



Salem Lutheran Church

401 S. Lake St.
Lake Mills, Iowa 50450

Welcome to the House of the Lord
Easter: The Resurrection of Our Lord
April 5, 2015 - 8:30 a.m.

**Go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee;
there you will see him, just as he told you. Mark 16**



INTRODUCTION

This year may be the one in which John's resurrection account is likely to be chosen over Mark's, perhaps because Mark's gospel ends so abruptly, with astonishment and fear rather than joyful proclamation. Yet Mark may speak to our experience more directly than the other gospels. Corinthians and Acts fill out the story by telling of appearances of the risen Christ. Peter says we "ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead." And so do we, in a foretaste of the mountaintop feast where death will be no more.

***Please stand as you are able.**

Prelude

Alleluia

Mozart

GATHERING

All stand and face the rear of the church.

Our liturgy begins with the blessing of the Paschal Candle, which symbolizes Christ's breaking of the darkness of sin and death to bring us all the Easter victory. The Paschal Candle will shine as our symbol of the resurrection throughout the Easter season, at all baptisms and at all funerals. After the blessing, the day is proclaimed with the ancient Easter shout, joyous songs and, festive musical offerings and the word of God that proclaims the victory of Christ for us all. May the blessings of the Risen Lord be yours this day and always.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

P: Let us pray. O God, you are like a refiner's fire, and your Spirit kindles the hearts of your faithful people. Bless this flame and those who keep this Easter celebration so that, burning with desire for life with you, they may be found fit to take part in that festival of Light which has no ending, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

P: Jesus Christ, yesterday and today, the beginning and the ending, Alpha and Omega; all time belongs to him, and all ages; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever.

C: Amen

P: By his holy and glorious wounds, may Christ our Lord guard and keep us.

C: Amen

The Paschal Candle is lighted.

P: May the light of Christ who rises this day in glory scatter the darkness of our hearts and minds.

Let us pray. Almighty God, pour out your abundant blessing on this lighted candle, so that all who share in your holy mysteries may be filled with your grace and spiritual blessings. Once we were in darkness, but since we have become the Lord's people, we are in the light. Help us to live as people who belong to the light, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **C: Amen**

The Paschal Candle is raised

Repeated 3 times

P: He is risen! **C: He is risen indeed!**

Please stand as you are able to sing the entrance hymn.

***Pealing of Easter Bells**

***Entrance Hymn**

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Red Book #365

***Greeting**

Pastor: He is Risen! **C: He is risen indeed!**

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen! **All: Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

***Prayer of the Day**

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.** P: Let us pray.

C: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Music

Christ is Arisen

Choir

WORD

First Lesson

Acts 10:34-43

³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Gospel Lesson

Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

***Gospel Hymn**

Thine is the Glory (verse 1)

Red Book #376

Sermon

Christ in Our Homes

Hymn of the Day *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds (Verses 1-3)* **Red Book #367**

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.

Announcements

Prayers of the Church

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please save April 12, 2015 for friends and family roller skating at Roller City, Mason City from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Please note time change.



Video camera operators are needed to record the 10:30 a.m. worship service at Salem. The service is live-streamed each week. Training will be provided. Contact Pastor Soli at 507.369.6303.

Easter Joy!

This morning we celebrate the joy of our Lord's victory over sin and death through his triumphant resurrection. The joy of Easter is meant to be shared. Stephen Ministers are trained to walk alongside those who need to hear the joy of Easter, through visits, sharing scripture and prayer. If you know someone, who could use Stephen Minister to walk alongside them during a difficult time, contact Pastor Randy at 641-590-0727 and an available Stephen Minister would join them in their journey sharing the joy of Easter one day at a time. Stephen Ministry is a shared ministry between One in Christ, Our Savior's and Salem.

Next Week's Lessons: Acts 4:32-35, 1 John 1:1-2:2, John 20:19-31

Please remember in prayer this week:

Darlene Madson, Clarine (Claire) Johnson

The family & friends of LuVerne Bredeson, mother Sandy (Pr. Peter) Soli

The family & friends of Alfreda Brua, The family & friends of Henry Garvick, father of Dolly (Bruce) Gregor and the family & friends of Ruth Holtan, sister of Jim Tweeten

Prayer Families: Gary/Linda Helgeson, Jan Helgeson, Jon/Becky Helgeson, Matt/Juliann Helgeson, Mike/Rosalie Helgeson, Milford Helgeson, Ryan/Kelli Helgeson Family, Scott/Elaine Helgeson, Shawn/Julie Helgeson Family, Steven/Allison Helgeson Family

SALEM & ONE IN CHRIST PARISH FELLOWSHIP EVENT

Minnesota Twins vs. Chicago Cubs - Saturday, June 20th

Game Time 1:10 pm. *Bus will leave Salem at 10:00 am*

Cost - \$70.00 (Bus and ticket)

Left – Field Box Seats (lower level sect 126 seats under overhang – shade!)

Call the One in Christ Parish Office 641-567-3550 to reserve your seat(s).

Sign-up & payment before May 18th ...Fifty-five tickets/bus seats are reserved.

Jacob Brekken & McKenzie Thomazin Bridal Shower
Saturday, April 11, 2015 - 9:50 – 11:00 a.m. at the home of
Julie & Don Helgeson - 800 S. 10th Ave. E., Lake Mills, Iowa

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

8:30 a.m. Tradition Easter Service

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Easter Service

MONDAY, APRIL 6

OFFICES CLOSED

2:00-5:00 Food Shelf

TUESDAY, APRIL 7

7:00 Altar Guild (bring goodies)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

2:30-4:00 p.m. Confirmation - Room 4

4:00 p.m. Tai Kwon Do - Room 2

5:30 p.m. Education Board – Fellowship Hall

6:00 Informal Worship – Chapel

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

9:30 Fine Arts Guild - Lounge

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School; Coffee/Parsonage Discussion – Fellowship Hall

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service

1:30 – 3:00 p.m. Chalsea (Drew) Rhoder Baby Shower

4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Roller Skating – Roller City

The congregation is invited for discussion of the parsonage issue on two Sundays, April 12 & April 19.

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