#### Ringing of the Bell

#### **Prelude**

#### **Greeting / Life & Mission of Salem**

Blue prayer cards are located in the pew racks for you to write and share your prayer concerns. These prayer cards will be collected during the first hymn of the service by the ushers.

#### +Call to Worship

God's morning light softly breaks through the darkness without fanfare as the wonder of His promise quietly overtakes the shadows of our present darkness.

Blessed be our Lord, who rescues the weary, emboldens the weak, and gives the feeble strength to stand.

In the sunshine of life, days of ease, and abundance of blessing, awaken us to praise our Lord, the giver of every good and perfect gift.

In hardship and blessing, all good and profitable roads lead us to praise You without ceasing! All praise to our God and King!

## +Opening Prayer

+Opening Hymn "My Faith Looks up to Thee" 84

+Passing of the Peace

**Time with Children** 

Old Testament Reading Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

<u>Special Music</u> "There is Sunshine in My Soul Today"

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" Stille Family

Gospel Reading Matthew 25:31-46

<u>Sermon</u> "Mission Trip Reflection" Exhale

Special Music "Gold" Tori Lynn and Gabby Rabich

+The Apostles' Creed (Unison) (Inside cover of the Hymnal)

**Pastoral Prayer** 

The Offering of Tithes, Gifts, & Lives to God

<u>Invitation & Offertory</u> "I Love to Tell the Story" Stille Family

## +Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.

#### +Prayer of Dedication

+Closing Hymn

"Onward, Christian Soldiers"

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+The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

(Please Hold Hands)

+Benediction

"Send Me on My Way"

+Postlude

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# ~ Today's Favorite Hymn ~

# My Faith Looks up to Thee.....

This favorite hymn was submitted by **Laura Muench** because it is a song that has been played at all the Dengler's funerals.

## Onward, Christian Soldiers.....

This favorite hymn was submitted by **Patty Uhe** because she loves to hear men with their loud booming voices sing this song. She was overwhelmed when she heard a group of men sing this at Shannondale Church. This was also submitted by **Edith Ruehup**.

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#### TODAY'S MINISTRY

Greeter: Jim Annable
Liturgist: Dagmar Annable
Sound: Ron Mindrup

Ushers: Joe Dauderman, Cindy Henschen,

Erika & Zach Schlechte,

Susi Miller

#### **SALEM SEEKERS**

There will be no Sunday School during the summer. (May 28, 2017 – September 3, 2017)

The 2017-2018 Sunday School year will begin on September 10, 2017, on Rally Day (Worship in the Park)

at Alhambra Park.

<sup>\*</sup> All hymns are printed with permission by CCLI License Number: 2257288.

+ Indicates where you may stand, if able; **bold print** indicates where the congregation reads.

# ~ SALEM'S ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

#### **FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

Please join us in the downstairs Parish Hall for donuts, milk, juice, coffee and Fellowship!

#### **HOSPICE VOLUNTEER MEETING TODAY**

Heartland Hospice Care is looking for volunteers to become part of a vital ministry – hospice care. What is hospice? Hospice is a special kind of care designed to provide comfort as well as spiritual and emotional support for terminally ill patients and their families. If you would like to volunteer or want more information, there will be an informational meeting in the Gathering Room following worship today (Sunday, August 20). Grab a donut and check out the volunteer opportunities.

#### FAMILY FUN AT SHANNONDALE - SEPT 1-SEPT 4

Activities include canoeing/kayaking, swimming, hiking, volleyball, sightseeing, etc. Dining and accommodations are at Timber Lodge. Additional lodging is available in air conditioned cabins on a first come, first served basis. Tent/RV camping spaces are also available. Come for all or part of the weekend! Please contact Krista Mansholt at 488-6765 or mansholt@agtelco.com with questions.

#### **CONFIRMAND/PARENT MEETING - SEPT 6**

There will be a meeting for all confirmands and parents on Wednesday, September 6 at 6:30 p.m.

## ~ SALEM'S CALENDAR ~

Sunday	August 20	8:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
		9:00 a.m.	Worship / Mission Trip Sunday
			Fellowship Hour following Worship
			Praise Team Practice following Worship
			Heartland Hospice Meeting following Worship
		4-5:30 p.m.	Exhale
Monday	August 21	10:00 a.m.	Monday Morning Reflections at Maedge's
Thursday	August 24	6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Meeting
		7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts
Sunday	August 27	9:00 a.m.	Praise Worship
			Fellowship Hour following Worship
		4-5:30 p.m.	Exhale

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August 20, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.

Today's Worship Leaders:

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We are God's children called to seek, share, teach, and continue to experience the Word of God.