

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

August 11, 2024
Communion Sunday
12th Sunday After Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome

Prayer Requests

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Christ said that to enter the Kingdom, one must be like a child,

PEOPLE: Always Questioning, Always Learning, Always reaching further and farther.

LEADER: Our Children are not here to be silent and ignored

PEOPLE: They are examples of a vibrant faith, and sources of boundless energy.

LEADER: So we welcome our Children to lead us, following their time of learning.

PEOPLE: And we join with them in worshipping God!

LEADER: So Children of all Ages, let us worship!

PEOPLE: Let All of us Praise the LORD!

Opening Hymn

We Gather Together
#559 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 forget how you walk with us at all times, how your love will never leave us. 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.

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

Lord, Speak to Me, That I may Speak

v. 3 #426 Presbyterian Hymnal

Special Music By VBS Kids – Thanks, God!

Message – Highlights from VBS 2024

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

Everything we have, we received from God. When we give back to God, it is not to earn our way or to repay a debt, as what we have was given. Instead, we give in imitation of the Lord, to be generous as God is generous, and so to worship the LORD with our giving. So, people of God, let us bring our gifts before the LORD in worship.

Offertory – VBS 2024 – One Big Family

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's prayer (Debts/Debtors)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your Hearts.

We lift them up to the LORD!

Let us give thanks to the LORD our God!

It is right to give our thanks and praise!

Most holy and gracious God, we praise you who has gathered us around this table... and who forever sing to the glory of your name;

Holy, holy, holy LORD, God of Power and Might,

Heaven and Earth are full of your glory,

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD,

Hosanna in the highest!

Forgiving God, we call upon you in our times of fear and doubt... for great is the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died,

Christ is Risen,

Christ will come again!

And while we wait on that day when we will share this meal in heaven with you, we say the prayer that Jesus taught us to pray, saying...

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.

Receiving The Elements

Closing Hymn Let Us Talents And Tongues Employ
#514 Presbyterian Hymnal

Benediction

Song of Sending Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine
v. 1 #341 Presbyterian Hymnal

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

The Postlude

**Nursery Available – 4k and under only
Not staffed**

August 11, 2024 Worship Team	
Liturgist	Josiah Wolbrink
Musicians	Julie Baker Greg Meeuwssen
Sound Room	Dane Bohnsack
Choir Director	Vicki Arndt
Usher	Shawn McAlister

Tithes and Offerings

Donations can be mailed to:

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Tabitha Circle

Taking a Summer Break until after Labor Day

Would you like a visit from the Pastor?

You are important to the Presbyterian Church of West Salem. Please contact the church office if you would like a pastoral visit or to set up an appointment with the pastor.

Call 608-786-0910

Or preschurchws@gmail.com

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 list of items. All items can be placed in the purple tote at the back of the sanctuary. Money donations are accepted as well.

Fall Rummage Sale

The Presbyterian Women have decided to take on the planning and execution of a fall rummage sale. **September 13th 4 pm to 7 pm** **September 14th 8 am to Noon**. We are looking for anyone that is interested in helping plan the sale. Please contact Sharon Cullmann or Sara Oldenburg.

Music Players

Would you like to share your Talents with us?

The Sign-Up Sheet is on the back table

Voting
August 13th
Fellowship Hall

Exercise Group
Not on August 13th
Tuesdays and Fridays
9:00 to 10:00 am
Fellowship Hall

Choir Rehearsals Start Again
Wednesday, August 28th
7 pm

Handbell Workshop
Saturday, September 21st
10 am – Noon

Community Dinner
August 28th
5-6 pm

Blood Drive
September 24th
12:30-5:30 pm