



Salem Lutheran Church

Welcome to the House of the Lord
Twenty second Sunday after Pentecost
Reformation Sunday
October 25, 2015 - 9:30 a.m.



INTRODUCTION

On this day we celebrate the heart of our faith: the gospel of Christ—the good news—that makes us free! Though we give thanks for the events of the sixteenth-century Reformation that brought renewal to the church of that time, we pray that the Holy Spirit would continue to unite the church today in its proclamation and witness to the world. In the waters of baptism we are made one body; we pray for the day that all Christians will also be one at the Lord's table.

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

Prelude/Gathering Music *Ein' fest Burg* **Setting by Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)**

Announcements

***Confession and Forgiveness**

L: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose name is majestic in all the earth, who rescues and heals in every time of trouble, who does all things well.

C: Amen.

Let us come before God, seeking forgiveness and life.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Steadfast and saving God,

have mercy on us. We confess to you all the ways we turn from you and harm one another.

In your compassion, forgive our sins and heal our hurts.

Bring forth from us a harvest of righteousness,

the fruits of gentleness and peacemaking,

the sheaves of wisdom and justice;

through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

L: In the name of ☩ Jesus, the Son of God, receive mercy and find grace in your time of need.

Your transgressions are forgiven;

God's love is healing balm for your wounds.

Rejoice, for God raises you up to new life in Christ.

Amen.

***Gathering Song**

God of Grace and God of Glory

Red Book #705

***Prayer of the Day** (*Spoken by the pastor*)

Almighty God, gracious Lord, we thank you that your Holy Spirit renews the church in every age. Pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your word, protect and comfort them in times of trial, defend them against all enemies of the gospel, and bestow on the church your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Song *Grace Alone*

Verse 1

Ev'ry promise we can make
Ev'ry prayer and step of faith
Ev'ry diff'rence we will make
Is only by His grace
Ev'ry mountain we will climb
Ev'ry ray of hope we shine
Ev'ry blessing left behind
Is only by His grace

Chorus

Grace alone which God supplies
Strength unknown He will provide
Christ in us our Cornerstone
We will go forth in grace alone

Verse 1

Ev'ry soul we long to reach,
Ev'ry heart we hope to teach
Ev'ry where we share His peace
Is only by His grace
Ev'ry loving word we say
Ev'ry tear we wipe away
Ev'ry sorrow turned to praise
Is only by His grace

Chorus

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Presentation of Bibles

As part of the Faith Stepping Stones program here at Salem, our third grade Sunday School students are receiving Bibles during our worship this morning. The following children will receive Bibles:

Mikayla Clough	Carter Helgeson	Kaleb Rogstad	Hannah Sterrenberg
Cody Cox	Claire Levine	Katelyn Rogstad	Keaton Wempen
Rowan Flo	Maddie Mannes	Annaston Stene	
Joa Gilbertson	Ellie Redig	Austin Stene	

Sunday School Songs

Scripture Readings

Old Testament	Jeremiah 31:31–34	Bible Page 817
New Testament	Romans 3:19-28	Bible Page 160

***The Gospel** **John 8:31-36** **Bible Page 105**

Message

***Sermon Song** *A Mighty Fortress* **Red Book # 504**

Baptism of Essabel Lucille Sauer **Red Book Page 227**

***Prayers of Intercession**

Congregation response...hear our prayer.

***The Peace**

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

Greet one another with a gesture of peace.

The Offering

***Offering Prayer** *(spoken together)*

**Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills
were gathered together to become one bread,
so let your church be gathered together
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom,
for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen**

***The Lord's Prayer**

SENDING

***Blessing**

The God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The God of all grace bless you now and forever. **Amen**

***Sending Song** *I Will Call Upon the Lord*

Verse

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

Chorus

The Lord liveth
And blessed by the Rock
Let the God my salvation be exalted
(REPEAT)

***Dismissal**

Go in peace, Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Preaching: Pastor Peter Soli
Assisting: Pastor Melinda McCluskey
Reader: Linda Tweeten
Sound: Alan Skellenger
Video Coordinator: Carol Abbey
Worship Singers: Bruce Adams, Summer Sterrenberg, Olivia Schoonover, Kaitlyn Anderson
Percussion: Elijah Stene

The radio broadcast this morning is in loving memory of Carl 'Ole' Olson, from Marge and 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.

At our service this morning we will welcome into the family of God through Holy Baptism **Essabel Lucille Sauer**. Essabel is the daughter of Adam & Jennifer Sauer. Her godparents are Wes & Amy Burrell and Steve & Kari Wagner.

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!



KEEP YOUR FORK!

A Dessert Making Contest

Sunday, October 25 • 2-4 p.m.

Salem Lutheran Church, Lake Mills

OPEN TO EVERYONE ~ ENTER TODAY!

Junior Division • 18 yrs. old & Under
Senior Division • 65 yrs. old & older
Open Division • All Ages

Free-Will Donation
10% of the proceeds
will go to the Food Shelf

Monetary Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place
1st Prize – \$100
2nd Prize – \$50
3rd Prize – \$25

Silent Auction

Large Dessert Bar

Entry forms & rules available at
www.salemlakemills.com
and at the church office • 592-1771

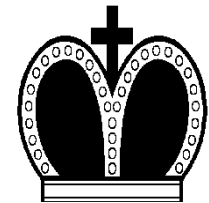
Talented Entertainment



Parking Shuttle Service will be available.

"All Saints" Worship Will Remember Those Who Have Died...

At worship services for All Saints', November 1 & 4, we will remember the following people whose funerals were held at Salem since All Saints Sunday last year. We will also pray for their friends and loved ones, that God's presence and promises would sustain them in faith, hope, and peace.



Viola Bendickson
Mark Chose
Duane Seedorf
Dawn Westrum
Rachel Bolinger
Harlan Evenson
Clarice Felland
Geneva Martinson

Richard 'Don' Twito
Alvira Kloster
Richard 'Ricky' Benson
Alfreda Brua
Beryl Sand
Beverly King
Sharon Hegel
Gayle Trytten

Reuben Hanna
Ruth Tweeten
Muriel Schiltz
Kermit Grunhovd
Clarine 'Claire' Johnson
Danny Brackey
Beverly Smith



Here's what people are saying about Stephen Ministry: "Stephen Ministry really made a difference for me. I'd encourage anyone going through a tough time to consider a Stephen Minister." Stephen Ministers are trained to listen and to walk alongside someone during tough times. If you think you would like a Stephen Minister, call Pastor Randy at 641-590-0727. Stephen Ministry is a shared ministry between One In Christ, Our Savior's and Salem.



The Salem Good Samaritan Ministry team needs your help! Please consider donating to our fund. Your generous donations have already helped many in our community. We have helped with gas for medical appointments, heating bills for the elderly, medical expenses not covered by insurance or Medicare, victims of violence, and many other ways. Thank you for your continued support. If you become aware of a person in need please contact the church office or any member of our team - Sheila Berger, Pastor Merlin Norris, Rita Anderson, Julie (Don) Helgeson, Doug Harmon, and Rachel Olson.



Crisis Intervention Service

Serving 15 counties in North Central Iowa • Free & Confidential

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

One in four women and one in nine men will experience domestic violence in their lifetime.

Crisis Intervention Service is challenging you to take a stand and show your support through October to raise awareness about the issue of domestic violence and support victims and survivors in your community.

Here are ways you can support awareness:

1. Purple Thursdays! Wear an item of purple clothing for domestic violence awareness month.
2. Light a candle for victims of domestic violence.
3. Take one minute of silence to remember someone who lost their life to domestic violence.
4. Write a letter to elected officials about the issue of domestic violence.
5. Wear a purple ribbon to raise awareness for domestic violence awareness month.
6. Connect with Crisis Intervention Service to see how you can get involved.
7. Learn about domestic violence in your community.

If you or someone you know needs help, contact the Crisis Intervention Service free and confidential hotline at 1-855-9133.

To learn more about Crisis Intervention Service, go to www.CISHELPS.org

Emmons Lutheran Church



Lutenfisk Supper

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

Servings at 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM, and 5:30, 7:00 PM

ADULTS: \$16.00 in advance (no refunds)

CHILDREN (10 and under): \$5.00

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM:

Betty Kantson, treasurer	Emmons	507-297-5843
Emmons Lutheran Church	Emmons	507-297-5471
Security Bank Minnesota	Emmons	507-297-5461
Security Bank MN	Albert Lea	507-373-1481
Both Nygaard @ Thrivent	Lake Mills	641-391-0064

MENU

LUTEFISK

MEATBALLS & GRAVY

MASHED POTATOES

CORN

CABBAGE SALAD

CRANBERRY RELISH

LEFSE

PASTRIES

Tickets go on sale October 5th

Hands For Prayer



Please remember in prayer this week:

Our newest sister of the body of Christ, Essabel Lucille Sauer and her family
Judy Hermanson, Gordie Cavett, Glennes Nelson, Yvonne Back, Bonnie Sanden, Arlene Ingebritson, Viola Simmons, Bernice Kloster, Gavin Thompson, Roger Juveland, Darlene Madson

Prayer Families: Dale/Marilyn Otto, Arlen/Shirley Pals, Randy Pals, Marcia Pedersen, Robert Pedersen, Allan/Marilyn Pederson, Gary/Cindy Pederson, Jeff/Erin Pederson, Megan Pederson, Rachel Pederson Family



THRIVENT ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, November 1 at 2:30 p.m. at
Salveson Hall, Waldorf College, Forest City

Desserts and refreshments served.

We will also be participating in a Thrivent Action Team.

Please bring a donation for local food banks.

Please RSVP by October 28 to Marlys Andersen at 641.566.3314 or email:
mlandersen@wctatel. Leave your name and number attending.

There will be no individual household mailings.



THIS WEEK AT SALEM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall
- 10:40 a.m. Adult Bible Study - Lounge
- 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. *Save Your Fork* Dessert Making Contest – Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 2:00 – 5:00 Food Shelf Open

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

- 6:45 p.m. Tapestry Rehearsal – Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Stephens Ministry – Lounge

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

- 1:45 p.m. Mills Harbour Communion
- 2:30 p.m. Lake Mills Care Center Communion
- 5:00 p.m. 7/8th Grade Confest – Mason City
- 5:15 p.m. Good Samaritan – Lounge
- 6:00 p.m. Casual Worship Service – Chapel
- 7:00 p.m. Contemporary Music Practice; St. Pat’s Youth Group - Lounge

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 All Saints 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

Those worshipping October 14/18: 234

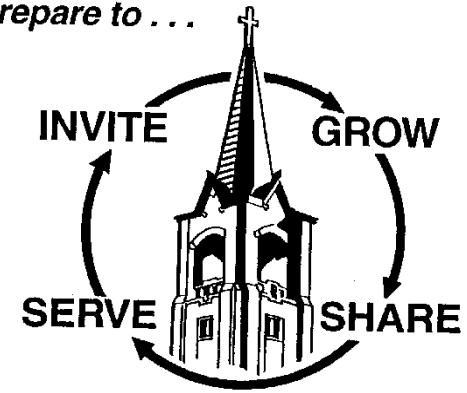
Last week’s giving to the Glory of God: Not Available

“Starting Strong” Pledges to date: 70 Pledges - \$28,135

Last week’s “Starting Strong” giving: Not Available

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

Prepare to . . .



. . . for Christ’s sake

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