

KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from above, and for our salvation, 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 worship and praise,



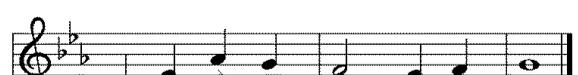
let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



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



A - men, a - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

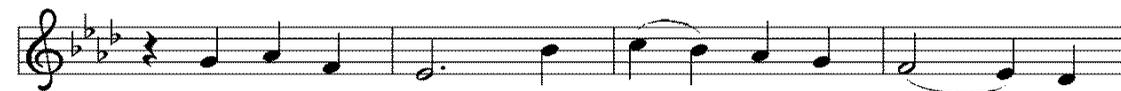
Women sing verse one, men verse two, all join in on verse three and the refrain:



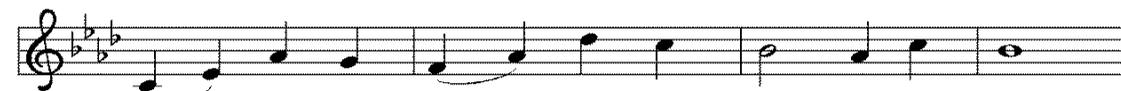
This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING**Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18**

A reading from Zephaniah.

Zephaniah (like the prophet Amos in last week's first reading) presents the day of the Lord as one of judgment and wrath. Descriptions of the last day in the New Testament include details taken from Old Testament accounts of the day of the Lord.

⁷Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is at hand; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. ¹²At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm." ¹³Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. ¹⁴The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. ¹⁵That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, ¹⁶a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. ¹⁷I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. ¹⁸Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the LORD's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.



PSALM: Psalm 90:1-8, 12 We read today's psalm responsively beginning with the pulpit side.

¹Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to another.

²**Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, from age to age you are God.**

³You turn us back to the dust and say, "Turn back, O children of earth."

For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night;

⁵you sweep them away like a dream, they fade away suddenly like the grass:

⁶**in the morning it is green and flourishes; in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

⁷For we are consumed by your anger; we are afraid because of your wrath.

⁸**Our iniquities you have set before you, and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.**

⁹When you are angry, all our days are gone; we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

¹⁰**The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty;**

yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quickly and we are gone.

¹¹Who regards the power of your wrath? Who rightly fears your indignation?

¹²**So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.**

SECOND READING**1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**

A reading from 1 Thessalonians.

¹Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

The holy gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁴“For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ ²¹His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ ²²And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ ²³His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ ²⁴Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ ²⁶But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from

him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. ²⁹For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. ³⁰As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

As Saints of Old

ELW #695

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

response: Hear our prayer.

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

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

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

Great Is the Lord

Senior Choir

OFFERING SONG



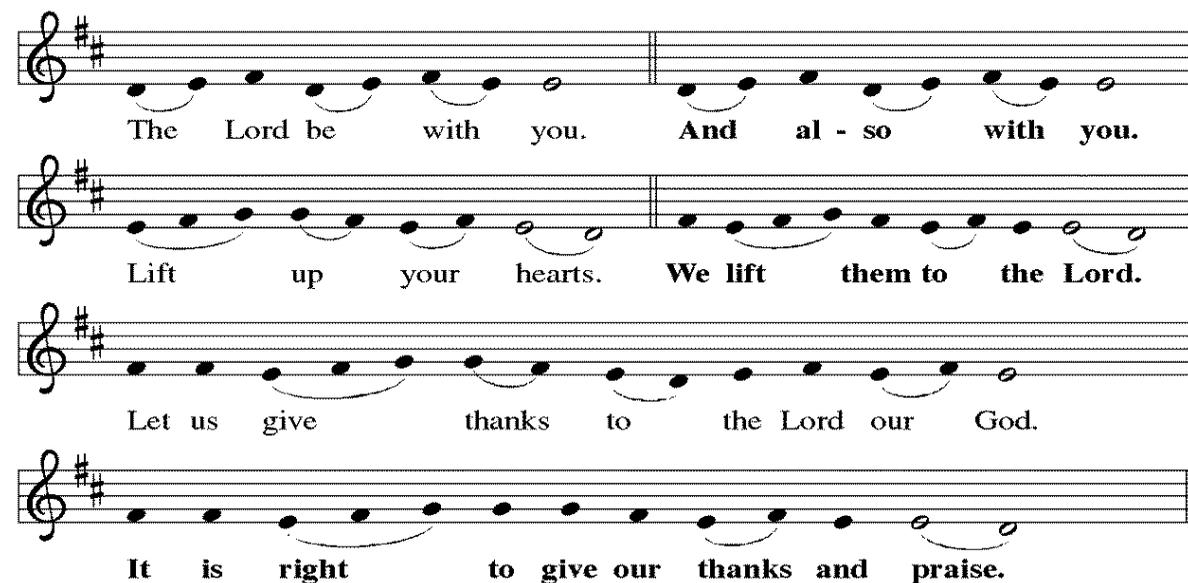
Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERING PRAYER

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



GREAT THANKSGIVING



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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 Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance. You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

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 life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.
By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of 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

Hunger no more. Thirst no more.
Come to the banquet of life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Sovereign God, in this meal you give us a foretaste of the great feast to come. Keep us faithful to you, that we, with all your saints, may at length celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

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

SENDING SONG*Oh, Happy Day When We Shall Stand*

ELW #441

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Preaching: Pastor Joel Guttormson
Organist: Ruth Sheldon
Ushers: Doug & Rhonda Harmon
Reader: Roy Kvale

Acolytes: Kelsey Kirschbaum, Megan Knudtson
Communion Servers:
Jeremy/Janelle Gilbertson Family
November Altar Guild: Gloria Kvale, Pat Thorson

The radio broadcast this morning is given in loving memory of Duane (Dewey) Seedorf from his wife Terry, daughter Jessica and grandchildren Zoey, Landyn and Adelyn. Also in memory of Komer & Marian Johnson, Terry's Mom and Dad.

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

Readings for Nov. 19: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24, Psalm 95:1-7a, Ephesians 5:1-15-23, Matt. 25:31-46

Those worshipping November 11/12: 161 Giving: \$3473.86
November 4/5 Giving: \$9911.70



Salem Board of Youth will be hosting a Faith-Filled Children's Book Fair.

The Book Fair will run from Nov. 5 thru Nov. 19th. A display table of sample books will be set up in the lobby by the elevator. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Sauer.

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.**

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.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Is Wednesday, November 23rd

Thanksgiving Eve Worship at Salem will be held on Wednesday, November 23rd, at 7:15 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

In this season of thanks, please join us in taking time to offer thanks and praise to the One "from whom all blessings flow."



Community Thanksgiving Dinner

November 23rd, 11:00am—1:00pm

Asbury United Methodist Church, 107 E Main St, Lake Mills

Deliveries available for shut-ins. Make reservations by calling 641-592-3389



Hanging of the Greens will be held Saturday, December 2nd at 9 a.m. Everyone is welcome to help decorate the narthex, sanctuary and chapel for the Advent and Christmas Seasons.

You may bring treats to share!

Please watch for additional holiday events.

Tapestry Singers Advent Concert

Join us in the Sanctuary on Sunday, December 3rd at 4:00 p.m.

All are Welcome!

Hospice
OF NORTH IOWA

A partner with Mercy Health Network—North Iowa

Hospice of North Iowa Tree Lighting Service

The Hospice of North Iowa Tree Lighting Service will be held in Salem's Fellowship Hall on Thursday, **December 14th at 6:00pm**. With your gift to hospice, a light will be placed on the Tree of Life. Every light on the Tree of Life celebrates and honors our loved ones and friends in a very special way. A light in memory of a loved one who has died, is a reminder that despite the wintry effect death can bring, life can still be celebrated. Names of those you wish to remember and honor will be listed at the service. Your contribution will help extend hospice care to others, so they can live the last months of their life in dignity, often in their own homes.

2017 OPERATION CLOTHES FOR KIDS!

Eighth Annual Operation Clothes for Kids

Donations will be distributed throughout the Lake Mills Community School District.

Tags will be available for pick up starting Friday, November 24th.

Pick a Christmas Tag (with a child's needs/sizes on it) from one of the following tree locations: Salem Lutheran Church (tree will be outside the office), Winnebago Lutheran Church, Word of Faith Dominion Church, Farmers Trust and Savings Bank, or Manufactures Bank and Trust.

Purchase the items on the child's tag, wrap in one box, attach the original Christmas Tag to the gift, and deliver to the listed sites by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 13.

Feel free to team up and share costs.

Cash donations are accepted. Send to the LMCS Nurse's Office, 102 S 4th Avenue E, Lake Mills, IA 50450. Make checks payable to LMCS Clothes for Kids



The Marine Corps Toys for Tots collection box is outside the church office! Unwrapped gifts may be placed in the box. Monetary donations are also appreciated.

Angel Tree – A Little History



The Angel Tree was started in 2000 by the Miriam Circle members. A longtime circle member had passed away and the Angel Tree was dedicated to her memory. People were able to purchase angels and the narthex tree was decorated with these angels each year. The names of all dedications were also recorded in a special book on display near the tree. Through the years over 500 angels have been dedicated.

If you have purchased an angel in the past you can also pick up an angel and either hang it on the Angel Memory Tree or take it home to enjoy on your own tree. All previously dedicated angels are recorded in the memory book.

There is no charge to dedicate an angel. You can pick up an angel in the church office and hang it on the tree yourself anytime you wish. A book will be on the table where you can write the name of your loved one and note who is dedicating the angel.

MAP

MISSIONAL ASSESSMENT PROFILE

We will be hosting more Listening Sessions Dec. 4th and 5th!

If you were unable to attend the previous ones please take a look at the sign up times and find one that will fit your schedule. Your input is needed and welcomed as we continue to gather data to help us move into the next chapter of Salem's ministry.

To sign up for a Listening Session go to:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0545a4ae2ba4f85-salem>

If you would like help signing up, call Helen in the office – 641.592.1771.

The Congregation is welcome to join us in the presentation of the MAP results.

Monday, December 4th @ 7pm in the fellowship hall or Tuesday, December 5th @ Noon in the fellowship hall.

Please feel free to bring a brown bag lunch if you'd like to the Tuesday, Dec. 5 meeting.

Map Result Sharing – MAP Points of Interest

Week 1:

Thank you! We had a great level of participation in taking the MAP. It is clear that our members are energized by their faith, recognizing the importance of it in their daily lives.

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion 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 (4 year old – 2nd grade sing) – Sanctuary
4:30 p.m. Tapestry Rehearsal – Choir Room

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

2:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open
3:15 p.m. Daisy Girl Scouts – Room #4
6:00 p.m. Quilt Club – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
3:15 p.m. Brownies – Room #4

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:15 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service - Sanctuary

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!
OFFICES CLOSED

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

OFFICES CLOSED
5:00 p.m. Lisa Nelson/Alex Kubik Wedding Rehearsal

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

3:30 p.m. Lisa Nelson/Alex Kubik Wedding
5:30 p.m. Casual Service – Chapel

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship – Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Worship – Sanctuary
4:30 p.m. Tapestry Rehearsal – Choir Room

SALEM CONTACT INFORMATION

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All are invited to a benefit honoring
Roxanne Irons
and her family

Sunday
November 26
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
LMCS Foyer

Roxanne
was diagnosed
with ALS in
March 2017. She is the
wife of Gary;
Mom to Ben (Jillian), Noah,
& Gabe; & a friend to all.

Free Will Donation
Soup Luncheon
Live Entertainment
Bake Sale
Silent Auction
Live Auction @ 1:30

Donations can be written to Gary or Roxanne Irons
or delivered or mailed to MBT bank

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