



Salem Lutheran Church

Welcome to the House of the Lord
Second Sunday of Easter
April 12, 2015 - 10:30 a.m.



INTRODUCTION

The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.

Gathering Music

Welcome, Announcements, Gideon Presentation by Roger Solomonson

Call to Worship

Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed, Hallelujah!
Let us rejoice!
Let celebrate with holy humor.
Let us laugh,
Let us dance,
Let us sing praises of joy!

Song

All the Earth Will Sing Your Praises

Opening Prayer:

Holy God,
As you have taken what we call an absurdity
And turned it into possibility.....
As you have coaxed us to sing springtime alleluias
Where once there was a gray dawn,
As you have called us out of the tombs we inhabit
Into an undreamed of tomorrow
We praise you for this day!
Come, Risen Christ,
In newness and hope on this Eastertide day. **Amen.**

Scripture Readings

New Testament	Acts 4:32-35	Bible Page 126
New Testament	1 John 1:1-2:2	Page 258
*The Gospel	John 20:19-31	Page 119

Sermon Song *Better Is One Day*

Sermon Skits *Crossing to the Other Side and McJesus to Go*

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in God,
Who made us in His image.
We live, we love, we laugh,
Because we are like Him.

We believe in Jesus Christ,
The Son of God, our Lord and Savior.
He had the last laugh on the devil
When He rose from the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
Coequal and coeternal with the Father and the Son.
Our counselor, our guide, our motivator –
He is our joy !

Prayers, Peace

Offering/Offertory *He Knows My Name*

Lord's Prayer

Blessing

May the God of surprises
Bring smiles and joys to the everyday and ordinary.

May the God of love
Be seen in all we do and say.

Go forth rejoicing,
For the good work has just begun!
Amen.

Closing Song *Lord Let Your Glory Fall*

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the good news. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Preaching: Pr. Melinda McCluskey **Assisting:** Pr. Peter Soli
Pianist: Bill Georgia
Video Coordinator: Anna Ramaker
Reader: Dan Rice
Skit Participants: Ryan Knudtson, Mason Fritz, Grace Okland, Chance Levine, Madison Holtan, Kendall Kirschbaum, Jackson Rice, Hope Levine, Hallie Mannes, Megan Groe, Nate Lorensen, Kate Groe, Anna Ramaker, Faith Cox, Toni Hukill, Andrew Fjelstad, Tyler Helgeson, Elijah Stene, Bennett Eaton

The radio broadcast Sunday morning is in loving memory of Paul Heimdal's birthday, today, from Sylvia.

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

Cost for 2015 is \$83. Call the office to reserve your dates.

Dates available for 2015: May 3, 10, Oct. 18, Nov. 1, 15, 29, Dec. 6, 13, 27

Thank you to Roger Solomonson for sharing his Gideon message and worshipping with us today.

Remember friends and family roller skating at Roller City, Mason City, today, from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Please note time change.



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

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.

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 reserved.

Jacob Brekken/McKenzie Thomazin Bridal Shower

Saturday, April 11, 2015 - 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. at the home of Julie & Don Helgeson - 800 S. 10th Ave. E., Lake Mills, Iowa

Kessa Olson/Alex Meyer Bridal Shower

Saturday, April 18, 2015 - 10:30 – 12:30 p.m. at Salem's Fellowship Hall

Drew/Chelsea Rhoder Baby Shower

Sunday, April 12, 2015 - 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. in Salem in Salem's Fellowship Hall

Salem Women of the ELCA Guest Day, Thursday, April 16.

Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. followed by the program presented by Leah Boyd. Her topic is Relay for Life and her faith journey. Special music provided by Summer Sterenberg. Everyone is welcome to attend.

St. Patrick's Catholic Church now has worship at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Let's be good neighbors and not park in their lot.

Where Two or Three are Gathered in my Name I am among them ...

In Matthew 18, Jesus promises to be with us. That's one of the great miracles of Stephen Ministry. When a Stephen Minister meets one-to-one with his or her care receiver, Jesus is present too. He brings the power of his transforming love, and the peace, healing, and comfort that only God can give. If you or you know someone who could use a Stephen Minister please call Pastor Randy at 641-590-0727. Stephen Ministry is a shared ministry between One in Christ, Our Savior's and Salem.

Those worship April 2, 3, 5, 2015: 437

Last week's giving to the glory of God: \$12,574



Please remember in prayer this week:

Darlene Madson, Clarine (Claire) Johnson

The family & friends of Alfreda Brua

The family & friends of LuVerne Bredeson, Mother of Sandy Solie (Pastor Peter Soli)

Prayer Families: Verna Helgeson, Charles/Kathy Helland, Keith/JoAnne Helland, Lee Helland Family, Logan Helland, Aaron/Melanie Henderson Family, Charles Henderson, George/Kathy Helland, Mike Henderson, Travis Henderson

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

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

2:00 p.m. VBS Planning Meeting – Winnebago Church

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Chalsea (Drew) Rhoder Baby Shower – Fellowship Hall

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

MONDAY, APRIL 13

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

2:00-5:00 Food Shelf

5:30 p.m. Council Meeting – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

2:30 p.m. Confirmation – Room 4

4:00 p.m. Tai Kwon Do – Room 2

6:00 Informal Worship – Chapel

5:15 p.m. Good Samaritan – Lounge

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

11:30 WELCA Guest Day - Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

10:30 – 12:30 p.m. Kessa Olson/Alex Meyer Bridal Shower – Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion Worship - Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Sunday School; Coffee/Parsonage Discussion – Fellowship Hall 10:30 a.m.

Contemporary Communion Worship – Sanctuary

Next Week's Lessons: Acts 3:12-19, 1 John 3:1-7, Luke 24:36b-48



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