

Salem United Church of Christ

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It is
God
who
works
in you.



Philippians
2:13, ESV

September 27, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.

Today's Worship Leaders:

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.

PRAISE WORSHIP

Pre-Service Music

*“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”
“We Will Dance”*

Ringling of the Bell

Call to Worship

Invocation

Worship Songs

“How Great Thou Art”

Epistle Reading

Philippians 2:1-13

Time with Children

Special Music

“Stronger”

Prayer

Joys and Concerns
Silent Confession
Pastoral Prayer
Lord’s Prayer

Worship Song

“Seek Ye First”

Gospel Reading

Matthew 21:23-32

Sermon

“The Way of Righteousness”

The Offering of Tithes, Gifts, & Lives to God

Invitation & Offertory

“He is Exalted / “O For a Thousand Tongues”
Jim Annable

Worship Song

“Everlasting God”

Our Life Together

Benediction

Postlude

“Call It Grace”

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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 or the back of the church.

TODAY’S MINISTRY

Greeters: Carol Reckman, Betty Imboden, Jim Annable

Liturgist: Bill Reckman

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~ SALEM’S CALENDAR ~

Sunday	September 27	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School (via Zoom) Adult Sunday School (In Person)
		10:00 a.m.	Worship
		6:00 p.m.	Exhale
Monday	September 28	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study via Livestream
		6:30 p.m.	Mission Committee Meeting
Wednesday	September 30	6:00 p.m.	High School Hangout
		6:30 p.m.	Confirmation
Thursday	October 1	7:00 p.m.	Board of Christian Education Meeting (via Zoom)
Sunday	October 4	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School (via Zoom) Adult Sunday School (In Person)
		10:00 a.m.	Worship w/Communion
		11:40 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Drive-thru Communion
		6:00 p.m.	Exhale

~ SALEM'S ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

Next Sunday, October 4, we will be collecting food for Salem's local food pantries (Bread of Life Food Pantry in Hamel and Highland Food Pantry) to help those in need. The grocery cart collection container will be in the Narthex under the stairway.

HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL

This year Sunday School is going to look a bit different. I'm looking to start hosting zoom meetings at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays to talk about the Youth Sunday service. Please join my remind so you are able to get the zoom links and reminders sent out once a week! You can join by texting 81010 and sending this message @hsyouthss I hope to see you on zoom! Haley Basler

EMMAUS OFFERING

The Emmaus Home is a wonderful ministry of the United Church of Christ located in St. Charles, Mo. For over 125 years they have ministered to adults with disabilities, and we at Salem have supported them over the years. This year they have experienced a decrease in financial support due to COVID-19 and are in need. We will be collecting a special offering for them over the next three weeks. Please mark any such giving as "Emmaus." Jesus said, "Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

DRIVE-THRU COMMUNION

We will be offering drive-thru communion following worship on Communion Sundays, beginning Sunday, October 4, 2020 from 11:40 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Communion will be served from the front entrance of the Sanctuary; enter the drive thru from the west, heading east.

NEW MEMBERS

We will have new member orientation on Sunday, October 11 following worship for anyone who is interested in becoming a member of Salem UCC. A sign-up sheet for the orientation is in the Narthex. We will receive new members during worship on Sunday, October 18.

FLU SHOTS

Alhambra Township and Village Residents will be given free flu shots on Monday, October 12 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at the Alhambra Fireman's Hall. No registration is needed. Drive up flu shots will be available for the elderly and disabled. Please call 618-488-2612 if you need a mobile flu shot. Masks are required before entering the building and social distancing will be monitored.

DEVOTIONAL BOX

There is a container outside of the office entrance with devotional booklets for anyone wishing to pick one up.

Words on Screen During Service:

Call to Worship:

O Lord, Your creation plays the tune that You have chosen. The lion roars, the ocean surf pounds the sand, and autumn leaves rustle. All creation echoes Your great name!

Morning breaks as Your sun illumines our world. All our eyes see and have been made in a detailed artistry. High and wonderful is the handiwork of our Lord God!

You have made each of us unique in character, special in ability, enabled in ways that bring goodness, life, and hope in ways that are ours alone. How precious is the creation of our lives? How Awesome are Your ways!

You have gifted us with life and also met us on this road of life, offering us Your purpose, plan, and everlasting reward. Great is the plan of God, though we cannot see its fullness from here. All that we do see amazes and awes us in wonder beyond all we can imagine. Praise God in the mystery His perfect plan!

“How Great Thou Art”

O Lord, my God, when I, in awesome wonder,
consider all the worlds Thy hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee,
how great Thou art; How great Thou art;
Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee,
how great Thou art; how great Thou art;
How great Thou art.

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee,
how great Thou art; How great Thou art;
Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee,
how great Thou art; how great Thou art;
How great Thou art.

Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee,
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how great Thou art; how great Thou art;
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“Seek Ye First”

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
and His righteousness.
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.

Man shall not live by bread alone,
but by ev'ry word.
That proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia.

Ask, and it shall be given unto you.
Seek, and ye shall find.
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.

“Everlasting God”

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord.
Strength will rise and we wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord,
we will wait upon the Lord.
Our God, You reign forever,
Our hope, our Strong Deliverer.

You are the everlasting God.
The everlasting God.
You do not faint, You won't grow weary.

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You do not faint, You won't grow weary.
You're the defender of the weak.
You comfort those in need,
You lift us up on wings like eagles.