

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

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
~ NOVEMBER 10, 2024 ~ 10:00 am

GATHERING

GATHERING SONG “*Here I Am to Worship*”

Vs 1 Light of the world

You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You
Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

Vs 2 King of all days

Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in Heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor
Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross (2x)

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

GATHERING SONG “*Shout To The Lord*”

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord there is none like You.
All of my days, I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength,
Let every breath, all that I am,
Never cease to worship You.

Chorus

***Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing.
Power and majesty praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands,
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You. (repeat chorus)***

GATHERING 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

WELCOME

* **CALL TO WORSHIP "Sanctuary"**

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,

Pure and holy, tried and true

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living,

Sanctuary for You

* **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**

P: You care to bring peace and wholeness to all: Lord have mercy.

C: Lord have mercy.

P: You are the light that shines in the darkness of our lives: Christ have mercy.

C: Christ have mercy.

P: Your death and resurrection have prepared an eternal home for us in heaven: Lord have mercy.

C: Lord have mercy.

* **HYMN OF PRAISE "His Mercy Is More"**

Praise the Lord

His mercy is more

Stronger than darkness

New every morn'

Our sins they are many

His mercy is more

What love could remember

No wrongs we have done

Omniscient all-knowing

He counts not their sum

Thrown into a sea

Without bottom or shore

Our sins they are many

His mercy is more

Praise the Lord

His mercy is more

Stronger than darkness

New every morn'

Our sins they are many

His mercy is more

What patience would wait

As we constantly roam

What Father so tender

Is calling us home

He welcomes the weakest

The vilest the poor

Our sins they are many

His mercy is more

Praise the Lord

His mercy is more

Stronger than darkness

New every morn'

Our sins they are many

His mercy is more

What riches of kindness

He lavished on us

His blood was the payment

His life was the cost

We stood 'neath a debt

We could never afford

Our sins they are many

His mercy is more

Praise the Lord

His mercy is more

Stronger than darkness
New every morn'
Our sins they are many
His mercy is more
Our sins they are many
His mercy is more

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: O God,

C: you show forth your almighty power chiefly by reaching out to us in mercy. Grant us the fullness of your grace, strengthen our trust in your promises, and bring all the world to share in the treasures that come through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

WORD

FIRST LESSON: 1 Kings 17:8-16

Then the word of the Lord came to him [Elijah], saying, ⁹“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there, for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰ So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” ¹¹As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²But she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” ¹³Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said, but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the Lord the

God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.” ¹⁵She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 146

Please read responsively

¹Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

²I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

³ Put not your trust in rulers, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

⁴ When they breathe their last, they return to earth; and in that day their thoughts perish.

⁵ Happy are who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God;

⁶ who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps promises forever;

⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed; and food to those who hunger. The Lord sets the captives free.

⁸ The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

⁹The Lord cares for the stranger; the Lord sustains the orphan and the widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

¹⁰ The Lord shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the holy place year after year with blood that is not his own, ²⁶for then he would

have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once and after that the judgment, ²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION “Alleluia”**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

* **GOSPEL: Mark 12:38-44**

P: The holy gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

* **Mark 12:38-44**

As [Jesus] taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces ³⁹and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

⁴¹He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴For all of them have contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.” The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, Christ.

SERMON

SERMON Song “Take My Life/Holiness”

Holiness, Holiness

Is what I long for

Holiness is what I need.

Holiness, Holiness

Is what you want from me

Take my heart and form it

Take my mind transform it

Take my will conform it

To Yours to Yours oh Lord

Faithfulness, Faithfulness

Is what I long for

Faithfulness is what I need.

Faithfulness, Faithfulness

Is what you want from me

Take my heart and form it

Take my mind transform it

Take my will conform it

To Yours to Yours oh Lord

Thankfulness, Thankfulness

Is what I long for

Thankfulness is what I need.

Thankfulness, Thankfulness

Is what you want from me

Take my heart and form it

Take my mind transform it

Take my will conform it

To Yours to Yours oh Lord

* **APOSTLES’ CREED**

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: Merciful God,

C: receive 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 "Give Thanks"**

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (Repeat)

And now let the weak say, "I am strong;"

Let the poor say, "I am rich," because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat)

Give thanks! Give thanks!

* **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.

"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 SONGS

“How deep the Father's love for us”

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One,
Bring many sons to glory
Behold the Man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice,
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished
I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

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“Once Again”

Vs. 1 Jesus Christ, I think upon Your sacrifice.
You became nothing, poured out to death.
Many time I've wondered at Your gift of life,
And I'm in that Place once again. I'm in that place once
again.

***Chorus: And once again I look upon the cross where you
died,
I'm humbled by your mercy and I'm broken inside.
Once again I thank you, once again I pour out my
life.***

Vs. 2 Now you are exalted to the highest place,
King of the heavens where one day I'll bow.
But for now I marvel at this saving grace,
And I'm full of praise once again. I'm full of praise once
again. ***Chorus***

Bridge: Thank you for the cross, thank you for the cross.
Thank you for the cross, my Friend. (repeat)

Chorus

Once again I thank you, once again I pour out my life.

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 “*Shout to the North*”**

Men of Faith rise up and sing of the great and glorious king
You are strong when you feel weak,
in your brokenness complete

Shout to the North and the South

Sing to the East and the West

Jesus is Savior to All, Lord of Heaven and Earth

Rise up women of the truth, stand and sing to broken hearts
Who can know the healing power
Of our awesome King of love?

Shout to the North and the South

Sing to the East and the West

Jesus is Savior to All, Lord of Heaven and Earth (2x)

We've been through fire, we've been through rain,
We've been refined by the power of His name.

We've fallen deeper in love with you,
You've burned the truth on our lips.

Shout to the North and the South

Sing to the East and the West

Jesus is Savior to All, Lord of Heaven and Earth (2x0)

Rise up Church with broken wings
Fill this place with songs again of our God who reigns on high
By His grace again we'll fly

We will *Shout to the North and the South*
Sing to the East and the West
Jesus is Savior to All, Lord of Heaven and Earth (2x)

* **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.

On this Veteran's Day weekend, we are honoring those members of Salem who have served or are currently serving in our nation's Armed Forces: Pr. John, Paul Bastianelli, Jim Christenson, Keith Erickson, Josh Hendrickson, Bill Jahr, Vicki Jahr, Jason Jaros, Brett Jelnick, Ray Johnson, Bob Johnson, Dave Kantola, Andy Larrivy, Andrew Lisieski, Hollis Nicholson, Bill Peterson, Billy Peterson, Neathaniel Ridgley, Dale Rollins, Eric Settergren, Thomas Settergren, Randy Swanstrom, Lee Swenson, Dennis Velandar, Dustin Willman, Jay Willman and Chad Wood.

CLARA’S SNACK DRIVE FOR LAURA MACARTHUR

Clara is collecting snacks and money through November 24 to purchase snacks for the students at Laura MacArthur. Her goal is 2,500 snacks and she has almost 650 so far! There is a basket in the narthex if you want to bring in boxes of snacks (they do not need to be individually wrapped items). She also has an Amazon Wish List so you can order and send snacks directly to her—talk to her mom, Lisa, to get the link. The link is also posted on Salem’s Facebook page. Finally, Clara will be serving lots of goodies (with help from the Worship Planning Team) for fellowship on November 24 in combination with decorating our sanctuary for Christmas. Salem will be matching all money donated for this project. Thank you to all who have contributed so far!

This Week a Salem

TODAY, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2024

Day Care 6:00 am
 Bethany Cemetery Board Meeting 7:00 pm

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2024

Day Care 6:00 am
 Church Council 6:00 pm
 Thrive! Support Group 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024

Day Care..... 6:00 am
 Finance Committee 6:00 pm

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2024

Day Care 6:00 am

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2024

Sunday School & Faith Exploration 9:00 am
 Worship 10:00 am
 Coffee Fellowship..... 11:00 am
 Prison Ministry..... 12:00 pm
 Cub Scouts..... 4:00 pm

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~ Youth Education ~ 9:00 am ~

~ Worship ~~ 10:00 am ~

~ Coffee Fellowship ~

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