

SALEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Building Faith by Praying for God's Guidance, Hearing God's Word,
Sharing God's Grace, Serving God's Children*

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Holy Trinity

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Welcome Visitors! Your presence is a blessing to us. Please pick up an information brochure, complete the visitor card and place it in the offering plate.

Parents with small children: We welcome you and your children to worship this morning. There are activity bags in the Narthex. The nursery is available (with speaker system) should you have need of it.

Holy Communion is offered the first Sunday of each month; we practice open table fellowship: All baptized Christians who share our belief that Jesus Christ is truly present with his body and blood along with the bread and wine, are invited to participate. Register using the card in the back of the pews.

P: Pastor A: Assisting minister C: **Congregation** L: Lector

“O Lord our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!” Today we celebrate the holy Trinity. Paul writes that through Jesus we have peace with God, whose love pours into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, giving us lasting hope. We celebrate the gracious One-in-Three, eternal Three-in-One, as we worship in community; as we share water and word, bread and wine; and as we bring God’s love and hope to our neighbors.

Prelude

Bell

Call to Worship

Pastoral Greeting & Parish Time

GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: **Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

A: In the name of ✠ the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

C: **Amen.**

A: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Silence is kept for reflection.

A: Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: **make us one as you are one.**

A: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: **make us one as you are one.**

A: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,

C: **make us one as you are one.**

A: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C: **Amen.**

WE PRAISE GOD

Gathering Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty* Red Hymnal #413
Greeting

A 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 Red Hymnal Page 213
Canticle of Praise *Glory to God* Red Hymnal Page 213

Prayer of the Day

A: Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

First Reading Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

¹ Does not wisdom call,
and does not understanding raise her voice?

² On the heights, beside the way,
at the crossroads she takes her stand;

³ beside the gates in front of the town,

at the entrance of the portals she cries out:
⁴ “To you, O people, I call,
and my cry is to all that live.
²² The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,
the first of his acts of long ago.
²³ Ages ago I was set up,
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth,
when there were no springs abounding with water.
²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped,
before the hills, I was brought forth—
²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields,
or the world’s first bits of soil.
²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there,
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
²⁸ when he made firm the skies above,
when he established the fountains of the deep,
²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit,
so that the waters might not transgress his command,
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker;
and I was daily his delight,
rejoicing before him always,
³¹ rejoicing in his inhabited world
and delighting in the human race.”

L: The Word of the Lord. **C:** Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

Refrain



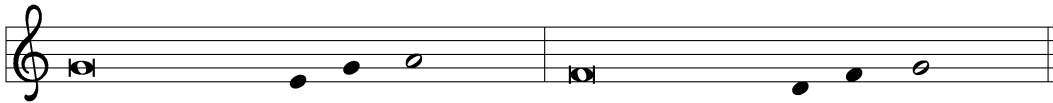
Psalm 22:22

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Psalmody

Tone (1, 0 flats)



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Psalm 8

- A: ¹ O | LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in | all the earth!—
- C: ² **you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the
mouths of in- | fants and children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to
silence the foe | and avenger. R**
- A: ³ When I consider your heavens, the work | of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set | in their courses,
- C: ⁴ **what are mere mortals that you should be mind- | ful of
them,
human beings that you should | care for them? R**
- A: ⁵ Yet you have made them little less | than divine;
with glory and hon- | or you crown them.
- C: ⁶ **You have made them rule over the works | of your hands;
you have put all things un- | der their feet:**
- A: ⁷ all | flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts | of the field,
- C: ⁸ **the birds of the air, the fish | of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths | of the sea.**

A: ⁹ O LORD our Lord,
 how majestic is your name in all the earth! R

Second Reading

Romans 5:1-5

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

L: The Word of the Lord. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia

Red Hymnal Page 216

Please stand.

P: The Holy Gospel according to John, the Sixteenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

John 16:12-15

[Jesus said,] ¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

P: The Gospel of the Lord **C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Tim Barrage

Apostles' Creed

P: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.

He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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 Church

A: Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our
prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all
creation.

A brief silence.

C #752 *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

A: Prayers continue... As we lift up our prayers...

C #752 *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*
(Red Hymnal. Response is sung, led by organ)

A: Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen.

Peace

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

C: And also with you.

WE OFFER GOD OUR GIFTS

Offering of Gifts

Offertory

Amanda Herbert & Tim Mann

Please stand.

Offering Song

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Red Hymnal #186

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

Offering prayer

P: Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful. We offer these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

C: Amen

Thanksgiving for the Word

Canticle of Thanksgiving

Red Hymnal #407

P: Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things: you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,

C: **we give you thanks and praise.**

P: By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,

C: **we give you thanks and praise.**

P: Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

C: **we give you thanks and praise.**

P: Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever.

C: **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

P: Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.

C: **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

**WE ARE BLESSED AND SENT FORTH
TO SERVE GOD'S CHILDREN**

Please stand.

Blessing

P: The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior
Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

Sending Hymn *Holy God, We Praise Your Name* **Red Hymnal #414**

A: Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Tim Mann

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THIS WEEK AT SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 15

Holy Trinity

9:00 a.m. Bible Study (Facebook Live Stream)

10:00 a.m. Worship (Facebook Live Stream)

11:00 a.m. Fellowship / Fathers Day Cook-Out

5:00 p.m. YouTube Livestream Replay

Monday, June 16

6:00 p.m. NFL Monday Night! Free Community Meal

7:00 p.m. and Chosen Bible Study

NEXT WEEK AT SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday June 22

2nd Sunday of Pentecost

9:00 a.m. Bible Study (Facebook Live Stream)

10:00 a.m. Worship (Facebook Live Stream)

11:00 a.m. Fellowship

12:00 p.m. Council Meeting

2:00 p.m. Avenue Worship

5:00 p.m. YouTube Livestream Replay

Monday, June 23

6:00 p.m. NFL Monday Night! Free Community Meal

7:00 p.m. and Chosen Bible Study



Pastoral Concerns – Tim Barrage is available to the members of Salem in times of Pastoral concerns or emergencies. He can be reached at 330-465-5763.

Nursing Home Worship:

July 13 2:00 p.m. Brookdale Senior Living, Wooster. Services are held on the second Sunday of the month.

June 22 2:00 p.m. Avenue at Wooster Care and Rehabilitation Center. Services are held on the fourth Sunday of the month. If you would be willing to help with these services, please contact Barbara Buchwalter @ 330-317-7906.

Women of Faith has a Facebook group called “Women of Salem.” If anyone is interested in meeting for brunch at Buehler’s Towne Market at 10:00 am on the first Wednesday of the month, please let us know. <http://www.facebook.com/WomenOfSalem>

ELCA World Hunger - All loose change in the offering plate will go toward this special social ministry project.

Worship Lay Assistants Needed: Consider being a part of this ministry. If you have never performed any of these duties before, we will be happy to show you the ropes. If you have a beautiful voice or are musically inclined, please let us know.

Continuing Live Stream Services: Our goal is to continue the livestream services. Please consider supporting this livestream ministry with a designated gift by marking “livestream” on your offering envelope. For us to be able to fully utilize this technology we continue to invest in additional tools and higher end cameras. This ministry is grateful for the support, consideration and generosity.

NFL Monday Night Free Community Meal: 6:00 p.m. Come for a hot meal, stay for a bible study. This meal is open to any all who hunger.

The Chosen – Monday nights*: Monday evenings 7:00 p.m.. We continue to show a new episode of “The Chosen” series. Join us as we watch the series together and discuss the episodes in detail.

*Invite friends or neighbors to one of our special events with the provided post card invites. Fill out their name, add a personal note, and drop in the mail. We can mail it if you drop them in the offering plate.

