

## Ringing of the Bell

## Prelude / Lighting of the Candles

## 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

O Lord, the depth of Your wonder is infinitely greater than the collective thoughts of all who consider You. Great is our God!

**Though Your ways are profound, You care about all things. You consider the little sparrow that falls from the sky. The compassion of our Lord is unfailing!**

Your power, O Lord, is unchallenged. Your voice quiets raging seas and stills storms. All Your power is used for good, that we may ever trust You. Our Lord is good!

**You have watched over us, O Lord, even when we have strayed from Your path. You have waited for us, though we have been slow to respond to Your love. Praise be to our long suffering and merciful God!**

## +Opening Prayer

## +Opening Hymn

*“Spirit”*

*(see insert)*

## +Passing of the Peace

## Time with Children

## Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 25:1-9

## Special Music

*“Blessed Assurance”*

Salem Chimes

## Gospel Reading

Matthew 22:1-14

## Message

*“Accepting the Invitation”*

## +The Apostles’ Creed (Unison)

(Inside cover of the Hymnal)

## Pastoral Prayer

## The Offering of Tithes, Gifts, & Lives to God

## Invitation & Offertory

*“I Wouldn’t Take Nothing for My Journey Now”*  
Josh Gillison

### +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

*“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”*

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### +The Lord’s Prayer (Unison)

(Please Hold Hands)

### +Benediction

### +Response

*“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.

### +Postlude

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## SALEM SEEKERS

<b>“Out of Egypt: Moses” Rotation</b>	<b>October 22</b>
<b>Gathering Room</b>	Opening 8:45 – 9:05 a.m.
<b>Faith Island (Games)</b>	K, 1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grades
<b>Disciples Dune’s (Cooking &amp; Science)</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> Grades
<b>Gathering Room</b>	Closing 9:40 – 9:50 a.m.

## TODAY’S MINISTRY

**Acolytes:** Kylie Ketcham, Koy Ketcham  
**Greeter:** Debbie Passig  
**Liturgist:** Laura Muench  
**Nursery:** Gena Hodapp  
Jill Verson  
**Sound:** Ron Mindrup  
**Ushers:** Jessica Ketcham, Doris Driscoll  
Sharon Kaufman, Haley Basler  
Brady Quade

# ~ SALEM'S CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Sunday	Oct. 15	8:45 a.m.	Salem Seekers (Sunday School)
		10:00 a.m.	Worship
			Praise Team Practice following Worship
		11:15 a.m.	Historical Committee Meeting
		4:00-5:30 p.m.	Exhale
Monday	Oct. 16	10:00 a.m.	Monday Morning Reflections at Maedge's
Tuesday	Oct. 17	9:00 a.m.	November Messenger Articles Due
		1:00 p.m.	Senior Citizens
Wednesday	Oct. 18	6:00 p.m.	Salem Chimes Practice
		6:30 p.m.	Confirmation
		6:30 p.m.	Salem Ringers Practice
		7:30 p.m.	Salem Chancel Choir Practice
Thursday	Oct. 19	7:00 p.m.	Guild & Brotherhood Meeting
Sunday	Oct. 22	8:45 a.m.	Salem Seekers (Sunday School)
		10:00 a.m.	Worship
			No Praise Team Practice
		4:00 a.m.	Trunk or Treat

## **HELP NEEDED — HITZ HOME APPLE BUTTER**

Help is needed on Monday, October 16 and Tuesday, October 17 to cut up apples in preparation of cooking the apple butter at Hitz Home on Wednesday, October 18.

## **TRUNK OR TREAT — OCTOBER 22**

Trunk or Treat will be Sunday, October 22, 2017, from 4:00-5:00 pm. Signup sheets are on the table by the office. We need trunks, treats, and kids to participate. Chili, hot dogs, drinks, and goodies will be provided. Hope to see you there!

## **FROM THE FOOD BASKET COMMITTEE**

The Food Basket Committee is putting together a list of people who need a little help with a food basket. If you know of someone or of a family who needs a little bit of help, please call Paige Basler at 618-488-7384 or Mary Reinhardt at 618-488-7745.

### **SALEM STAFF & CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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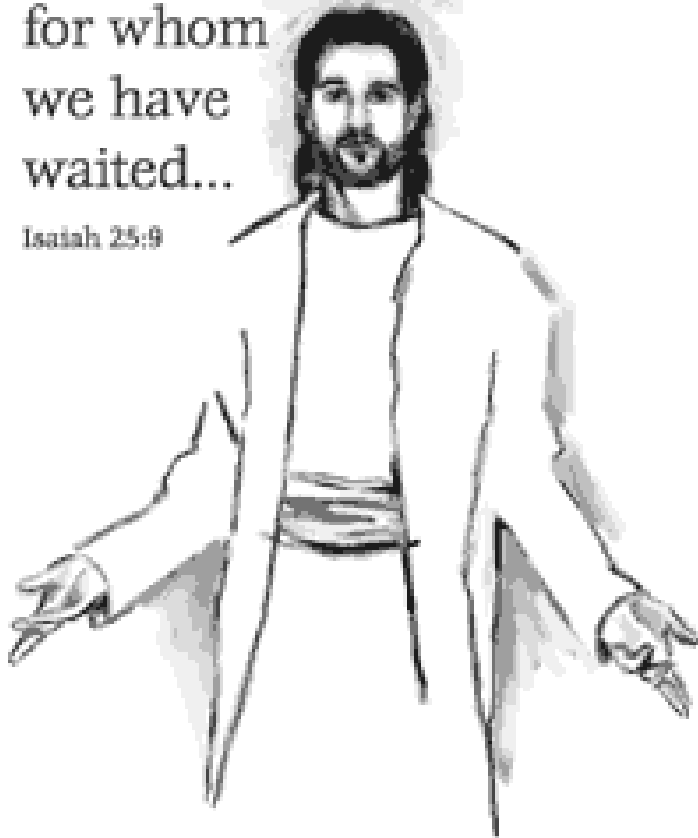
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This is  
the LORD  
for whom  
we have  
waited...

Isaiah 25:9



**October 15, 2017 – 10:00 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.***