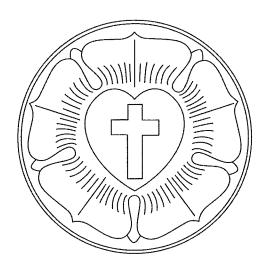
Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church

Our Mission Statement
"A Fellowship of Believers in Jesus Christ dedicated to
proclaiming God's Love to ALL through Word and Deed."



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First Sunday in Lent February 26, 2023 10:00 AM P for Pastor's part of the Liturgy

C for Congregation's part of the Liturgy

Those who are able, are asked to stand.

+ A time one may use the sign of the cross.

LBW = Lutheran Book of Worship (Green Book)

WOV = With One Voice (Blue Book)

GATHERING

(Joel 2:15-17, Matt. 18:20, Acts 2:1-13)

THE FIRST PRELUDE

"Prelude and Fugue in G Minor"

Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SECOND PRELUDE

"Bethany"

Southbridge

THE COMMANDMENTS

Hear the commandments of God to His people:

You shall have no other gods.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord haver mercy.

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

LBW P. 56

(Matt. 28:19, Ps. 103:2-3, John 20:22-23, Eph. 2:4-5)

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8-9)

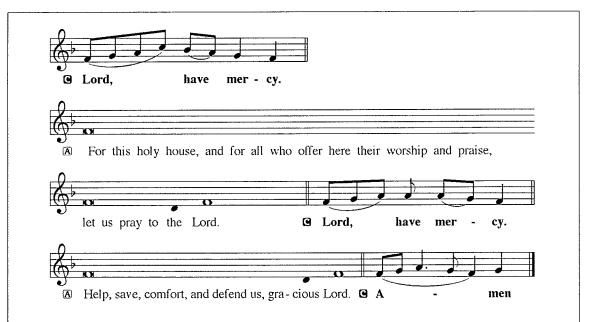
Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. C Amen. (John 20:22-23) * THE GATHERING HYMN "O Lord, throughout These Forty Days" LBW # 99 (Psalm 149:1-4) (Green book) * THE APOSTOLIC GREETING **LBW P. 57** (2 Cor. 13:13) P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. C And also with you. * THE KYRIE (Matt. 17:15 and Matt. 20:30) LBW P. 57 peace, let us pray to the Lord. C Lord, сy. A For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to Lord. @ Lord, have mer A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,

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and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

P Let us pray

O Lord God, you led your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide now the people of your Church, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen

THE WORD

(1 Peter 1:25, Isaiah 55:10-11, Col. 3:16, Jere. 2:14, 1 Tim. 4:13)

FIRST READING: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

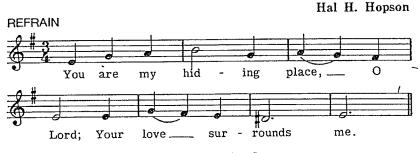
¹⁵The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. ¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

¹Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden'?" ²And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, ³but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die." ⁴ But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁴So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. ⁴ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths. (ESV)

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

The Psalm will be chanted. Congregation sings the refrain.

PSALM: Psalm 32



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Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!

Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile! **Response**

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.

For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;

my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer. **Response**

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;

when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them. Response

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;

I will guide you with my eye.

Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;

who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

Response

Great are the tribulations of the wicked;

but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.

Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord;

shout for joy, all who are true of heart. Response

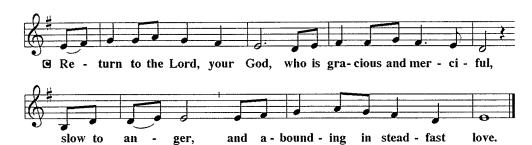
SECOND LESSON: Romans 5:12-19

¹²Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— ¹³ for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. ¹⁴Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. ¹⁶And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. ¹⁷For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

¹⁸Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. ¹⁹For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. (ESV)

- L The Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.



* GOSPEL

- P THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ²And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." ⁴But he answered, "It is written,

"Man shall not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple ⁶ and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, "'He will command his angels concerning you,'

"'On their hands they will bear you up,

lest you strike your foot against a stone."

⁷Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." ¹⁰Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written,

"'You shall worship the Lord your God

and him only shall you serve."

¹¹Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him. (ESV)

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

(Isa. 55:10-11, John 6:68, Psalm 119:41-42)

* THE HYMN OF THE DAY "Just as I Am, without One Plea"

LBW # 296 (Green book)

* THE APOSTLES' CREED

LBW P. 65

(1 Cor. 15:1, 1 Peter 3:18, 1 Tim. 3:16)

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.

- * THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (1 Tim. 2:1-2)
- P Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

* THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

LBW P. 65

(Matt. 5:23-24, John 14:27, John 20:19, Romans 16:16)

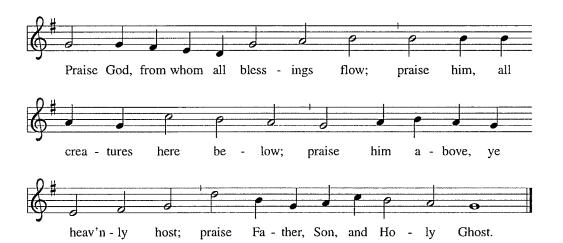
- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

THE ORGAN OFFERING "Print Thine Image Pure and Holy" Genevan Psalter (Isa. 58:6-7, Matt. 25:35)

(offering plates are available at the back of the sanctuary and narthex)

* THE OFFERTORY

"Doxology"



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510-1561

* THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

LBW P. 67

- P Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MEAL

* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Lamentations 3:41, 2 Thess. 1:3)

LBW P. 68

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

* THE PREFACE

LBW P. 68

(Psalm 36:4)

P It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

"Holy, Holy, Holy" (Isa. 6:3, Matt. 21:9)

LBW P. 69

* WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LBW P. 69

(1 Cor. 11:23-26, Matt. 26:26-28, Mark 14:22-24, Luke 22:19-20)

P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

* THE LORD'S PRAYER

LBW P. 71

(Matt. 6:9-13)

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

C 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

* FRACTION

(1 Cor. 10:16-17)



THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT

(1 Cor. 11:27-34)

All are welcome to receive the Lord's Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Please note: receiving in one kind (only the body or only the blood) is a full Holy Communion.

COMMUNION HYMN (after the Communion Prelude)

"When Peace, like a River"

LBW # 346

* THE COMMUNION BLESSING

LBW P. 72

(John 6:53-54)

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen



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* THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

LBW P. 74

(Ps. 107:1, Ps. 118:1)

P Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

SENDING

* THE BENEDICTION

LBW P. 74

(Numbers 6:23-27)

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen (Sing in a three fold Amen)

* THE CLOSING HYMN

"Jesus, Still Lead On"

LBW # 341 (Green book)

* THE DISMISSAL

LBW P. 74

(Luke 7:50)

P Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

C Thanks be to God.

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Clean up Stephanie and Mike Frymyer

Today	8:30 AM	Choir
-	9:00 AM	Sunday School
	11:45 AM	Teleconference service
MonFriday	9:00 AM	Preschool
Monday	5:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday	11:30 AM	Knitters/Crocheters Rm. 6
-	7:00 PM	Building Oversight Committee MP
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Comforter Knotting MP
Thursday	7:00 PM	Holy Communion

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