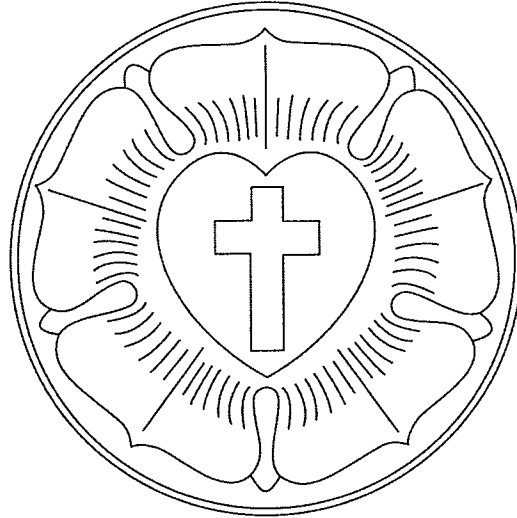


Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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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Reformation Sunday
October 29, 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 "The Solid Rock" Broughton

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SECOND PRELUDE "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" Dale Wood
Salem Choir

*** 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** "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" **LBW #229**
(Psalm 149:1-4) (Green 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 HYMN OF PRAISE** "Glory to God" **WOV P. 14**

Refrain

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav- en- ly king, al- might- y God and Fa- ther, we

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Refrain

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the melody for 'Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.' The second staff contains the melody for '1 Lord God, heav- en- ly king, al- might- y God and Fa- ther, we'. The third staff is also labeled 'Refrain' and contains the melody for 'wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.'

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
 world: have mer - cy, have mer-cy on us; you are seat - ed
 at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. *Refrain*

3 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. *Refrain* A - men.

*** THE PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P Let us pray

Almighty God, gracious Lord, pour out your Holy Spirit upon your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; 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: Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹ “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, ³² not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. ³³ For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴ And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘Know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.” (ESV)

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm will be read responsively

PSALM: Psalm 46

¹ God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

² **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

³ though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴ **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵ God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶ **The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

⁷ The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸ **Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰**"Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth."**

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God.

²⁰Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.

²¹But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. ²²This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. ²⁵God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— ²⁶he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

²⁷Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the law that requires faith. ²⁸For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law. (ESV)

L The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

*** THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “Celtic Alleluia”**

WOV # 613



Verses may be sung by a leader. Then the alleluia is repeated.

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*** GOSPEL**

P THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 8:31-36

C Glory to you, O Lord.

³¹ To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³² Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

³³ They answered him, “We are Abraham’s descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?”

³⁴ Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. ³⁵ Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. (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 “Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”**

LBW # 230
(Green book)

**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**

(1 Tim. 2:1-2)

*** THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

(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 OFFERTORY "I Need Thee Every Hour" Wood

(Isa. 58:6-7, Matt. 25:35)

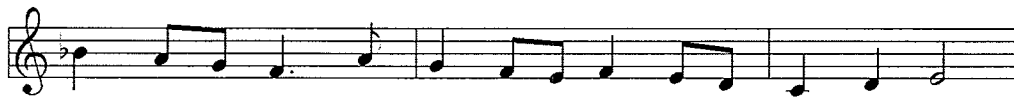
*** THE OFFERTORY** "Let the vineyards" **LBW P. 66**



☞ 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 the dreams of all; u - nite them with the



prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your
 pres - ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

*** THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

LBW P. 68

P Blessed are you,

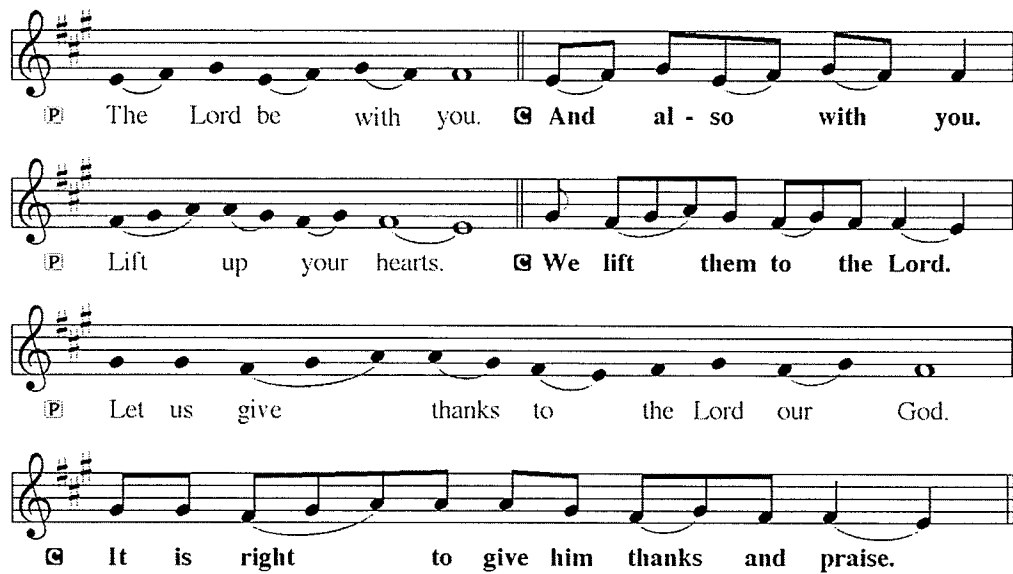
C O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MEAL

*** THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

LBW P. 88

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



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. 68

(Psalm 36:4)

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

“Holy, Holy, Holy Lord”

LBW P. 69

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



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



Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



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.

*** THE HOLY COMMUNION**

LBW P. 89

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

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. 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 COMMUNION CANTICLE "Lamb of God"**

LBW P. 72

(John 1:29, Rev. 5:11-12)

☞ 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.

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

"O Living Bread from Heaven"

LBW # 197

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

LBW # 212

* 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

* THE POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE "Thank the Lord" LBW P. 72



☞ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re - calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

*** THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

LBW P. 74

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

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

SENDING

*** THE BENEDICTION**

LBW P. 74

(Numbers 6:23-27)

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

C Amen. *Sing in a three fold form*

*** THE CLOSING HYMN**

“Built on a Rock”

LBW # 365
(Green book)

*** THE DISMISSAL**

(Luke 7:50)

P Go in peace, Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God.

*** POSTLUDE**

“My Rock, My Fortress”

Eliot

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Acolyte	Abby Goodman
Usher	Dennis and Laurel Kluck
Lector	Stephanie Frymyer
Communion Assistant	Jerry Ulrich
Altar care set up	Edie Sweigart Nancy Forry and Sharon Goodman

Today	8:30 AM	Choir
	9:00 AM	Bible study MP
	5:00 PM	Halloween in the Hallways
Monday	5:00 PM	TOPS
	6:30 PM	Preschool Board Rm. 6
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Comforter knotting
	7:00 PM	Worship committee MP
Thursday	7:00 PM	Holy Communion
Friday	11:30 AM	Membership Care Committee MP

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