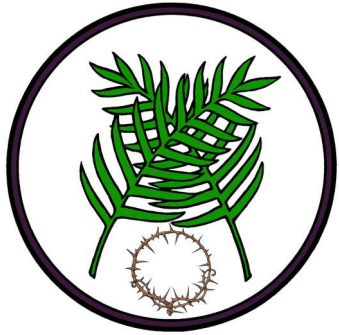
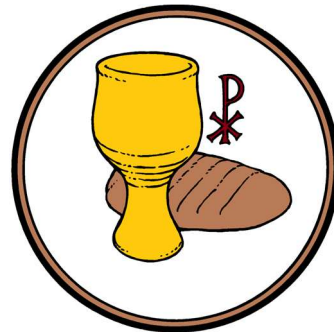


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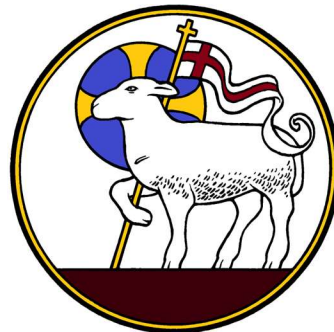


PALM SUNDAY
9:00AM DIVINE SERVICE
WITH CHILDREN'S PROCESSIONAL
EASTER EGG HUNT FOLLOWS THE SERVICE

HOLY THURSDAY
6:30PM DIVINE SERVICE



GOOD FRIDAY
6:30PM TENEBRAE



EASTER SUNDAY
7:30AM BREAKFAST
9:00AM DIVINE SERVICE



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SUNDAY – 9:00 AM

ADULT BIBLE CLASS
& SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:15 AM

WLDS (1180 AM)
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10:30 AM

PRINCIPAL: JOY REITSMA

DEACONESS:
LINDA STRUBBE

*THE LUTHERAN
CHURCH – MISSOURI SYNOD*



Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 13th , 2025

9:00 AM

WELCOME TO SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL

Hebrews 9:12 – “**He entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.**” What price could cover our sins? What could we pay God to forget our wickedness? The only price that could redeem us was the very Blood of the Christ. His sacrificial giving sets the pattern for our life. For how can we, who are redeemed by Christ’s self-giving, also not give ourselves to His Kingdom?

The Sacrament of the Altar

In the Divine Service, we eat and drink the body and blood of Jesus, given and shed for the forgiveness of sins, salvation from death and hell, and life everlasting. This meal is much more than a symbol or expression of faith. It’s the substantial Son of God giving Himself—His own body and blood—to His people. With deep thankfulness for Jesus Christ’s gifts to us here at Salem, we express our deep desire to celebrate the Holy Communion according to our heavenly Father’s Will. Because this includes oneness in the faith we confess (doctrine), guests who desire to commune and confess Christ’s Truth with us are asked to speak with Pastor before the service.

From Luther’s Small Catechism – Seventh Commandment

You shall not steal. *What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor’s money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

From Luther’s *Large Catechism*

God has commanded that no one shall subtract from, or curtail, his neighbor’s possessions. For to steal is nothing else than to get possession of another’s property wrongfully, which briefly comprehends all kinds of advantage in all sorts of trade to the disadvantage of our neighbor. Now, this is indeed quite a widespread and common vice, but so little regarded and observed that it exceeds all measure, so that if all who are thieves, and yet do not wish to be called such, were to be hanged on gallows, the world would soon be devastated, and there would be a lack both of executioners and gallows. For, as we have just said, to steal is to signify not only to empty our neighbor’s coffer and pockets, but to be grasping in the market, in all stores, booths, wine and beer cellars, workshops, and, in short, wherever there is trading or taking and giving of money for merchandise or labor... All these are far worse than sneak thieves, against whom we can guard with locks and bolts, or who, if apprehended, are treated in such a manner that they will not do the same again. But against these no one can guard, no one dare even look awry at them or accuse them of theft... Now, whoever is willing to be instructed, let him know that this is the commandment of God, and that it must not be treated as a jest. For although the world despises us, defrauds, steals, and robs, we will indeed manage to endure your haughtiness, suffer, and, according to the Lord’s Prayer, forgive and show pity...

PROCESSION OF PALMS

Choir "On That Day When He Rode into Jerusalem"

The Congregation now stands and faces the processional cross at the entrance to the nave.

- P The grace of our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C Amen.
- P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- C Hosanna to the Son of David.

Collect

- P Let us pray.
Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

Holy Gospel John 12:12–19

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹²The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. ¹³So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” ¹⁴And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

¹⁵“Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!”
¹⁶His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. ¹⁷The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. ¹⁸The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. ¹⁹So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him.”

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

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Sunday, April 13th Divine Service.....9:00 am
Pastor’s Bible Study.....10:30 am
Sunday, April 13th Easter Egg Hunter after church
Thursday, April 17th Maundy Thursday..... 6:30 pm
Friday, April 18th Good Friday.....6:30 pm
Sunday, April 20th Easter Breakfast.....7:30 am
Sunday, April 20th Easter Sunday.....9:00 am

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

APRIL 13 TH	PALM SUNDAY/Communion	9:00 AM
APRIL 17 TH	MAUNDY THURSDAY/Communion	6:30 PM
APRIL 18 TH	GOOD FRIDAY	6:30 PM
APRIL 20 TH	EASTER/Communion	9:00 AM

[P] Let us go forth in peace,
[C] in the name of the Lord.

442 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

When all have arrived at their places, the procession concludes with the following:

[P] Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
[C] Hosanna in the highest.

Handbell Choir "Palm Sunday Processional"

A time of silence is observed to highlight the contrast between Jesus’ triumphal entry and His passion. The organist plays an instrumental setting of LSB 431, "Not All the Blood of Beasts," for contemplation.

Collect of the Day

[P] Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
[C] Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

[P] I will go to the altar of God,
[C] to God my exceeding joy.
[P] Our help is in the name of the Lord,
[C] who made heaven and earth.

Silence for reflection on God’s Word and for self-examination.

[P] O almighty God, merciful Father,
[C] 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.

GIFTS FROM THE HEART INGATHERING: An opportunity to support the Orphan Grain Train and LCMS Disaster Response-Strategy Use Fund Please consider helping these causes by collecting: quilts, new or used clothing of any size, footwear, socks, underwear (new in packages), baby layette items (diapers, travel size baby wipes, new pacifiers and bottles, sleepers, onesies, receiving blankets and baby blankets), medical supplies (bandages, first aid kits, wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, etc. Monetary gifts are also accepted. Please bag your items in garbage bags marked OGT. Rita Tendick and Jane Henderson will be delivering these items to the LWML CID convention in Lincoln, IL on April 26 so have your items under the clothes rack in church by April 25. Your gifts make a huge impact to those that receive them.

SCRIPT ‘GIFT’ CARDS: In need of a ‘gift card’, please check in the office to see if we have the gift card that you need. We have the following gift cards: Amazon, Applebee’s, Casey’s, Dairy Queen, Dunkin Donuts, Home Depot, Shell, Starbucks, Walgreen’s, Wal-Mart.

DOORBELL DINNERS THANK YOU: Thanks so much to all the brave volunteers who delivered Doorbell Dinners the week of March 31-April 4. We had wonderful individuals who stepped up to help those in need in our Jacksonville community. These people represented YOU: Laoretta Scheller, Lucille Hannel, Linda Strubbe, Danny Magelitz, Ruth Werries, JoAnne Acree, Jane Henderson, and Elaine Jarman. Also an extra thanks to the students from Salem School who were at most times our “runners”: Delaney Harper, Franki Ortiz, Sophia Robinson, and Tyreese McCrary. If you want to join the fun we are scheduled to deliver meals again from April 28-May 2. Call Rita Tendick at 217-473-5017 if you wish to help.

HUGE SUCCESS: This year’s Spring Auction and Dinner was a huge success. Thank you to everyone more information is forthcoming. Thank you

Last Week at Salem
Sunday, April 6th , 2025
9:00 AM

Attendance.....	160
Communion.....	111
Envelope & Plate...\$	8,623.31
Tuition.....\$	3,574.50
Other Income..... \$	345.02
Total Operating.....\$	12,542.83
Restricted Funds....\$	5,352.63
Leap Fund	\$ 1,460.00

NEWS AND NOTES

PRAYERS: *Those members and friends of Salem in need of our prayers (please contact the Office for inclusion):* Ron Hudec, Bob Morris, Rose Sheeley

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND ADULT BIBLE STUDY: Pre-school in the side chapel, Grade School in the conference room and everyone else in the cafeteria. Thank you

LOOKING FOR A KINDERGARTEN TEACHER: Salem Lutheran School is seeking a faithful and passionate Kindergarten Teacher. We are looking for a dynamic teacher who is committed to fostering a Christ centered learning environment. An LCMS trained teacher, or an LCMS member is preferred but not necessary for this position. Please help our school in the search for this teacher: Encourage qualified applicants to apply. Pass along any leads to Salem office. Above all, pray that the Lord Jesus would send us the teacher we need to train up our students in the way they should go.

FRIENDSHIP BIBLE SCHEDULE: Friendship bible class has set the following schedule: Monday, April 14th. Monday night at 6:00 pm.

EASTER SPRING BREAK: Salem Lutheran School will be out on spring break from Monday, April 14th through Monday, April 21st. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 22nd. The office will be closed.

LUTHERAN WITNESS RENEWAL: If you currently have a subscription for the Lutheran Witness, it is time to renew. The subscription price is \$20.65 per year or \$1.72 per issue. If you would like to subscribe, please let the office know. This information needs to be in the office by April 30th. Thank you

COOKIE WALK DISHES: If you are missing some dishes from the cookie walk, please look at the stack of dishes and pans in the conference room. Please take, needing to get the counter cleaned off. Thank you

LOOKING FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE: Salem Lutheran Church and School is looking for administrative assistance to work in the office part-time. This position needs an energetic, people-orientated, computer-skilled individual, and some marketing skills, and lots of love for Salem. This position may have the potential to go full-time. If you would be interested in this position or know of someone who has the potential we are looking for, please contact the office or contact Pastor with the information so we can try and get a qualified individual for our position. Thank you

EASTER EGG HUNT: There will be an Easter Egg Hunt today, April 13th after church. Please plan on attending and enjoy the fellowship. Thank you

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

Introit

Psalm 24:7-10; antiphon Psalm 118:26

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Kyrie

LSB 186

G Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 32:36–39

³⁶ The LORD will vindicate his people
and have compassion on his servants,
when he sees that their power is gone
and there is none remaining, bond or free.
³⁷ Then he will say, “Where are their gods,
the rock in which they took refuge,
³⁸ who ate the fat of their sacrifices
and drank the wine of their drink offering?
Let them rise up and help you;
let them be your protection!
³⁹ “See now that I, even I, am he,
and there is no god beside me;
I kill and I make alive;

I wound and I heal;
and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.”

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

Gradual *Hebrews 9:12a, c, 15a; Psalm 111:9a*

- P** [Christ] entered once for all into the holy places, by means of his own blood,
- C** thus securing an eternal redemption.
- P** Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant,
- C** so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.
- P** He sent redemption to his people;
- C** he has commanded his covenant forever.

Epistle *Philippians 2:5–11*

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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

Holy Gospel *John 12:20–43*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.
- C** Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. ²¹So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” ²²Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

Distribution
439 O Dearest Jesus, What Law Hast Thou Broken *Choir Sings Stanzas 5 and 10*
423 Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

Nunc Dimittis *LSB 199*

- C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Thanksgiving *LSB 200*

- A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- C** and His mercy endureth forever.
- 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.

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And with thy spirit.

Benedicamus *LSB 202*

- A** Bless we the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

Benediction *LSB 202*

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ☩ give you peace.
- C** Amen, amen, amen.

444 No Tramp of Soldiers’ Marching Feet

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Sanctus

LSB 195

C Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
heav’n and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He, blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Lord’s Prayer

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.

The Words of Our Lord

LSB 197

P 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 ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Pax Domini

LSB 197

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

Agnus Dei

LSB 198

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace.
Amen.

²⁷“Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. ³⁴So the crowd answered him, “We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?” ³⁵So Jesus said to them, “The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. ³⁶While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.”

When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. ³⁷Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, ³⁸so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Lord, who has believed what he heard from us,
and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?”

³⁹Therefore they could not believe. For again Isaiah said,

⁴⁰“He has blinded their eyes
and hardened their heart,
lest they see with their eyes,
and understand with their heart, and turn,
and I would heal them.”

⁴¹Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. ⁴²Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; ⁴³for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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.

438 A Lamb Goes Uncomplaining Forth

Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord of hosts, Your Son entered into Jerusalem amid shouts of “hosanna” and people waving palms. Give us hearts full of His mercy, and join our voices to theirs in these holy days, that we would humbly bow our knees at His holy name. Lord, in Your mercy,

G hear our prayer.

P Holy Lord God, You have revealed the saving Gospel of Jesus Christ to the nations. Guard Your Church against all her enemies. Empower her in the proclamation of the saving Gospel and in the works of mercy that make known Your love to those still in darkness and the shadow of death. Lord, in Your mercy,

G hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, You sacrificed Your own Son on the cross, that we may be called Your children. Increase the faith of all Christian fathers, that receiving Jesus and trusting in His atoning sacrifice, they may be enlivened to sacrificial love for their children. Lord, in Your mercy,

G hear our prayer.

P Almighty God, You establish governments and appoint leaders to exercise Your justice, promote virtue and protect the weak. Bless our president, the Congress, our governor, the legislature of this state, all judges and magistrates, and those who protect our liberty at home and abroad. Give us the will and desire to be good and faithful citizens, that we may not dishonor You by our words or conduct. Lord, in Your mercy,

G hear our prayer.

P Father, we bring before You the sick, distressed and needy [*especially* _____]. Give Your abiding comfort in every circumstance, that in Christ we shall not die, but live and declare His works. Lord, in Your mercy,

G hear our prayer.

P Blessed are You, O Lord, and blessed is Your Son, Jesus Christ, who came in Your name to save us from sin and death. As He visits us this day with His body and blood under the bread and wine, give us penitent hearts that worthily welcome His coming and rejoice in His gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

G hear our prayer.

P Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! We praise You, Father, that You have sent Your Son not in wrath but in mercy. As we enter this most holy week and ponder together the mysteries of Your great salvation, show us the answer to Your people’s prayers of “hosanna” in the Passion of our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

G Amen.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

Preface

LSB 194

P The Lord be with you.

G And with thy spirit.

P Lift up your hearts.

G We lift them up unto the Lord.

P Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

G It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who accomplished the salvation of mankind by the tree of the cross that, where death arose, there life also might rise again and that the serpent who overcame by the tree of the garden might likewise by the tree of the cross be overcome. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying: