



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

Welcome to the House of the Lord  
Third Sunday of Easter  
April 10, 2016 - 9:00 a.m.

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### INTRODUCTION

The disciples make a big splash and breakfast with the risen Jesus in the gospel. Wading in the water (remembering our baptism) and eating with Jesus (celebrating the holy communion) is our weekly encounter with the risen Christ. Jesus asks us, with Peter, again and again: Do you love me? And Jesus invites us, again and again, to follow him, bringing the Easter life to others.

### GATHERING

Prelude

Bells

Call to worship

L: Christ asked Peter if he loved him.

**P: Peter affirmed three times his love of the Lord.**

L: Christ asks us if *we love him*.

**P: We affirm our love of the Lord in our worship**

L: Christ calls us to demonstrate our love in service.

**P: Lord, help us to witness to your love in the ways in which we care for others. Amen.**

\*Song

Majesty

W&P 94

Prayer of Confession (Acts 9, Psalm 30)

God of Forgiveness,  
hear now the confession of our sins.

**Our greed and our lust for power  
create enemies where we should find friends.**

We fail to offer comfort and aid  
to those who are afraid and beat down  
by the burdens of life.

**We are as blind and willful as Saul  
to the pain and the destruction  
of our wrongdoings**

**and our well-meaning crusades.**

Forgive us, merciful One.

Give us sight to see with your eyes,  
that we may bring hope peace to our world. **Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon

God's anger lasts but a moment,  
but God's favor lasts a lifetime.  
The Lord forgives our shortcomings  
and sends deliverance through Christ,  
just as the Lord forgave Saul  
and used him to spread the gospel.  
Thanks be to God!

**Creature Praise Choir**      *El Shaddai*

**Gospel Song**                      *Good Soil*                      **W&P 52**

## Gospel

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

## Sermon

**Sermon Song**                      *Spirit Song*                      **W&P 130**

## 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 hell. 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.**

## Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**

## Offering

**Creature Praise Choir**                      *Dance With Me*

**Offering Song**                      *Now the Feast and Celebration*                      **ELW #167**

## Offering Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth.  
Day by day you shower us with blessings.  
As you have raised us to new life in Christ,  
give us glad and generous hearts,  
ready to praise you and to respond to those in need,  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Announcements

## Prayers of Intercession

## The Lord's Prayer

L: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**P: 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.**

## Blessing

Go forth from this place with your eyes wide open as you journey into the wider world. Love God and see Christ in each person you meet. Give thanks always and do not withhold love from any, for we do not know who may yet turn to the light.

**Sending Song**

***Praise the Name of Jesus***

**W&P 117**

**Senior Choir** will be practicing April 17 and 24 at 10:00 a.m. The choir will be singing May 1 and May 22.

**Dismissal**

Alleluia. Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

**Preaching:** Pastor Joel Dahlen

**Assisting:** Pastor Melinda McCluskey

**Organist:** Ruth Sheldon

**Special Music:** Creature Praise Choir

**Reader:** Pastor Carlton Shaw

**Ushers:** Margaret Okland Family

**Sound:** Al Skellenger

**Video Coordinator:** Carol Abbey

**Videographer:** Hope Levine

**Altar Guild for April:** Sharon Johnson, Pat Young

**The radio broadcast this morning is in loving memory of Vera Larson from her family.**

**The 8:30 a.m. worship service is broadcast weekly on KIOW-FM 107.3.**

**Available dates are: July 10, Aug. 7, 14, Oct. 16, 23, Nov. 6, 20, Dec. 4, 11.**

**We have a sponsorship program for the live internet broadcast of the 9:00 a.m. worship service.** Sponsorship is available for \$40 per Sunday. **Call the office to reserve a date in 2016.**

**Salem has a wheel chair available for use. It is kept in the narthex closet.**

**Sending of Communion** will be held the third Sunday of each month. Please call the office (641.592.1771) if you would like to receive communion at home on Sunday, April 17.

**Missing:** Black leather coat with maroon lining was missing after coffee fellowship last Sunday. If you took it by mistake, please bring it to the office. Thank you.

**Next Week's Lessons:**

Acts 9:136-43, Psalm 23, Revelation 7:9-17, John 10:22-30



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**PRAYER**  
*changes things*

**Please remember in prayer this week:**

**Darlene Madson**

**Prayer Families:** Doug/Jeannine Thompson, Grant Thompson Family, James/Kathy Thompson, Jayde Thompson, Joshua/Tiffany Thompson Family, Norma Thompson, Whitney Thompson, Lyle/Orloue Thomson, Neal Thomson, Arlin/Patricia Thorson



**PEACE**



**THIS WEEK AT SALEM**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 10**

- 9:00 a.m. Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship/Pastor Dahlen Farewell – Fellowship Hall
- 10:40 a.m. Youth Choir - Chapel

**MONDAY, APRIL 11**

- 1:00 p.m. Mission Quilters – Fellowship Hall
- 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Food Shelf Open
- 5:30 p.m. Council – Library

**TUESDAY, APRIL 12**

- 10:00 a.m. Care Givers Support Group - Lounge

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13**

- 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Piano Lessons - Lounge
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Pizza – Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 p.m. 8th grade Confirmation – Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 p.m. Informal Worship - Chapel
- 7:00 p.m. St. Pat’s Youth Group - Room #9

**THURSDAY, APRIL 14**

- 9:30 a.m. Fine Arts Guild – Lounge

**SUNDAY, APRIL 17**

- 9:00 a.m. Communion Service - Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School; Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Senior Choir – Choir Room
- 10:40 a.m. Youth Choir

**Those worshipping: March 24, (Maundy Thursday): 126; March 25, (Good Friday):49; March 27, (Easter): 485; April 3: 189**

**Easter week’s giving to the Glory of God: \$8,468.21**

**Last week’s giving to the Glory of God: \$7,899.45**

**CORRECTION TO THE CALENDAR IN THE OUTREACH:** WELCA meets at 11:30 a.m. on the 21st of April. NOT 2:00 p.m.



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