

# 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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All Saints Sunday

November 03, 2024

***In Our Prayers:*** Barbara Fedor, Randy Ross, Kenny Wise, Erin Eaken, Sherry & Scott Snyder, Mike Fiser Jr., Melba Toler, Sami Nenadal, Regina Carson, Sheril Buchwalter, Shirley Delefave, George Wise, Chet Molzen, Marvin Hartman, Tari Lowe, Patty Stuart, Bill Buchwalter, Mike Ringgenberg, Amanda Herbert, Monica Crawford, Sue Haumesser Miller, Jean Shoup, Family of Aurora, Family of Rick Brobst, Family of Marian Martin, Family of Noreen Miller, Family of Lynn Molzen, Family of Zachary.

***Altar Flowers*** are given to the glory of God.

***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

*Of all three years of the lectionary cycle, this year's All Saints readings have the most tears. Isaiah and Revelation look forward to the day when God will wipe away all tears; in John's gospel, Jesus weeps along with Mary and all the gathered mourners before he demonstrates his power over death. On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honors our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of Isaiah's feast to come.*

**Prelude**

**Bell**

**Call to Worship**

**Pastoral Greeting & Parish Time**

**GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER**

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

A: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our refuge,  
our delight, our beginning and our end.

C: **Amen.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

A: Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

A: Eternal One,

C: **robed in majesty and mercy, we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.**

A: These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are † forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

C: **Amen.**

### We Praise God

Gathering Hymn      *For all the Saints*      Red Hymnal #422

### 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

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Prayer of the Day

A: Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

*Please be seated.*

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**First Reading**

**Isaiah 25:6-9**

<sup>6</sup>On 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.

<sup>7</sup>And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations;

<sup>8</sup>he 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.

<sup>9</sup>It 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.

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

## Second Reading

## Revelation 21:1-6a

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And 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;

<sup>4</sup>he 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.”

<sup>5</sup>And 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.” <sup>6a</sup>Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

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

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia*

Red Hymnal Page 151

*Please stand.*

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the eleventh chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

## Gospel

## John 11:32-44

<sup>32</sup>When 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.”<sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.<sup>34</sup> He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.”<sup>35</sup> Jesus began to weep.<sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!”<sup>37</sup> But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.<sup>39</sup> Jesus 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.”<sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?”<sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me.<sup>42</sup> I 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.”<sup>43</sup> When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”<sup>44</sup> The 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.”

**P** The Gospel of the Lord

**C Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

**Tim Barrage**

*Please stand.*

**Hymn of the Day**

*Jerusalem, My Happy Home*

**Red Hymnal #628**

## **REMEMBRANCE OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

**L:** We give thanks to you O Lord our God, for all your servants and witnesses of time past

**Men: For Abraham, the Father of believers and for Sarah his wife**

**Women: For Moses the lawgiver and Aaron the priest**

**Men: For Miriam and Joshua**

**Women: For Deborah and Gideon**

**Men : For Samuel and Hannah his mother**

**Women: For Isaiah and all the prophets**

**Men: For Mary, Martha and Mary Magdalene**

**Women : For Stephen the first Martyr**

**C: And for all the Saints and Martyrs in every time and in every land.**

**L: In your Mercy, give us as you gave them, the hope of Salvation and the promise of eternal life.**

**C: Through the first-born from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**L: We remember those who together with us stood at the foot of the Cross, who heard the Easter Truths at the empty tomb, who have gone before us into those heavenly mansions and now gather round your throne.**

[ A bell chimes after each name is read.]

Rick Brobst

Lynn Dilyard-Mozen

Noreen Miller

Marian Martin

Kendall Toler

Betty Gove

**L: Let us pray:**

**C: Gracious Father, we remember with Thanksgiving before you all those who rejoice with us, but upon another shore. They have now joined the multitude that no one can count, whose hope was the Word made flesh. As you have received our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of the resurrection to eternal life, be with those of us who remain here and who grieve their passing. Be the strength upon which we lean and the wisdom upon which we depend. Amen.**

### **Nicene Creed**

**A: Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith, using the words of the Nicene Creed.**

**C: We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven;  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**



**On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in Glory to judge the living and  
the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of  
life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and  
glorified.  
He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of  
sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayers of the Church**

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

*A brief silence.*

**C: #744 Be Glorified (vs.1)**

A Prayers continue, Merciful God,

**C: #744 Be Glorified (vs.1)**

A: Prayers continue, Merciful God,

**C: #744 Be Glorified (vs.1)**

A 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.

## 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.*

Offertory Response *Let the Vineyards be Fruitful* Red Hymnal #184

### Offertory Prayer

P Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup, you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name.

C Amen.

### Great Thanksgiving

### Holy, Holy, Holy

### Eucharistic Prayer

C: Amen.

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### Lord's Prayer

A 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

*Please be seated.*

### **Invitation to Communion**

**A** Behold, God is making all things new. Take your place in the new creation.

*Please be seated.*

### **Distribution**

*Lamb of God* Red Hymnal Page 154  
*Musical Selection*

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

**A** Faithful God, you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C** Amen.

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

*Please stand.*

## Blessing

A The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen,  
the Indwelling One, poured out, † bless you now and  
forever.

C: **Amen.**

Sending Hymn    *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*    **Red Hymnal #632**

A Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

**Tim Mann**

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**Here is your chance to help Raise the Roof:**

A roof is an expensive but necessary expense for our community of faith. While we are not a poor church by any metric, we do not want to spend down our investments to complete maintenance tasks. This means that we must be willing to think outside of the box on how we can raise the monies necessary for this project. Please prayerfully consider a gift to assist us with this most needed and faith focused investment for our future.

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DO YOU HAVE A MANDATORY WITHDRAWAL FROM YOUR IRA OR RETIREMENT ACCOUNT SCHEDULED IN THE COMING WEEKS? IF SO, CONSIDER MAKING A PORTION OF THAT WITHDRAWAL A CONTRIBUTION TO OUR RAISE THE ROOF FUNDRAISING DRIVE. BY DOING SO, YOU WON'T TAKE THE HIT OF ADDITIONAL INCOME ON YOUR TAXES, AS THE GIFT WOULD BE 100% TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

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WE WILL BE PASSING OUR PLEDGE CARDS IN THE COMING WEEKS FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP TO PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER WHAT THEY WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE ROOF CAMPAIGN. OUR GOAL IS TO RAISE \$50,000. THIS WOULD COVER THE ROOF AND ANY EXCESS WOULD BE PASSED ALONG TO OUR FOOD PANTRY PROGRAM.

I \_\_\_\_\_ AM PLEDGING A TOTAL OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOWARDS THE RAISE THE ROOF FUNDRAISING DRIVE TO BE PAID IN INSTALLMENTS OVER THE NEXT \_\_\_\_\_ MONTHS.

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I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A ONE-TIME GIFT OF \$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOWARD THE RAISE THE ROOF FUNDRAISING DRIVE. (PLEASE ATTACH A CHECK MADE OUT TO SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH (RTR CAMPAIGN)  
(PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE)

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I WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE # \_\_\_\_\_ TICKETS FOR THE ELECTRIC BIKE (#1) RAFFLE FOR \$50/TICKET.  
(PLEASE ATTACH A CHECK MADE OUT TO SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH (RTR CAMPAIGN-TICKETS-1)  
(PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE)

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I WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE # \_\_\_\_\_ TICKETS FOR THE ELECTRIC BIKE (#2) RAFFLE FOR \$25/TICKET.  
(PLEASE ATTACH A CHECK MADE OUT TO SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH (RTR CAMPAIGN-TICKETS-2)  
(PLACE IN OFFERING PLATE)

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***THIS WEEK AT SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH***

**Sunday, November 03**

**All Saints Sunday**

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 replay of livestream worship

**Monday, November 04**

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 November 10**

**25<sup>th</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

2:00 p.m. Brookdale Worship

5:00 p.m. YouTube replay of livestream worship

**Monday, November 11**

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.

**Annual Congregational Meeting Set for November 24, 2024 following worship. Pot-Luck meal to follow meeting:** please bring dish to share. All voting members are encouraged to attend having attended, communed and given offering of record during the past 12 months.

**Nursing Home Worship:**

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

**November 24, 2024 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:** As we return to services in the sanctuary, we will need help in continuing our online as well as our in-house service. 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.

