

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

The light of Christ brings promise to a troubled world. Praise be to our Lord Jesus Christ!

**The grace of our Lord Jesus brings restoration to our weary souls.
Great is the restorer of our souls!**

Holy Spirit You continually fill us with the goodness of God, that we may know, love and follow our master more each day. We rejoice in You, O Spirit of God!

Loving God, You go before us and after us. You hedge us in on every side, that we are made secure in Your love. Thanks be to our loving God!

+Opening Prayer

+Opening Hymn

“Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross”

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+Passing of the Peace

Time with Children

Old Testament Reading

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

Special Music

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Salem Chimes

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:14-30

Message

“Kingdom Investment”

+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

+Closing Hymn

“Take My Life and Let it Be”

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

We, Salem UCC, broadcast our worship service on the internet via Livestream. If you have concerns regarding your image or your family’s image being broadcast, you may want to consider sitting in the balcony, the wings, or the back of the church. Children’s Time is broadcast, so please take that under consideration.

SALEM STAFF & CONTACT INFORMATION:

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SALEM SEEKERS

TODAY’S MINISTRY

Acolytes: Jordan Briggs, Travis Porter
Greeter: Ken Gehrig
Liturgist: Laura Muench
Nursery: Heather Luitjohan, Sarah Doubet
Sound: Ron Mindrup
Ushers: Jim & Dagmar Annable
Jon Beshears, Faye Brown
Cherie Kuhn

“David the Boy” Rotation	November 26
Gathering Room	Opening 8:45 – 9:05 a.m.
Scribe’s Den (Science)	3 rd , 4 th & 5 th Grades
Disciples Dune’s (Art & Cooking)	K, 1 st & 2 nd Grades
Gathering Room	Closing 9:40 – 9:50 a.m.

~ SALEM'S CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Sunday	Nov. 19	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Salem Seekers (Sunday School) Worship No Praise Team Practice Exhale TurkeyFest following Worship
Tuesday	Nov. 21	1:00 p.m.	Senior Citizens
Wednesday	Nov. 22		No Bells or Choirs Practices No Confirmation
Thursday	Nov. 23	7:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving Eve Worship Church Office Closed
Friday	Nov. 24		Church Office Closed
Sunday	Nov. 26	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Salem Seekers (Sunday School) Worship / Totenfest No Praise Team Practice Ecuador Mission Trip Informational Meeting following Worship
		4:00-5:30 p.m.	Exhale

FOOD BASKETS

The Food Basket Committee thanks all that participated in the giving of the baskets this year. It was much appreciated.

PECAN SALES

There are still pecans available for sale – the Women's Guild is selling pecans for \$11/pound.

ECUADOR INFORMATIONAL MEETING

There will be an informational meeting following worship on November 26 for the Ecuador Mission Trip. If you have any interest, please plan on attending. This meeting is informational only - no commitment necessary.

GIVING TREE SLIPS

Giving tree slips are in the passageway for children at Hoyleton Ministries and Uni-Pres Kindercottage. More slips will be available after Thanksgiving. Unwrapped gifts are needed back by December 3, 2017. If you don't have time to shop, leave a donation in the box in the passageway and we will shop for you.

CHRISTMAS GIFT SHOP

The Board of Christian Education will be sponsoring a Christmas Gift Shop on Sunday, December 17, following worship. The Christmas Gift Shop is for all children through 5th grade. An item for each member of a child's family will be given to that child at no cost. If anyone would like to donate new or gently used items for the Christmas Gift Shop, the Board of Christian Education will graciously accept. The Board of Christian Education would like to have any donated items by Sunday, December 10.

HANGING OF THE GREENS

Evangelism/Worship Committee is inviting EVERYONE to come decorate the sanctuary for the Christmas season on Saturday, December 2 at 8:30 a.m. We can find something for the young and old to do! Please consider coming for a while or for the day!!! Hope to see you then!

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The Parable of the Talents

November 19, 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.