

**SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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*Salem Lutheran Church*

*Axtell, Kansas*

**October 2, 2022**  
**17<sup>th</sup> 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**

\*Indicates those able to please stand

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*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 In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake, God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ, He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

**\*OPENING HYMN    *O Master Let Me Walk with Thee***

**LBW 492**

**\*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. 60-61**

**This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**LBW P. 62**

P The Lord be with you.

**C And also with you.**

P Let us pray:

**C Generously pardon and give peace to your faithful people,**

**O Lord, that being cleansed from every sin, we may be free and glad to serve; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## **FIRST LESSON**

## **HABAKKUK 1:1-4; 2:1-4**

<sup>1</sup>The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw. <sup>2</sup>O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? <sup>3</sup>Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. <sup>4</sup>So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted.

<sup>1</sup>I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint. <sup>2</sup>And the LORD answered me: “Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. <sup>3</sup>For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end — it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. <sup>4</sup>Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.”

## **PSALM 62**

<sup>1</sup>For God alone my soul in silence waits; from him comes my salvation.

**<sup>2</sup>He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall not be greatly shaken.**

<sup>3</sup>How long will you assail me to crush me, all of you together, as if you were a leaning fence, a toppling wall?

**<sup>4</sup>They seek only to bring me down from my place of honor; lies are their chief delight.**

<sup>5</sup>They bless with their lips, but in their hearts they curse.

**<sup>6</sup>For God alone my soul in silence waits; truly, my hope is in him.**

<sup>7</sup>He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

**<sup>8</sup>In God is my safety and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.**

<sup>9</sup>Put your trust in him always, O people, pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

**<sup>10</sup>Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, even those of low estate cannot be trusted.**

<sup>11</sup>On the scales they are lighter than a breath, all of them together.

**<sup>12</sup>Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.**

<sup>13</sup>God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, that power belongs to God.

**<sup>14</sup>Steadfast love is yours, O LORD, for you repay everyone according to his deeds.**

## **SECOND LESSON**

## **2 TIMOTHY 1:1-14**

<sup>1</sup>Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup>To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. <sup>3</sup>I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup>As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup>I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. <sup>6</sup>For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup>for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. <sup>8</sup>Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, <sup>9</sup>who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup>and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, <sup>11</sup>for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, <sup>12</sup>which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me. <sup>13</sup>Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup>By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

**\*ALLELUIA VERSE**

**LBW P. 62**

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

**\*GOSPEL**

**P The Gospel according to Luke 17:1-10**

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

<sup>1</sup>Jesus said to his disciples, "Temptations to sin are sure to come, but woe to the one through whom they come! <sup>2</sup>It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck and he were cast into the sea than that he should cause one of these little ones to sin. <sup>3</sup>Pay attention to yourselves! If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him, <sup>4</sup>and if he sins against you seven times in the day, and turns to you seven times, saying, 'I repent,' you must forgive him." <sup>5</sup>The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. <sup>7</sup>Will any one of you who has a servant plowing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and recline at table'? <sup>8</sup>Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterward you will eat and drink'? <sup>9</sup>Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? <sup>10</sup>So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'"

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

**CHILDREN'S SERMON  
SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Faith of Our Fathers*

**LBW 500**

**\*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, *(Dave will say prayers)* Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Gracious God, *(Dave will say a prayer)* through Jesus Christ  
our Lord.

**Amen.**

**OFFERING**

**\*OFFERTORY**

*Let the Vineyards*

**LBW P. 66**

**C Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now. Grace our table with your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

**\*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**LBW P. 68**

P Blessed are you,

**C O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**\*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**LBW P. 68**

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 thanks and praise.**

P It is indeed right and salutary.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**\*THE SANCTUS**

**LBW P. 69**

**C Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might;**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**\*THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**LBW P. 70**

**P** Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

**C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**P** 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.

Let us come together and pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**LBW P. 76**

**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 AGNUS DEI**

**LBW P. 72**

**C** Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

**COMMUNION**

**POST COMMUNION CANTICLE**

**THANK THE LORD -**

**LBW P. 72**

**C** Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell everyone what He has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**\*THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**P** Beverly will say the prayer

**C** Amen

**CLOSING HYMN**

*It Is Well With My Soul*

**GOLD 495**

**\*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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**About communion:** We welcome all to the Lord's table who believe Jesus' words: "given and shed for you, for the forgiveness of sin" to receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine. For where there is forgiveness of sin there is also life and salvation. Those not yet communing may come forward to receive a blessing.

Trays contain both wine (darker) and grape juice (lighter). Gluten free wafers are available.

## **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 Winqvist, Parish Ministry Associate, Beverly Halliday for leading today's service, Lisa Broxterman—organist; Shirley Polson-pianist; Kent Polson-greeter, Lori Haug—Lector

**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. The "Yes" vote to support Food Pantry needs (for October & November) REPLACES the Special Offering (printed in the 2022 Parish Directory) that reported Topeka Rescue Mission as the Thanksgiving Special Offering. 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 am, Men gather at the Axtell UMC Church for breakfast and fellowship**

**AXTELL ECUMENICAL CHRISTMAS CANTATA** - We are encouraging singers from all over the area to sing in the cantata. This year we are singing **ALL IS WELL** by Michael Barrett & David Angerman. Blending traditional carols with contemporary Christian selections, this cantata has something

for everyone! Practices will begin October 2 and be held 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](mailto: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, Peggy, Donna, Rebecca, Benny, Jim and all others we lift up in our hearts and minds.

### ***SALEM Stewardship message for the week of October 2, 2022***

***This is the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*** *“For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.” 2 Timothy 1:7* Many of us compartmentalize our Faith, we bring it out only when we attend Worship or when we attend a Church event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything - all the time. The next time you are visiting your neighbor or at work or out shopping, would your words and actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord? ....***Go In Peace and Serve the Lord!***

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***Mission and Ministry Offerings*** were given and blessed at the ***9/25/22 Sunday Worship service*** (in person and online): ***Total Offerings \$740.50 Designated\* \$105.50, Mission/Ministry \$635.00.*** Blessings for the gifts and to the givers. Designated\* is to Food Pantry. Thank you for supporting Salem Lutheran ministries!

*Offerings, Receipts and Reimbursements are all counted and reported by Salem's Financial Secretary and then securely deposited and directly applied by Fund Treasurers. Designated offerings are always given to/for the purpose stated.*

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- ***Our online VANCO giving link? Salem Lutheran has chosen to partner with **Vanco Payment Solutions** – an industry leader giving churches and faith-based organizations **secure** electronic payment solutions. Connect to Salem website at **<https://www.salemevangelicallutheran.church>** for Offerings and Gifts, then select options. Thank you!***

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