

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church  
4715 Hermantown Rd., Hermantown, MN 55811

**EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
~ JULY 31, 2022 ~ 9:00 am

**GATHERING**

**WELCOME**

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP “In Christ Alone “**

Vs.1 In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,  
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my All in All,  
here in the love of Christ I stand.

Vs.2 In Christ alone! who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones he came to save:  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied -  
For every sin on Him was laid;  
Here in the death of Christ I live.

Vs.3 There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain:  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave he rose again!  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine -  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

Vs.4 No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath.  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

\* **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**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: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Gracious God,

**C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C: Amen.**

\* **GREETING**

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.**

\* **KYRIE “Kyrie eleison”**

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**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way.**

**Kyrie eleison, ev’ry day.**

For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the unity of all; for this holy house, for all who worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way.**

**Kyrie eleison, ev’ry day.**

That we may live out your impassioned response to the hungry and the poor;

that we may live out truth and justice and grace, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way.**

**Kyrie eleison, ev’ry day.**

For peace in our hearts, for peace in our homes, for friends and family; for life and for love, for our work and our play, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way.**

**Kyrie eleison, ev’ry day.**

For your Spirit to guide; that you center our lives in the water and the Word;

that you nourish our souls with your body and blood, let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

**Kyrie eleison, on our world and on our way.**

**Kyrie eleison, ev’ry day.**

\* **HYMN OF PRAISE “Glorify Thy Name”**

Vs. 1 Father, we love you, we worship and adore you,

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Vs. 2 Jesus, we love you, we worship and adore you,

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Vs. 3 Spirit, we love you, we worship and adore you,

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,

Glorify Thy name in all the earth.

\* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Benevolent God,

**C: you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**WORD**

**FIRST LESSON: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23**

Nothing makes sense! Everything is nonsense. I have seen it all— nothing makes sense!

<sup>12</sup>I said these things when I lived in Jerusalem as king of Israel. <sup>13</sup>With all my wisdom I tried to understand everything that happens here on earth. And God has made this so hard for us humans to do. <sup>14</sup>I have seen it all, and everything is just as senseless as chasing the wind.

<sup>18</sup>Suddenly I realized that others would someday get everything I had worked for so hard, then I started hating it all. <sup>19</sup>Who knows if those people will be sensible or stupid? Either way, they will own everything I have earned by hard work and wisdom. It doesn't make sense. <sup>20</sup>I thought about all my hard work, and I felt depressed. <sup>21</sup>When we use our wisdom, knowledge, and skill to get what we own, why do we have to leave it to someone who didn't work for it? This is senseless and wrong.

<sup>22</sup> What do we really gain from all of our hard work? <sup>23</sup> Our bodies ache during the day, and work is torture. Then at night our thoughts are troubled. It just doesn't make sense. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 49:1-12**

*Please read responsively*

<sup>1</sup> Everyone on this earth, now listen to what I say!

<sup>2</sup> **Listen, no matter who you are, rich or poor.**

<sup>3</sup> I speak words of wisdom, and my thoughts make sense.

<sup>4</sup> **I have in mind a mystery that I will explain while playing my harp.**

<sup>5</sup> Why should I be afraid in times of trouble, when I am surrounded by vicious enemies?

<sup>6</sup> **They trust in their riches and brag about all their wealth.**

<sup>7</sup> You cannot buy back your life or pay off God!

<sup>8</sup> **It costs far too much to buy back your life. You can never pay God enough**

<sup>9</sup> to stay alive forever and safe from death.

<sup>10</sup> **We see that wise people die, and so do stupid fools. Then their money is left for someone else.**

<sup>11</sup> The grave will be their home forever and ever, although they once had land of their own.

<sup>12</sup> **Our human glory disappears, and, like animals, we die.**

\* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “Ancient Words”**

Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world;

They resound with God's own heart, Oh, let the Ancient words impart.

Words of Life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope;

In this world, where e'er we roam, ancient words will guide us home.

**Chorus: Ancient words ever true, changing me, and changing you.**

**We have come with open hearts, Oh let the ancient words impart.**

\* **GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21**

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

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

\* **GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21**

<sup>13</sup> A man in a crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, tell my brother to give me my share of what our father left us when he died.”

<sup>14</sup> Jesus answered, “Who gave me the right to settle arguments between you and your brother?” <sup>15</sup> Then he said to the crowd, “Don't be greedy! Owning a lot of things won't make your life safe.”

<sup>16</sup> So Jesus told them this story: A rich man's farm produced a big crop,

<sup>17</sup> and he said to himself, “What can I do? I don't have a place large enough to store everything.” <sup>18</sup> Later, he said, “Now I know what I'll do. I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones, where I can store all my grain and other goods. <sup>19</sup> Then I'll say to myself, ‘You have stored up enough good things to last for years to come. Live it up! Eat, drink, and enjoy yourself.’ ” <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, “You fool! Tonight you will die. Then

who will get what you have stored up?” <sup>21</sup> “This is what happens to people who store up everything for themselves, but are poor in the sight of God.”

The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

*Rev. Kathryn Bell*

**SERMON SONG “Be Thou My Vision”**

*Hymn #793*

Vs. 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:  
thou my best thought both by day and by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Vs. 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.  
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r,  
raise thou me heav'n ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Vs. 3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,  
thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
thou and thou only, the first in my heart,  
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

Vs. 4 Light of my soul, after victory won,  
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

\* **APOSTLES' CREED**

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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 & CONCERNS**

\* **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

L: Trusting in God's extraordinary love, let us come near to the Holy One  
in 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: Merciful God,

**C: receive 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: Receive the prayers of your children, merciful God, and hold us  
forever in your steadfast love; through Jesus Christ, our holy Wisdom.

**C: Amen.**

\* **OFFERING "Take My Life, That I May Be" Vs. 1, 4, 6** Hymn #685

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee; take my moments  
and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold;  
take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Take my Love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

\* **OFFERING PRAYER**

**C: God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love  
endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from  
the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world  
signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and  
Lord. Amen.**

**THE MEAL**

\* **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.**

\* **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.**

**"Behold the Lamb"**

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,

Slain for us - and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
Around the table of the King.

### **COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION**

#### **COMMUNION SONGS**

##### ***“As the Deer”***

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you,  
You alone are my heart’s desire, and I long to worship you

*You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit  
yield.*

*You alone are my heart’s desire, and I long to worship you.*

I want you more than gold or silver, only you can satisfy  
You alone are the real joy giver and the apple of my eye.

*You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit  
yield.*

*You alone are my heart’s desire, and I long to worship you.*

You’re my friend and you are my brother, even though you are a  
King.

I love you more than any other, so much more than anything.

*You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit  
yield.*

*You alone are my heart’s desire, and I long to worship you.*

##### ***“You are the Light of the World”***

You are the light of the world  
You are the light of the world  
So shine, shine, shine where you are  
You are the light of the world

You are a city on a hill  
You are a city on a hill  
So shine, shine, shine where you are  
You are a city on a hill

You are a candle in the dark  
You are a candle in the dark  
So shine, shine, shine where you are  
You are a candle in the dark

You are the light of the world  
You are the light of the world  
So shine, shine, shine where you are  
You are the light of the world

### **POST COMMUNION BLESSING**

#### **PRAYER**

P: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you  
have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send  
us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming  
love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our  
Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### **SENDING**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

##### **\* BENEDICTION**

##### **\* SENDING SONG “*Blessed be Your Name*”**

Blessed be your name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name

**Chorus**

*Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise  
when the darkness closes in Lord still I will say:*

*blessed be the name of the Lord*

*blessed be Your name*

*blessed be the name of the Lord*

*blessed be Your glorious name*

Blessed be your name  
when the sun's shining down on me  
when the world's "all as it should be"  
blessed be your name  
Blessed be your name  
on the road marked with suffering  
though there's pain in the offering  
blessed be your name

**Chorus**

*blessed be the name of the Lord*

*blessed be Your name*

*blessed be the name of the Lord*

*blessed be Your glorious name*

you give and take away  
you give and take away  
my heart will chose to say:  
Lord, blessed be your name (2x)

**Chorus**

*blessed be the name of the Lord*

*blessed be Your name*

*blessed be the name of the Lord*

*blessed be Your glorious name*

\* **DISMISSAL**

L: Go in peace. Love your neighbor!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

\* Please stand if you are able

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*Welcome  
To our Church*

**Sundays at Salem**

~ Worship ~ 9:00 am ~

July 31, 2022

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

*Thank you to Rev. Kathryn Bell for leading worship this morning.*

**The cake during fellowship this morning is in honor of Bob Johnson's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday! Happy Birthday Bob!**

**Pastor John's start date at Salem is tomorrow, August 1<sup>st</sup>! His first Sunday at Salem will be Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup> and he will be installed Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> by Bishop Amy Odgren. A luncheon will follow the installation service.**

Name Tags are coming back! To help Pastor John get to know everyone, name tags are coming back. Look for yours on the table in the narthex beginning next Sunday. Thank you!

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**This Week a Salem**

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**TODAY, SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2022**

Worship ..... 9:00 am  
Coffee Fellowship ..... 10:00 am

**MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2022**

Day Care ..... 6:00 am

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2022**

Day Care ..... 6:00 am

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2022**

Day Care ..... 6:00 am  
Quilters ..... 9:30 am

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2022**

Day Care ..... 6:00 am

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2022**

*Church Office Closed*

Day Care ..... 6:00 am

**NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022**

Worship ..... 9:00 am  
Coffee Fellowship ..... 10:00 am