



# Salem Lutheran Church

Welcome to the House of the Lord  
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 20, 2015 - 10:30 a.m.

✦ NAME IN VAIN ✦



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**“You shall not make wrongful use of  
the name of the Lord your God.”**

– EXODUS 20:7

## GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Call Committee & Starting Strong Updates

Gathering Song *You're Worthy of my Praise*

**1) I will worship (I will worship)  
With all of my heart (with all of my heart)  
I will praise You (I will praise You)  
With all of my strength (all my strength)**

**I will seek You (I will seek You)  
All of my days (all of my days)  
I will follow (I will follow)  
All of Your ways (all Your ways)**

**Chorus I will give You all my worship  
I will give You all my praise  
You alone I long to worship  
You alone are worthy of my praise**

**2) I will bow down (I will bow down)  
And hail You as King (and hail You as King)  
I will serve You (I will serve You)  
Give You everything (everything)**

**I will lift up (I will lift up)  
My eyes to Your throne (my eyes to Your throne)  
I will trust You (I will trust You)  
Trust You alone (You alone) *Repeat chorus twice***

**Call to Worship**

P: People of God, open your ears!

Come and celebrate the story of our God, a story of compassion and mercy, of redemption and love; a story passed down from generation to generation, so that God's people never forget the wonderful things our God has done! Let's praise God together!

## Music for Worship

### *We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise*

We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.  
We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.  
And we offer up to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving.  
And we offer up to you the sacrifice of joy.

### *As the Deer*

1) As the deer panteth for the water, so my soul longeth after Thee. You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship Thee. You alone are my strength my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship Thee.  
2) You're my friend and you are my brother, even though you are king. I love you more than any other, so much more than anything. You alone are my strength my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire and I long to worship Thee.

### **Prayer of the Day** (spoken by pastor)

Let us pray. God of grace, you have given us minds to know you, hearts to love you, and voices to sing your praise. Fill us with your Spirit, that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and truth, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

### *Glorify Thy Name*

1) Father we love you, we praise you, we adore you,  
Glorify thy name in all the earth.  
Glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth.  
2) Jesus we love you, we praise you, we adore you,  
Glorify thy name in all the earth.  
Glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth.  
3) *Instrumental*

4) Spirit we love you, we praise you, we adore you,  
Glorify thy name in all the earth. Glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth. Glorify thy name, glorify thy name, glorify thy name in all the earth.

## WORD

**First Reading** Exodus 20:7-11 Page 73 in Bible  
Response: L: Word of God, word of life. C: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm** Psalms 92 *Read Responsively*

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High;  
**to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night,**  
to the music of the lute and the harp,  
to the melody of the lyre.

**For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work;  
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

How great are your works, O Lord!

Your thoughts are very deep!

**The dullard cannot know, the stupid cannot understand this:**  
though the wicked sprout like grass and all evildoers flourish,  
**they are doomed to destruction forever,**  
**but you, O Lord, are on high forever.**

For your enemies, O Lord, for your enemies shall perish;  
all evildoers shall be scattered. **But you have exalted my horn like that of the wild ox; you have poured over me fresh oil.**

My eyes have seen the downfall of my enemies;  
my ears have heard the doom of my evil assailants.

**The righteous flourish like the palm tree, and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.**

They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God.

**In old age they still produce fruit; they are always green and full of sap, showing that the Lord is upright;  
he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him**

**Second Reading**      1 John 4:7-12      Page 260 in Bible

Response: L: Word of God, word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel**      Matthew 12:1-8      Page 12 in Bible

*The gospel concludes:*

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

### **Children's Message**

#### **Message**

**Song of the Day**      *Jesus, Name Above All Names (Sing 2X)*

1) Jesus name above all names

Beautiful Savior glorious Lord

Emmanuel God is with us

Blessed Redeemer living Word

2) Jesus loving Shepherd

Vine of the branches Son of God

Prince of Peace Wonderful Counselor

Lord of the universe Light of the world

\* **Nicene Creed**      *(Spoken together)*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of**

**life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **The Prayers**

L: Lord in your mercy **C: Hear our prayer**

### **\*Peace**

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

**C: And also with you.**

### **Offering**

P: As we offer ourselves to one another in peace and strengthen the bond of community, we also offer our treasure to Lord so that Christ's church might bear witness here on earth. Let us make our gift to the ministry with hearts filled with God's peace.

### **Offering Song**

#### ***We are an Offering***

*sing together as offering is brought forward*

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands,**

**We lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.**

**Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands,**

**Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.**

**All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be,**

**We give to you, we give to you.**

**We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: We are an offering, we are an offering.**

### **Offering Prayer**

P: God, whose giving knows no ending,

**A: we offer up the treasure that you have entrusted to us; we offer up the skills and time that you have graciously given to us; we offer up ourselves in service and praise.**

**Receive these gifts by your grace. Multiply and use them through the power of the Holy Spirit to accomplish Christ's work of love in the world. Amen.**

### **Communion – Words of Institution and Lord's Prayer**

#### **Distribution of Communion**

*When Holy Communion is served, all Christians who recognize the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament and the offer of forgiveness of sins are invited to the Lord's Table. Children are invited forward to receive a blessing. Please follow the ushers' instructions in coming for communion. We will be communing by intinction. You will receive a wafer at the center which you will dip into the wine.*

#### **Blessing**

Go forth into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### **Closing Song      *I Will Call Upon the Lord***

**I will call upon the Lord (ECHO)**

**Who is worthy to be praised (ECHO)**

**So shall I be saved from my enemies (ECHO)**

**I will call upon the Lord.**

**The Lord liveth and blessed be my Rock**

**Let the God of my salvation be exalted**

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#### **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**Preaching:** Pr. Peter Soli

**Assisting:** Pr. Melinda McCluskey

**Altar Guild for September:** Joan Kloster & JoAnn Villa

**The radio broadcast this morning** is in loving memory of Karen Twedt's birthday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, from the family.

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

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

**We have a sponsorship program for the live internet broadcast of the 10:30 a.m. worship service.** Sponsorship is available for \$40 per Sunday. **Call the office to reserve a date - 641.592.1771.**



Salem offers a safe and easy way to give online. Scan the QR code to go to the website. There you can click the **Donate Now** button to make your gift. You decided the amount. You will need either a credit or debit card to complete the transaction. Thank you for your support of ministry at Salem Lutheran!

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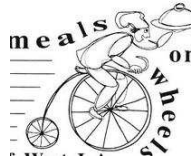
Salem member Wanda Playter recently released her first book, titled ***Walking in the Word, A Daily Journey Through the New Testament.***

She is doing a book signing and speaking at Salem Lutheran Church this morning following the 8:30 worship service during coffee time.

### **MEALS ON WHEELS – DRIVERS NEEDED!**

Volunteers are needed to help deliver *Meals on Wheels* in Lake Mills. Each weekday meals are picked up at 10:45 am and it takes about 20 minutes to deliver the meals. Any and all help will be appreciated even if all you can do is one week out of the year. Some of the Lake Mills businesses deliver during the winter months, so you wouldn't have to worry about winter delivery.

Please contact Robin Grunhovd (641-592-4876), if not there please leave a message.



**Please remember in prayer this week:**

**The Family & Friends of Beverly Smithe**

**Viola Simmons, Bernice Kloster, Don Adams, Marilyn Hoffman, Manise 'Pete' Erickson, Gavin Thompson, Lloyd Okland, David E. Steffens, Roger Juveland, Darlene Madson**

**Prayer Families:** Donna Nelson, Fred/Beth Nelson, Gary Nelson, Glennes/Trena Nelson, Kevin/Kathy Nelson, Lisa Nelson, Mike Nelson, Robert/Nicole Nelson Family, Rudolph/Arlene Nelson, Steven/Kathleen Nelson

**Those worshipping September 9/13: 217**

**Last week's giving to the Glory of God: \$3921.56**

**"Starting Strong" Pledges to date: 70 Pledges - \$28,135**

**Last week's "Starting Strong" giving: \$415**

**If you have not returned your pledge you may do so at any time.**

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**THIS WEEK AT SALEM**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 Quilt Sunday**

8:30 a.m. Traditional Communion Worship - Sanctuary  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall  
9:40 a.m. Adult Bible Study - Lounge  
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Communion Worship Service

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

2:00 – 5:00 Food Shelf Open  
7:00 p.m. Quilt Club – Fellowship Hall

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

2:30 p.m. 6th/7th Grade Acolyte Orientation  
5:00 p.m. Confirmation Pizza – Fellowship Hall  
5:30 p.m. Confirmation Large Group – Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. Casual Communion Worship – Chapel  
7:00 p.m. Contemporary Music Practice  
St. Patrick's Youth Group – Lounge

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

11:00 a.m. Paula/Matt Twedt Baby Shower – Fellowship Hall

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27**

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship - Sanctuary  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall  
9:40 a.m. Adult Bible Study - Lounge  
10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service



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