

Salem United Church of Christ

December 31, 2017

Today's Worship Leaders:

John Mindrup, Assistant Pastor & Dawn Reinhardt, Music Director

Pre-Service Music

"Little Baby Jesus"

"I Am the Light of the World"

"Jesus is Born Today"

Ringing of the Bell

Greeting / Life & Mission of Salem

+Call to Worship

+Opening Song

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

+Opening Prayer

+Passing of the Peace

Time with Children

Epistle Reading

Galatians 4:4-7

Special Music

"He Shall Reign Forevermore"

Patrick Stille

Gospel Reading

Luke 2:22-40

Sermon

"Receiving the Promise"

Prayer of the People

The Offering of Tithes, Gifts, & Lives to God

Invitation & Offertory

"How Many Kings"

Praise Team

+Doxology

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

+Prayer of Dedication

+Closing Hymn

"Joy to the World"

(Note: The Praise Team will sing all the verses, and the Congregation is asked to join in on the chorus.)

+The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

(Please Hold Hands)

+Benediction

+Response

"Emmanuel"

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

The Nursery is available and staffed for children age 3 and under. Parents please sign-in and sign-out your child(ren). Thank you.

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'S CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Sunday	Dec. 31	10:00 a.m.	Praise Worship No Salem Seekers No Exhale
Tuesday	Jan. 2	6:30 p.m.	Evangelism/Worship Committee Meeting
		6:30 p.m.	Property Committee Meeting
Wednesday	Jan. 3	6:00 p.m.	Salem Chimes Practice
		6:30 p.m.	Salem Ringers Practice
		7:30 p.m.	Salem Chancel Choir Practice No Confirmation
Thursday	Jan. 4	7:00 p.m.	BOCE Meeting
Saturday	Jan. 6	9:00 a.m.	Taking Down of the Greens
Sunday	Jan. 7	8:45 a.m.	Salem Seekers (Sunday School)
		10:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion Praise Team Practice following Worship
		4:00 p.m.	Exhale

SALEM SEEKERS

"Daniel & the Lion's Den" Rotation	January 7
Gathering Room	Opening 8:45 – 9:05 a.m.
All Children in Gathering Room for Media	
Gathering Room	Closing 9:40 – 9:50 a.m.

TODAY'S MINISTRY

Acolytes:	Blake Ernst, Colton Prott
Greeter:	Volunteer
Liturgist:	Patty Uhe
Nursery:	Emily Stille, Tiffany Gillison
Sound:	Ron Mindrup
Ushers:	Patrick Stille, Tiffany Gillison Tim Stille, Carol & Bill Reckman

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WE NEED YOUR HELP

We need help in taking down the greens on Saturday, January 6, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

SALEM UCC PHONE DIRECTORY UPDATE

There are copies of the 2018 Phone Directory in the Narthex and the table outside the church office. Please check to see if your information is correct or needs to be corrected. Please do not take the binder. Copies of the 2018 Salem Directory will be available at the Congregation Annual Meeting.

2018 CALENDARS

2018 calendars are available in the Narthex and outside the Church Office. Calendars are compliments of Spengel-Boulanger/Dauderman Mortuary.

CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING

The date for the Salem Congregational Annual meeting has been set for February 4, 2018 following worship.

ANNUAL REPORTS

If you have not yet submitted your committee's annual report, please do so as soon as possible.

Words on Screen During Service:

Call to Worship

l) The light of the world came to God's people; His light was the light of all mankind!

p) We look to You, sovereign Lord, for all we need each day. From the simplicity of bread to our thirsting for righteousness, we are fulfilled in You!

l) We seek understanding in a life that can be confusing and troubling. You know all things O Lord; no detail is missing in your thoughts. To seek You is to be already found in Your wonder and grace. How great is the mystery of God!

p) The new year lays before us with possibilities; we seek to be Your will, O Lord! That earth may be closer to heaven in our every thought, action and our very being! You be glorified O God most high! All years, all days and moments belong to You! We are awed as You unveil Your wondrous plan!

“Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Lord, the light of Your love is shining in the midst of the darkness shining;
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth You now bring us,
Shine on me,
shine on me.

Chorus:

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory:
Blasé, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.
Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence, From the shadows into Your radiance;
By the blood I may enter Your brightness,
search me, try me, consume all my darkness,
Sine on me,
shine on me.

Chorus

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness,
So our faces display Your likeness;
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirror'd here may our lives tell Your story,
Shine on me,
shine on me.

Chorus

+Doxology

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

*O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,
O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord.*

Closing Hymn

“Joy to the World”

Chorus:

*Joy to the World!
All the boys and girls;
Joy to the fishes in the deep blue sea,
Joy to you and me.*

+Response

“Emmanuel”

*Emmanuel, Emmanuel
His name is called Emmanuel
God with us, revealed in us
His name is called Emmanuel*