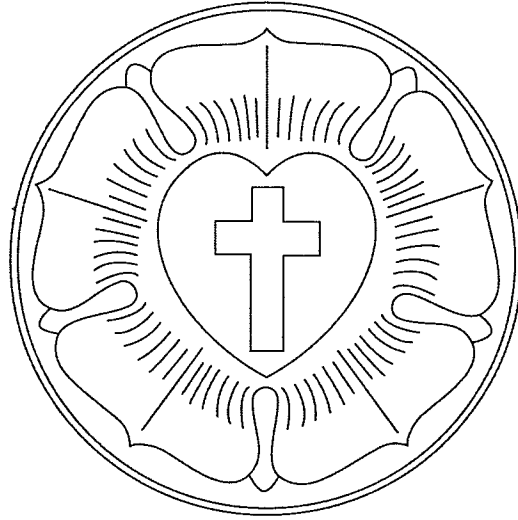


Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 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 "Duo sur les Tierces" Couperin

FIVE MINUTES IN CATECHISM

Second

What benefits does Baptism give?

It works forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare.

Which are these words and promises of God?

Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:16)

THE SECOND PRELUDE "Bethany" Southbridge

*** CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS** **LBW P. 56**

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** "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"

WOV # 779
(Blue book)

* **THE APOSTOLIC GREETING**

LBW P. 57

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 PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray

Pour out upon us, O Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right, that we, who cannot even exist without you, may have the strength to live according to your will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6

After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great."² But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?"³ And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir."⁴ And behold, the word of the LORD came to him: "This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir."⁵ And he brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."⁶ And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness. (ESV)

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm will be read responsively

PSALM: Psalm 33:12-22

¹²Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD!

Happy the people chosen to be God's heritage!

¹³**The LORD looks down from heaven,
and sees all humankind.**

¹⁴God sits firmly enthroned and watches
all who dwell on the earth.

¹⁵**God fashions all their hearts
and observes all their deeds.**

¹⁶A king is not saved by the size of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by their great strength.

¹⁷**The horse gives vain hope for victory;
despite its great strength it cannot save.**

¹⁸Truly, your eye is upon those who fear you, O LORD,
upon those who wait for your steadfast love,

¹⁹**to deliver their lives from death,
and to keep them alive in time of famine.**

²⁰Our innermost being waits for you, O LORD,
our helper and our shield.

²¹**Surely, our heart rejoices in you,
for in your holy name we put our trust.**

²²Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, be upon us,
even as we place our hope in you.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

² For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³ By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.

¹³ These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth. ¹⁴ For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city. (ESV)

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

* **THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah" **WOV # 612**

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Music: Caribbean traditional

* **GOSPEL**

P **THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 12:32-40**

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³² "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions, and give to the needy. Provide yourselves with moneybags that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

³⁵ "Stay dressed for action and keep your lamps burning, ³⁶ and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the wedding feast, so that they may open the door to him at once when he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. Truly, I say to you, he will dress himself for service and have them recline at table, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them awake, blessed are those servants! ³⁹ But know this, that if the master of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have left his house to be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." (ESV)

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

THE SERMON

* **THE HYMN OF THE DAY** “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

WOV # 675
(Blue book)

* **THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

LBW P. 65

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**

* **THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

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

THE OFFERING

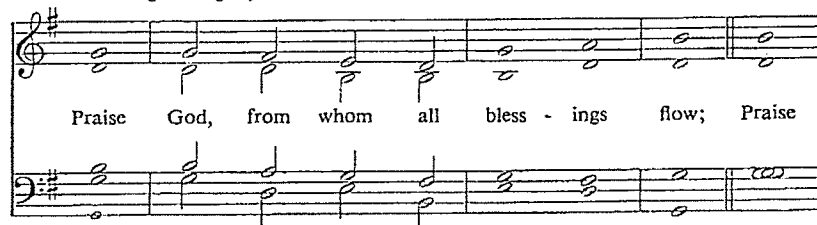
* THE OFFERTORY

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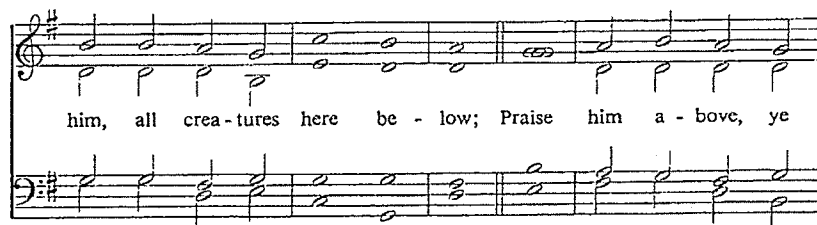
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LOUIS BOURGEOIS, *cir.* 1510–61
Geneva Psalter, 1551

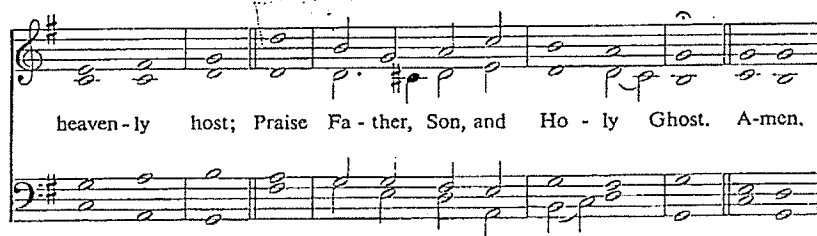
With great dignity



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise



him, all crea - tures here be - low; Praise him a - bove, ye



heaven - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Thomas Ken, 1637–1711

* THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

LBW P. 68

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 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

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

“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”

ELW P. 207



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might:



heav'n 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.

Music: LAND OF REST, American folk tune
Text: "Sanctus," tr. English Language Liturgical Consultation

*** THE HOLY COMMUNION**

LBW P. 69

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

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 "O Lamb of God"

ELW P. 208



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

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.

* THE COMMUNION BLESSING

LBW P. 72

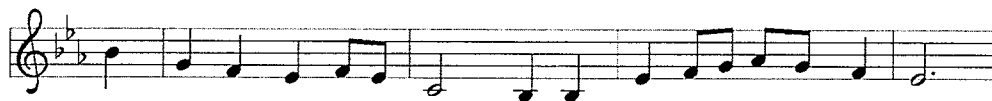
P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

* THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "O Lord, Now Let Your Servant"
ELW # 313



I O Lord, now let your ser - vant de - part in heav'n-ly peace,



for I have seen the glo - ry of your re - deem - ing grace:



a light to lead the na - tions un - to your ho - ly hill,



the glo - ry of your peo - ple, your cho - sen Is - ra - el.

Text: Ernest E. Ryden, 1886-1981, alt., based on the Nunc dimittis

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Music: KUORTANE, Finnish folk tune

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*** THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

LBW P. 74

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**

LBW P. 74

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

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

*** THE CLOSING HYMN** “How Great Thou Art”

LBW # 532
(Green book)

*** THE DISMISSAL**

P Go in peace, Christ is with you.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*** POSTLUDE**

“Sing Forth to the Lord!”

Paxton

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Keep in Your Prayers:

Jerry Fleischmann, Daisy Kuhfeldt, Diane Morris, Betty Stemplinger, Earl Wise, Cheryl Burns, Jerry Horner, Fay Killeffer, Gary Winters (Charlie Winters' brother), family and friends of Jack Miller, Joan Jorgenson (Dan Jorgenson's mother)

Managing Motherhood: Items needed this month:

Pull ups, all sizes; Diapers, 5 and 6; Body wash; Shampoo; Conditioner
Sanitary napkins-regular and super; Baby wash; Wipes

Social Ministry News:

There is a food collection basket located in the east lobby on your way into the church. As you pass through the double doors into the east lobby it is to your immediate right. Food donations are taken to the Ephrata Area Social Services. Pr Goodman will be meeting with their new executive director in July to ascertain needs.

We are considering new mission opportunities for the Ephrata area. If you have ideas please talk with Pr Goodman or join us at our next meeting at the church on Tuesday 16 August 2022 at 11:00 AM.

Join us for our Mission Comfort Project!

We meet the first Wednesday of every month at 9:00 AM in the multi-purpose room to knit comforts for Lutheran World Relief.

You could also cut patches or sew the 60"x 80" tops. The comforts will be displayed and blessed on Ingathering Sunday, October 2.

Several comforts are kept back for community use. Hope to see you!

Come join the choir!!

We would like to start the choir again at Salem. This will not be a traditional choir where we sit up front and wear robes. Instead, the choir will gather and sing an anthem periodically.

Rehearsals will be held on Sunday mornings at 8:30, beginning after Labor Day. There is no age restriction, and we welcome anyone who enjoys singing!

If interested, please contact Jim Kimmel at 717-341-0426 or at j_kimmel@easdpa.org or simply talk with him in person.

Salem Lutheran Church Tee shirts!

Evan Goodman has designed a new Salem Lutheran Church Tee Shirt. The shirts are printed by a local Tee Shirt shop in Ephrata. Each Tee Shirt costs \$15. Sign up in the narthex by Sunday 7 August 2022. Checks or cash in envelope may be placed in the offering plate marked "T-Shirt."

Bible Study Dates:

14 and 21 August 2022

We continue our Bible Study of Romans chapter 10 and 11 in August. Our class begins after the Divine Service in the Multi-Purpose Room and concludes 11:35AM sharp. If you have never attended a Bible study at Salem, do join us in August.

Volunteer Opportunity

The Christian Education Committee will be serving lunch at City Gate in downtown Ephrata on Saturday 29 October 11:30AM to 1:00PM. City Gate serves lunch each Saturday and has been serving free lunch to approximately 160 persons each week. We will need volunteers to help put lunches together at the church from 8:00AM to 10:30AM. If you are interested in helping prepare and serve lunch on Saturday 29 October 2022, please sign up in the Narthex or talk with Sharon Goodman, Christian Ed chair. There will also be an opportunity to donate food for this event with more information forthcoming in September.

Usher	Jeff Metzger
Acolyte	Sebastien Francois
Lector	Jackie Roth
Communion Assistant	Jerry Ulrich
Altar care	Nancy Forry and Lorna Ravegum

Today	10:45 AM	Fellowship Time
	11:45 AM	Teleconference service
Monday	5:00 PM	TOPS
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Fellowship Comm. Rm. 6
		Worship Comm. MP
Thursday	7:00 PM	Holy Communion

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