

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

October 10, 2021

20th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome

Prayer Requests

The Call to Worship

Leader: God hears us when we cry, the LORD hears us when we call.

People: Whether we cry out in joy or in pain, God listens.

Leader: God hears our shouts of anger, and the LORD
listens to our fears.

People: God made us, God knows us, and God hears our voices.

Leader: We have no power to hide from God, the LORD knows us
through and through.

**People: We have no reason to hide from God, we should share our
thoughts with the LORD.**

Leader: So let us worship the God who listens to us!

People: Yes! Let us Worship the LORD!

*Opening Hymn

341 Presbyterian Hymnal

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

*Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we come before you as sinners.

We have not done all that you would have us do,

And there is much we have left undone.

**We do not always remember to honor you with all of our hearts,
minds, and strength, and we do not always love our neighbors as
ourselves. We try to hide our struggle from others, and even from
you. Lord, we believe, help our unbelief, and listen as we offer up
our prayers 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 *(please remain in your seats)*

Let us greet one another as forgiven sinners

With the peace of Christ:

“The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also, with you.”

A Moment with the Children

Saying When You're Sad

Scripture Reading

Job 23:1-9, 16-17

- ¹ Then 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 an upright person could reason with him,
and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.
- ⁸ If I go forward, he is not there;
Or backward, I cannot perceive him;
- ⁹ On the left he hides, and I cannot behold him;
I turn to the right, but I cannot see him.
- ¹⁶ God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me;
- ¹⁷ If only I could vanish in darkness,
And thick darkness would cover my face!

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

Crying Out To God

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

The Salvation of Jesus Christ is not for sale.
When we give, we do not do so to earn our salvation, as that has
already been freely given. Instead, we offer our gifts in gratitude for
all that has been given to us.
So let us worship the LORD 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, accept now the gifts of your people.
Bless them so that they may grow and go forth,
Doing your work in your world. Amen.**

Prayers of the People and 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**

369 Presbyterian Hymnal
I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

***Benediction**

***Song of Sending**

438 Presbyterian Hymnal
Blest Be the Tie That Binds (verse 2)

Before our Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one
Our comforts and our cares.

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

***The Postlude**

Updated protocols for Covid-19

Session has considered guidance from the CDC on the wearing of masks by vaccinated individuals.

The CDC does leave it up to local jurisdictions, businesses, and venues to set their own rules for COVID protections.

The following guidelines will be followed to ensure a safe experience for in-person worship:

- **Due to the rise in COVID cases, masks are required for all worshipers, regardless of vaccination status.**
- Seating has returned to normal, pre-Covid capacity.
- There are live song leaders and special music. Worshipers are invited to sing along.
- Children are invited to the front of the sanctuary during the Children's Message. There are seating marks to maintain social distance.
- The offering will be collected by the ushers.
- **Nursery services are not currently available.**
The church nursery is available for use by parents.

October 10, 2021 Worship Team:

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| Musicians | Julie Baker Sara Oldenburg |
| Liturgist | Tiffani LaJeunesse |
| Sound Room | Evan Crusan |
| Usher | Charles Engel |

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Tithes and Offerings

Donations can be mailed to:

Presbyterian Church of West Salem
PO Box 861
West Salem, WI 54669

Contribution Statements

Third quarter contribution statements are available in the back of the sanctuary.

Pumpkin Painting

Join us after worship on Sunday, October 24!

Masks are required and social distancing encouraged.

Pumpkins and supplies will be provided.

Come and have fun!

Fall Stewardship Campaign

The Secret of our Strength

Pledge cards have been mailed

and are available in the back of the sanctuary.

Through our giving, we continue to be a light of Christ in our church, our community, and the world.

All Saints' Day Worship Service

Sunday, November 7, 2021

If you have lost a loved one since October 2020, please notify the church office by October 31 at: preschurchws@gmail.com

Fall Festival

Saturday, November 13

Raffle tickets are available for purchase:

\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00!

See a member of the PW to purchase a ticket.

Thanks to all who donated raffle items!

Thank Offering

Thank Offering funds are distributed here and overseas.

There are envelopes located in the chair pockets.

Please make checks payable to the church and indicate

"Thank Offering" in the memo.

Thank you for your donation!