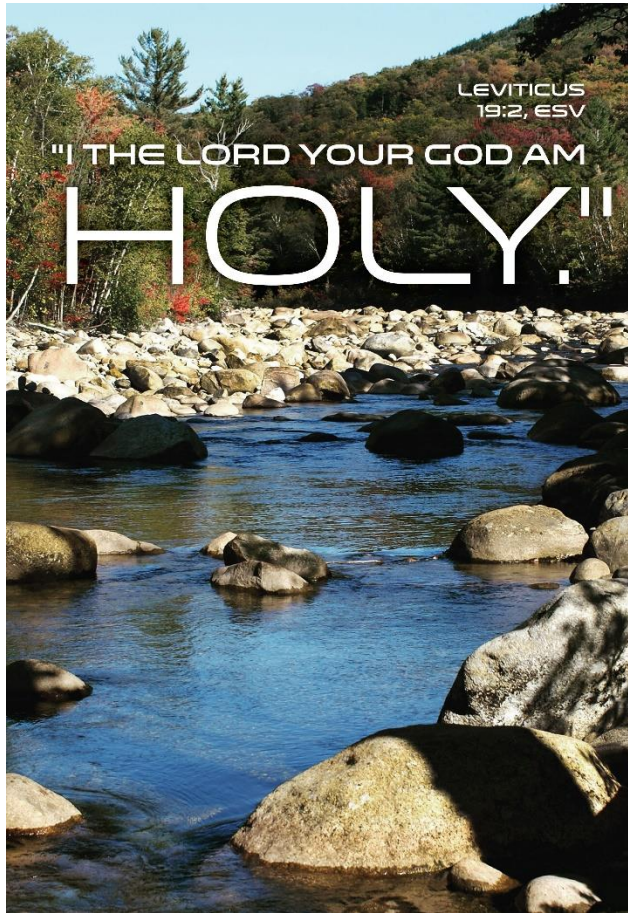


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October 25, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.

Today's Worship Leaders:

Rev. Jeremy R. Wood, Senior Pastor & Dawn Reinhardt, Music Director

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

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

Call to Worship

With joy we gather as the body of Christ called Christians.

Lord, enter our hearts this day and heal our wounds.

Help us to pour out our fears, doubts, and frustrations.

Help us feel your love washing through us, easing our pain.

We are called to reach out to each other.

Lord, help us to share all our joys and concerns, knowing that your love for us is always preset in our lives.

Invocation

Opening Hymn

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

(insert)

Confession

Your holiness, O God, commands that we confess. We have neither loved our neighbors as ourselves nor honored ourselves as your beloved creation. We have judged unjustly, regarded others ungenerously, profited at the losses of those near and distant, borne grudges, desired vengeance, and kept silence in the face of wrongdoing. We long to live in accord with your desire that your way of compassion, kindness, and honesty will govern our hearts and minds, turning us toward lives of peace. Forgive us and lead us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, 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.

Pentateuch Reading

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

Time with Children

Special Music

“Just a Little Talk with Jesus”

Donna Yates, Patty Uhe, Emily Uhe

Pentateuch Reading

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Sermon

“O Captain! My Captain!”

Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of Tithes, Gifts, & Lives to God

Invitation & Offertory

“Crying in the Chapel”

Jim Annable

Closing Hymn

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

(insert)

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Life Together

Benediction

Postlude

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

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Call to Worship: Nancy C. Townley

Invocation: *Sourcebook of Worship Resources, Vol. 2*

Confession: *Feasting on the Word*, Kimberly Bracken Long, editor

Assurance of Pardon: Rev. Jeremy R. Wood (Isaiah 1:18)

Benediction: Aaronic Blessing – Numbers 6:24-26, KJV

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: Dennis & Lisa Conrad, Barb Randle

Liturgist: Patti Reckmann

~ SALEM’S CALENDAR ~

Sunday	October 25	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School (via Zoom) Adult Sunday School (In Person)
		10:00 a.m.	Worship
		6:00 p.m.	Exhale
Monday	October 26	9:00 a.m.	Bible Study via Livestream
		10:00 a.m.	Messenger Assembly
		6:30 p.m.	Mission Committee Meeting
Wednesday	October 28	6:00 p.m.	High School Hangout
		6:30 p.m.	Confirmation
Friday	October 30	4:30 p.m.	Exhale Six Flags Frightfest
Sunday	November 1	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School (via Zoom) Adult Sunday School (In Person)
		10:00 a.m.	Worship w/Communion / Harvest Home
		11:40 a.m. -	Drive-thru Communion
		12:00 p.m.	
		6:00 p.m.	Exhale

~ SALEM'S ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

Next Sunday, November 1, 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.

DRIVE-THRU COMMUNION

We will be offering drive-thru communion following worship on Communion Sundays 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.

MAZZIO PIZZA NIGHT

Help the Hitz Memorial Home Auxiliary support the residents of Hitz Memorial Home by eating at Highland's Mazzio Pizza on Monday, October 26 between 5:00-9:00 p.m.

FOOD BASKETS

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 contact Paige Basler at 618-488-7384, Mary Reinhardt at 618-488-7745, or the church office.

EXHALE GOING TO SIX FLAGS FRIGHTFEST

Exhale will be going to Six Flags FrightFest on Friday, October 30. We will meet at Salem around 4:30 p.m. to carpool. Tickets will be around \$30 if we get 15 or more people. Family accounts can be used towards this. All 6th through 12th graders are welcome to join! If you are interested, please let Becca know by Friday, October 23. Parents, if you are interested in chaperoning and/or driving, please let Becca know ASAP.

EXHALE SCAVENGER HUNT

Exhale will be doing their Food Basket Scavenger Hunt on Sunday, November 8. Youth will be going around from 5:00-7:00 p.m. to collect items from participating houses to support Salem's Food Basket program. We are looking for congregation members to help us with this. Please let Becca know if you are willing to be a stop for the youth.

COMMUNITY HOPE CENTER

During this time of restrictions, Community Hope Center is open on Thursday evenings for people to come in and shop. Please contact Sherry at CHC if you are interested in volunteering at 618-259-0959, ext 231. Help is needed with assisting guests choose food and clothing, checking out the guests (no money involved), entering data in the computer, greeting guests, and praying with guests.

The Mission Committee has a Community Hope Center work day on Saturday, November 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All ages and abilities welcome! Please contact Becca or the church office if you are interested in this.

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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer . . . — Psalm 18:2

Based on Psalm 46

Martin Luther

Tr. by Frederick H. Hedge

EIN' FESTE BURG

Martin Luther

Descant by Mary E. Caldwell

1 A might-y for-ress is our God, A bul-wark nev-er fail - ing;
 2 *Did we in our own strength con-fide, Our striv-ing would be los - ing,*
 3 And though this world with dev-ils filled, Should threat-en to un-do us,
 4 *That word a-bove all earth-ly powers, No thanks to them, a-bid eth;*

1 Our help-er He a-mid the flood Of mor-tal ills pre-vail - ing.
 2 *Were not the right man on our side, The man of God's own choos - ing.*
 3 We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to tri-umph through us.
 4 *The Spir-it and the gifts are ours Through Him who with us sid eth.*

1 For still our an-cient foe Doth seek to work us woe—His craft and power are
 2 *Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je-sus, it is He— Lord Sab-a-oth His*
 3 The prince of dark-ness grim, We trem-ble not for him—His rage we can en-
 4 *Let goods and kin-dred go, This mor-tal life al-so— The bod-y they may*

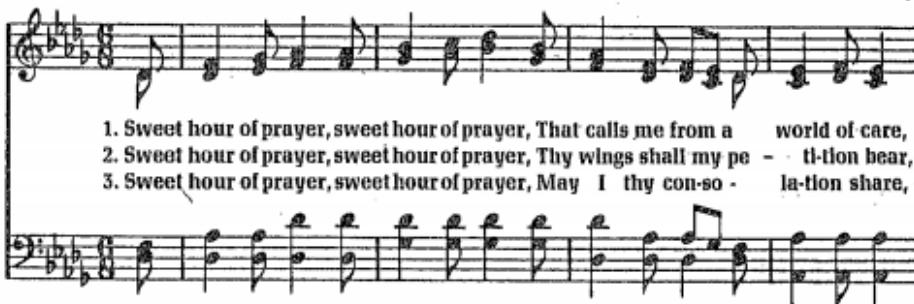
1 great, And, armed with cru-el hate, On earth is not His e - qual.
 2 *name, From age to age the same, And He must win the bat - tle.*
 3 *dure, For lo, his doom is sure: One lit-tle word shall fell him.*
 4 *kill: God's truth a - bid-eth still: His king-dom is for-ev - er. A-men.*

Sweet Hour of Prayer

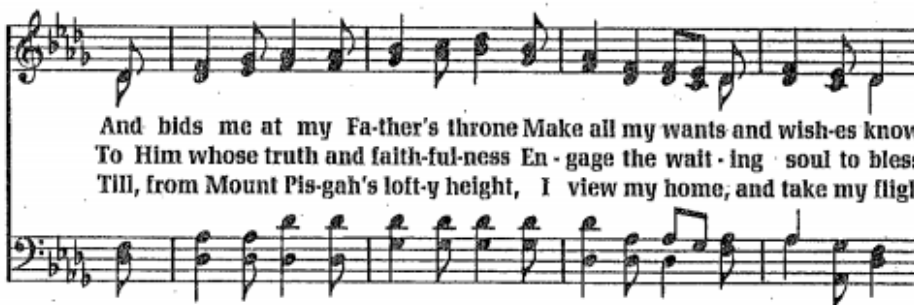
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William Walford

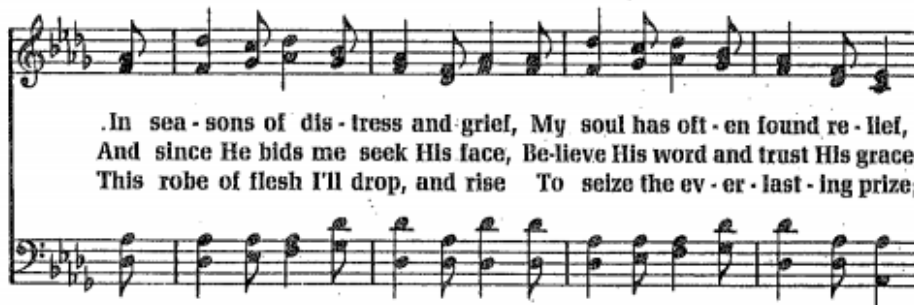
William B. Bradbury




1. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, That calls me from a world of care,
 2. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, Thy wings shall my pe - tition bear,
 3. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, May I thy con-so - lation share.



And bids me at my Fa-ther's throne Make all my wants and wish-es known;
 To Him whose truth and faith-ful-ness En - gage the wait - ing soul to bless;
 Till, from Mount Pis-gah's loft-y height, I view my home, and take my flight:



. In sea - sons of dis - tress and grief, My soul has oft - en found re - lief,
 And since He bids me seek His face, Be - lieve His word and trust His grace,
 This robe of flesh I'll drop, and rise To seize the ev - er - last - ing prize;



And oft es-caped the tempt-er's snare, By thy re - turn, sweet hour of prayer.
 I'll cast on Him my ev - 'ry care, And wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer.
 And shout, while pass-ing through the air, Fare-well, fare-well, sweet hour of prayer!