

The People of God Gathered to Worship As
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WEST SALEM

June 9, 2024

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done
On earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
And the glory, forever. Amen.

Closing Hymn

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

v. 1, 2, 4 #417 Presbyterian Hymnal

Benediction

Song of Sending

For the Fruit of all Creation

v. 2 #553 Presbyterian Hymnal

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Prelude

Welcome

Prayer Requests

Call to Worship

LEADER: People of God, give praise to the LORD!

PEOPLE: We worship our God, who rules over all!

LEADER: People of God, what other Kings do we need?

PEOPLE: We need no kings, we worship God alone!

LEADER: People of God, who else could rule over us?

**PEOPLE: Christ said our leaders are to be servants,
that the last will be first!**

LEADER: So people of God, who do we worship?

PEOPLE: Alleluia! Let us worship the LORD!

Opening Hymn

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

#464 Presbyterian Hymnal

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we walk as your children in the world, working to do your work, and follow your call. But sometimes we fail. We fail in the things you would have us avoid, we fail to do the things you call us to embrace. We seek human kings to rule over us, forgetting that we are to serve you first, above all. Love us, LORD, and keep us close, and forgive the confessions we lift up silently before you.

Moment of Silent Confession

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.

Passing of the Peace

Let us greet one another as forgiven sinners
with the peace of Christ:

*“May the Peace of our LORD Jesus Christ be with you!
And also, with you.”*

Hymn of Illumination

God of Grace and God of Glory

v. 1 #435 Celebration Hymnal

First Scripture Reading

Mark 3:20-35 (see insert)

A Moment with the Children – A House Divided Against Itself

Second Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 8:4-15, 18-20 (see insert)

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

The Truth of the King

Pastor Dan McCurdy

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was
buried; He descended into hell.**

The third day He rose again from the dead.

**He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of
God the Father Almighty.**

From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts

On the Day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit was poured into the hearts of people, assuring that never again would we be separated from our God by temple walls or our own sinfulness. This was a gift, freely given, and all the treasure in the world could never purchase it or subscribe to it. When we give, it is an act of worship, mimicking the generosity we have been shown as we help to support the ministry of the Church through our own means. So let us worship God with our giving.

Offertory

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

**Gracious God, our gifts are small next to all that you
have given us. Take our gifts, LORD, and make them
holy, so that they may help to feed the hungry, grow
the church, and share your Light with a world lost in
Darkness. Amen.**

First Scripture Reading

Mark 3:20-35

²⁰ Then he went home, and the crowd came together again, so that they could not even eat. ²¹ When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” ²² And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” ²³ And he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶ And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷ But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. ²⁸ “Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness but is guilty of an eternal sin”— ³⁰ for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.” ³¹ Then his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. ³² A crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers are outside asking for you.” ³³ And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” ³⁴ And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵ Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

Second Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 8:4-15; 18-20

⁴ Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah ⁵ and said to him, “You are old, and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.” ⁶ But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to govern us.” Samuel prayed to the LORD, ⁷ and the LORD said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. ⁸ Just as they have done to me from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. ⁹ Now then, listen to their voice; only, you shall solemnly warn them and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.” ¹⁰ So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. ¹¹ He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots, ¹² and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. ¹³ He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. ¹⁴ He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. ¹⁵ He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. ¹⁶ And on that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves, but the Lord will not answer you on that day.” ¹⁷ But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! We are determined to have a king over us, ¹⁸ so that we also may be like other nations and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

Nursery Available – 4k and under only
Not staffed

June 9, 2024 Worship Team	
Liturgist	Jackie Siekert
Musicians	Julie Baker Greg Meeuwsen
Sound Room	Lily Oldenburg
Choir Director	Vicki Arndt
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Tithes and Offerings

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Spring Presbyterian Women's Meeting

Women of the church please join us **June 15th at 11:00 am** for our spring meeting. Our program will be a presentation from Erin Waldhart, President of Wafer Food Pantry. Please bring a picnic themed dish to pass. Contact Becca Bohnsack or Becky Auna with questions.

Music Players

Would you like to share your Talents with us?
The Sign-Up Sheet is on the back table
2 Outdoor Services are
on June 23rd and July 14th

Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social

Bring your lawn chairs and picnic blankets for an afternoon of music and ice cream with all the fixings, **Saturday July 27 from 2:00 pm-4:00 pm**, under the canopy in front of the church. Suggested donation of \$2/person. The Driftless River Band will perform. Slices of pie, whole pies and other baked goods will be for sale. Proceeds from the event will fund the missions of the Presbyterian Women of West Salem. Contact Becca Bohnsack or Becky Auna with questions.

Fall Rummage Sale

The Presbyterian Women have decided to take on the planning and execution of a fall rummage sale. **Tentative dates will be September 13-14**. We are looking for anyone that is interested in helping plan the sale. Please contact Sharon Cullmann or Sara Oldenburg.

The ongoing mission of The **Presbyterian Women** is to support the **Salvation Army** and **WINN (What I Need Now)** by collecting needed items. See the Lamplighter for new list of items. All items can be placed in the purple tote at the back of the sanctuary.
Money donations are accepted as well.

Exercise Group

Held Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:00 to 10:00 am
Fellowship Hall

Tabitha Circle

Bring your crafts, sack lunch, and join us!
The first and third Monday of each month
11:30 to 2:30 p.m.