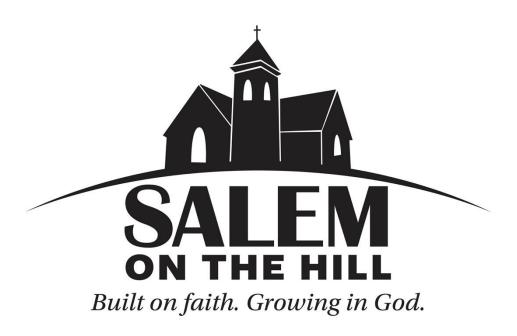
# SALEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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# ALL SAINTS' DAY

November 6, 2022

All Saints' Day and Gideon Sunday Sunday, November 6, 2022 Holy Communion

PRELUDE

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ Please stand as you are able.

#### ALL SAINTS' LITANY (Please read responsively)

Holy God, meet us here in this place as we mourn those who have died this year: sons and daughters, mothers and fathers, siblings and grandparents, husbands and wives, partners and friends:

Irene Day James "Jim" Reinard, Sr. Raymond "Mort" Yerger

At the same time celebrating new birth among us: children and grandchildren, siblings and friends:

Hazel Elizabeth Pufnak

Parents, Children, Siblings and Partners who died this year, Grandchildren, Nieces and Nephews born this year.

Holy God of wind and fire; **Dance through this room today.** Holy God of earthquakes and illness; **Share our tears of sadness and pain.** 

Holy God of creation and new beginnings: Show us again your vision of healing and wholeness.

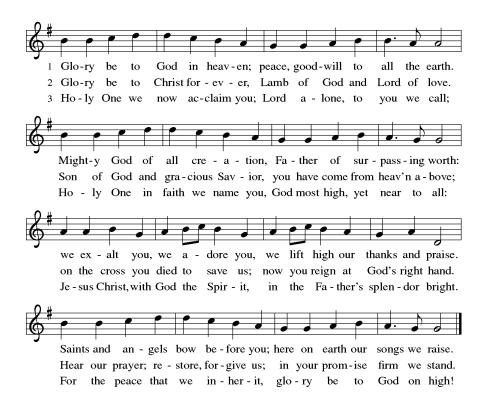
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GATHERING HYMN: For All The Saints (verses 1,2,3,7 and 8) LBW # 174

#### GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And also with you.

# CANTICLE OF PRAISE



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. 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.

Amen.

+ Please be seated.

## FIRST READING: Daniel 7: 1-3, 15-18

The First Reading is from the 7<sup>th</sup> chapter of Daniel.

<sup>1</sup>In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: <sup>2</sup>I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, <sup>3</sup>and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

<sup>15</sup>As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. <sup>16</sup>I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: <sup>17</sup>"As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. <sup>18</sup>But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM: Psalm 46** (Please read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

# <sup>2</sup>Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;

<sup>3</sup>though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

<sup>4</sup>There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

<sup>5</sup>God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

# <sup>6</sup>The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

<sup>7</sup>The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

# <sup>8</sup>Come now, regard the works of the Lord, what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

<sup>9</sup>behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

#### <sup>10</sup>"Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

<sup>11</sup>The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

# SECOND READING: Ephesians 1: 11-23

The Second Reading is from the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter of Ephesians.

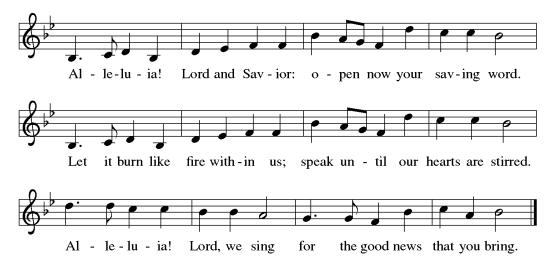
<sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

## The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

+ Please stand as you are able.

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



#### GOSPEL: Matthew 28: 16-20

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28<sup>th</sup> chapter.

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>16</sup>Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup>When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

+ Please be seated. Children are invited to come forward for time with the Pastor.

#### CHILDRENS' SERMON

THE SERMON by Charlie Benner

+ *Please stand as you are able.* 

HYMN OF THE DAY: Shall We Gather at the River WOV # 690

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 PEOPLE

Response: Lord in your mercy, receive our prayer.

#### DIALOGUE

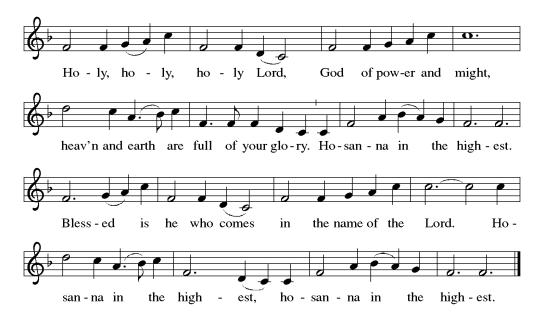
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### PREFACE

#### HOLY. HOLY, HOLY



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

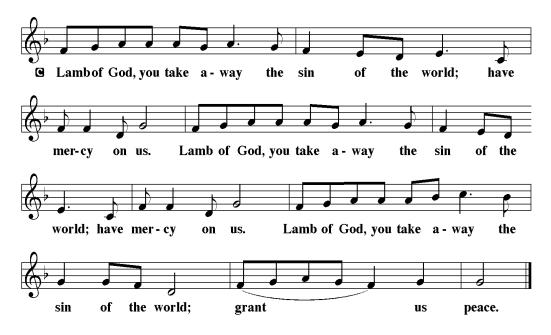
#### LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

## LAMB OF GOD



#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ spreads a table before you. Gather here with all the saints.

#### COMMUNION

All baptized children of God are welcome at the Lord's Table, when we celebrate and receive the true presence of Jesus Christ in the bread and fruit of the vine.

Communion will be received in a continuous line. Come forward, forming a line down the center aisle. Stop at the end of the aisle, receive your bread, empty cup, and wine.

Grape juice is available in the pre-poured cups in the middle of the tray.

There is no need to hurry through Communion. Please take as much time as you wish for prayer and reflection.

If you are more comfortable remaining in your seat for Communion, individual bags containing Communion elements are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary. For those with mobility issues, the Pastor can bring Communion to you at your seat.

As the bread and wine/grape juice are given, the following is said:

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Each person may respond **Amen**. As you receive the bread and wine/grape juice, saying "Amen" means "Yes, truly, it is so: this is the body and blood of Jesus, given for me."

After you have received Communion, please place your empty cup in the bowl, then return to your seat.

After all have received Communion, the Pastor will ask the congregation to stand, then give a blessing, ending with the following words:

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace. **Amen.** 

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### BLESSING

The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the Spirit of hope, + bless you now and forever. **Amen.** 

**SENDING SONG:** *Oh, When the Saints Go Marching In* (verses 1 - 4)



Text: African American spiritual

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world. Thanks be to God.

#### POSTLUDE

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

You may contact Pastor Stina at any time by text or email: **stinaschaeffer@gmail.com**.

There are 2 options offered for **Communion**: Option 1- the "old way" of coming forward to receive bread and wine/juice and then return to your seat. Option 2 - for those who prefer to remain in your seat, small individual bags with bread & wine/juice are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary for you to pick-up as you arrive for worship. For those with mobility issues, the Pastor can bring Communion to you at your seat. The basement remains available, with the service being live-streamed, for those who are more comfortable being separate from the sanctuary. The service also continues to be posted on our website.

Offerings: Offering plates will not be passed, but for your convenience, will remain at the back of the sanctuary to receive your offerings as you enter.

We welcome Charlie Benner who will be bringing us the Message today. Thank you, Charlie!

Reading today's lessons is Nora Moyer.



Choir Practice will begin TONIGHT at 6:00 pm! PLEASE come out and join the Choir Family! We meet in the Choir room in the church basement. We will be excited to see our "seasoned members" return and hope to see new members join us! Come

and see what FUN we have at Choir!



CALLING ALL FAMILIES! You are invited to a "Family Ministry Pizza Party" TODAY, following Worship. As we re-imagine what faith formation for our young people looks like here at Salem, we will be gathering for pizza, conversation, activities and a Bible story. I'm looking forward to seeing you there!

~ Pastor Stina

Prayer Meeting will be held this Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the church basement. Everyone is invited to attend these short gatherings to pray for those on our Prayer Chain and anyone else in need.



HOSS' DAY FUNDRAISER – THIS THURSDAY, November 10<sup>th</sup>! Make plans to enjoy a meal (or meals) at Hoss's Steakhouse. Hoss's will

donate a percentage of the total cost of meals purchased THIS Thursday. You MUST have a ticket for your purchase to qualify. Tickets are



available on the table at the back of the sanctuary and on top of the sound system. Both Lunch and Dinner Meals qualify for Salem's fundraiser. We hope to see all of you there for lunch and/or dinner!

Thank You to all who contributed a Christmas-At-Sea Seafarer's Bag. Your generosity will make Christmas a little brighter for those hard-working seafarers.



EVERYONE is invited to a Ham & Green Beans Meal on Saturday, November 19th at 5:00 pm. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. Plans are being made to hold a "Best Dessert Contest", so make your favorite recipe and plan to enter!

**Council Meeting** is scheduled for Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Adult Sunday School is held each Sunday beginning at 9:30 am in the church basement. Please come join your Salem brothers and sisters!

**Readers are always needed!** A Sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Readings are posted as they are received or you may check with Pastor Stina. Please consider being a volunteer reader and stop by the bulletin board and sign-up.



We have 6 young people attending college or in the military. Cards of encouragement and gift cards are sent to them (approximately 4 times a year) to let them know their Salem Family is praying for and thinking about them. Please consider donating to this important program. Donation cans are always on the back table and on top of the sound system. If you have questions, please ask Linda Carl

(dwarfgrumpy@yahoo.com). Thank You to all who continue to contribute.



Are you Christmas shopping or will begin soon? *Weis Markets* gift cards make great gifts! The cards are <u>always available</u> by contacting Debbie & Ricky Bower (dturtlesrracing3@verizon.net) or Linda Carl (dwarfgrumpy@yahoo.com). All proceeds benefit Salem Church! Cards are available in \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations, they never expire and can be used at all *Weis Markets* stores for groceries, gas and prescriptions.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, November 9 – Prayer Meeting – 7:00 pm

Sunday, November 13 – Adult Sunday School – 9:30 am Worship – 10:30 am

Monday, November 14 - Council Meeting - 7:00 pm

#### Saturday, November 19 – Ham & Green Bean Dinner – 5:00 pm \* please bring a side dish to share \* "Best Dessert" Contest !

Sunday, November 20 – Adult Sunday School – 9:30 am Congregational Meeting to Present 2023 Budget

Wednesday, November 23 – Prayer Meeting – 7:00 pm

Sunday, November 27 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent Adult Sunday School – 9:30 am Worship – 10:30 am