

# A Time to Plan:

A Time to Plant and a  
Time to Uproot



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## Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

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*A Time to Plant a Time to Uproot*

**W**elcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our services we gather before our almighty God to receive his gifts and to offer him our worship and praise. Through God's powerful Word and sacraments he renews our faith and strengthens us to serve in joy.

**PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP:** Blessed Holy Spirit, turn my heart aside from the things of this world and worries in it, and quiet my heart with your peace. Fill my spirit with joy that I might worship you always. Amen.

**THEME OF THE DAY:** The prophets predicted that the Messiah would come "with healing in his wings." And Jesus did just that: healing, teaching, and casting out demons everywhere he went. In a world where we sometimes see our plans blessed and other times see them uprooted, it is easy to forget that Jesus gives us perfect healing too. Whether we are in a season of growth or a season of struggle, God promises to deliver us from our suffering - both physically and spiritually. May we use our time to serve him joyfully!

**OUR WORSHIP SERIES:** "Everything we have is a gift from God. ""Stewardship"" is the term we use to describe the lifelong management of all the resources God has given us. That includes a quickly-depleting resource called "time." Everything competes for it. Taking the time to manage the time we have has huge implications on how we individually and as a church use it for Christ and each other.

**A WORD ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION:** Our church observes the biblical practice of member communion (also called close communion). In Holy Communion we not only receive forgiveness from God, but we also express the unique relationship our members have with each other. If you are not a member of our congregation, we kindly ask that you not take communion today, but speak with our pastor after the service. We would love to share the sacrament with you in the future.

### ***SERVING GOD, SERVING US:***

Guest Preacher: Pastor Jon Enter

Piano/Organ: Madison Boerner

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# Order of Worship

CW Hymnal, Setting One



(Sunday) Preservice Handbells *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

Cathy Moklebust

Hymn: Lord, Open Now My Heart to Hear

CW 632



1 Lord, o - pen now my heart to hear, and through your  
2 Your Word in - spires my heart with - in; your Word grants  
3 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the



Word to me draw near. Let me your Word e'er pure re -  
heal - ing from my sin. Your Word has pow'r to guide and  
Spir - it, Three in One, shall glo - ry, praise, and hon - or



tain; let me your child and heir re - main.  
bless; your Word brings peace and hap - pi - ness.  
be now and through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

Please stand.

Minister: In the name of the Father and of the  $\dagger$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

## CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS OF SINS

M: Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

C: **Blessed are they whose sin the Lord does not count against them.** (Psalm 32)

M: Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

C: **Almighty and merciful Father,**

**we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep.**

**We have followed what we have devised and desired in our hearts.**

**We have offended you and sinned against your holy law.**

**We have done those things that we should not have done,**

**And we have not done those things that we should have done.**

**Have mercy on us Lord!**

**Spare us, forgive us, and restore us,  
according to your promises in Christ Jesus.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

**M:** God, our merciful Father, has forgiven all our sins. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer and Savior. Jesus paid the penalty for our guilt by his death on the cross and freed us from death by his resurrection from the grave. We have peace with God now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

**Hymn: All Glory Be to God Alone**

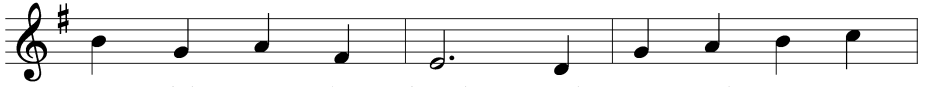
CW 936 sts. 1, 4



1 All glo - ry be to God a - lone, for -  
4 You take the whole world's sin a - way; have



ev - er - more the high - est One, who did our  
mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray. You take the



sin - ful race be - friend and grace and peace to  
whole world's sin a - way; O lis - ten to the



us ex - tend. A - mong man - kind may his good  
prayer we say. You sit at God's right hand each



will all hearts with deep thanks - giv - ing fill.  
day; have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**M:** The Lord be with you.

**C:** And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, whose grace always precedes and follows us, help us forsake all trust in earthly gain and find in you our heavenly treasure; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

*Be seated.*

## First Reading

Job 1:6-22

*Job lived a blessed life, but in one day God allowed it to be taken away. In a time of uprooting, Job still trusted the Lord.*

<sup>6</sup>One day the angels came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came with them. <sup>7</sup>The LORD said to Satan, "Where have you come from?"

Satan answered the LORD, "From roaming throughout the earth, going back and forth on it."

<sup>8</sup>Then the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil."

<sup>9</sup>"Does Job fear God for nothing?" Satan replied. <sup>10</sup>"Have you not put a hedge around him and his household and everything he has? You have blessed the work of his hands, so that his flocks and herds are spread throughout the land. <sup>11</sup>But now stretch out your hand and strike everything he has, and he will surely curse you to your face."

<sup>12</sup>The LORD said to Satan, "Very well, then, everything he has is in your power, but on the man himself do not lay a finger."

Then Satan went out from the presence of the LORD.

<sup>13</sup>One day when Job's sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the oldest brother's house, <sup>14</sup>a messenger came to Job and said, "The oxen were plowing and the donkeys were grazing nearby, <sup>15</sup>and the Sabeans attacked and made off with them. They put the servants to the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

<sup>16</sup>While he was still speaking, another messenger came and said, "The fire of God fell from the heavens and burned up the sheep and the servants, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

<sup>17</sup>While he was still speaking, another messenger came and said, "The Chaldeans formed three raiding parties and swept down on your camels and made off with them. They put the servants to the sword, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!"

<sup>18</sup>While he was still speaking, yet another messenger came and said, “Your sons and daughters were feasting and drinking wine at the oldest brother’s house, <sup>19</sup>when suddenly a mighty wind swept in from the desert and struck the four corners of the house. It collapsed on them and they are dead, and I am the only one who has escaped to tell you!”

<sup>20</sup>At this, Job got up and tore his robe and shaved his head. Then he fell to the ground in worship <sup>21</sup>and said:

“Naked I came from my mother’s womb,  
and naked I will depart.  
The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away;  
may the name of the LORD be praised.”

<sup>22</sup>In all this, Job did not sin by charging God with wrongdoing.

M: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Second Reading

James 4:13-17

*All plans happen only by one direction: If the Lord wills. We trust and submit to God’s good and gracious will in every kind of time.*

<sup>13</sup>Now listen, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.” <sup>14</sup>Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. <sup>15</sup>Instead, you ought to say, “If it is the Lord’s will, we will live and do this or that.” <sup>16</sup>As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes. All such boasting is evil. <sup>17</sup>If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn’t do it, it is sin for them.

M: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Anthem: I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Stephen DeCesare

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast.”  
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad;  
I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say, “Behold I freely give living water;  
thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live.”  
I came Jesus and I drank of that lifegiving stream;  
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light;  
look unto me; your morn shall rise and all your day be bright."  
I looked to Jesus and I found in Him my star, my sun;  
and in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done.

*Please stand.*

## Gospel

Mark 1:29-39

*Jesus had a plan to bring his ministry not to just one town but to many. Jesus' love, teaching, and healing, was meant for all, including us!*

<sup>29</sup>As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. <sup>30</sup>Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. <sup>31</sup>So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

<sup>32</sup>That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. <sup>33</sup>The whole town gathered at the door, <sup>34</sup>and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

<sup>35</sup>Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. <sup>36</sup>Simon and his companions went to look for him, <sup>37</sup>and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!"

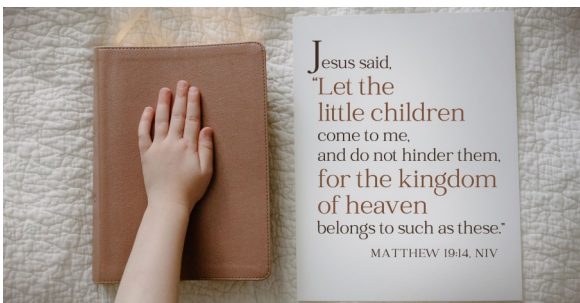
<sup>38</sup>Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." <sup>39</sup>So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be seated.*

## Children's Devotion



## Hymn: I Leave All Things to God's Direction

CW 799 sts. 1-2, 4



1 I leave all things to God's di - rec - tion; he loves me  
2 God knows what must be done to save me; his love for  
4 My God has all things in his keep - ing; he is my



both in joy and woe. His will is good, sure his af -  
me will nev - er cease. Up - on his hands he did en -  
ev - er - faith - ful friend. He gives me laugh - ter af - ter



fec - tion; his ten - der love is true, I know. My for - tress  
grave me with pur - est gold of lov - ing grace. His will su -  
weep - ing, and all his ways in bless - ings end. His love en -



and my rock is he: what pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.  
preme must ev - er be: what pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.  
dures e - ter - nal - ly: what pleas - es God, that pleas - es me.

## Sermon

Based on Mark 1:29-39

Please stand after the sermon.

## THANKSGIVING

### Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.



**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Be seated.*

## **Offering**



*Our members give offerings to support God's work in our church. Offerings can be put in the basket or made online by scanning the code. Visitors may give, but aren't expected to.*

*We ask members and visitors alike to fill out the connection card and place it in the basket now or as you leave. Please share your prayer requests that we can pray for you.*



*Please stand.*

## **Prayer of the Church**

### **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. The meal also bears witness to the unity and fellowship we share with each other. Therefore, we invite to communion all those who share in our confession by virtue of their membership here or in a sister WELS or ELS congregation. We ask visitors to speak to the pastor before communing.*

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who promised that wherever two or three come together in his name, there he is with them to shepherd his flock until he comes again in glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

### Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en - ly hosts:  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -  
san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he,  
bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho-san - na, ho-san - na, ho-san - na in the high - est.

## Words of Institution

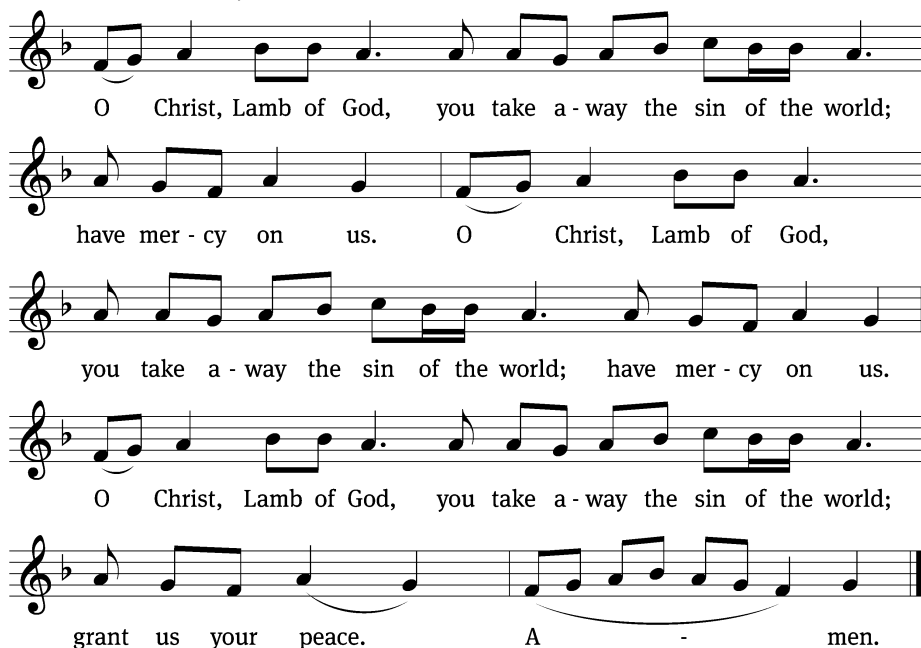
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my  $\dagger$  body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my  $\dagger$  blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

## O Christ, Lamb of God



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - men.

Be seated.

## Communion Distribution

*For those who cannot have any alcohol for personal or medical reasons we offer white grape juice. You will find cups of white grape juice in the center of each communion tray. Gluten-free wafers are available by request for those medically unable to tolerate gluten.*

*Communicants may choose to receive the wine by individual or common cup. If you choose the common cup, please allow the individual tray to pass and then assist the minister by helping to tip the common cup.*

## Hymn: The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord

CW 677 sts. 1-5, 8



1 The death of Je - sus Christ, our Lord, we cel - e -  
2 He blot - ted out with his own blood the judg - ment  
3 That this for - ev - er true shall be he gives a  
4 His Word pro - claims and we be - lieve that in this



brate with one ac - cord; it is our com - fort  
that a - gainst us stood; he full a - tone - ment  
sol - emn guar - an - tee; in this his ho - ly  
sup - per we re - ceive his ver - y bod - y,



in dis - tress, our heart's sweet joy and hap - pi - ness.  
for us made, and all our debt he ful - ly paid.  
sup - per here we taste his love, so sweet, so near.  
as he said, his ver - y blood for sin - ners shed.

- 5 A precious food is this indeed,  
it never fails us in our need,  
a heav'nly manna for our soul  
until we safely reach our goal.
- 8 Help us sincerely to believe  
that we may worthily receive  
your supper and in you find rest.  
Amen! They who believe are blest.

*Please stand at the pastor's direction.*

### Response of Thanksgiving

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: **His mercy endures forever.**

*Psalm 118:1*

M: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: **We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

*1 Corinthians 11:26*

## Closing Prayer & Blessing

M: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## Blessing

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

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

C: Amen.

## Hymn: What God Ordains Is Always Good

CW 844 st. 4

4 What God or-dains is al - ways good: this truth re - mains un -  
shak - en. Though sor - row, need, or death be mine, I shall not  
be for - sak - en. I fear no harm, for with his arm he  
will em - brace and shield me; so to my God I yield me.

## Silent Prayer and Announcements

### Acknowledgments

Setting One from Christian Worship

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## Fellowship & Spiritual Growth

Sunday morning, all are invited to enjoy refreshments and fellowship in the entry between services. Sunday JAM for children ages 3yrs to 6th grade starts at 9:15am in the sanctuary. Adult Bible study begins at 9:15 in the fellowship hall downstairs

## For Worship Next Week

Worship theme: A Time to Pause: A Time to Search and a Time to Give Up

Bible Readings: Amos 8:4-12, Hebrews 4:1-13, Luke 13:10-17

Hymns: 919, 635, 837

## Save the Date: November 24

Join us for Mission Fest! World Missions Administrator Larry Schlomer will be here to lead us in worship. We'll enjoy fellowship at a meal following the 10:30 service while we celebrate some workers in our own mission field as they celebrate some significant ministry milestones. Don't miss it!

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

# MISSION NOVEMBER 24 FEST



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REACHING EVERY NEIGHBOR, EVERY NATION



International Mission - Uganda



Campus Ministry - Mankato, MN



Our Mission - Stillwater, MN

## **PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION**

(Also printed in the hymnal)

Q: What does God tell me about myself in his holy Word?

A: *He says that I am a sinner and deserve only his punishment.*

Q: What should I do if I am not aware of my sins or am not troubled by them?

A: *I should examine myself according to the Ten Commandments and ask how well I have carried out my responsibilities as a husband or wife or single person, as a parent or child, an employer or employee, a teacher or student. Have I loved God with all my heart, gladly heard his Word, and patiently endured affliction? Have I been disobedient, proud, or unforgiving? Have I been selfish, lazy, envious, or quarrelsome? Have I lied or deceived, taken something not mine, or given anyone a bad name? Have I abused my body or permitted indecent thoughts to linger in my mind? Have I failed to do what is right and good?*

Q: When I realize that I have sinned against God and deserve his punishment, what should I do?

A: *I will confess before God all my sins, those which I remember as well as those of which I am unaware. I will pray to God for his mercy and forgiveness.*

Q: How do I receive his gracious forgiveness?

A: *His Word assures me that Jesus led a pure and holy life for me and died on the cross for me to pay the full price for all my sins. Through faith in Jesus, I have been clothed in my Savior's perfect righteousness and holiness.*

Q: What further assurance do I have that Jesus is mine and I am his?

A: *In Holy Communion he gives me his body and blood together with the bread and wine as a truly life-giving food and drink to unite me with him and my fellow believers. By means of this sacrament, Jesus not only forgives my sins but sweeps away all my doubts about his love for me, gives me his own strength to live a God-pleasing life, and grants me a joyful foretaste of heaven.*

Q: How can I be sure that I receive all these blessings in the Lord's Supper?

A: *I have his own word spoken as his last will and testament on the night before he died. There he tells me: "Take and eat; this is my body. Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me."*

Q: How will I respond to this priceless gift from Jesus?

A: *I will daily thank and praise him for his love to me. With his help I will fight temptation, do my best to correct whatever wrongs I have done, and serve him and those around me with love and good works.*

Lord Jesus, with joy and gratitude I now come to your table to receive the precious food of your life-giving body and blood. May it strengthen me to remain in you as you remain in me, so that I bear much fruit in devoted service to you and in acts of kindness to others. Amen.

# Welcome to worship!

## FOR OUR GUESTS

We are glad that you joined us to worship our Savior today. If you have questions about our church or service simply ask an usher or someone near you. We're happy to help. Please take note of a few helpful things:

- † **Restrooms** are located straight down the hall opposite the sanctuary entrance. Both men's and women's restrooms are equipped with **diaper changing tables** for your convenience.
- † Our sanctuary is equipped with an amplified "loop" system for **hearing assistance**. Please set hearing aids to the "T" position.
- † You will find a **connection card** in your pew. We ask members and guests to share their names and contact info, and invite you to share requests for contact or prayers. Cards can be placed in the offering basket or left on the table near the sanctuary entrance.
- † Salem members give an **offering** to support the work we do for the Lord. Guests are not expected to give anything, but if you wish to make a donation you can place it in a basket as it's passed during the service or give online.

## FOR THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

We love to see families worship together and we welcome children to sing and pray and grow with us in our services. Please note these special worship aids and helps for families:

- † Children's bulletins & "*quiet bags*" for your child's use in worship are available in the entry, just to the left of the office hallway. Ask an usher if you need help finding them.
- † If your child needs to be nursed or quieted for a few moments you can use our "*cry room*" down the hallway across from the restrooms. The service is shown live on a TV in the room.
- † Sunday mornings, before the hymn of the day and sermon, children of all ages are invited to come to the front of church for a short devotion on God's Word. Parents may accompany their children as they wish.

Salem Lutheran Church exists to glorify God  
by teaching his timeless Truth, that all may  
grow in grace and faith to share tomorrow's eternity.

