

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

Celebrating 100 Years of Grace
~ NOVEMBER 3, 2024 ~ 10:00 am

GATHERING

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN “The Church’s One Foundation”

Hymn #654

- Vs. 1 The church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the word.
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
- Vs. 2 Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth:
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses with ev'ry grace endued.
- Vs. 3 Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up: “How long?”
and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
- Vs. 4 Through toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.
- Vs. 5 Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
Oh, blessed heav'nly chorus! Lord, save us by your grace,
that we, like saints before us, may see you face to face.

WELCOME

Rev. John Ansell

* **LITANY OF CELEBRATION OF CHURCH ANNIVERSARY**

Rev. John Ansell

P: God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, we gather around the waters of baptism on this Anniversary Sunday knowing that we are not alone.

C: We gather here with all your saints.

P: Our communion includes those who experience you in ways familiar to us and those who experience you in ways that seem foreign.

C: We are a part of your people everywhere.

P: Our number includes those who once worshiped you in this place and have gone on before us, and those yet to be born.

C: We stand among your saints who cannot be counted here in our pews today.

P: We recall all who have come to the waters of baptism within our community of faith over the past hundred years, including those who have found their rest in you.

C: Amen

* **OPENING HYMN “For All the Saints”**

Hymn #422

(At this time you are invited to come forward and light a candle in memory of a family member or friend who has died)

Vs. 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, who
thee by faith before the world confessed, thy
name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Vs. 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou,
Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Vs. 3 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine,
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Vs. 4 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Vs. 5 The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Vs. 6 But then there breaks a yet more glorious day: the
saints triumphant rise in bright array; the
King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Vs. 7 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of
pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

* **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

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Rev. Rollie Bockbrader

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** *Page 147* *Rev. Rollie Bockbrader*

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 147* *Chris Swenson*

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

* **HYMN OF PRAISE** *Page 148* *Chris Swenson*

L: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God and join in

The hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. Alleluia.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

Rev. John Engstrom

P: O God,

C: you have promised through your Son to be with your church forever. We give you thanks for those who founded this community of believers and for the signs of your presence in our congregation. Increase in us the spirit of faith and love, and make our fellowship an example to all believers and to all nations. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 25:6-9

Rev. John Engstrom

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. ⁷And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; ⁸he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation. Word of God, word of life. ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 24

Rev. Loren Anderson-Bauer

¹The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein.

²For the LORD has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

³Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD, and who may stand in God's holy place?

⁴Those of innocent hands and purity of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by what is false.

⁵They shall receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of their salvation.

⁶Such is the generation of those who seek you, O LORD, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

⁷Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.

⁸Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

⁹Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O everlasting doors, that the King of glory may come in.

10Who is this King of glory? Truly, the LORD of hosts is the King of glory.

SECOND LESSON: Revelation 21:1-6a

Rev. Doug Larson

¹Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; ⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

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

* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

* **GOSPEL: John 11:32-44**

Bishop Amy Odgren

P: The holy gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

* **John 11:32-44**

Bishop Amy Odgren

³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?"

⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me."

⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Bishop Amy Odgren

SERMON

Bishop Amy Odgren

HYMN OF THE DAY “Celebrating the Church”

(tune ELW 707)

Vs. 1 As we come in celebration,
We now contemplate our past
We delight in former friendships
And the love that holds us fast;
All our past is now accepted;
Through its troubles we have grown;
Now the future beckons to us,
Knowing we are not alone.

Vs. 2 We give honour to past visions
Fostering community;
For all feelings of belonging
Energizing harmony;
We acknowledge past commitments,
Past successes, past mistakes;
Jesus never promised to us
Life without its pains and aches.

Vs. 3 As this annivers'ry passes
We commit to ministry;
Look to Jesus for direction;
Forge a thrilling destiny;
We have journeyed on together
With abundant, godly care;
We now look toward the future
Knowing God will meet us there.

* **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.

* **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Chris Swenson

Giving thanks to God for 100 years of ministry as Salem Lutheran Church, let us
pray for our continuing presence in the world around us and for that all that is to

come.

We give thanks to you for the members and the ministry of this congregation: for those who had the vision to begin this congregation, those who sustain its present ministry, and those who will carry its mission forward into the future. Lord, of the past and present. **We entrust to you our future.**

Awaken in our communities of faith a spirit of radical hospitality. Encourage our churches to celebrate and embrace people of diverse backgrounds, experiences, and abilities. Deepen our commitment to ecumenical and inter-religious partnerships. Lord, of the past and present, **We entrust to you our future.**

Bring forth water to nourish plants and animals in places suffering from drought. Renew our commitments to protect rivers, lakes, and streams, and make us good stewards of water in our homes and communities. Preserve wetland habitats and the creatures that make their homes there. Lord, of the past and present, **We entrust to you our future.**

Inspire leaders of cities, nations, and tribes to lead with wisdom and humility. Bring peace among peoples in conflict and strengthen global commitments to nonviolent solutions. Guide all who seek refuge from war to a safe haven. Lord, of the past and present, **We entrust to you our future.**

Comfort all who live with chronic illness. Surround them in your tender embrace and sustain all who provide ongoing care and support. Bring hope and healing to people struggling with addiction and nourish the spirits of all who are in recovery. Lord, of the past and present, **We entrust to you our future.**

Nurture in all people the gift of your creating Spirit. Inspire those in our community: artists and musicians, woodworkers and quilters, poets and dancers. Revive those whose artistic wells have run dry and enliven all who doubt their creative talents. Lord, of the past and present, **We entrust to you our future.**

We give you thanks for all who have died and now find their rest in you, Pillars of faith of this congregation who marked the cornerstone of this place, and all with whom this place has been an anchor of faith or wind of the Holy in their sails, to venture into the Kingdom of God in trust. . May their faithful witness guide us in our daily life with you. Lord, of the past and present, **We entrust to you our future.**

God of our future, may we walk boldly into what may come as people of faith. Lead us to share your hope and promise with the world around us. **Amen.**

* **SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Rev. John Ansell

P: The peace of the Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING

Rev. John Ansell

P: We will accept our offering at this time.

* **OFFERTORY “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: 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**

Bishop Amy Odgren

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**

Bishop Amy Odgren

* **LORD'S PRAYER**

Ken Ahlberg

"Lamb of God"

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION SPECIAL MUSIC

"Sing a New Song To the Lord"

"There Is a Redeemer"

"How Beautiful"

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Rev. John Ansell

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Rev. John Ansell

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.

PRAYER FOR THE SENDING OF COMMUNION

Rev. John Ansell

P: Compassionate God, as Jesus called disciples to follow him, bless those who go

forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick/homebound/or imprisoned. May these gifts be signs of our love and prayers that through the sharing of the body and blood of Christ, all may know your grace and healing revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

SENDING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. John Ansell

* **BENEDICTION**

Bishop Amy Odgren

* **RECESSIONAL HYMN**

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Hymn #858

Vs. 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!

Let all who hear now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration!

Vs. 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.

Have you not seen all that is needful has been
sent by his gracious ordaining?

Vs.3 Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
as with his love he befriend you.

Vs. 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!

All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!

Let the amen sound from his people again.

Gladly forever adore him!

* **DISMISSAL**

Chris Swenson

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

C: Thanks be to God.

** 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.