REFORMATION DAY (Observed) October 25, 2009

SALEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sunday School & Bible Classes . . . 10:15 a.m.
Worship . . . . 9:00 a.m.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Divine Service III – LW page 197

G A T H E R I N G

PRELUDE - "Ein'feste Burg" – Martin Luther/Manz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FELLOWSHIP MOMENTS to greet those around us

PRAYER - "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." (James 5:16)

Let us pray: **Dear Lord, we thank You for all the blessings You have given to Salem Congregation these many years. We ask now with humble hearts for Your direction in the selection of a pastor for Salem. Help us to be patient, with hope in our hearts, trusting totally in You, because You have promised to hear us. We ask this in faith that You have already chosen a new Shepherd. We thank You, and trust in Your will. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.**

HYMN - "The Lord, My God, Be Praised" - vs. 1 & 4 LW 174

INVOCATION & OPENING VERSICLES

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.
Pastor: I will bless the Lord at all times;
People: His praise shall continually be in my mouth.
Pastor: God is our refuge and strength.
People: a very present help in trouble. [Psalm 34:1; 46:1]

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

(There is silence to call to mind your sins.)
Pastor: Lord of hosts,
People: hear our confession of our sins and grant us Your mercy and forgiveness. We have not trusted in Your promised protection and strength but have looked elsewhere for help and refuge. You alone have provided the remedy for that which truly causes our separation, troubles, and death. For the sake of Christ, Your Son, our Redeemer, grant us forgiveness and deliverance from all that would keep us from Your present help. We ask it in the name of Jesus.
Pastor: "Fear God, and give Him the glory." [Revelation 14:7]
Upon this, your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you. 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.
People: Amen.

INTROIT & GLORIA PATRI (insert)

KYRIE - "Kyrie, God Father" LW 209

COLLECT OF THE DAY - read by all - (insert)

HYMN – "Thy Strong Word" – vs. 1 & 2 LW 328

T H E W O R D

OLD TESTAMENT (insert) - Jeremiah 31:31-34

GRADUAL (insert)

EPISTLE (insert) - Romans 3:19-28
Verse – "Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go. . " - page 164

GOSPEL - (insert) – John 8:31-36
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HYMN OF THE DAY– "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" LW 297

SERMON: "Freedom For A Price" - Romans 3:23 and 24

RITE OF CONFIRMATION pages 205 – 207

DUANE JOSEPH KOGUT, son of Galen and Janilyn Kogut
Duane's Confirmation Verse – Luke 11:38 – "Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it."

Today is a special day at Salem as we celebrate The Rite of Confirmation with Duane. We pray our Lord's blessings on him and pray that the Spirit's power will continue to direct his life.

THE WORD IN THE SUPPER

OFFERING : Choir:"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" – Bach/Luther(LW 334)

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SANCTUS - "Isaiah, Mighty Seer, in Spirit Soared" LW 214

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(Communion prayers can be found on page 128)

COMMUNION & COMMUNION HYMNS -
"O Lord, We Praise You" LW 238
"The Church's One Foundation" LW 289
"Christ Is Our Cornerstone" LW 290

SENDING

PRAYERS FOR TODAY'S NEED AND MISSIONS
(At the words: "Lord, in Your Mercy;"
the congregation responds: "HEAR OUR PRAYER")

LORD'S PRAYER page 176

BENEDICTION - The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

HYMN - "Built on the Rock" – vs. 1, 3, 5 LW 291

POSTLUDE - "Christ Is Our Cornerstone" - Manz

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=== ***Mission: SALEM/Peace - As the Father sent me I send you.*** ===
Vision: Preach – Teach – Heal – doing what Jesus does.

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ASSISTANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

Celebrant . . . Rev. Ronald R. Sprehe
Lector . . . Paul Thomas Jr.
Organist . . . . Lois L. Jones
Prayer Leader . . . Claire Carlson
Assistants . . . . Ken Kushka and Rich Landseadel
Welcomers . . . . Claire Carlson and Paul Yox
Ushers . . . . . Fred Bartz Jr., David Carlson, Mark Thomas, Paul Thomas Jr., Chuck Yung
Altar . . . . . Arlene Ball and Vi Kelm

PLEASE NO PICTURES DURING WORSHIP SERVICE. PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER WORSHIP.