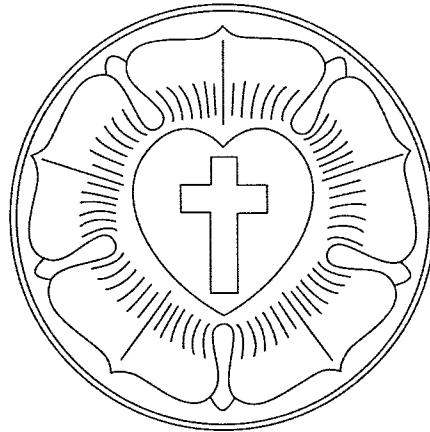


# Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church

## 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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**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 22, 2022**  
**9:30 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)

**THE FIRST PRELUDE** "The Day of Resurrection" Burkhardt

**SMALL CATECHISM DISTRIBUTION**

**FIVE MINUTES IN CATECHISM**

**The Third Article: Sanctification**

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*What does this mean?* I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

**THE SECOND PRELUDE** "Campanile" Paxton

**\* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** **LBW P. 77**

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.

*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**

P 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.**

\* **THE GATHERING HYMN** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” **LBW # 315**  
(Green book)

\* **THE APOSTOLIC GREETING** **LBW P. 78**

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

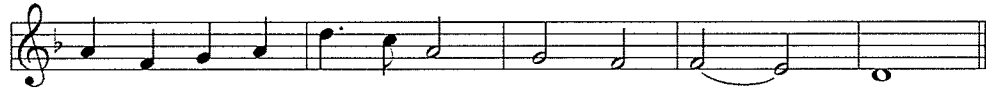
WOV P. 28



Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    Ⓑ Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:



Ⓐ Chri - ste e - le - i - son:    Ⓑ Christ, have mer - cy.  
Christ, . . . . have mer - cy:



Ⓐ Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son:    Ⓑ Lord, have mer - cy.  
Lord, . . . . have mer - cy:

\* THE HYMN OF PRAISE

“This is the feast”

WOV P. 15



Ⓑ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Ⓐ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God.    Ⓑ Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and

strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

☐ Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of

all cre - a - tion: ☐ Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and

might to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men

☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

☐ For the Lamb, the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

☩ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. A - men

**\* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray

O God, from whom all good things come: Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to think those things which are right, and by your goodness help us to do them; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen**

**FIRST READING: Acts 16:9-15**

<sup>9</sup> And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <sup>10</sup> And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

<sup>11</sup> So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup> and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days.

<sup>13</sup> And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup> One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup> And after she was baptized,

and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us. (ESV)

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*The Psalm will be read responsively*

**PSALM: Psalm 67**

<sup>1</sup>May God be merciful to us and bless us;  
may the light of God's face shine upon us.

<sup>2</sup>**Let your way be known upon earth,  
your saving health among all nations.**

<sup>3</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

<sup>4</sup>**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide all the nations on earth.**

<sup>5</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

<sup>6</sup>**The earth has brought forth its increase;  
God, our own God, has blessed us.**

<sup>7</sup>May God give us blessing,  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

**SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1, 22—22:5**

<sup>10</sup> And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God,

<sup>22</sup> And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup> and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup> But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

**22** Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city;

also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup>No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. <sup>4</sup>They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup>And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever. (ESV)

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

\* **THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** "Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks"  
**WOV # 671 Refrain**

**Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;  
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.**

\* **GOSPEL**

P THE HOLY GOSPEL: **John 14:23-29**



<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. <sup>24</sup>Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

<sup>25</sup>"These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup>But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup>Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup>You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup>And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe. (ESV)



P The Gospel of the Lord.



### THE SERMON

\* THE HYMN OF THE DAY      “When Peace, like a River”      **LBW # 346**  
(Green book)

\* THE NICENE CREED      **LBW P. 64**

**C**      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;  
              by the power of the Holy Spirit  
              he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,  
              and was made man.  
          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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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 OF THE CHURCH

\* THE SHARING OF THE PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

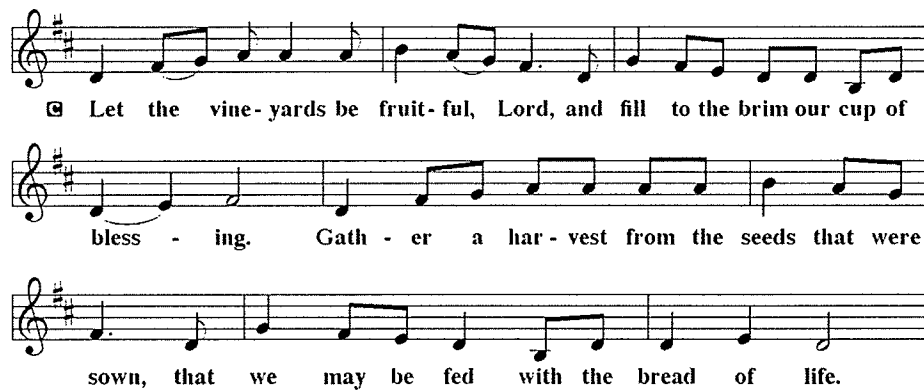
C And also with you.

THE OFFERING

\* THE OFFERTORY

“Let the Vineyards”

WOV P. 35



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were  
sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.



Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u-nite them with the prayers we  
of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence,  
Lord, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

**\* THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

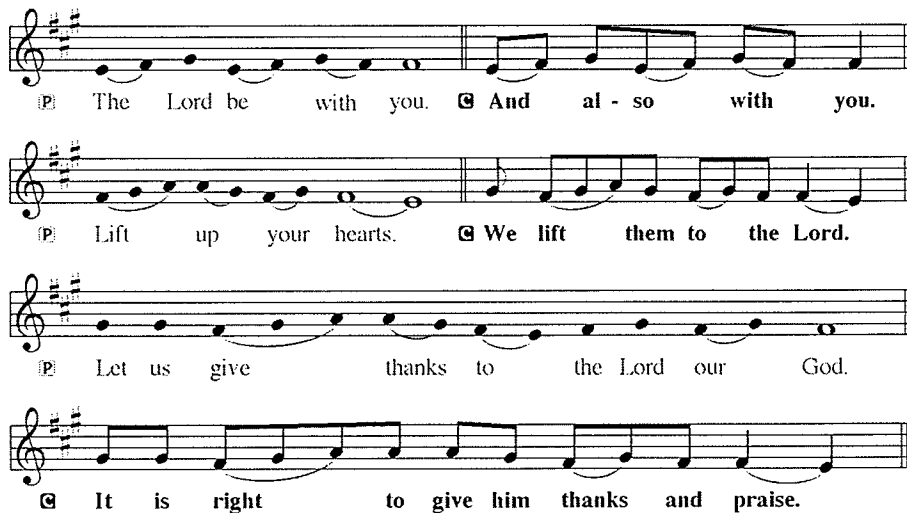
**LBW P. 88**

**P** Blessed are you,

**C** O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**\* THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**LBW P. 88**



**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so 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. 88**

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

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

**WOV P. 36**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and  
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**\* WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**LBW P. 89**

**P** You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God;  
you are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.  
You so loved the world that you gave your only Son,  
that whoever believes in him may not perish but have eternal life.  
Having come into the world, he fulfilled for us your holy will  
and accomplished our salvation.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his salutary command,  
his life-giving Passion and death,  
his glorious resurrection and ascension, and his promise to come again,  
we give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty,  
not as we ought, but as we are able;  
and we implore you mercifully to accept our praise and thanksgiving,  
and, with your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless us, your servants,  
and these your own gifts of bread and wine;  
that we and all who share in the body and blood of your Son  
may be filled with heavenly peace and joy,  
and, receiving the forgiveness of sin, may be sanctified in soul and body,  
and have our portion with all your saints.

All honor and glory are yours, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
in your holy Church, now and forever.

**Amen**

**\* THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**LBW P. 91**

**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**

**\* THE COMMUNION CANTICLE** "Lamb of God"

WOV P. 39



☐ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

**THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE SACRAMENT**

*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** "Blessed Assurance"

**WOV # 699**  
(Blue book)

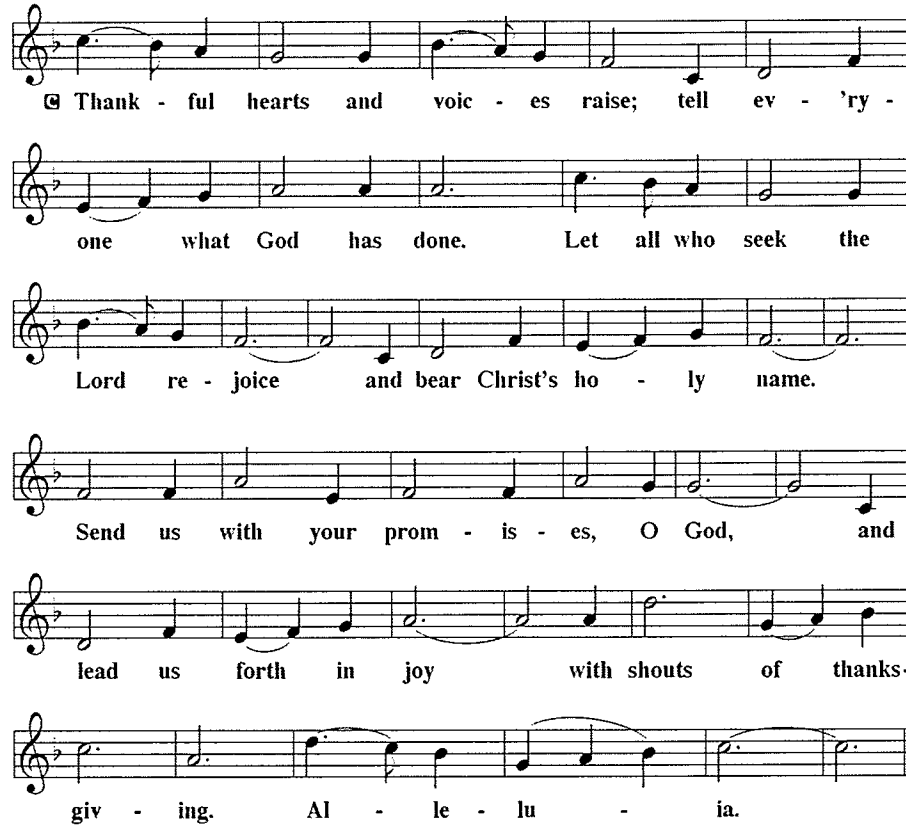
\* THE COMMUNION BLESSING

LBW P. 92

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

C Amen

\* THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thankful hearts" WOVS P. 40



☞ Thank - ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev - 'ry -  
one what God has done. Let all who seek the  
Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.  
Send us with your prom - is - es, O God, and  
lead us forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia.

**\* THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**LBW P. 94**

**P** We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

**\* THE BENEDICTION**

**P** Almighty God, Father, + Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

**C Amen. Sing in a three fold form**

**\* THE CLOSING HYMN** “My Life Flows On in Endless Song” **WOV # 781**  
(Blue book)

**\* THE DISMISSAL**

**P** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, alleluia, alleluia.

**C Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia!**

**\* POSTLUDE** “Song of Triumph” **Denton**

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Usher	Faith Shiffer
Acolyte	Justine Millhouse
Lector	Jackie Roth
Communion Assistant	Dennis Kluck
Altar care	Miriam Moore

Today	10:45 AM	Bible study (MP)
	11:45 AM	Teleconference service
Monday-Thursday		Preschool
Monday	5:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday	11:30 AM	Knitters/Crocheters (Rm. 7)
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Membership Outreach Committee (MP)
Thursday	7:00 PM	Holy Communion

**Keep in Your Prayers:**

Jerry Fleischmann, Diane Morris, Dale Stahl, Betty Stemplinger

**Sunday 22 May 2022 is Catechism Sunday!**

We will be presenting Small Catechisms to our children during the Divine Service.

Managing Motherhood: Items needed this month:

Pull-ups size 2T-3T and 4T-5T

Baby wash

Wipes

Shampoo

Conditioner

Deodorant

Sanitary napkins- light and regular

**Fellowship time June 5 following worship. Please sign up in the narthex to bring a food item for that day.**

**Bible study May 22 following worship in the multi-purpose room.**

**Re Uzit volunteers on May 24, 1-3 PM. Contact Miriam Moore by May 22 if you are willing to volunteer or want more information.**

**The women of Salem will have a luncheon on Tuesday, June 14 at 12 noon.** We will meet in the party room at Udder Choice, 1812 W. Main St., Ephrata. Each lady will order from the menu, and be responsible for the cost. Sign up in the narthex by June 12.

**Ascension Day service Thursday, May 26, 7 PM.**