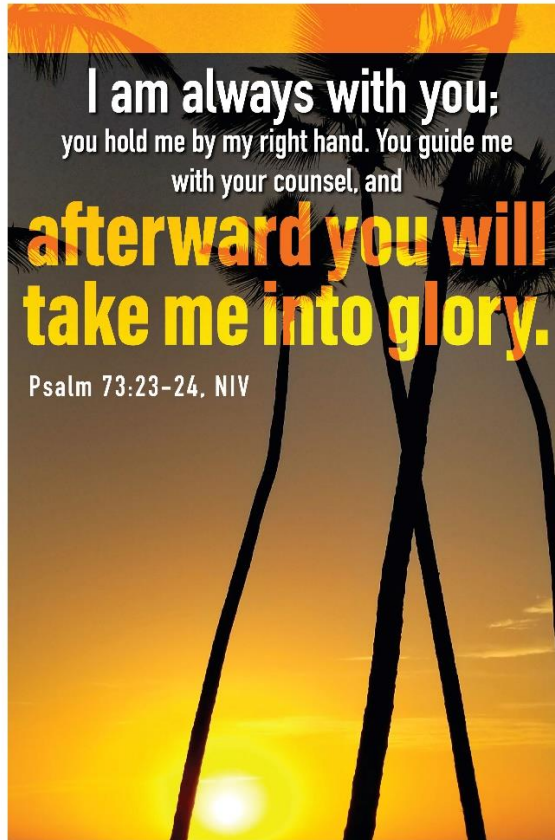


# *Salem United Church of Christ*

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**August 14, 2022 – 9:00 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.***

## Ringling of the Bell

### Prelude

*“March in G”*

### \* Call to Worship

The Lord calls us to grow in faithfulness.

**Take away our greed and selfishness, O Lord!**

The Lord challenges us to serve others in loving ways!

**Help us grow in our service and witness to your mercy and peace.**

Come, let us worship the Lord who delights in our witness.

**Let us praise God who is always with us.**

### \* Invocation

### \* Opening Hymn

*“He Keeps Me Singing”*

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### \* Confession

Christ calls us to stand with the least and the last, but we cling to power and privilege. We fear worldly consequences for faithful action. We fail to follow where Christ leads, making excuses for ourselves, for our silence in the face of oppression, for our lack of action. Forgive us, God, and help us risk following where Christ calls. 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.*

### Epistle Reading

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

### Time with the Children

### Special Music

*“Morning Has Broken”*

Wanda Bruhn, Nancy Heidbrink, Jerri Reichmann, Brenda Schlechte, Vicki Suhre

### Epistle Reading

Psalm 73

### Sermon

*“Are You a Failure or a Success?”*

### Pastoral Prayer

### Offering Invitation

## Offertory

**“They’ll Know We are Christians”**

## \* 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. Amen.**

## \* Offertory Prayer

## \* Closing Hymn

**“Softly and Tenderly”**

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## \* The Lord’s Prayer

## Our Life Together

## \* Benediction

## \* Postlude

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

Sermon take home sheets are located on the table in the Narthex.

Call to Worship: Nancy C. Townley, *Ministry Matters*; Worship Connection: Aug. 14, 2022.

Invocation: *Common Worship*, © The Archbishops’ Council, 2000; Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity.

Confession & Assurance of Pardon: Teri McDowell Ott, © Presbyterian Outlook, Aug. 14, 2022.

Benediction: Aaronic Blessing – Numbers 6:24-26 (KJV).

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Large print song sheets are available upon request. Please see an usher.

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## TODAY’S MINISTRY

Hospitality Team: Evangelism/Worship Committee

Liturgist: Donna Yates

Acolyte: Carter Stumpf, Adam Gillison

***He Keeps Me Singing*** was submitted by Wilma Blom.

***Softly and Tenderly*** was submitted by Alice Stille.

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## ~ SALEM'S CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Sunday	August 14	9:00 a.m.	Worship
		9:15 a.m.	Vacation Bible School
Monday	August 15	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Office Open
Wednesday	August 17	9:00 a.m.	Messenger Articles Due
Thursday	August 18	9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Office Open
		6:30 p.m.	Corn Roast
Sunday	August 21	7:45 a.m.	Adult Sunday School
		9:00 a.m.	Worship
		9:15 a.m.	Vacation Bible School
		10:00 a.m.	Historical Committee Meeting
		6:00 p.m.	Exhale Kick Off

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Sign-up sheets are in the Passageway for October, 2022 – September, 2023 for Hospitality Teams and Liturgists. Please consider serving the Lord through one of these ministries.

### **CORN ROAST**

Join us for the Corn Roast on Thursday, August 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Alhambra Township Park. All food, including dessert and bottled water, will be provided.

### **CONFIRMATION MEETING**

There will be a Confirmation informational meeting following worship on August 28 for parents, Confirmation students, mentors, teachers, and anyone else interested. We will meet in the Upper Parish Hall. Letters have been sent to those enrolled in our Sunday School program. Please plan to attend. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

### **EXHALE KICK-OFF**

Exhale will be kicking off a new year with a big celebration on Sunday, August 21 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. All incoming 6th through 12th graders are welcome to join! Bring a friend and a snack to share! Meet in the back parking lot by the firepit. Contact Becca with any questions.

### **"THE OLD WEST" RALLY DAY**

Please join us for Rally Day on September 11 for "*The Old West*". Sunday School starts at 9:00; worship will be in the Sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. with a chuckwagon meal to follow. Please bring a friend and join us!

# He Keeps Me Singing

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Speaking . . . in psalms, and hymns, and . . .  
songs, making melody in your hearts . . . — Ephesians 5:19

Luther B. Bridges

SWEETEST NAME  
Luther B. Bridges

1 There's with-in my heart a mel - o - dy— Je - sus whis - pers sweet and low,  
2 *All my life was wrecked by sin and strife; Dis - cord filled my heart with pain;*  
3 Feast-ing on the rich - es of His grace, Rest - ing 'neath His shelt'ring wing,  
4 *Tho sometimes He leads thru wa - ters deep, Tri - als fall a - cross the way,*  
5 Soon He's com-ing back to wel-come me, Far be - yond the star - ry sky;

1 "Fear not, I am with Thee—peace be still," In all of life's ebb and flow.  
2 *Je - sus swept a - cross the bro-ken strings, Stirred the slumb'ring chords again.*  
3 Al - ways look - ing on His smil - ing face— That is why I shout and sing.  
4 *Tho sometimes the path seems rough and steep, See His foot-prints all the way.*  
5 I shall wing my flight to worlds un-known, I shall reign with Him on high.

Je - sus, Je - sus, Je - sus— Sweet-est name I know,

Fills my ev - ery long - ing, Keeps me sing - ing as I go.

## Softly and Tenderly

Come unto Me, all ye who labor and are heavy laden . . .

— Matthew 11:28

THOMPSON

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1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, Call - ing for  
 2 Why should we lin - ger when Je - sus is plead - ing, Plead - ing for  
 3 O for the won - der - ful love He has prom - ised, Prom - ised for

1 you and for me; Pa - tient and lov - ing, He's wait - ing and watch - ing,  
 2 you and for me? Why should we wait, then, and heed not His mer - cies,  
 3 you and for me; Tho' we have sinned He has mer - cy and par - don,

1 Watch - ing for you and for me. Come home, come home,  
 2 Mer - cies for you and for me? Come home come home,  
 3 Par - don for you and for me.

Ye who are wea - ry, come home; Ear - nest - ly,

tender - ly, Je - sus is call - ing— Call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"