supper/pizza)

We will tour Luther College and eat lunch on campus, visit the Vesterheim (Norwegian)

Museum, and eat supper at Mabe's Pizza.

Bring/swimwear and towels to go swimming at Luther College.

Confirmation Food Drive

Wednesday, November 8th

Meet at Salem at 6:15 pm

Finish up around 8:15 pm.

Drivers Needed – 4 adults drivers

Come dressed for the weather – it might (probably) be cold!!!

Confirmation Food Collection

Wednesday, November 8th

Residents in Lake Mills and Joice

be prepared for a confirmation youth stopping by your door

between 6:15 – 8:15 pm asking for donations for the food shelf

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THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship – Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Youth Praise Choir – Choir Room; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall

9:45 a.m. Faith Formation - Chapel

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

12:30 p.m. Martin Luther Movie – Mills Theater

4:30 p.m. Tapestry Rehearsal – Choir Room

MONDAY, OCTOBER 30

1:00 p.m. Mission Quilters – Fellowship Hall

2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Joshua Listening Committee – Lounge Area

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Joshua MAP Findings & Conversation

5:30 p.m. Confirmation Class – Sanctuary; New Life Nutrition – Room #4

7:00 p.m. Senior Choir – Choir Room; St. Patrick's Youth Group – Room #9

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2

9:30 a.m. Grace Circle – Library; Rhoda/Elizabeth Circles – Fellowship Hall;
Hannah/Sarah Circles – Lounge

1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Joshua Listening Groups – Outside Lounge Area

2:00 p.m. Martha Circle – Library

6:00 p.m. ISU Extension Supper/Identity Theft Program – Fellowship Hall
Joshua Group & Area Leaders - Chapel

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3

8:00 a.m. Confirmation Trip to Luther College

10:00 – 4:00 p.m. Joshua Group

6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Joshua Group – Outside Lounge Area

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

10:00 a.m. Reformation Worship & Fellowship Meal

4:30 p.m. Tapestry Rehearsal – Choir Room