



SALEM UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST
Living Out God's Love

An Open and Affirming Congregation

May 26, 2024

Trinity Sunday

Prelude

Greeting

*Call to Worship (responsive):

One: Jesus taught, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

Many: Let us worship our loving God.

*Opening Hymn:

I Sing as I Arise Today

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Tune: 117

Affirmation of Faith (responsive):

based on the Reaffirmation of Baptism

One: Holy God, we are grateful to be a part of the faith and family of Jesus Christ.

Many: We are ready, with your help, O God, to guide and encourage one another in prayer and with love, in following the way of Jesus Christ. Again and again, we renounce the powers of evil, and we continue in our desire for the freedom of new life in Christ.

One: We know Jesus to be the love and the word of God.

Many: We commit again, by your grace, O God, to be Christ's disciples as best we can, to follow in the way of our Savior, resisting oppression and evil, showing love and justice, and witnessing to the work and word of Jesus Christ.

One: By the grace you have given us help us to grow in the Christian faith and be faithful members of your church.

Many: And we will celebrate Christ's presence and further Christ's work of love in all the world.

First Scripture Reading:

Romans 8:12-17

p. 1032

Children's Time

The Church at Prayer

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (unison):

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, for ever. Amen.

From the Gospel:

John 3:1-17

p. 970

Sermon:

Adopted by God

Rev. Phil Hobson

*Hymn:

Creator God, Creating Still

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Supporting the Church's Mission and Ministry

Call to Generosity

Offertory

*Doxology

tune: 780

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done;

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.

*Prayer of Dedication (unison):

Generous God, may we give gifts that are sufficient and abundant as you have provided creation with all that we need to flourish. May the fear of scarcity give way to the joy of sharing. Magnify the resources we bring as well cultivate generosity within us so that all needs are met, and all your people may be well and whole in your name. Amen.

Opportunities to Serve

*Closing Hymn:

Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

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*Benediction

*Benediction Response:

Hallelujah

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Postlude

An asterisk (*) where those who are able should stand as an act of worship.
Hearing-assistance devices are available in the entrance near the canopy
LARGE PRINT bulletins and hymns are available.



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THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Today

Tuesday, May 28

Afternoon - Music Recital
1:30pm - 5:30pm - Red Cross Blood Drive
5:30-6:30PM - Boy Scouts
6:30PM - BOCE Meeting

Sunday, June 2

Worship Time Changes for Summer
9AM - Worship

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Red Cross Blood Drive

Salem will host a blood drive through the Red Cross on Tuesday, May 28 from 1:30-5:30PM.

Summer Worship Hours begin June 2

Next Sunday our worship time will switch to 9am for the summer

VBS Registration

Salem UCC and Sugar River UMC are co-hosting a Community Vacation Bible School for All Ages. Registration materials are now available.

Join us **Sunday through Tuesday, June 23 - 25 from 5:45 - 7:30pm.**

Members of both churches will be a part of each piece of the program as we share with one another. Please contact Sarah Pundt if you are interested in helping with crafts, music, games, or child care (for infants and toddlers).

If you are willing to help with the meals please contact John Cashman.

Library Flex Space During Worship

Children are always welcome in the sanctuary and Sunday morning worship is intended to be a family experience. However, we appreciate that some parents might need support during worship with wiggly little ones. Therefore, we have created a relaxed space in the first-floor library for use during worship. This space is outfitted with toys, crayons/paper, books, puzzles, and more. The worship service is live streamed in the library so you will not miss any part of the service. This space is open to anyone who finds they would be more comfortable using this alternate room.