

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church
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WORSHIP SERVICES & TIMES

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1ST @ 9:00 AM
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH @ 9:00 AM
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH @ 9:00 AM
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22ND @ 9:00 AM
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29TH @ 9:00 AM

ADVENT SERVICES & TIMES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4TH @ 6:00 PM
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11TH @ 6:00 PM
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18TH @ 6:00 PM
(CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE)

CHRISTMAS EVE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH @ 4:00 PM AND 6:30 PM

CHRISTMAS DAY
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH
9:00 AM COOKIES, COFFEE & HOT CHOCOLATE
9:45 AM HYMN SING
10:00 AM SERVICE

NEW YEAR'S EVE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST
6:00 PM SERVICE



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SUNDAY – 9:00 AM

ADULT BIBLE CLASS &
SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:15 AM

WLDS (1180 AM)
Broadcast #4418
10:30 AM

PRINCIPAL: JOY REITSMA
DEACONESS:
LINDA STRUBBE

*THE LUTHERAN CHURCH –
MISSOURI SYNOD*



CHRIST THE KING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH,
2024
9:00 AM

“I Am Thankful”
Salem Lutheran School Students and Teachers

Composed by Angie Killian, 2022

Opening Versicles

LSB 260

L This is the day which the Lord has made;

C **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

L Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.

C **Our God shall come; He does not keep silence.**

L Prepare the way of the Lord.

C **Make His paths straight.**

L Shower, O heavens, from above, and let the skies rain down righteousness.

C **Let the earth open, that salvation may sprout forth.**

L From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C **the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

583 God Has Spoken by His Prophets

Readings From Holy Scripture

Old Testament

Daniel 7:9–10, 13–14

A The Old Testament Reading is from Daniel, chapter 7.

⁹As I looked,

thrones were placed,

and the Ancient of days took his seat;

his clothing was white as snow,

and the hair of his head like pure wool;

his throne was fiery flames;

its wheels were burning fire.

¹⁰A stream of fire issued

and came out from before him;

a thousand thousands served him,

and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;

DRIVE THRU NATIVITY: Zion Lutheran Church in Pleasant Plains will be hosting a Drive-thru Living Nativity. It will be held the first Sunday in Advent, Sunday, Dec 1, 5:00-7:00. Please bring your family and friends and help us usher in Advent Season.

ADVENT: The 2024 Advent Season is fast approaching. The Advent Devotions books are in the Narthex. Please take one. Also, as a reminder, we will be having Advent services starting Wednesday, December 4th at 6:00 pm and each Wednesday until Christmas. Please mark your calendars.

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Sunday, November 24th Praying and Preaching Service.....9:00 am
 Pastor's Bible Study & Sunday School10:30 am
 Wednesday, Thanksgiving Eve Service6:00 pm
 Thursday & Friday Office Closed for the Holiday
 Sunday, December 1st Divine Service.....9:00 am
 Pastor's Bible Study & Sunday School.....10:30 am

Last Week at Salem

Sunday, November 17th, 2024

9:00 AM

Attendance.....172
 Communion.....111

OPERATING FUNDS

Envelope & Plate..... \$ 7,415.50
 Tuition..... \$ 5,843.50
 Other Income.....\$ 125.00
 Total Operating.....\$ 13,384.00
 Restricted Funds..... \$ 1,843.10
 Leap Fund\$ 410.00

Needed Weekly Budget..... .\$ 15,990.80

Special Thank Offering Giving.....\$ 44,440.55

the court sat in judgment,
 and the books were opened. . . .

¹³I saw in the night visions,

and behold, with the clouds of heaven
 there came one like a son of man,
 and he came to the Ancient of Days
 and was presented before him.

¹⁴And to him was given dominion
 and glory and a kingdom,
 that all peoples, nations, and languages
 should serve him;
 his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
 which shall not pass away,
 and his kingdom one
 that shall not be destroyed.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 93



¹The LORD reigns; he is robed in | majesty;*
 the LORD is robed; he has put on strength | as his belt.

C Yes, the world is es- | tablished;*
 it shall nev- | er be moved.

²Your throne is established | from of old;*
 you are from ever- | lasting.

³The floods have lifted up, O LORD,
 the floods have lifted | up their voice;*
 the floods lift up their | roaring.

⁴Mightier than the thunders of many waters,
 mightier than the waves | of the sea,*
 the LORD on high is | mighty!

⁵Your decrees are very | trustworthy;*
 holiness befits your house,
 O LORD, for- | evermore.

Second Reading

Revelation 1:4b–8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

663 Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

Gospel

Mark 13:24–37

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the thirteenth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus said:] “In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. ²⁷And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³²“But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. ³⁵Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning— ³⁶lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

NEWS AND NOTES

PRAYERS: *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, Ron Aring, Bob Morris, Rose Sheeley, Austin Dill, Annabeth Dill,

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND ADULT BIBLE STUDY:

TODAY'S **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of the Lord by Dwayne Middendorf in celebration of his mother's birthday, Clara Elizabeth Middendorf on November 23rd.

OFFICE CLOSED: The office will be closed Thanksgiving Day and this Friday for the Thanksgiving Holiday. If you are in need, please call the office and leave us a message, we will check the voice mail periodically. Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving to all.

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.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE: There will be a Thanksgiving Eve Service held on Wednesday, November 27th at 6:00 pm. Please plan on attending. Thank you.

2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR CONVERSATION: The congregation is invited to join the conversation about the 2025-2026 school year. The Elders formed a committee to discuss improving our school and growing its outreach. Please join in the conversation. We are holding two open meetings. Sunday, December 1st at 1:30pm and December 4th at 10:00 am. Please plan on attending. Thank you.

SALEM PTL: Salem PTL is selling 2025 St. Louis Cardinals wall calendars again this fall. They are selling for \$20.00 each this year. Anyone interested in ordering any let Paula know in the office or any of the Salem students.

COOKIE WALK: The Salem Lutheran annual cookie walk will be held Saturday, December 7th from 10-12. Please plan on attending.

SPECIAL THANK OFFERING-MATCHING GIFT: WOW! Salem Lutheran you met the match and went over! Great. As of Sunday, November 17th we have collected \$44,440.55. We still have today. Let's see just how much we can collect. We are guaranteed the \$25,000 match and whatever we collect will be added to it. Great job, Praise the Lord!

DOORBELL DINNERS: Our next assigned week is December 2nd through December 6th. Call Rita Tendick at 217-473-5017 to volunteer.

L Almighty and gracious God, You want all to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. Magnify the power of the Gospel in the hearts of Your faithful people that Your Church may spread the good news of salvation. Protect, encourage, and bless all missionaries who proclaim the saving cross that Christ, being lifted up, may draw all people to Himself, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

L Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.
Amen.

815 All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

Benedicamus

LSB 267

L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 267

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C Amen.

348 The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

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Responsory



L 1 Behold, the days
are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise
up for David a right-teous Branch.
2 In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will
dwell se - cure - ly.
3 Glory be to the
Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.



C This is the name
by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righ-teous-ness.

Ten Commandments

C You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His 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.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

G 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.

513 The Clouds of Judgment Gather

Sermon

Confession and Absolution

G O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession...

G Amen.

Offering

646 Church of God, Elect and Glorious

Prayer

L In peace let us pray to the Lord:

G 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:

G 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:

G 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:

G Lord, have mercy.

L For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

G Lord, have mercy.

L For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

G Lord, have mercy.

L 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:

G Lord, have mercy.

L For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

G Lord, have mercy.

L For . . . *[additional bids for prayer may be inserted here]* . . . let us pray to the Lord:

G Lord, have mercy.

L Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

G Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

L Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

Additional Collects

L Almighty God, our heavenly Father, since You have committed the care and nurture of children to Your people, graciously enlighten those who teach and learn at Salem Lutheran School that they may know the truth and trust in You all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.