



Salem Lutheran Church

Welcome to the House of the Lord
Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 26, 2015 - 10:30 a.m.



INTRODUCTION

The image of the Good Shepherd shows us how the risen Christ brings us to life. It is the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep, one of mutual knowledge and love, that gives the shepherd authority. The shepherd's willingness to lay down his life for the sheep shows his love. First John illustrates what it means to lay down our lives for one another by the example of sharing our wealth with any sister or brother in need.

Gathering Music

Welcome, Announcements

Call to Worship

Awaken from Your slumber,
and bring Your fears and anxieties
into the presence of the Lord our God.

**Hear the call of our Shepherd,
and allow His voice
to lead from selfish ambition
to the feast of grace.**

May the light of Christ
shine into the hidden darkness of our lives
and restore us for the service of the Lord.

Come let us worship God.

Song

Your Grace Is Enough

Psalm 23 Blessing

In the lush pastures of life that hold meeting places with love,
may your feet know the way to find them.
By the still waters of the running stream,
may your hands shape a cup it and drink deep from it.
In the valley of death's shadow that ever threatens,
may your sense of life find the way through.
At the banqueting table set before your enemies,
may your cup be full and overrunning.
Like the anointing oil that runs down your head,
may the blessing that is you spill into the world with eternal promise.
In the way a shepherd's staff warms off lameness from fear,
may trust be your protective companion on the way.
Through each day's living as it unfolds,
may goodness and mercy make their way into every moment.

At the doorway to the house of the Lord of life,
may you recognize your home and your hearth.
And in the song that makes a dwelling-place in your heart,
may its music rise in your soul.

Psalm 23 (Read responsively)

¹The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

²**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.**

³You restore my soul, O LORD,
and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

⁴**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

⁶**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

Scripture

Acts 4:5–12

***The Gospel**

John 10:11–18

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Children's Sermon

Sermon

Sermon Song

Back in His Arms Again

Apostles' 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, Peace

Offering Music

Shine On Us

Offertory

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Gentle Shepherd Prayer

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

Your Name

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Share the good news.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Preaching: Kermit Singelstad

Pianist: Bill Georgia

Reader: Linda Tweeten

Video Coordinator: Anna Ramaker

The radio broadcast this morning is in loving memory of Spencer Colby, Judy Colby and Carl Stelter, from Emily Colby and family.

The 10:30 a.m. live internet broadcast this morning is in loving memory of Craig Porter's birthday, April 24th, from Gail and family.

Flowers have been placed in loving memory of Beryl Sand, from her family.

May Worship & Sunday School Schedule

Sunday, May 3...Worship & Confirmation at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 10...Worship on Mother's Day at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 17...Worship & Graduate Recognition at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School will be held at 9:00 a.m. May 3 & 10.

Here's What People are saying about Stephen Ministry: "I felt guilty about being angry at God. But my Stephen Minister didn't think I was terrible. He was very patient and just listened and cared. He demonstrated Jesus' unconditional love and helped me to trust God again." If you are interested in having a Stephen Minister walk alongside you through a difficult time, please call Pastor Randy at 641-590-0727. Stephen Ministry is a shared ministry between One in Christ, Our Savior's and Salem.



Live Internet Broadcast!

We have started a sponsorship program for the live internet broadcast of the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Sponsorship is available for \$40 per Sunday. At this time the remaining Sundays in 2015 are available for sponsorship. Call the office to reserve a date. 641.592.1771

National Day of Prayer Service will be hosted by Lake Mills Area Ministerial Association in Lake Mills at Asbury Methodist. The first Thursday in May is set aside as a day for prayers for our Nation and our National, State and local leaders. We will meet for prayer and song on Thursday, May 7th at Asbury Methodist in Lake Mills, at 7:00 am and plan on finishing so people can be on their way to work by 7:30 or 7:45. Our local Pastors will be leading us in prayer. For those who do not have to rush off to work, Asbury Methodist is hosting a fellowship with some coffee and bars.

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.

NORTH IOWA CHORAL SOCIETY PRESENTS

All Creatures Great & Small

At the NIACC Community Auditorium

Sunday, April 26 - 3:00 p.m.

Admission \$5

Salem has a wheel chair available for use in the narthex.

PRAYER
changes things

Please remember in prayer this week:

Megan Knudtson, who received her first communion at the Wednesday service

Connie Sabin, Darlene Madson, Clarine (Claire) Johnson

The family & friends of Beryl Sand

Prayer Families: Tel Hermanson, Thomas Hermanson, Timothy Hermanson Family, Tyrell Hermanson, Bradley Hill, Dennis/RoseAnn Hill, Jeffrey Hill, Jerry/Marilyn Hoffman, Travis/Ashley Hoffman Family, Sharon Hoffmann

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

Transition Team/Call Committee Planning Retreat

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship – Sanctuary

MONDAY, APRIL 27

2:00-5:00 Food shelf

TUESDAY, APRIL 28

6:30 p.m. Council/Call Committee/Synod Meeting – Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Stephens Ministry – Lounge

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

6:00 Informal Worship – Chapel

6:00 p.m. Confirmation Meal & Faith Statement Night – Fellowship Hall & Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. Choir

SUNDAY, MAY 3

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

9:30 a.m. Confirmation Worship Service - Sanctuary

10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall

The 8:30 a.m. worship service is broadcast weekly on KLOW-FM 107.3. Cost for 2015 is \$83. Call the office to reserve your dates.

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

Those worship April 8, 12, 2015: 206

Last week's giving to the glory of God: Not available

Next Week's Lessons: Acts 8:26-40, 1 John 4:7-21, John 15:1-8

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.



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