



Salem Lutheran Church

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OUR MISSION: We are God forgiven and mission driven.

OUR VISION: To be that Lake Mills place where belonging, healing, growing, serving and believing are open to all, regardless of background, experience or aptitude. Central to this is that we are a -forgiving, mission-driven community, which means we all want to have an impact, shaped by the love of Christ to serve all others.

WEEKLY ANOUNCEMENTS – TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST– NOVEMBER 9TH -NOVEMBER 15TH

THIS WEEKS TEXTS– TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FIRST READING: AMOS 5:18-24

PSALM: 70

SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13



Trusting in God, Trusting with God

Human beings are relational creatures. We are created to be in relationship with one another and with God. No one, no matter how independent or disconnected they may feel they are, functions completely outside the context of relationships. From the moment we are born we are thrust into relationship with people around us—the people who delivered us, the people who will be taking care of us in a hospital nursery, our family, and God. When we enter this world we do so forming relationships right from the start.

Relationships, healthy relationships, require a lot of work and care to continue. In particular, relationships require trust to grow and become mature. Relationships rooted in trust can bring out the best in us. Relationships rooted in anything else can bring out the worst.

Today's readings give us the chance to consider the trust required in the relationship between God and God's people. Moreover, we are invited to give thought to the consequences of replacing trust with something else: hubris stemming from trust in one's identity or work (in Amos), or hubris stemming from trust in others to sustain us rather than God (in Matthew). Paul reminds us that our relationship with God is cause for joy, even in the midst of sorrow, since we believe (trust) God's promise of eternal life through the living Lord Jesus.

Salem Lutheran Church Council announces that the Sanctuary is open for In-Person Worship at a capacity of approximately 80 people seated on the main floor.

Social distancing for seating will be designated with ushers assigned to seat those attending worship.

Please enter the church at the Narthex entrance on the west side. Masks and hand sanitizer will be available at this entrance for all who enter.

Please note wearing a mask is mandatory. Wearing a mask will primarily protect others, especially the vulnerable.

Please do not attend In-Person worship if you are not feeling well or if you have recently had a close contact (closer than 6 feet for more than 15 minutes) to a person with COVID-19.

Radio/live stream remains available.

CELEBRATING GENEROSITY

During this time of social distancing, there are several ways to continue your giving.

- **By mail.**
- **You can sign up for a weekly or monthly ACH withdrawal (Simply Giving), or PayPal. For ACH, call the office and I can get you a form to complete.**
- **By PayPal - go to our website (www.salemlakemills.com) home page, scroll to the bottom left and there is a Donate button. Click on it and will take you to a PayPal or credit card donation page.**

Call the office with any questions.(641.592.1771)

We as a church still have financial obligations to meet at this time.

I pray that all stay calm & healthy.

CELEBRATING GENEROSITY – WEEKLY GIVING

LAST SUNDAY: 11/1/20	\$ 6,925
YEAR-TO-DATE: as of 11/5/20	\$ 189,331
LAST YEAR: as of 11/5/19	\$ 222,347
DIFFERENCE YEAR TO DATE:	\$ -33,016



WEEK AT A GLANCE

- MONDAY**-1:00 p.m. Clothes Closet (Open by appointment)
(Call Rita Anderson 641-592-5085)
1:00 p.m. Mission Quilters
3:15 Cadets
- TUESDAY**- 10:00 am Care Givers Support
1 p.m. -6:00 pm Life Serve Blood Mobile(Fellowship)
3:15 p.m. Juniors(Preschool Room)
- WEDNESDAY**- 10:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study
1:15 pm Confirmation
5:00 p.m. Zoom Confirmation
- THURSDAY**- 5:30 p.m. Executive Council
6:30 p.m. Church Council
- SATURDAY**: 5:30 p.m. In-sanctuary services
- NEXT SUNDAY**- 9:00 a.m. In-sanctuary services (note time change)
10:05 a.m. Faith Formation(note time change)

NEXT WEEKS TEXTS –TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

FIRST READING: Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

PSALM: 90:1-8 [9-11] 12

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-30

2020 OPERATION CLOTHES FOR KIDS!

11th Annual

Let's clothe OUR children.

Donations will be distributed throughout the Lake Mills Community School District to children ages birth to 18.

Pick a Christmas Tag (with a child's needs/sizes on it) from the electronic sign-up or one of the following tree locations: Salem Lutheran Church, Winnebago Lutheran Church, Word of Faith Dominion Church, Asbury United Methodist Church, Emmons Lutheran Church, Farmers Trust and Savings Bank of Lake Mills, Manufacturers Bank and Trust of Lake Mills, or Uptown Fitness.

Both electronic and physical tags will be available starting Saturday, November 21st.

For electronic sign-up go to:

tinyurl.com/LMClothesForKids

Just in time for all those Black Friday deals! Purchase the items on the child's tag, wrap in one box, attach the original tag to the gift, and deliver/return to one of the listed locations by

Sunday, December 13

This year each child's requests have been divided into two tags. One for clothing and other for shoes and socks. This is an effort to keep costs affordable for the givers and be able to provide for the child's needs.

Cash donations are accepted at the banks or send to the LMCS Nurse's Office, 102 S 4th Avenue E, Lake Mills, IA 50450

Reserve your special date to sponsor a 2020 8:30 a.m. radio broadcast. The service is heard on K10W (107.3 FM) radio in Forest City and on cable channel 2. Cost for 2020 is \$83. CALL THE OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR DATE - 641.592.1771.

2020 BROADCAST DATES AVAILABLE:

Nov. 15, 22, Dec. 13