

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

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

~ JULY 7, 2024 ~ 10:00 am

Gathering

PRELUDE

WELCOME

* **CALL TO WORSHIP “Before You, Lord, We Bow”** *Hymn #893*

Vs. 1 Before you, Lord, we bow, our God who reigns above and rules the world below with boundless pow'r and love. Our thanks we

bring in joy and praise, our hearts we raise to you we sing!

Vs. 2 May ev'ry mountain height, each vale and forest green, shine forth in wisdom's light, and its rich fruits be seen! May ev'ry tongue be tuned to praise and join to raise a grateful song.

Vs. 3 Earth, hear your maker's voice; your great redeemer own; believe, obey, rejoice, and worship God alone. Cast down your pride, your sin deplore, and bow before the Crucified.

Vs. 4 And when in pow'r he comes, oh, may then ev'ry land from all its rending tombs send forth a glorious band, a countless throng, with joy to sing to heav'n's high king salvation's song!

* **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS** *Page 94*

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 forgive 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.

* **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** *Page 203*

Vs. 1 Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.

We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.

Vs. 2 Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin.

Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

Vs. 3 Have mercy on us, Lord; make sin and shame depart.
Renew us with your saving pow'r, create in us new hearts!

* **HYMN OF PRAISE** *Page 204*

Vs. 1 Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:
we exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and
praise.

Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs
we raise.

Vs. 2 Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n
above;
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right
hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we
stand.

Vs. 3 Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call;
Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to
all:
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor
bright.
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: God of the covenant,,

C: in our baptism you call us to proclaim the coming of your kingdom. Give us the courage you gave the apostles, that we may faithfully witness to your love and peace in every circumstance of life, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Ezekiel 2:1-5

He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. ²And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. ³He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. ⁴The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." ⁵Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them. Word of God, word of life. ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 123

Please read responsively

¹To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!
²As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, until he has mercy upon us.

³Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt.

⁴Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

SECOND LESSON: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

²I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I

refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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Alleluia! Lord and Savior; open now your saving word.
Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.
Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

* **GOSPEL: Mark 6:1-13**

P: The holy gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

* **GOSPEL: Mark 6:1-13**

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ²On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! ³Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. ⁴Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” ⁵And he could do no deed of power there,

except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” ¹²So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. The Gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

SERMON SONG “Here I Am, Lord”

Hymn #574

Vs. 1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

**Refrain: Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord? I have heard you
calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you
lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

Vs. 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have born my people’s pain.
I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love
alone.
I will speak my word to them, Whom shall I send? **Refrain**

Vs. 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide, 'till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them, Whom shall I send? **Refrain**

**Refrain: Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord? I have heard you
calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you
lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

* **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 bur
ied; 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 OF THE PEOPLE**

L: In your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

* **THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING COLLECTION

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

Vs. 1 Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless
praise.

Vs. 4 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.

Vs. 6 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: C: God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you,
and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at
your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through
Jesus Christ, or redeemer and Lord. Amen.**

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.**

"Lamb of God"

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Vs. 1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of the all the world away;
You suffered death our lives to save; have mercy now, we
pray.

Vs. 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
You set us free from guilt and grave; have mercy now, we
pray.

Vs. 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world away;
Eternal peace with God you made; give us your peace, we
pray.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION SONGS

“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 everywhere as blue as mine.
O hear my song Thou God of all 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 nations;
Myself I give you; let your will be done.

“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

Hymn #414

Vs. 1 Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
bow before you. All on earth your scepter claim,
all in heav'n above adore you. Infinite your

vast domain, everlasting is your reign.

Vs. 2 Hark! the glad celestial hymn angel choirs a-
bove are raising; cherubim and seraphim,
in unceasing chorus praising, fill the heav'ns with
sweet accord: “Holy, holy, holy Lord!”

Vs. 3 Lo, the apostolic train join your sacred
name to hallow; prophets swell the glad refrain,
and the white-robed martyrs follow; and from morn to
set of sun through the church the song goes on.

Vs. 4 Holy Father, holy Son, Holy Spirit,
three we name you, though in essence only one;
undivided God we claim you and, adoring,
bend the knee while we own the mystery.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray. Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to
your heart, and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the
body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the
world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **BENEDICTION**

* **SENDING SONG “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”** *Hymn #888*

Vs. 1 O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain:
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,

and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

Vs. 2 O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than
life:

America! America! May God thy gold refine,
till all success be nobleness, and ev'ry gain divine.

Vs. 3 O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears:
America! America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw,
confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

* **DISMISSAL**

L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

** Please stand if you are able*

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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.*

***Coffee servers and Ushers are needed! Please sign up on the
sheet in the narthex! Thank you!***

Coffee Servers this morning: Lisa & Clara Forsell

Hermantown Summerfest Parade

Good News! Salem will have a float in the Hermantown
Summerfest Parade on July 20th. If anyone has connections
to a trailer that could be used for the float please contact
Christy Jaros (218-269-3516) or Dana Ross
(ross@hermantownmn.com). We are currently looking for
people to decide on a theme/help decorate the float, be in the
parade, etc. This will be an awesome celebration of Salem's
100th Anniversary and I'm glad we'll be able to make it
happen.

Christy Jaros

City On The Hill Music Festival

August 2nd, & 3rd, 2024

City On The Hill Music Fest is set to unite believers for a joyous
weekend of music and fellowship at the stunning Bayfront Festival Park
in Duluth, MN.

Founded in 2015 along the majestic shores of Lake Superior, the City
On the Hill Music Festival gathers Christian communities from all
corners of the nation for an extended weekend filled with worship, soul-
stirring melodies, and heartfelt praise.

More info can be found at www.cityonthehillmusicfest.com or contact
Chris Swenson

Hey Ladies (Girls)- Let's Get Together!

It has been too long and it's time to reconnect and catch up with each other! Our lives are busy but we NEED each other! Did you know that getting together with other women improves our lives and emotional and physical health, and in turn, allows us to be better for those around us? We are better together! So, let's start getting together on a more regular basis. Join us to reconnect, meet new women, have fun, work on a service project, or maybe learn or do something new.

Our first gathering will include catching up, maybe some fun activities or a campfire (weather and pesky bugs permitting), and snacks! We will talk about how often we would like to gather and what kinds of things we would like to do. If anyone is up to it, we can walk a local, easy trail after our gathering, again if the weather permits. Hope to see you all!!

Invite others who might want to join us and bring a camp chair for our first gathering:

Salem Lutheran Church-Family Room

Wednesday, July 10th, at 6:00 p.m.

For questions or suggestions, call Kim Settergren (218)341-3665

Strides for Savings

Pastor's next race is the Park Point 5 Miler (about 8K) on July 18th.

For those who want to participate in this donation challenge are encouraged to give at least 1.00 per K. If there are any questions, please contact Pastor John.

Salem is seeking to provide mental health and wellness resources and education to the congregation. To best understand the needs of the Salem congregation, we have prepared a brief survey to assess your interest and needs on topics of mental health and wellness. Responses on the survey are anonymous (you cannot be identified through identifying information such as name or email). This survey is available electronically (link or QR code to scan are below) or paper copies are available in the Narthex through the month of July. Based on the results, we will plan resources and future events to meet the needs of the congregation. If you have any questions about the survey or future events related to mental health and wellness, please reach out to Kim Settergren or Kelly Erickson at threegracefaith@gmail.com or talk to us in church. We look forward to serving the congregation.

Click this link to take the survey:

<https://forms.gle/i4xp15heYFC5mtV6>

OR scan the QR code with your phone.

Paper copies are available in the narthex throughout the month of July.



This Week a Salem

TODAY, SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2024

Worship 10:00 am
Coffee Fellowship 11:00 am
Prison Ministry 12:00 pm

MONDAY, JULY 8, 2024

Day Care 6:00 am

TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2024

Day Care 6:00 am

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024

Day Care 6:00 am
Quilters..... 9:30 am
Trillium Works! The Collective3:00-4:30 pm
100th Anniversary Committee Meeting 3:30 pm
Girl's Night Get Together 6:00 pm

THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2024

Day Care 6:00 am

FRIDAY, JULY 12, 2024

Day Care 6:00 am

NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2024

Worship 10:00 am
Coffee Fellowship 11:00 am

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Sundays at Salem

~ Worship ~ 10:00 am ~
~ Coffee Fellowship ~

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