# 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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**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

Today's gospel starts with disciples obsessing over who will be closest to Jesus, leading to Jesus teaching his followers about God's take on importance and power. Here Jesus makes it explicit that the reversal of values in God's community is a direct challenge to the values of the dominant culture, where wielding power over others is what makes you great. When we pray "your kingdom come" we are praying for an end to tyranny and oppression. We pray this gathered around the cross, a sign of great shame transformed to be the sign of great honor and service.

# Prelude Bell

# Call to Worship Pastoral Greeting & Parish Time

# GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

A: Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\oplus$  one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

C: Amen.

A: Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

A: Gracious God,

C: have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

A: God promises to forgive our iniquity and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of  $\oplus$  Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen.

## WE PRAISE GOD

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 Canticle of Praise Prayer of the Day

Glory to God

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A: Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

Please be seated.

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

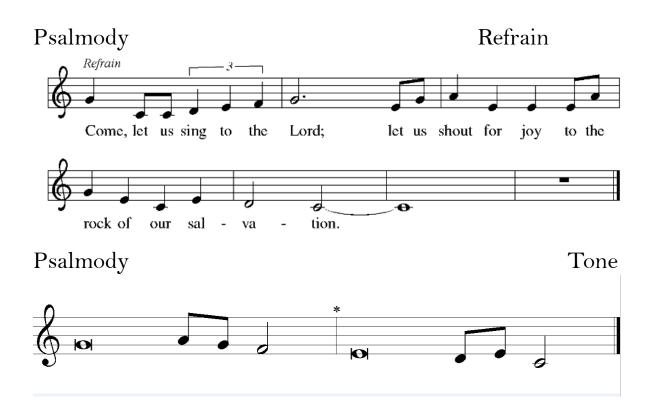
## First Reading

Isaiah 53:4-12

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. <sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. <sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living,

stricken for the transgression of my people. <sup>9</sup>They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. <sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. <sup>11</sup>Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. <sup>12</sup>Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

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



#### Psalm 91:9-16

- A: <sup>9</sup>Because you have made the | Lord your refuge, and the Most High your | habitation,
- C: 10 no evil | will befall you, nor shall affliction come | near your dwelling.
- A: <sup>11</sup>For God will give the angels charge | over you, to guard you in | all your ways.
- C: 12Upon their hands they will | bear you up, lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone. R
- A: <sup>13</sup>You will tread upon the lion | cub and viper; you will trample down the lion | and the serpent.
- C: <sup>14</sup>I will deliver those who | cling to me; I will uphold them, because they | know my name.
- A: <sup>15</sup>They will call me, and I will | answer them; I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and | honor them.
- C: 16With long life will I | satisfy them, and show them | my salvation. R

# **Second Reading**

Hebrews 5:1-10

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward,

since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup> and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup> And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,

today I have begotten you";

<sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia

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#### Please stand.

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

<sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of

you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" <sup>39</sup>They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

<sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

**Sermon** Tim Barrage

Please stand.

Hymn of the Day The Church of Christ, in Every Age Red Hymnal #729

## Apostles' Creed

- P: Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith using the Apostles' Creed.
- 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: Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

A brief silence.

C: #744 Be Glorified (vs.1)
(Red Hymnal. Response is sung, led by organ)

A: Prayers continue..., Merciful God,...

C: #744 Be Glorified (vs. 1)
(Red Hymnal. Response is sung, led by organ)

A: Prayers continue..., Merciful God,...

C: #744 Be Glorified (vs. 1)
(Red Hymnal. Response is sung, led by organ)

A: Into your hands, O God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in the saving grace you freely give, both now and forever.

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 & Sandy Smith** 

## Offering prayer

P: Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen

# Thanksgiving for the Word

## Canticle of Thanksgiving We Sing Your Praises RED #535

- 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: God all mighty, God most merciful + bless you, keep you, and give you peace.
- C: Amen.

#### Sending Hymn O Master, Let Me Walk with You Red Hymnal #818

P: Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Sandy Smith

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#### THIS WEEK AT SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Sunday, October 20

9:00 a.m. Bible Study (Facebook Live Stream)
10:00 a.m. Worship (Facebook Live Stream)
11:00 a.m. Fellowship
5:00 p.m. YouTube Livestream Replay

# Monday, October 21

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 October 27**

23<sup>rd</sup> 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 – Mexican Fiesta!
12:00 Council Meeting
2:00 p.m. Avenue Worship
5:00 p.m. YouTube Livestream Replay

## Monday, October 28

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:**

**November 10 2:00 p.m.** Brookdale Senior Living, Wooster. Services are held on the second Sunday of the month.

October 27th 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. <a href="http://www.facebook.com/WomenOfSalem">http://www.facebook.com/WomenOfSalem</a>

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

Special Fellowship Meal on October 27<sup>th</sup> \*! MEXICAN FIESTA Fellowship.

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.

**Zion Meal – TODAY, 4:30 pm –** Come and help us serve the hungry in downtown Wooster this evening. We still need some folks to help serve the meal. A special thank you goes to the volunteers that helped us supply the meal. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

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.

