

Pre-Service Music

**"Canon"
"Do Lord"
"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**

**Elizabeth Brown
Erin Brown
Hayden Jackson**

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

Lord God almighty, You create wonder and beauty . All who seek You will see it!
**Mountains rise up to meet You! Seas sparkle with the wonder of Your
holy name! Trees reach out to You and bow before You!**
How small is my voice, O Lord? Magnify my voice that it may be as awesome as
my heart for You O Lord!
**We, O Lord, are Your special handiwork. We are fearfully and
wonderfully made. We praise You forever!**

+Opening Prayer

+Opening Hymn

"Morning has Broken"

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+Prayer of Confession

Loving God, You have given us all we need. You have promised us life abundantly with You here, and life forever with you in Your kingdom which has no end. In all this grace and goodness, we confess our heads have been turned. We have considered how we might make our own way, in ways we have attempted to find goodness apart from You. We fall before You with contrite hearts, humbled before Your greatness. Forgive our self-seeking and our desire to make something good apart from You. Keep pure our hearts, O Lord, and rescue us from futility. We praise You for Your wondrous mercy and grace, as we consider what it cost You to save us. Thanks be to our merciful Lord! Amen.

+Assurance of Pardon

+Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Fath`er, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.*

+Passing of the Peace

Time with Children

Epistle Reading

Romans 12:9-21

Special Music

"Do Lord"

Erin Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Clara Doubet, Hayden Jackson

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:21-28

Message

"The Cost of Discipleship"

+The Apostles' Creed (Unison)

(Inside cover of the Hymnal)

Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of Tithes, Gifts, & Lives to God

Invitation & Offertory

+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

The Celebration of Communion

We celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion in remembrance of the love and hope Christ brings to this day and to our lives. Salem Church, as a United Church of Christ, practices "open" communion meaning anyone who has chosen to follow Jesus Christ is welcome to the table by His invitation. Come as you are for you are welcome here! Please fill out a communion card, which you may find in the pew rack, and place your communion card in the offering plate.

(We celebrate altar communion by intinction. You are invited to come to the front using the middle aisle, break off a piece of bread, and dip it into the wine. Please use the side aisles when returning to your seat.)

+Communion Hymn

"You'll Find Love"

(see insert)

+Invitation

+Communion Prayer

The Lord be with you. **And also with you**

Open your hearts. **We open them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God our thanks and praise

Words of Institution

Sharing the Gifts of God

"Come to the Table"

Pastor Jerry

+Communion Prayer

+Closing Hymn **"All Creatures of Our God and King" 347**

+The Lord's Prayer (Unison) **(Please Hold Hands)**

+Benediction **"God Be with You 'Til We Meet Again"**

God be with you 'til we meet again
If life's trials should confound you,
God will put His arms around you
God be with you 'til we meet again.

+Response

+Postlude

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

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~ Today's Favorite Hymn ~

Morning has Broken...

Submitted by **Patty Uhe** because this song reminds her of her late Uncle Art and how he would sing this song with all his heart.

All Creatures of Our God and King...

Submitted by **Donal Reagan** because it reminds him of the beauty of God's earth.

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TODAY'S MINISTRY

Greeter: **Volunteer**
Liturgist: **Laura Muench**
Sound: **Ron Mindrup**
Ushers: **Sharon Kaufman, Judy Blom, Justin Bonnell, Laura Muench, Laverne Korsmeyer**

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In His Steps

September 3, 2017 – 9:00 a.m.

Today's Worship Leaders:

Pastor John Mindrup, Assistant Pastor & Dawn Reinhardt, Music Director

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

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