

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Salem Lutheran Church

Axtell, Kansas

**October 9, 2022
18th Sunday after Pentecost
10:00AM Worship**

***Vision Statement: Centered on the Holy Bible,
we will continue to be a Christ-filled church
serving others near and far.***

**GATHERING
PRELUDE
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Indicates those able to please stand

***BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

LBW P. 56

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen

P Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

***OPENING HYMN**

How Great Thou Art

LBW 532

APOSTOLIC GREETING*LBW P. 57**

P The grace of Jesus Christ, the mercy of the Holy One, and the Spirit of the living God be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE*LBW P. 57-58**

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE*LBW P. 58-59**

P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

PRAYER OF THE DAY*LBW P. 62**

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray:

C O Lord, sustain your Church with your perpetual mercy. Without you, in our weakness we will surely fail. Therefore, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through your Son,

Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON:

RUTH 1:1-19A

¹In the days when the judges ruled there was a famine in the land, and a man of Bethlehem in Judah went to sojourn in the country of Moab, he and his wife and his two sons. ²The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion. They were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. ³But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. ⁴These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. They lived there about ten years, ⁵and both Mahlon and Chilion died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. ⁶Then she arose with her daughters-in-law to return from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the fields of Moab that the LORD had visited his people and given them food. ⁷So she set out from the place where she was with her two daughters-in-law, and they went on the way to return to the land of Judah. ⁸But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, “Go, return each of you to her mother’s house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹The LORD grant that you may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband!” Then she kissed them, and they lifted up their voices and wept. ¹⁰And they said to her, “No, we will return with you to your people.” ¹¹But Naomi said, “Turn back, my daughters; why will you go with me? Have I yet sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? ¹²Turn back, my daughters; go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. If I should say I have hope, even if I should have a husband this night and should bear sons, ¹³would you therefore wait till they were grown? Would you therefore refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, for it is exceedingly bitter to me for your sake that the hand of the LORD has gone out against me.” ¹⁴Then they lifted up their voices and wept again. And Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. ¹⁵And she said, “See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law.” ¹⁶But Ruth said, “Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷Where you die I will die, and there

will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death parts me from you.” ¹⁸And when Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more. ^{19a} So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

PSALM 111:1-10

¹Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

²Great are the deeds of the LORD! they are studied by all who delight in them.

³His work is full of majesty and splendor, and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

⁵He gives food to those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶He has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the lands of the nations.

⁷The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure.

⁸They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.

⁹He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant forever; holy and awesome is his Name.

¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures forever.

SECOND LESSON

2 TIMOTHY 2:1-13

¹You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, ²and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also. ³Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. ⁴No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. ⁵An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. ⁶It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. ⁷Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything. ⁸Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in my gospel, ⁹for which I am suffering, bound with chains as a criminal. But the

word of God is not bound! ¹⁰Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory. ¹¹The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹²if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; ¹³if we are faithless, he remains faithful — for he cannot deny himself.

***ALLELUIA VERSE**

LBW P. 62

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

P The Gospel according **LUKE 17:11-19**

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance ¹³and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” ¹⁴When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; ¹⁶and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? ¹⁸Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” ¹⁹And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

LBW 559

***APOSTLES' CREED**

LBW P. 65

C **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 INTERCESSION

LBW P. 65

With the people of God gathered here and throughout the world, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

(A brief silence.)

Lord God, (prayers) Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

Gracious God, (prayer) through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

OFFERING

*OFFERTORY

CREATE IN ME

LBW P. 75

C Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

LBW P. 67

P Merciful Father,

C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

LBW P. 71

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

CLOSING HYMN *Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah*

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***BENEDICTION AND DISMISSAL**

LBW P. 74

P May the Lord bless you and keep you, May the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace!

A Amen!

P Go in peace and serve the Lord!

A Thanks be to God!

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WELCOME TO SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

We are glad that you came to be with us today! There's a place for everyone here at Salem Lutheran Church. We are a family church that meets you right where you are. No matter where that may be. You may sign our guest book in entry way. If you are searching for a church home, we ask you to prayerfully consider Salem Lutheran.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thank you to all who serve in worship: Dave Winquist, Parish Ministry Associate; Pr. Jeff Swanson for leading today's service; Lisa Broxterman--organist; Shirley Polson-- pianist; Sophie Polson—Lector; Kent Polson--Greeter.

October and November Special offerings--The Council voted to select October and November Special offerings to be designated to support Marshall County and Nemaha County Food Pantry needs. This is in addition to the regular monthly Noisy Can offering given the last Sunday at worship.

Adult Sunday School is at 9 a.m.

Salem Council Meeting October 18 at 7 p.m.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Each Thursday, 7 a.m., Men gather at the Axtell UMC Church for breakfast and fellowship

AXTELL ECUMENICAL CHRISTMAS CANTATA - ALL IS WELL by Michael Barrett & David Angerman blends traditional carols with contemporary Christian selections, this cantata has something for everyone! Practices will continue every Sunday evening from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Salem through December 4, 2022. The **Axtell Ecumenical Christmas Cantata** will be on the evening of December 11, 2022. If you have any questions, please email Pauline Swanson at salemlc@bluevalley.net

Salem Lutheran Church, rural Axtell, will host a **presentation of ministry in Bush Alaska** on October 9 at 5 PM. Pastor Jeff Swanson and wife Jane recently returned from 15 years of ministry in Naknek Alaska on the southwest coast of Alaska where they were involved with outreach to native villages through aviation ministry, radio and proclamation of the gospel. They will share stories of life and ministry in remote rural Alaska including videos and pictures. All are welcome and refreshments will be served following the program.

PRAYERS:

For all who suffer from illness: for Stan, Debbie, Peggy, Donna, Benny, Jim and all others we lift up in our hearts and minds.

SALEM Stewardship message for the week of October 9, 2022

This is the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost “Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?” Luke 17:18. Most of us live relatively “easy” lives. We usually have adequate food, shelter, clothing, and money. Many also go on vacation every year or two and own their own transportation. Do you take this for granted? Did you also consider that for some individuals with the least amount of possessions can also be the most grateful for what they have? As churches and Christians, we have enormous potential to meet the needs of others. We are people from all walks of life, all sectors of society. Our currency is love, hope, human dignity, family, and interdependence. Take time every day to thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts....**Go In Peace and Serve the Lord!**

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Mission and Ministry Offerings were given and blessed at the 10/2/22 Sunday Worship service (in person and online): **Total Offerings** \$2,160.00 **Designated*** \$0.00, **Mission/Ministry** \$2,160.00. Blessings for the gifts and to the givers. Thank you for supporting Salem Lutheran ministries!

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