

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

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
~ OCTOBER 13, 2024 ~ 10:00 am

GATHERING

WELCOME

* **CALL TO WORSHIP “Will the Circle Be Unbroken”**

**Chorus: Will the circle be unbroken
By and by, Lord, by and by.
There’s a better home awaiting
In the sky, Lord, in the sky.**

There are loved ones in the glory,
Whose sweet forms you often miss.
When you close your earthly story,
Will you join them in their bliss? **Chorus**

In the joyous days of childhood,
Often told of wondrous love,
Pointed to the dying Saviour,
Now they dwell with Him above. **Chorus**

* **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 “Down By the River To Pray“**

As I went down to the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown,
Good Lord, show me the way.
Oh sisters let’s go down.
Let’s go down, come on down,
Oh sisters let’s go down,
Down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown,
Good Lord, show me the way.
Oh brothers let's go down.
Let's go down, come on down,
Oh brothers let's go down,
Down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown,
Good Lord, show me the way.
Oh fathers let's go down.
Let's go down, come on down,
Oh fathers let's go down,
Down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown,
Good Lord, show me the way.
Oh mothers let's go down.
Let's go down, come on down,
Oh mothers let's go down,
Down to the river to pray.

As I went down to the river to pray
Studying about that good old way
And who shall wear the starry crown,
Good Lord, show me the way.
Oh sinners let's go down.
Let's go down, come on down,

Oh sinners let's go down,
Down to the river to pray.

* **HYMN OF "The Hallelujah Side"**

Once a sinner far from Jesus, I was perishing with cold,
But the blessed Savior heard me when I cried;
Then He threw His robe around me and He led me to His fold,
And I'm living on the hallelujah side.

**Refrain: Oh, glory be to Jesus, let the hallelujahs roll,
Help me ring the Savior's praises far and wide,
For I've opened up toward heaven
All the windows of my soul,
And I'm living on the hallelujah side.**

Though the world may sweep around me with her dazzle and her
dreams,
Yet I envy not her vanities and pride,
For my soul looks up to heaven, where the golden sunlight gleams,
And I'm living on the hallelujah side. **Refrain**

Not for all earth's golden million would I leave this precious place,
Though the tempter to persuade me oft has tried,
For I'm safe in God's pavilion, happy in His love and grace,
And I'm living on the hallelujah side. **Refrain**

Here the sun is always shining, here the sky is always bright;
'Tis no place for gloomy Christians to abide,
For my soul is filled with music and my heart with great delight,
And I'm living on the hallelujah side. **Refrain**

And upon the streets of glory, when we reach the other shore,
And have safely crossed the Jordan's rolling tide,
You will find me shouting "Glory" just outside my mansion door,
Where I'm living on the hallelujah side. **Refrain**

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Almighty and ever-living God,

C: *increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what lies ahead, we may follow the way of your commandments and receive the crown of everlasting joy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

WORD

FIRST LESSON: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

⁶ Turn back to the LORD, you descendants of Joseph, and you will live. If you don't, the LORD will attack like fire. Bethel will burn to the ground, and no one can save it. ⁷ You people are doomed! You twist the truth and stomp on justice.

¹⁰ You people hate judges and honest witnesses; ¹¹ you abuse the poor and demand heavy taxes from them. You have built expensive homes, but you won't enjoy them; you have planted vineyards, but you will get no wine. ¹² I am the LORD, and I know your terrible sins. You cheat honest people and take bribes; you rob the poor of justice. ¹³ Times are so evil that anyone with good sense will keep quiet. ¹⁴ If you really want to live, you must stop doing wrong and start doing right. I, the LORD God All-Powerful, will then be on your side, just as you claim I am. ¹⁵ Choose good instead of evil! See that justice is done. Maybe I, the LORD All-Powerful, will be kind to what's left of your people. Word of God, word of life. ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 90:12-17

Please read responsively

¹² Teach us to use wisely all the time we have.

¹³ Help us, LORD! Don't wait! Pity your servants.

¹⁴ When morning comes, let your love satisfy all our needs. Then we can celebrate and be glad for what time we have left.

¹⁵ **Make us happy for as long as you caused us trouble and sorrow.**

¹⁶ Do wonderful things for us, your servants, and show your mighty power to our children.

¹⁷ **Our Lord and our God, treat us with kindness and let all go well for us. Please let all go well!**

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 4:12-16

¹² Indeed, the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

¹³ And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴ Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. ¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested^[a] as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶ Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Word of God, word of life. ***Thanks be to God.***

* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Just a Closer Walk with Thee"**

Just a closer walk with thee,
grant it, Jesus, is my plea;
daily walking close to thee,
let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

* **GOSPEL: Mark 10:17-31**

P: The holy gospel according to Mark.

C: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

* **Mark 10:17-31**

¹⁷ As Jesus was walking down a road, a man ran up to him. He knelt down, and asked, "Good teacher, what can I do to have eternal life?" ¹⁸ Jesus replied, "Why do you call me good? Only God is good. ¹⁹ You know the commandments. 'Do not murder. Be faithful in marriage. Do not steal. Do not tell lies about others. Do not cheat. Respect your father and mother.'" ²⁰ The man answered, "Teacher, I have obeyed all these commandments since I was a young man." ²¹ Jesus looked closely at the man. He liked him and said, "There's one thing you still need to do. Go sell everything you own. Give the money to the poor, and you will have riches in heaven. Then come with me." ²² When the man heard Jesus say this, he went away gloomy and sad because he was very rich. ²³ Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "It's hard for rich people to get into God's kingdom!" ²⁴ The disciples were shocked to hear this. So Jesus told them again, "It's terribly hard to get into God's kingdom! ²⁵ In fact, it's easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to get into God's kingdom." ²⁶ Jesus' disciples were even more amazed. They asked each other, "How can anyone ever be saved?" ²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, "There are some things that people cannot do, but God can do anything." ²⁸ Peter replied, "Remember, we left everything to be your followers!" ²⁹ Jesus told him: You can be sure that anyone who gives up home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or land for me and for the good news ³⁰ will be rewarded. In this world they will be given a hundred times as many houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and pieces of land, though they will also be mistreated. And in the world to come, they will have eternal life. ³¹ But many who are now first will be last, and many who are now last will be first. The Gospel of our Lord. ***Praise to you, Christ.***

SERMON

SERMON SONG "I'll Fly Away"

Some glad morning when this life is o'er I'll fly away.
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.
I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away.
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.
When the shadows of this life have grown, I'll fly away.
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away.
I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away.
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.
Just a few more weary days and then I'll fly away.
To a land where joy shall never end, I'll fly away.
I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away.
When I die, Hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.

* **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: God of Grace,
C: ***hear our prayer.***

* **THE PEACE**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING COLLECTION

P: We will accept our offering at this time.

* **OFFERING “To God Our Thanks We Give” Hymn #682**

To God our thanks we give, to God our thanks we give,
To God our thanks we give, our thanks to God we give.

* **OFFERING PRAYER**

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, our 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.

* **“Are You Washed In The Blood?”**

Have you been to Jesus for the cleansing power?

Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

Are you fully trusting in His grace this hour?

Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

Chorus:

**Are you washed (are you washed) in the blood (in the blood),
In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb?**

Are your garments spotless? Are they white as snow?

Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION SONGS

“Are You Washed In The Blood?”

Are you walking daily by the Savior’s side?

Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

Do you rest each moment in the Crucified?

Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

Chorus:

**Are you washed (are you washed) in the blood (in the blood),
In the soul cleansing blood of the Lamb?**

Are your garments spotless? Are they white as snow?

Are you washed in the blood of the Lamb?

Lay aside the garments that are stained with sin,

And be washed in the blood of the Lamb;

There’s a fountain flowing for the soul unclean,

O be washed in the blood of the Lamb! **Chorus**

“Do Lord”

I've got a home in glory land that outshines the sun.

I've got a home in glory land that outshines the sun.

I've got a home in glory land that outshines the sun.
Way beyond the blue.

Do, Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Do, Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Do, Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Way beyond the blue.

I took Jesus as my savior, you can take Him too.
I took Jesus as my savior, you can take Him too.
I took Jesus as my savior, you can take Him too.
Way beyond the blue.

Do, Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Do, Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Do, Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Way beyond the blue.

I've got a home in a great new land that outshines the sun.
I've got a home in a great new land that outshines the sun.
I've got a home in a great new land that outshines the sun.
Way beyond the blue.

Do, Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Do, Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Do, Lord, oh, do Lord, oh, do remember me,
Way beyond the blue.

“Just a Little Talk With Jesus”

I once was lost in sin, but Jesus took me in.
And then a little light from heaven filled my soul;
It bathed my heart with love, and wrote my name above
And just a little talk with Jesus made me whole.

Have a little talk with Jesus, tell Him all about our troubles,
Hear our faintest cry, answer by and by;

Feel a little pray'r wheel turning, know a little fire is burning,
Find a little talk with Jesus makes it right.

Sometimes my path seems drear, without a ray of cheer,
And then a cloud of doubt may hide the light of day;
The mists of sin may rise, and hide the starry skies,
But just a little talk with Jesus clears the way.

Have a little talk with Jesus, tell Him all about our troubles,
Hear our faintest cry, answer by and by;
Feel a little pray'r wheel turning, know a little fire is burning,
Find a little talk with Jesus makes it right.

I may have doubts and fears, my eyes be filled with tears,
But Jesus is a friend who watches day and night;
I go to Him in pray'r, He knows my ev'ry care,
And just a little talk with Jesus make it right.

Have a little talk with Jesus, tell Him all about our troubles,
Hear our faintest cry, answer by and by;
Feel a little pray'r wheel turning, know a little fire is burning,
Find a little talk with Jesus makes it right.

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 "I Saw the Light"**
"I Saw the Light"

I wandered so aimless, life filled with sin,
I wouldn't let my dear savior in.
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night.
Praise the Lord I saw the light.

**Chorus I saw the light, I saw the light,
No more in darkness, no more in night.
Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight,
Praise the Lord, I saw the light.**

Just like a blind man I wandered along,
Worries and fears I claimed for my own.
Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight.
Praise the Lord, I saw the light . **Chorus**

I was a fool to wander and stray,
Straight is the gate and narrow is the way.
Now I have traded the wrong for the right.
Praise the Lord, I saw the light. **Chorus**

* **DISMISSAL**

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

** Please stand if you are able*

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.*

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Sundays at Salem

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

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MN Adult & Teen Challenge Choir

The MN Adult & Teen Challenge Choir will be joining us next Sunday, October 20. We will hear their music and their stories as part of worship that day—all followed by a good old Lutheran potluck and freewill offering that will support the choir’s mission.

SALEM’S APPLE FESTIVAL & CRAFT FAIR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 9:00-3:00

Our annual Apple Festival is Saturday and we need your help! We will need volunteers to help set up, tear down and (our biggest need) donate baked goods for the bake sale. The signup sheet is in the narthex, or you can contact the Apple Festival committee at apples@slecduluth.org.

**You’re invited to Celebrate a Century of Grace
 At Salem Lutheran Church**

November 2 & 3, 2024

Banquet and Program

Saturday, November 2, 6:00 pm

\$15.00/Person (Two meat classic buffet)

Tickets on sale September 15 – October 15 (following worship Sunday mornings or in the church office) or until sold out (limit 130 people)

Celebratory Sunday Worship

Sunday, November 3, 10:00 am
 Worship led by Bishop Amy Odgren
 Coffee Fellowship Following

This Week a Salem

TODAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

Sunday School & Faith Exploration	9:00 am
Worship	10:00 am
Coffee Fellowship.....	11:00 am
Cub Scouts	4:00 pm

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2024

Day Care	6:00 am
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024

Day Care	6:00 am
Thrive! Support Group.....	6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024

November Newsletter Articles Due

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2024

Day Care.....	6:00 am
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024

Day Care	6:00 am
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NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024

Sunday School & Faith Exploration	9:00 am
Worship w/MN Adult & Teen Challenge Choir	10:00 am
Pot Luck	11:00 am
Prison Ministry.....	12:00 pm
Cub Scouts.....	4:00 pm