

SALEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Services:
9:30a.m.
Sunday School:
10:45am for children
and adults

Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod
“A Stephen Ministry Congregation”

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ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

November 7, 2010

AS WE GATHER

On All Saints' Sunday we naturally think of those Christians who have entered heaven ahead of us. We certainly wouldn't call ourselves holy saints. We measure up poorly according to the mirror of the Beatitudes. Yet when we remember that Jesus takes our sins away, He makes us His holy people, His saints in God's sight. In this world we continue to struggle against sin. And so it is an article of faith that we believe in one, holy Church. Today we take comfort in the fact that God has made us part of one very large family, Christ's Body, the Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME/EXCHANGE OF PEACE

PRELUDE: “Communion Meditation” - Peeters

ENTRANCE HYMN "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" LW #171

INVOCATION and OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: In You, O LORD, do I take refuge;

People: let me never be put to shame.

Pastor: Everyone who hopes in Christ

People: purifies himself as He is pure. Psalm 31:1; 1 John 3:3

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us confess our sins and need for Christ.

People: Lord God, to You we confess that we have sinned and fallen short of Your glory. Our love of You is weak and our love for our neighbor in short supply. For the sake of Jesus our Lord, forgive us and fill us with Your love, making us to be Your true children.

Pastor: "Blessed are the poor in spirit." *Matthew 5:3a*

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.

People: Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE *"This Is The Feast"*

REFRAIN: This is the Feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ the Lamb who was slain, whose blood sets us free to be people of God.
(Refrain)**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.
(Refrain)**

**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.
(Refrain)**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.
(Refrain)**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

+ WORD +

(Readings are found on the back of the bulletin)

FIRST READING: Isaiah 26:1-4,8-9,12-13,19-21 *(The Vision of the Church Triumphant)*

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE: Revelation 21:9-11, 22-27, (22:1-5)

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE ALLELUIA VERSE

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

GOSPEL Matthew 5:1-12 *(The Beatitudes)*

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the fifth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE HYMN "For All The Saints" LW #191 stzs. 1, 2, 3, 4

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

CONFESSION OF FAITH

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.

PRAYERS

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all who are in any need.

Pastor: Almighty God, we give thanks for Your redeeming love by which You have transformed sinners of every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages to be Your holy people. Grant to all of us who are still in our pilgrimage of faith in this world the strength to remain united with You through Your Word and Sacraments. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Bless all You have sent to preach Your Word with the Spirit to divide rightly Your Word of truth, proclaiming Law and Gospel to the conversion and salvation of all people. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Guide the nations and those who lead them in the ways of Your truth and peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Give Your healing and comfort to all who mourn, to the sick (*including _____*), and to all in any need. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus strengthen our faith and assure us of our oneness with one another and with those who have gone before us and are with you. Lord, in Your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

OFFERING/OFFERTORY MUSIC – Choir: “The Beatitudes” – Evans; Dave Bartholomew, soloist

COMMEMORATION

Pastor: On this Day of All Saints, we remember with thanksgiving those of our parish who have gone before us with the sign of faith. They were created by God to offer Him praise forever, redeemed by Jesus, God’s Son, and filled with the Holy Spirit through Baptism, where God gave them new life. They have been nourished in the company of His people through the Lord’s Supper and the Word, and in His mercy God has summoned them to His presence that they may continue in joyful service to Him forever. We especially remember this day:

**DORIS L. BAKER, CAROLYN E. FEIDER, MARGARET KENT LOGAN,
ALMA T. BRIGGS, FLORENCE C. DABERKOW, JANET M. BROWN,
WILSON A. BAKER, SALLIE V. LANGNER, JOSEPH S. WROBEL, VALERIE J. FULLONE**

“Blessed are they that die in the Lord from now on, for they will rest from their labors, and their deeds will follow them.”(*Revelation 14:13*)

Pastor: Let us pray: In joyful expectation for the resurrection of the body to eternal life, we remember before You, O Lord, all those who have gone before us in faith, whom we pause now to name in our hearts. (*Silence*) We offer thanksgiving for the gift of faith and we hold fast to the certainty of Your promises. May their memory among us be blessed, and may we follow their footsteps of faith to Your eternal presence in the heavenly kingdom.

People: Amen.

+ SACRAMENT +

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, 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. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

SANCTUS

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.

LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (sung by Pastor)

THE AGNUS DEI

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 Prayers – page 128)

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS – “O Christ The Same” - SH 106

“Let Us Break Bread Together” - SH 57

“Spirit of the Living God” - SH 65

THANK THE LORD

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 BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" LW #308

THE POSTLUDE – “Postlude in F” - Handel

WELCOME

All who enter here are welcome! It is the house of the Lord; come with a spirit of reverence; worship with a spirit of humility; and do not leave without a prayer to the Lord Jesus Christ for yourself, for those who worship here, and for him who ministers.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD by Marilyn Krentz in loving memory of her favorite Aunt Lucy.

Altar flowers are needed for the month of December. Please call Gloria Pfohl – 667-7396.

S A L E M NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

=== Mission: SALEM/Peace - As the Father sent me I send you. ===

Vision: Preach – Teach – Heal – doing what Jesus does.

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We continue to pray for Pastor Sprehe for God’s presence and healing from his recent heart transplant. He now is back at home! Then he’ll only need to go back to Cleveland Clinic for follow-up testing every few weeks.” Send cards to: Rev. & Mrs. Ronald R. Sprehe, 123 Dalewood Dr., Amherst, NY 14228

BIRTHDAYS - Raymond Yox’s 83rd today.

ANNIVERSARY - Wesley and Janice Kingsland’s 15th tomorrow.

SICK - Sharon Miller; Leola Colvin; Allen Feltz; Carolyn Callea; Fran Wiedemann; Lynda Yung; Mark Beyers; Delores Landwehr; Jean Ponias; Hazel Murphy; Lynn Leahy; Eleanor Senchoway; Betty Radke; Pastor Sprehe; Christine Johnson; Carl R. Radtke; Russ Alessi Jr.; Shirley Wilke; Cheryl Bak; Carol Engelbert; Mary Jordan; Eunice Foote; Grace Belter (Mercy Rehab – Room 671); Mark Pietz; all shut-ins.

OFFERING UPDATE - Weekly offerings for October 31, 2010 - \$_____;
Attendance: 115; The total offerings as of October 31, 2010 are \$_____ ahead of budget,
Weekly offerings needed to meet our *Current Fund* budget ministry program are \$2_____.

*When a member of the family is in the hospital, or in need of pastoral counsel or care, PLEASE phone
Ernelle at the Salem church office, 824-2787, or contact Pastor Pingel at 825-3253 (parsonage) or 1-
724-494-9492 (cell), or Vicar Domenick Lettieri at 525-1044 (home) or 392-1148 (cell). Thank you!
Family members are asked to please inform the church office and/or pastor when a member of Salem is
released from the hospital and goes to a rehab center. Thank you!*

VOTERS MEETING – next Sunday, November 14, 2010 in lower social room downstairs after worship,
with coffee hour; AGENDA: (1) Election of Council positions and (2) Approval of 2011 Church Budget.

“GIVING THANKS DINNER” – Sunday, November 21, 2010 – 11:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – RSVP and sign
up for contributions if you are able. (sheets on Krueger room wall).

TIME RUNNNING OUT - last chance for Entertainment Books – see Elinor Jentsch if interested.

UPDATED ADDRESSES OF COLLEGE STUDENTS NEEDED – call church office office - 824-2787.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK –

BIRTHDAYS - Today – Raymond Yox, Patricia Harvey; Tuesday – Jennifer Carr, Judy Carr; James
Wickins; Wednesday – Ashley Merkt, Beth Thomas, Karen Thomas; Thursday – Brian David Sylvia;
Saturday – Judith Hoffmann

ANNIVERSARY - Monday – Wesley and Janice Kingsland

Salem/St. John Boys Basketball Practice Schedule – Every Wednesday through February 2011 at Trinity
Lutheran Church, 146 Reserve Rd., West Seneca, NY – B Team starts at 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. A Team 7:15
p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Basketball schedule starts December 4th – TBA.

Organist/Pianist Needed – Sunday morning services (10:30 a.m.) and special services through the year at
Good Shepherd Community of Faith, 187 Southside Pkwy., Buffalo; phone 824-4112. If interested, please
send resume to bhulsing@timeposition.com

BOOK SALE & BAKE SALE – Saturday, November 13th, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Holy Cross Lutheran
Church, 8900 Sheridan Dr., Clarence, NY – for more info call Nancy – 203-1175. Also, Holy Cross is
having an Italian Feast & Basket Auction – Sunday, November 14th, 12 – 4 p.m. (lasagna, spaghetti,
meatballs, salad, bread, beverages & desserts). Presale adult: \$10.00 AND \$11.00 at the door. Kids - \$3.00;
take-out available. Checks to: “Holy Cross-Spaghetti Dinner” – call Diana – 741-5150.

Activity of the CHRISTCARE SMALL GROUP MINISTRY PRAY AND WORSHIP ---- After the worship service today, the
ChristCare Small Group Ministry Leaders will remain forward in the Chancel area for anyone desiring individual prayers at the
altar.

-- We are in the process of forming a Publicity Committee and an Outreach Committee. Pastor will be
making some phone calls. If you are interested, please speak to Pastor.

-- PASTOR'S CLASS - Is underway on Wednesdays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. If you are interested,
you are still welcome to come on board!

COMMUNION STATEMENT - The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. I Corinthians 11:23-26. "One is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words, "Given and shed for you for the remission of sins." But the one that does not believe these words, or doubts, is unworthy and unprepared; for the words 'for you' require all hearts to believe" – Luther's Small Catechism *Communion cards – Please put communion cards in offering plate or give to an usher.*

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THANKSGIVING EVE FESTIVAL SERVICE

Wednesday, November 24th – 7:00 p.m.

Bring a friend!

SERVING THE LORD

Celebrant: The Rev. John L. Pingel
Assisting Minister: Vicar Dominick Lettieri
Prayer Leader: Pastor Pingel
Organist/Pianist: Lois L. Jones

Acolytes: Jennie Swierczynski & Brittany Houck
Crucifer: Erin Webster

Altar Guild: Shirley Banas and Lois Mudie

Ushers: Paul Yox, Judith Hoffmann, Matthew Hoffmann, Ashley Hoffmann, Ryan Carr, Erik Radtke

Communion Assistants: Kenneth Kushka and Vicar Dom

Lector: Sheree Krol

Greeters: Fred Bartz Jr. and Joanne Kushka

WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Today: All Saints Day

10:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class
2:00 - Annual Youth vs. Council bowling challenge – Abbott Lanes (bowlers and cheerleaders are all invited!

Monday - 12:00 – Salem Piecemakers; 6:00 – Confirmation Class; 5:15 – ChristCare Dance Class, led by Darlene LaPenna

Tuesday - 11:00 - Women’s Guild; 1:00 – Bible Study, led by Sally McAlpine; 3:30 – ChristCare “Single Serving;” 6:30 – Girl Scouts, led by Dawn Thomas; 7:00 – Bloomfield Block Club

Wednesday: 7:00 – 8:15 – Pastor’s Class; 7:00 Choir; 7:00 – LWML Zone Planning meeting, Faith Lutheran Church, Elma

Thursday: 9:30 – ChristCare Bible Study – led by Ruth Carr; 6:30 – ChristCare Leadership, led by Jim Carr

Friday –

Saturday - 6:00 – Couples Club – potluck; 11:30 – 1:30 – AA Group

SUNDAY - NEXT SUNDAY – 9:30 a.m. worship with Holy Communion . . . 10:45 a.m. Sunday School and NO Bible Class . . . VOTERS MEETING in lower social room downstairs after worship with coffee hour

STEPHEN MINISTERS – Are you Stressed? Discouraged? Feeling Down? You don't have to go through difficult times alone. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide you with confidential, one-to-one, Christian care and support to help you get through a tough time. So don't keep it all inside and struggle alone through the holiday season. Our Stephen Ministers are "there to care." *To find out more, talk with Rich Landseadel – 822-9695 or Dayle Austin – 822-5565.*

QUOTE OF THE DAY: “Any man’s death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind, and therefore, never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee.”
- John Donne

