

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

**October 6, 2024**  
**Communion Sunday**  
**20th Sunday After Pentecost**

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Prayer Requests**

**Minute for Missions**

**THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: Our God did not want us to be alone.

PEOPLE: **We Gather together to join in worship!**

LEADER: It is not right for humans to weather things in isolation.

PEOPLE: **Our Companions, even flawed, are gifts!**

LEADER: So sing to God, all you people, let your love show!

PEOPLE: **Let us lift up our voices, and worship the LORD!**

**Opening Hymn**                      **For the Beauty of the Earth**  
**v. 1, 3, 5 #473 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 that we are called to LIVE our faith in you, not just sit and listen. 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."***

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

**Genesis 2:18-24**

<sup>18</sup> Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." <sup>19</sup> So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to the man to see what he would call them, and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. <sup>20</sup> The man gave names to all cattle and to the birds of the air and to every animal of the field, but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. <sup>21</sup> So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. <sup>22</sup> And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. <sup>23</sup> Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." <sup>24</sup> Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

**SPECIAL MUSIC – Joan Spitz – First Arabesque by Claude Debussy**

**A MOMENT WITH CHILDREN - The First "Not Good"**

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

**Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12**

<sup>1</sup> Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. <sup>3</sup> He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. <sup>5</sup> Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. <sup>6</sup> But someone has testified somewhere, "What are humans that you are mindful of them or mortals that you care for them? <sup>7</sup> You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, <sup>8</sup> subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, <sup>9</sup> but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. <sup>10</sup> It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. <sup>11</sup> For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, <sup>12</sup> saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters; in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

## **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**Message – Concerning WINN**

**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**

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**

### **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 Break Bread Together*  
                                 **#513 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**

October 6, 2024 Worship Team	
Liturgist	Diana Engel
Musicians	Caroline Sells Greg Meeuwesen
Sound Room	Ethan Crusan
Choir Director	Vicki Arndt
Usher	Charles Engel

**Tithes and Offerings**

Donations can be mailed to:

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**Tabitha Circle**

September 16<sup>th</sup>

11:30am – 2:30pm

Bring a lunch

**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](mailto: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 (lists are on tables and Lamplighter. All items can be placed in the purple tote at the back of the sanctuary. Money donations are accepted as well.

**Exercise Group**

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

**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 10<sup>th</sup> 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

**Pumpkin Painting**

Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>

8:45 am

**Sunday School Combined**

**All Ages Are Welcome!!**

**All Saints Day**

**Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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](mailto: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.**