

Salem's History & Growth

A handful of Swedish immigrants started this church community in 1893. Over the ensuing years its congregation's ethnicities have expanded as its membership has expanded. Originally named "*Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Church*," those expanded ethnicities caused the name to change to Salem Lutheran Church. Because there was another Salem Lutheran Church relatively close by in Dalbo, Minnesota, the name was modified to read "*Salem Lutheran Church of Oxford*" (for Oxford township).

The original building's entrance was at the east (street) end and the altar was at the west-end (where one now enters the sanctuary). Over time, newer pews were added, the mechanicals and organs were updated, and building additions were planned and built.



Drawn by...Mavis Tacheny

The church "grew up" in the Swedish-American Lutheran churches and, after joining and leaving several national Lutheran church organizations, ultimately settled into the LCMC (Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ) in 2010 where we remain to this day. We, at Salem, are an open and friendly church who invite all who believe in God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit to come worship with us. More importantly, we invite all who *do not* believe to come learn about Him, His Son, and His Holy Spirit.

We have several children from infants to near-teens and now offer Sunday school as well. Our big, annual affair is a picnic that is always held on the first Sunday of August. All are welcome to come enjoy great food and great fellowship beginning with a morning worship and followed by music and games for all ages.



**Salem
Lutheran
Church
of Oxford**

Baptism

**5th Sunday after
EASTER**

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WELCOME!!

Musical (organ) Prelude – “Kyrie Eleison and Gloria in Excelsis” –
Follow along in the Reclaim Hymnal – Setting 2, page 42

Hymns – We are now using 2 hymnals, *Celebration and ReClaim*. Song numbers will be using C### for Celebration and R### for Reclaim.

Hymn: “The Family of God”

I'm so glad I'm a part of the Family of God, I've been washed in the fountain, cleansed by His blood! Joint heirs with Jesus as we travel this sod, For I'm part of the family, The Family of God.

Pastor's Greeting / Opening Prayer

Passing the Peace of Christ

Hymn: “Lord of All Hopefulness” R200

Confession of Sin & Absolution -- Reclaim p. 41



To be baptized in accordance with Reclaim Baptism p. 95

- Mason Daniel Dullum son of Andrew & Jennifer Dullum
- Logan John O'Neill, son of Jacob O'Neill & Laura Aho
- Lyla Rae O'Neill, daughter of Jacob O'Neill & Laura Aho

Apostle's Creed – Reclaim p. 54

Hymn: “Children of the Heavenly Father” R201

Children's Sermon – (when children present)

Liturgy of the Word

Responsive Reading: Psalm 150 (NIV)

Lesson: Revelation 21:1-7 (NIV)

Gospel: John 16:16-22 (NIV)

Sermon: Pr. Bill Pohl – “Heaven is . . . ?”

Hymn: “I Know That My Redeemer Lives” . Vv. 1, 2, 8 R274



Liturgy of the Offering

Offering: The Collection of gifts

Offertory: “We Give Thee But Thine Own” R42

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

2nd Setting, Reclaim p. 63

Words of Institution & Communion distribution



Concluding Rites

Announcements ...

Benediction / Threefold Amen

Closing song: “God Be With You”

*God be with you 'til we meet again;
By His counsels' guide uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you 'til we meet again
'Til we meet, 'til we meet, 'til we meet at Jesus' feet;
'Til we meet, 'til we meet,
God be with you 'til we meet again.*

Sending:

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Postlude