

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church
4715 Hermantown Rd., Hermantown, MN 55811
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
~ **NOVEMBER 17, 2024 ~ 10:00 am**

GATHERING

WELCOME

* **CALL TO WORSHIP “Gather Us In”** *ELW #532*

Vs. 1 Here in this place, new light is streaming, now is the darkness vanished away; see in this space, our fears and our dreamings brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken, gather us in, the blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall awaken, we shall arise at the sound of our name.

Vs. 2 We are the young, our lives are a myst'ry, we are the old who yearn for your face; we have been sung throughout all of hist'ry, called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in, the rich and the haughty, gather us in, the proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so lowly, give us the courage to enter the song.

Vs. 2 Here we will take the wine and the water, here we will take the bread of new birth, here you shall call your sons and your daughters, call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion, give us to eat the bread that is you; nourish us well, and teach us to fashion lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Vs. 3 Not in the dark of buildings confining, not in some heaven, light years away – here in this place the new light is shining, now is the kingdom, and now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever, gather us in and make us your own; gather us in, all peoples together, fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

* **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

WOV pg. 10

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

C: Amen.

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are in bondage 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** WOV pg. 28

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** WOV pg. 28

L: Kyrie eleison:

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: Christe eleison:

C: Christ, have mercy.

L: Kyrie eleison:

C: Lord, have mercy.

* **HYMN OF PRAISE** WOV pg.29

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are
seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;
Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone
are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of
God the Father. Amen.

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest;

Glory to God, glory to God, and peace to God's people on earth,
And peace to God's people on earth.

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Holy God,

C : your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WORD

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 12:1-3

"At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 16

Please read responsively

¹Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

²**I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."**

³As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.

⁴**Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.**

⁵The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

⁶The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.

⁷I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

⁸I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

¹⁰For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.

¹¹You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

¹¹And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹²But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” ¹³and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” ¹⁴For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

¹⁹Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Word of God, word of life. ***Thanks be to God.***

* **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Alleluia. You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia, alleluia.

* **GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8**

P: The holy gospel according to Mark.

C: *Glory to you, O Lord.*

* **GOSPEL: Mark 13:1-8**

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” ²Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs. The Gospel of our Lord. ***Praise to you, Christ.***

MESSAGE

HYMN OF THE DAY “Refiner’s Fire”

Purify my heart

Let me be as gold and precious silver

Purify my heart

Let me be as gold, pure gold

Purify my heart

Cleanse me from within

And make me holy
Purify my heart
Cleanse me from my sin
Deep within

Refiner's fire
My heart's one desire
Is to be holy
Set apart for You, Lord
I choose to be holy
Set apart for You, my Master
Ready to do Your will

Purify my heart
Let me be as gold and precious silver
Purify my heart
Let me be as gold, pure gold

Purify my heart
Cleanse me from within
And make me holy
Purify my heart
Cleanse me from my sin
Deep within

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* **APOSTLES' CREED**

WOV pg. 33

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 into hell.

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**

* **THE PRAYERS**

L: Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our
neighbors, the church and all of creation.

***Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.***

L: Merciful God,

C: *receive our prayer.*

***Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace.***

L: We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

MEAL

PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

OFFERING COLLECTION

P: We will accept our offering at this time.

* **OFFERTORY “We Are an Offering” Hymn #692**

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** WOV pg. 35

C: Merciful God, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* **GREAT THANKSGIVING** WOV pg. 36

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**

WOV pg. 39

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”

WOV pg. 39

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 SONGS

Special Music “Blessings” Chris Swenson

“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

Vs. 1 Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now I'm found; was blind but now I see.

Vs. 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

**Chorus: My chains are gone I've been set free! My God, my Savior, has ransomed me;
And like a flood, His mercy reigns, unending love
amazing grace.**

Vs. 3 The Lord has promised good to me; his word my hope

secures.

He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

Chorus (2x)

**Chorus: My chains are gone I've been set free! My God, my Savior, has ransomed me;
And like a flood, His mercy reigns, unending love amazing grace.**

Vs. 4 The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine.

But God who called me here below, will be forever mine.

Will be forever mine. You are forever mine.

COMMUNION BLESSING

WOV Pg. 40

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray. Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

C: Amen

PRAYER FOR THE SENDING OF COMMUNION

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

* **BLESSING**

WOV Pg. 41

* **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)**

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.*

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*

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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.*

**Join us next Sunday,
November 24 to help trim the
tree and decorate the sanctuary
during coffee fellowship!**

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Sundays at Salem

~ Worship ~~ 10:00 am ~

~ Coffee Fellowship ~

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