

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church
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**GIVING THANKS IN THE WORDS OF OUR CHILDREN AND
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
~ NOVEMBER 21, 2021 ~ 9:00 am**

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship (Psalm 100)

L: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

C: *Worship the Lord with gladness, come before him with joyful songs.*

L: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his;

C: *we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.*

L: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; Give thanks to him and praise his name.

C: *For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.*

Song: “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” *Hymn #693*

Vs. 1 Come, ye thankful people, come; raise the song of harvest home.
All be safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin.
God, our maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

Vs. 2 All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield;
wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear.
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

Vs. 3 For the Lord our God shall come and shall take the harvest home;
from his field shall in that day all offenses purge away;
give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store in his garner evermore.

Vs. 4 Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest home.
Gather then thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified, in thy garner to abide.
Come, with all thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home!

We Give Thanks for Our Nation

Reader 1: As we gather on this Thanksgiving weekend, we count our blessings, one by one, and realize that we don't often show enough appreciation for the bounty that is ours.

Reader 2: for redwoods, white plains, and the wild blue yonder,

Reader 1: for Yellowstone and brownstones,

Reader 2: for evergreen trees and orange groves,

Reader 1: for little pink houses and purple mountains' majesty,

Reader 2: for every divinely painted acre of this sweet land of ours,

All: *we give you praise.*

Reader 1: For Idaho potatoes and Texas toast,

Reader 2: for Washington apples and Hawaiian pineapples,

Reader 1: for Illinois corn and Maryland crab cakes,

Reader 2: for Ohio cherries and Florida strawberries,

Reader 1: for Philly cheese steaks and Chicago deep dish pizza,

Reader 2: for Maine lobster and Mississippi mud pie,

Reader 1: for every home-cooked meal and home-grown harvest,

All: *we give you praise.*

Reader 2: O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,

Reader 1: we thank you this day for

Reader 2: police and firefighters,

Reader 1: for medical staff and EMTs,

Reader 2: for Army rangers and Navy Seals,

Reader 1: for Air Force cadets and Marine Corps reserves,

Reader 2: for all who serve,

All: *we thank them and we thank you, O God, our creator and redeemer.*

Reader 1: For Psalm 23 and Ecclesiastes 3,

Reader 2: for “How Great Thou Art” and “Morning Has Broken,”

Reader 1: for “Amazing Grace” and “Jesus Loves Me,”

All: we give you praise.

Reader 2: For uncommon valor that never sleeps;

Reader 1: for steady hands, sturdy legs, broad shoulders, and level heads;

Reader 2: for blood, sweat, and tears; for conquering our fears;

All: we give you praise.

Reader 1: Father, we join with heart and voice all the people of our country to honor and thank you.

Reader 2: We ask you, Lord, as our forefathers and mothers did, to secure for our country and for all peoples of the world the greatest blessings of freedom and peace.

All: O God, hear our prayer. Amen.

Song: “This Is My Song”

Hymn #887

Vs. 1 This is my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for lands afar and mine.
This is my home, the country where my heart is;
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;
but other hearts in other lands are beating
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

Vs. 2 My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,
and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,
and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.
So hear my song, O God of all the nations,
a song of peace for their land and for mine.

Vs. 3 This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms,
your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.
O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you,
and hearts united learn to live as one.
So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations;
myself I give you; let your will be done.

We Give Thanks for Our Church

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our Rock, our Fortress and our Deliverer.

C: Let us remember his mercy, for he is gracious and compassionate.

L: We thank you, Lord, for calling us to faith in Christ,

C: for putting your Spirit within us, for giving us the mind of Christ, for gathering us into your church.

L: We thank you, Lord, for giving your grace to us, for leading us to a life of gratitude, for calling us to service in your kingdom.

C: Thanks be to God!

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, for he satisfies the thirsty. He fills the hungry with good things, and he heals the afflicted.

C: Let us celebrate God's abundant goodness.

L: We thank you, gracious Father, that you provide for all of our needs.

C: We praise you, Lord.

L: For all your gifts that go beyond our basic needs, for the things that make our work easier, for the conveniences of modern life, for the beauty and pleasure that you bring into our lives and church.

C: Thanks be to God!

Song “Now Thank We All Our God”

Hymn #840

Vs. 1 Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;
who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

Vs. 2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,
and keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all harm in this world and the next.

Vs. 3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,

the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

We Give Thanks with Our Children
(in the words of our own Sunday School students)

L: For our Moms, Dads, families and pets,

C: we give you thanks, O God.

L: For the beautiful outdoors and nice weather,

C: we give you thanks, O God.

L: For good neighbors, teachers and friends,

C: we give you thanks, O God.

L: For the printing press, blankets and Legos,

C: we give you thanks, O God.

L: For food, water and candy,

C: we give you thanks, O God.

L: For our homes and the opportunity to save money,

C: we give you thanks, O God.

L: For healthy children,

C: we give you thanks, O God.

L: For God, Bibles, our church and Jesus dying on the cross,

C: we give you thanks, O God. Amen.

Song: "For the Beauty of the Earth"

Hymn #879

Vs. 1 For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

Refrain: Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

Vs. 2 For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light:

[Refrain]

Vs. 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight: **[Refrain]**

Vs. 4 For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above; for all gentle thoughts
and mild: **[Refrain]**

Refrain: Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sacrifice of praise.

Vs. 5 For each perfect gift of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n;
for thyself, best gift divine, to our world so freely giv'n: **[Refrain]**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: O God,

C: our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your diving majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

GOSPEL: Matthew 6:25-33

SERMON

SERMON SONG "Crown Him with Many Crowns" *Hymn #855*

Vs. 1 Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Vs. 2 Crown him the virgin's Son, the God incarnate born,
whose arm those crimson trophies won which now his brow adorn;
fruit of the mystic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
the root whence mercy ever flows, the babe of Bethlehem.

Vs. 3 Crown him the Lord of love – behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their burning eyes at mysteries so bright.

Vs. 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Vs. 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

* **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he
descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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.

* **JOYS, SORROWS AND CONCERNS**

* **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

L: Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world. Hear us
now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

*Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.*

Hymn #752

L: God, in your mercy,
C: hear our prayer.

*Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;*

***Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.***

L: God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray.
Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

NOISY OFFERING

* **OFFERING "Give Thanks"**

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (Repeat)
And now let the weak say, "I am strong;"
Let the poor say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us.
(Repeat)

Give thanks! Give thanks!

* **OFFERING PRAYER**

***C: Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your
goodness you have blessed us with these gifts; our selves, our time,
and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding
the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.***

* **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

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 our thanks and praise.

* **COMMUNION PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

* **LORD'S PRAYER**

***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.

“Lamb of God” Vs. 1

Hymn #336

Your only Son, no sin to hide, but you have
Sent him from your side to walk upon this guilty
Sod and to become the Lamb of god.

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God.

Oh, wash me in your precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION SONG “Agnus Dei”

Alleluia, alleluia

For the Lord God Almighty reigns!

Alleluia, Alleluia

For the Lord God Almighty reigns!

Alleluia, holy, holy

are You Lord God Almighty.

Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb

You are holy, holy

are You Lord God Almighty.

Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb

Amen

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Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb

You are holy, holy

are You Lord God Almighty.

Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb
Amen

You are holy, holy

are You Lord God Almighty.

Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb

Amen

Alleluia Amen

* **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

* **PRAYER**

P: Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **BENEDICTION**

* **SENDING SONG “Jesus Messiah”**

Vs. 1 He became sin

Who knew no sin

That we might become His Righteousness

He humbled himself and carried the cross

Love so amazing

Love so amazing

Chorus: Jesus Messiah

Name above all names

Blessed Redeemer

Emmanuel

The rescue for sinners

The ransom from Heaven

Jesus Messiah

Lord of all

Vs. 2 His body the bread

His blood the wine

Broken and poured out all for love
The whole earth trembled
And the veil was torn
Love so amazing
Love so amazing **Chorus**

Chorus: Jesus Messiah
Name above all names
Blessed Redeemer
Emmanuel
The rescue for sinners
The ransom from Heaven
Jesus Messiah
Lord of all

Vs. 3 All our hope is in You
All our hope is in You
All the glory to You, God
The light of the world **Chorus**

* **DISMISSAL**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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** Please stand if you are able.*

A special thank you to Ruth, Olivia, Gabby, Ellie and Clara for reading this morning.

This Week a Salem

TODAY, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2021

Worship 9:00 am
Sunday School 10:00 am

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2021

Church Office Open 9-3

Day Care 6:00 am

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2021

Day Care 6:00 am

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2021

Day Care 6:00 am
NO Quilters 9:30 am
NO Faith Formation 6:30 pm

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2021

Thanksgiving

Church Office Closed

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2021

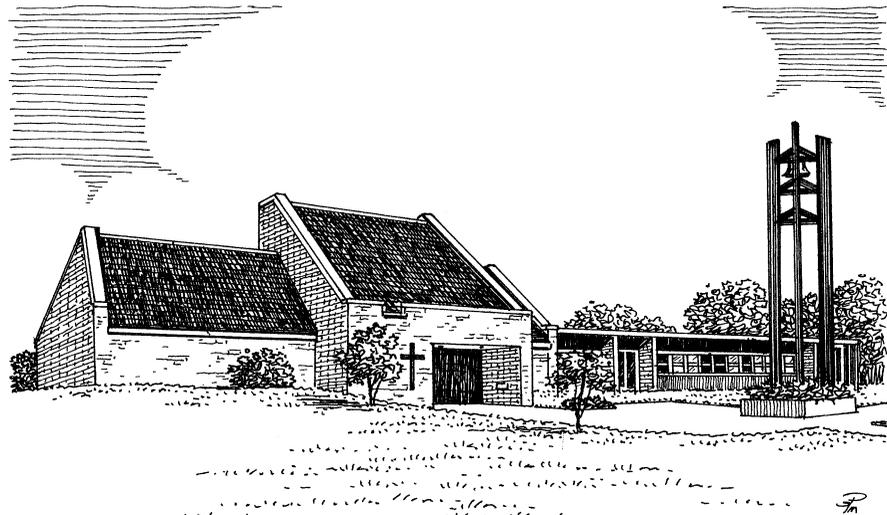
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NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021

1st Sunday of Advent

Worship 9:00 am
NO Sunday School 10:00 am

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~ Worship ~ 9:00 am ~

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“Our Mission is to pass on the faith by involving all members of our community in Christ’s ministry.”

SALEM’S SMART PLAN

(Updated Guidelines as of September 22, 2021)

As we continue indoor worship services, we are putting some new guidelines in place with respect and kindness to our neighbors foremost in our minds.

- We acknowledge that everyone has their own level of risk tolerance, and that many are not comfortable attending an indoor service. Services will continue to be streamed live on FB, posted on our website and also be available on DVD.
- PLEASE stay home if you are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 or any other illness.
- Because we are not asking vaccination status, and our youngest community members are not yet eligible for a vaccine, **masks will be required for everyone over the age of 4. Masks must be tightly fitted and worn properly (completely covering the nose and mouth).**
- Because we may need to do contact tracing, everyone will sign in upon entering the building for worship services.
- Hand sanitizer will be available at entrance.
- All outside doors and windows will be open during worship services. No fans will be used.
- There will not be a capacity limit; however, we ask you maintain social distancing in the pews.
- Those who are comfortable doing so are encouraged to join in singing and group speaking during the service.
- Pastor Loren will be unmasked when he is behind the altar or pulpit (most of the service).
- In order to reduce touched surfaces/traffic:
 1. Communion will be taken from the pews using the individually packaged elements.
 2. Offerings will be collected in a basket on the way out the door; there will also be a basket for recycling bulletins and a garbage can for empty communion cups.
 3. Coat hangers have been taken down; take coats into pews if you have one.
 4. Bathroom doors will be propped open.

5. Masked fellowship will be allowed outside only (no treats or coffee will be served at this time).
6. Nursery will be closed until further notice.

-A regular cleaning schedule for the building has resumed.

-Salem's small groups (quilters, committees, bible studies, Faith Formation etc.) can meet in the Family Room with the doors and windows open. Please follow CDC guidelines regarding masking for all individuals.

-Until further notice, special events not hosted by Salem need to be approved by Salem's SMART Team.

-If you want a vaccination but have been unable to get to an appointment, please call the church office and we will arrange assistance for you!