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

Come Thou Fount #356 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 27, 2024

23rd Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome

Prayer Requests

Call to Worship LEADER: People of God, let us now worship! PEOPLE: We have come to this place to worship our God! People of God, Raise up your Voices! LEADER: PEOPLE: We sing the Praises of the LORD our God! People of God, offer your hearts! LEADER: We open our hearts to the Word of the LORD! PEOPLE: LEADER: So come, People of God, let us learn and Worship! Alleluia! Let us worship the LORD! PEOPLE:

Opening Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling v. 1,3,4 **#648 Celebration 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 allow ourselves to be silenced, rather than continuing to cry out for justice. 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 great 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 10:46-52 (see insert)

A Moment with the Children – Keep Calling

Second Scripture Reading Luke 18:1-8 (see insert)

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Never Shut Up 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 10:46-52*

⁴⁶They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷ When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁸ Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" ⁴⁹ Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." ⁵⁰ So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. ⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." ⁵² Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Second Scripture Reading Luke 18:1-8

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people.³ In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' ⁴ For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵ yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' "⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them?⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Nursery Available – 4k and under only Not staffed

October 27, 2024 Worship Team	
Liturgist	Dan Wolbrink
Musicians	Caroline Sells Greg Meeuwsen
Sound Room	Kelly Crusan
Choir Director	Vicki Arndt
Usher	Charles Engel

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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 – TODAY!!! 8:45 am Sunday School Combined - All Ages Are Welcome!!

For those of you who have known Kathleen (Kathy) Anderson

She passed away on October 19th More information to follow when known

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

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

Third Quarter Contribution Giving Statements In box on back table of Sanctuary

> Mark Your Calendar!! Church Music 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

> **Congregational Meeting** December 15th after Service