to one of the Lutherans for Life volunteers--Ruth Werries, Karen Engebrecht, Karen Tomhave or you may leave it in the office. Illinois Valley Lutherans for Life appreciates all the support you have given them in the past. "Thanks for supporting Life" Life is Precious! The Lutherans for Life board--Jeanne Strubbe, Gayla Hornbeek and Ruth Werries.

**RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY-** In October, we consider why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects all human life. Our annual **LIFE CHAIN** will be held on **RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY**, October 6, 2024. All pro-lifers are asked to prayerfully gather by the Ferris Wheel at the corner of Main and Morton from 12:30 to 1:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair.

CHOIR AND HANDBELL: I am looking to start up the singing choir and handbell choir again. If you like singing in the shower or in your car, you can sing in the choir. If you can count to 3 or 4, you can ring handbells. If enough people show interest, I am planning a special service on December 29<sup>th</sup> that would involve Congregation, Choir and Handbells with Pastor Schultz. It is also possible to sing or ring on Thanksgiving Eve, during the Advent season or Christmas Eve. If you are interested, please contact Bruce Engebrecht either at church on Sunday or call (217)886-2009 and leave a message. Thank you, Bruce Engebrecht

### THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Sunday, September 15 <sup>th</sup> Divine Service	9:00 am
Pastor's Bible Study,	
Chapel, Wednesday September 18th	
Wednesday, September 18th Fellowship Dinner (bring your own)	
Wednesday, September 18 <sup>th</sup> Bible Study	6:00 pm
Sunday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup> Divine Service	9:00 am
Pastor's Bible Study	10:30 am

# Last Week at Salem Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> , 2024 9:00 AM

Attendance.....210

#### **OPERATING FUNDS**

Envelope & Plate\$	5,871.00
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Total Operating\$	8,361.75
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DIVINE SERVICE
SUNDAY - 9:00 AM

ADULT BIBLE CLASS & SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:15 AM

WLDS (1180 AM) Broadcast #4409 10:30 AM

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PENTECOST 16 SEPTEMBER 15, 2024 9:00 AM

### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

### 846 Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- **C** who made heaven and earth.
- **P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- **©** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.
- Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Join us each Sunday after the service

Today's *ALTAR FLOWERS* in memory of lost baby Shiloh Schultz was due on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Loved and missed by Pastor, Mary, Stephen and Baby Schultz

RADIO BROADCAST & ALTAR FLOWERS: If you would like to sponsor the Radio Broadcast it is \$85, and Altar Flowers are \$30. The signup sheet for Altar Flowers is in the hallway between the Church and the School. You will need to call the office to sign up for Radio. Please consider sponsoring one or both. Thank you.

**LADIES GUILD:** The Ladies Guild will meet on Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm here at Salem. Please plan on attending. Thank you

**BIBLE STUDY:** Pastor Schultz is starting a weekly Bible Study. If you would like to bring your dinner and have fellowship it will start at 5:15 pm and Bible Study will start at 6:00 pm. The Bible study will start on Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> and the class will be over at 7:00 pm This Bible Study will be on the gospel of Mark through the fall. Please plan on attending. Thank you

**THANK YOU**: Thank you so much for coming to the church and school potluck!!! It was so much fun seeing all of the kids playing. They were having such a great time swinging, climbing, sliding, and chasing each other. It was great to see everyone sitting around and enjoying the day, visiting, and catching up. Thanks to everyone for coming out and relaxing. It was a great way to get ready for the week.

<u>PACK THE HOUSE:</u> Pack the house night at Leo's Pizza will be Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. Just mention Salem Lutheran and we will receive part of the proceeds for that day. Thank you.

<u>CHARACTER DINNER</u>: Join us on Saturday, September 21 from 4:30-6:30pm for our Character Dinner Night. Enjoy an Italian Dinner of lasagna, garlic bread, salad, dessert and drink while characters visit your table to entertain the young and the young at heart. The free will offering will help support the ministry of the school.

MARKETING ACCOUNT: The Marketing account is used for Facebook advertising to the Community for Salem Lutheran School. The account has a negative balance of roughly \$10,670.75. Would you pray about if and maybe donate an amount you feel is right towards this deficiency? Thank You

**SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> is the Oktoberfest at Trinity Arenzville. Plan on attending.

<u>LUTHERANS FOR LIFE NUT SALE:</u> 2024 Illinois Valley Lutherans for Life Annual Nut Sale is in progress. If you wish to order, please fill out a form along with your payment and give it

#### Dismissal

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart → in peace.
- C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis LSB 211

#### **Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benedicamus LSB 212

- **A** Let us bless the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

### 554 O Jesus, King Most Wonderful

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# **NEWS AND NOTES**

<u>PRAYERS</u>: Those members and friends of Salem in need of our prayers (please contact the Office for inclusion): Cody Mathis, Jayden Upton, Ron Hudec Pastor Fred Riemer, Karmy Schone, Ron Aring, Larry Vincent, Tom Turley, Bob Morris

### SERVICE OF THE WORD

#### Introit

Psalm 31:14–16; antiphon: v. 24



Be strong, and let your heart take | courage,\*
all you who wait | for the LORD!

But I trust in you, | O LORD;\*
I say, "You | are my God."

My times are | in your hand;\*
rescue me from the hand of my enemies and from my perse-| cutors!

Make your face shine on your | servant;\*
save me in your | steadfast love!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son\*
and to the Holy | Spirit;

and to the Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning,\*
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.
Be strong, and let your heart take | courage,\*
all you who wait | for the LORD!

Kyrie LSB 204

Gloria in Excelsis LSB 204

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- Let us pray.

  Lord Jesus Christ, our support and defense in every need, continue to preserve Your Church in safety, govern her by Your goodness, and bless her with Your peace; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

# **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 50:4-10

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;
he awakens my ear
to hear as those who are taught.

<sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious;
I turned not backward.

<sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who strike,
and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;
I hid not my face
from disgrace and spitting.

<sup>7</sup>But the Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

<sup>8</sup>He who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

<sup>9</sup>Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;

who will declare me guilty?

Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

<sup>10</sup>Who among you fears the LORD and obeys the voice of his servant? Let him who walks in darkness and has no light trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle James 3:1–12

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For we all stumble in many ways, and if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. <sup>4</sup>Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a

# **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.

#### The Words of Our Lord

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My Holood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

#### Pax Domini

- **P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C Amen.

Agnus Dei LSB 210

Sit

#### Distribution

611 Chief of Sinners Though I Be820 My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker528 Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

### SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface LSB 208

- **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 Him thanks and praise.
- It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus LSB 208

# **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

P Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things.

How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, <sup>8</sup>but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.

- **A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse LSB 205

Holy Gospel Mark 9:14–29

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the ninth chapter.
- **C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>14</sup>When they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. <sup>15</sup>And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to [Jesus] and greeted him. <sup>16</sup>And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" <sup>17</sup>And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. <sup>18</sup>And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." <sup>19</sup>And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." <sup>20</sup>And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. <sup>21</sup>And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. <sup>22</sup>And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." <sup>23</sup>And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible for one who believes." <sup>24</sup>Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" <sup>25</sup>And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." <sup>26</sup>And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." <sup>27</sup>But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. <sup>28</sup>And when he

had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" <sup>29</sup>And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

#### Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

> And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

### 533 Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure

#### Sermon

### **Prayer of the Church**

- **L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy.
- **L** For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- **L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
- **C** Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

# Offering

### 784 Take My Life and Let It Be