

**Salem Ev Lutheran Church
Pentecost 21**

**Pastor Bare & Pastor Wilde
October 22 & 25, 2020**

SERVICE OF THE WORD

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN 341, 1 & 4

**Crown him with many crowns, The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King Through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns As thrones before him fall;
Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns For he is King of all.**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

P: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Grant, O merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace that they may be cleansed from all their sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

C: Amen.

MLS CONCERT CHOIR

GOD'S WORD IS OUR GREAT HERITAGE (CW 293)

Fritz Reuter (1863-1924)

**God's Word is our great heritage And shall be ours forever;
To spread its light from age to age Shall be our chief endeavor.
Through life it guides our way, In death it is our stay.
Lord, grant, while worlds endure, We keep its teachings pure
Throughout all generations. Amen.**

O SING TO GOD THE LORD

Hans Hassler (1564-1612)

**O sing to God the Lord, sing to him new songs!
O sing to God the Lord all the nations.**

**And bless his holy name now and forever.
Declare his glorious, mighty salvation from one day to the next.
Declare his glory to the nations, glorious is he.
Declare to all humankind good and wondrous are his deeds.**

USE ME, LORD

Hughes/Drennan

Piano: Ellie Baldwin

Violin: Noah Kelly

**Use me, Lord: use me for your service.
Use me, Lord; use me to do your will.
How I pray, make my life count for you each day.
And so I say, use me, Lord, today.**

**Use me, Lord; use me to tell love's story.
Use me, Lord; use me to lift your name.
How I pray, make my life count for you each day.
And so I say, use me, Lord, today. Use me, Lord.**

THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS (CW 375)

arr. Paul Bouman

Piano: Eli Slangor

Clarinet: Olivia Needham

The congregation sings the verses as indicated.

Congregation:

**The King of love my shepherd is, Whose goodness fails me never;
I nothing lack if I am his And he is mine forever**

Choir women:

**Where streams of living water flow, My Savior gently leads me;
And where the verdant pastures grow, With food celestial feeds me.**

Choir:

**Confused and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid And home, rejoicing, brought me.**

Congregation:

**In death's dark vale I fear no ill With you, dear Lord, beside me;
Your rod and staff my comfort still; Your cross before to guide me.**

Choir sopranos:

**You spread a table in my sight, A banquet here bestowing;
Your oil of welcome, my delight; My cup is overflowing!**

Instrumental Interlude

Congregation:

**And so through all the length of days Your goodness fails me never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing your praise, Within your house forever!**

GO NOT FAR FROM ME

Nicola Zingarelli (1752-1837)

**Go not far from me, O God; Cast me not away in the time of age:
Forsake me not when my strength faileth me.**

**O let my mouth be filled with Thy praise;
That I may sing Thy glory and honor all the day long.**

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of Armies will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of aged wines, with the best cuts of meat, and with the finest wines. On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that covers all peoples, the burial cloth stretched over all nations. He has swallowed up death forever! The Lord God will wipe away the tears from every face. He will take away the shame of his people throughout the earth. For the Lord has spoken. On that day it will be said, "Look, here is our God! We waited for him, and he saved us! This is the Lord! We waited for him. Let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation!"

HYMN

**Surely it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid.
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
And he will be my Savior.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus spoke to them again in parables. He said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. He sent out his servants to summon those who were invited to the wedding banquet, but they did not want to come. "Then he sent out other servants and said, 'Tell those who are invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner. My oxen and my fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet!' "But those who were invited paid no attention and went off, one to his own farm, another to his business. The rest seized the king's servants, mistreated them, and killed them. As a result, the king was very angry. He sent his army and killed those murderers and burned their town. "Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. So go to the main crossroads and invite as many as you find to the wedding banquet.' Those servants went out to the roads and gathered together everyone they found, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the

king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. He said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without wearing wedding clothes?' The man was speechless. Then the king told the servants, 'Tie him hand and foot and throw him into the outer darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

HYMN OF THE DAY 147, v1-4

**Like the golden sun ascending, Breaking through the gloom of night,
On the earth its glory spending So that darkness takes to flight,
Thus my Jesus from the grave And death's dismal, dreadful cave
Rose triumphant Easter morning At the early purple dawning.**

**Thanks to you, O Christ victorious! Thanks to you, O Lord of Life!
Death has now no power o'er us, You have conquered in the strife.
Thanks because you did arise And have opened paradise!
None can fully sing the glory Of the resurrection story.**

SERMON

EASTER IN OCTOBER, EASTER EVERY DAY

Isaiah 25:6-9

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty, From there 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.

MLS CONCERT CHOIR

SECURE

Boersma/Courtney

**A storm is raging, Lord.
The boat I sail is small and, oh, so frail. The wind is blowing, Lord.
I cannot hold the course against the gale. The light'ning strikes on ev'ry side,
Nowhere to run, nowhere to hide. Your hand alone can hold the tide, Lord, rescue me.**

**I am sinking, Lord. The boat is taking water, going down.
Part the waters, Lord. I long to plant my feet on solid ground.
Oh, Lord of earth and sky and sea, Your hand is reaching out to me,
I know that You have heard my plea, My hope is sure. I am secure.**

I RUN TO CHRIST (new in CW 2021)

Habegger/Ijames

Student Conductor: Hannah Rux

I run to Christ when chased by fear and find a refuge sure.

**“Believe in Me,” His voice I hear; His words and wounds secure.
I run to Christ when torn by grief and find abundant peace.
“I too had tears,” He gently speaks; thus joy and sorrow meet.**

**I run to Christ when worn by life and find my soul refreshed.
“Come unto Me,” He calls through strife; fatigue gives way to rest.
I run to Christ when vexed by hell and find a mighty arm.
“The devil flees,” the Scriptures tell; he roars but cannot harm.**

**I run to Christ when stalked by sin and find a sure escape.
“Deliver me,” I cry to Him; temptation yields to grace.
I run to Christ when plagued by shame and find my one defense.
“I bore God’s wrath,” He pleads my case, my Advocate and Friend.**

I run to Christ, in joy, in grief, and worship at His feet.

**THE NEW JERUSALEM (CW 215)
Piano: Kayla Schnose**

Bruce Vantine

**Then I saw a new heaven and earth;
I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem,
Prepared as a bride coming down from God.**

**Jerusalem, when shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end?
Thy joys when shall I see?**

**Jerusalem, thou silver stream,
In you life’s currents flow; Upon your banks on every side,
The flower of life shall grow.**

**And the Holy City had no need of the sun or moon,
For its light was of God’s glory;
The light is glory from God, the light is the Lamb.**

**Jerusalem, God, grant that I may see
Thine endless joy and of that love partaker ever be.**

THE MORNING TRUMPET

arr. Michael Richardson

**O when shall I see Jesus and reign with Him above,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning;
And from the flowing fountain drink everlasting love,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.**

Refrain:

**O shout, “Glory!” I shall mount above the skies
When I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.**

**But now I am a soldier, my captain's gone before,
And I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.**

**He's given me my orders and he bids me ne'er give o'er,
Till I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.**

Refrain

**When shall I be delivered from this vain world of sin,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.
And with my blessed Jesus drink endless pleasures in,
And shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.**

Refrain

DAY BY DAY (CWS 765)

arr. Donald Busarow

Trio: Elise Kopp, Gracie Lamb & Hannah Rux

**Day by day, your mercies, Lord, attend me,
Bringing comfort to my anxious soul;
Day by day, the blessings, Lord, you send me,
Draw me nearer to my heavenly goal.
Love divine, beyond all mortal measure,
Brings to naught the burdens of my quest;
Savior, lead me to the home I treasure,
Where, at last, I'll find eternal rest.**

**Day by day, I know you will provide me
Strength to serve and wisdom to obey;
I will seek your loving will to guide me
O'er the paths I struggle day by day.
I will fear no evil of the morrow,
I will trust in your enduring grace.
Savior, help me bear life's pain and sorrow
Till in glory I behold your face.**

**Oh, what joy to know that you are near me
When my burdens grow too great to bear;
Oh, what joy to know that you will hear me
When I come, O Lord, to you in prayer.
Day by day, no matter what befalls me,
I will know the comfort of your love.
Savior, with your presence here to guide me,
I will reach at last my home above.**

PRAYERS

LORD’S PRAYER

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.

Announcements

WELS CONNECTION

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The Owosso Lutheran Hour is provided by a member in thankfulness to God for His gift of music.

The Altar Flowers are placed by Bonny Rogers in thankfulness to God for all the blessings He’s given her and her family.

This week at Salem

Sunday	8 & 10:30am	Worship Services
	9:30am	Bible Class AT SCHOOL
	1:30pm	Public Confirmation Class
Monday	6:30pm	Bible Study VIA ZOOM
Tuesday	10:30am	Bible Class AT CHURCH
	7:00pm	Voters’ Meeting AT SCHOOL
Wednesday	6:00pm	Handbells
	7:00pm	Bible Information Class
Thursday	7:00pm	Communion Service

	October 11	To Date
Offerings received	\$ 6,997.44	\$438,248.12
FEF/Tuition/ Reg	\$ 805.63	\$ 26,197.35
Other/ Interest	\$ 0	\$ 993.85
Total:	\$ 7,803.07	\$465.439.32
Budgetary needs	\$12,588.37	\$516,019.03
Difference	-\$4,785.30	-\$ 50,579.71
Owed to internal line of credit:		\$0

