

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

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER  
~ MAY 12, 2024 ~ 10:00 am

### GATHERING

#### WELCOME

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP “*Come All You People*”

Vs. 1 Come, all you people, come and praise the Most High;  
Come, all you people, come and praise the Most High;  
Come, all you people, come and praise the Most High;  
Come now and worship the Lord.

Vs. 2 Come, all you people, come and praise the Savior,  
Come, all you people, come and praise the Savior,  
Come, all you people, come and praise the Savior,  
Come now and worship the Lord.

Vs. 3 Come, all you people, come and praise the Spirit,  
Come, all you people, come and praise the Spirit,  
Come, all you people, come and praise the Spirit,  
Come now and worship the Lord.

#### \* CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

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

P: Most merciful God,

**C: *we confess that we are captive 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: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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 of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**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 “*The River*”

Vs. 1 To the river, I am going  
Bringing sins I cannot bear;  
Come and cleanse me, come forgive me;  
Lord I need to meet You there.

Vs. 2 In these waters, healing mercy  
Flows with freedom from despair;  
I am going to that river;  
Lord I need to meet You there.

**Chorus: Precious Jesus, I am ready  
To surrender ev'ry care;  
Take my hand now, lead me closer;  
Lord I need to meet You there.**

**Repeat Verse 1 & 2  
Repeat Chorus**

Vs. 3 Come and join us in the river;  
Come find life beyond compare;  
He is calling, He is waiting;  
Jesus longs to meet you there;  
He is calling, He is waiting;  
Jesus longs to meet you there.

**Chorus: Precious Jesus, I am ready  
To surrender every care;  
Take my hand now, lead me closer;  
Lord I need to meet You there.  
Take my hand now, lead me closer;  
Lord I need to meet You there.**

**\* HYMN OF PRAISE “Hear Our Praises”**

Vs. 1 May our homes be filled with dancing,  
May our streets be filled with joy,  
May injustice bow to Jesus,  
As the people turn and pray.

**Chorus: From the mountain, to the valley,  
Hear our praises rise to You.  
From the heavens, to the nations,  
Hear our singing fill the air.**

Vs. 2 May our light shine in the darkness  
As we walk before the cross.  
May Your glory fill the whole earth

As the water over the seas. (**Chorus 2x**)

**Chorus: From the mountain, to the valley,  
Hear our praises rise to You.  
From the heavens, to the nations,  
Hear our singing fill the air.**

**\* PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Gracious and glorious God,

**C: you have chosen us as your own, and by the powerful name of Christ you protect us from evil. By your Spirit transform us and your beloved world, that we may find our joy in your Son, 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**

**WORD**

**FIRST LESSON: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26**

<sup>15</sup>In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, <sup>16</sup>“Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— <sup>17</sup>for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.” <sup>21</sup>So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, <sup>22</sup>beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.” <sup>23</sup>So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. <sup>24</sup>Then they prayed and said, “Lord, you know everyone’s heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen <sup>25</sup>to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.” <sup>26</sup>And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell

on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 141**

*Holden Evening Prayer*

**SECOND LESSON: 1 John 5:9-13**

<sup>9</sup>If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son.

<sup>10</sup>Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. <sup>11</sup>And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. <sup>12</sup>Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. <sup>13</sup>I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

\* **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: John 17:6-19**

P: The holy gospel according to John.

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

\* **GOSPEL: John 17:6-19**

<sup>6</sup>“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from

the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. <sup>7</sup>Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; <sup>8</sup>for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. <sup>9</sup>I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. <sup>10</sup>All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them.

<sup>11</sup>And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. <sup>12</sup>While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup>But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. <sup>15</sup>I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world.

<sup>17</sup>Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.  
The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**SERMON SONG “There Is a Redeemer”**

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son.  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

**Chorus:**

**Thank you, O my Father, for giving us Your Son;  
And leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.**

Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names,  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain. **Chorus**

When I stand in glory I will see His face,  
And there I'll serve my King forever, in that holy place. **Chorus**

\* **APOSTLES' CREED**

*Page 105*

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.

\* **PRAYERS**

*Holden Evening Prayer*

\* **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

**OFFERING COLLECTION**

\* **OFFERING "We Are an Offering"**

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you; we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are yours; we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are,

all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.  
We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you;  
we are an offering, we are an offering.

\* **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**

*Ken Ahlberg*

**COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION SONGS**

**"Untitled Hymn"**

*Ken Ahlberg*

**"How Beautiful"**

How beautiful the hands that served  
The wine and the bread and the sons of the earth.  
How beautiful the feet that walked  
The long dusty roads and the hill to the cross.  
How beautiful, how beautiful,  
How beautiful is the body of Christ.

How beautiful the heart that bled,  
That took all my sin and bore it instead.  
How beautiful the tender eyes  
That chose to forgive and never despise  
How beautiful, how beautiful,  
How beautiful is the body of Christ.  
How beautiful the feet that bring  
The sound of good news and the love of the King.  
How beautiful the hands that serve  
The wine and the bread and the sons of the earth.  
How beautiful, how beautiful,  
How beautiful is the body of Christ.

#### **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.**

#### **SENDING**

##### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\* **FINAL BLESSING**

*Holden Evening Prayer*

\* **SENDING SONG *Days Of Elijah***

Vs. 1 These are the days of Elijah  
Declaring the Word of the Lord.  
And these are the days  
Of Your servant, Moses,  
Righteousness being restored.  
And though these are days  
Of great trials,

Of famine and darkness and sword,  
Still we are the voice  
In the desert crying  
Prepare ye the way of the Lord!

**Chorus: *Behold He comes  
Riding on the clouds,  
Shining like the sun,  
At the trumpet call.  
So lift your voice,  
It's the year of Jubilee;  
And out of Zion's hill  
Salvation comes.***

Vs. 2 And these are the days of Ezekiel  
The dry bones becoming as flesh.  
And these are the days  
Of Your servant, David,  
Rebuilding a temple of praise.  
And these are the days of the harvest,  
The fields are as white in the world;  
And we are the laborers  
In Your vineyard  
Declaring the Word of the Lord. **Chorus (2x)**

**Bridge** There is no god like Jehovah.  
There is no god like Jehovah.  
There is no god like Jehovah.  
There is no god like Jehovah. Repeat 4x

##### **Chorus 2x**

\* **DISMISSAL**

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**C: Thanks be to God.**

*\* Please stand if you are able*

Music and words reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-726216 and CCLI #1242177

## **WELCOME**

We are delighted to welcome those of you visiting with us today. Communion is open to all who believe. ***If you need gluten-free bread or prefer grape juice, please let the servers know.*** As you receive the bread for Communion, please hold your hands out. *Notify the usher if you want to be served in the pew.*

*Please fill out a communion card located in the pew rack so we can get to know you better. If you have any other questions, please ask the pastor or any other members.*

***A special thank you to Ken Ahlberg, Amanda Wood, Lisa Forsell, Chris Swenson and the Music Team for sharing their gift of music with us this morning!***

***Coffee today will be served by***

# **Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church**



## **Sundays at Salem**

~ Sunday School ~~ 9:00 am ~

~ Worship ~~ 10:00 am ~

~ Coffee Fellowship ~

***Rev. John Ansell***

***4715 Hermantown Rd., Hermantown, MN 55811***

***218-727-1357***

***Email – salemhermantown@gmail.com***

***Web – www.slecduluth.org***

***Facebook – Salem Lutheran Church***

---

**This Week a Salem**

---

**TODAY, SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2024**

***Mother's Day***

Sunday School.....	9:00 am
Worship .....	10:00 am
Coffee Fellowship .....	11:00 am
Cub Scouts .....	4-5 pm

**MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024**

Day Care .....	6:00 am
----------------	---------

**TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024**

Day Care .....	6:00 am
----------------	---------

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024**

***June Newsletter Articles Due***

Day Care .....	6:00 am
Quilters .....	9:30 am
Trillium Works! The Collective.....	3-4:30 pm

**THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024**

Day Care .....	6:00 am
----------------	---------

**FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024**

Day Care .....	6:00 am
----------------	---------

**NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024**

***Pentecost Sunday***

Last Sunday School.....	9:00 am
Worship w/Noisy Offering.....	10:00 am
Coffee Fellowship .....	11:00 am
Prison Ministry .....	12:00 pm
Cub Scouts .....	4-5 pm

**Noisy Offering will be Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>! Your change makes a difference for World Hunger!**