

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 *O God of Every Nation*
v. 1, 2, 4 #289 Presbyterian Hymnal

Benediction

Song of Sending
Lord, Dismiss us With Thy Blessing
v. 1 #538 Presbyterian Hymnal

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

People of God Gathered to Worship As
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WEST SALEM
October 13, 2024
21st Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome

Prayer Requests

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Hymn *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*
v. 1-4 #466 Presbyterian Hymnal

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, hear us as we confess our sins. We struggle to do the things you call on us to do, sometimes we do the things you have told us not to do. We seek your love and light, and yet we often fall into bitter darkness. We chase after the appearance of goodness, rather than seeking to grow in our faith. Forgive us our sins, even those that we confess now 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

Seek Ye First

v. 1 #333 Presbyterian Hymnal

First Scripture Reading

Mark 10:17-26 (*see insert*)

Choir – Jesus Loves Me!

A Moment with the Children – The Rich Man

Second Scripture Reading

Job 23:1-7 (*see insert*)

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon What Makes Us Good 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

People of God, we are recipients of the love of Jesus Christ. All that we have has been given to us, in an act of love. When WE give, we do so as an echo of that love, not only to our God, but to all who are in need. It is an act of worship, rather than a purchase of gifts that were already given freely. So let us worship our 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 10:17-26

¹⁷ As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸ Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness. You shall not defraud. Honor your father and mother.' " ²⁰ He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." ²¹ Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." ²² When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. ²³ Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴ And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶ They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?"

Second Scripture Reading

Job 23:1-7

¹Then Job answered: ²"Today also my complaint is bitter; his hand is heavy despite my groaning. ³ Oh, that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his dwelling! ⁴ I would lay my case before him and fill my mouth with arguments. ⁵ I would learn what he would answer me and understand what he would say to me. ⁶ Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No, but he would give heed to me. ⁷ There the upright could reason with him, and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.

Sunday School Combined - All Ages Are Welcome!!

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

October 13, 2024 Worship Team	
Liturgist	Dan Wolbrink
Musicians	Caroline Sells Greg Meeuwesen
Sound Room	Gideon Wolbrink
Choir Director	Vicki Arndt
Usher	Charles Engel

Tithes and Offerings

Donations can be mailed to:
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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.

Exercise Group

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

Tabitha Circle

**First and Third Mondays
11:30am – 2:30pm
Bring a lunch**

Pumpkin Painting

**Sunday, October 27th
8:45 am**

All Saints Day

Sunday, November 3rd

If you have a loved one who passed in the past year that you would like remembered, please provide the name, date of birth, date of death and photo to the church secretary (preschurchws@gmail.com) for the slide show before November 1st.

**Also, please be with us on that day
to light a candle in their memory.**

Handbell Rehearsals

Thursdays

6:30 pm

Choir Rehearsals

Thursdays

7:30 pm

Sunday School 9 am

Sunday Bible Study 9-9:45 am Galilee Room

Youth Group (Jr. High through High Schoolers)

6-7 pm at Church Confirmation Classes 9:15 am in Chapel

2025 Pledges Fall Stewardship

Letters have been sent out.

Pledge box on Sanctuary Table

Please return Pledge Cards by October 13th

Pies For Sale - \$10

**You can purchase them after church today or
Call Diana Engel at (608) 786-1560 or 1-(608) 386-0860
to purchase them during the week**

Mark Your Calendar!!

Church Choral Concert

November 10th at 2 pm

Trunk or Treat

Halloween - Village Park

3 – 5 pm

**Need 800 treat bags
Donations can be left
in the kitchen at church
or give them to Sherry Bonsall
or Pam Twining**

