

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

**July 17, 2022**  
**6th Sunday after Pentecost**

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Prayer Requests**

**The Call to Worship**

*LEADER: We have been gathered to love and praise the LORD.*

***PEOPLE: God has brought us together to worship and Praise him!***

*LEADER: There are tasks to accomplish, there is work to be done,*

***PEOPLE: But first we praise, first we worship!***

*LEADER: There will ALWAYS be work to be done.*

***PEOPLE: But our first calling is always, and only, to worship GOD!***

*LEADER: So let us worship our saving God!*

***PEOPLE: Let us worship the LORD!***

**Opening Hymn**

#420 Presbyterian Hymnal

***God of Grace and God of Glory***

***Verses 1,3,5***

**Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, we confess that we are a broken people. We struggle with pride, with envy, with greed. We struggle to do what you call us to do, we often do the things you would have us avoid. We have failed to love you with all of our hearts, minds, and strength, and often we fail to love our neighbors as ourselves. We celebrate work before holiness, emphasize productivity above you. Forgive us our sins, and hear us as we silently confess before you.

**Moment of Silent Confession**

**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.

**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**

#370 Presbyterian Hymnal

***Just as I am, Without One Plea***

**Benediction**

**Song of Sending**

#304 Presbyterian Hymnal

***Jesus Loves Me***

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**The Postlude**

## 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 *(please remain in your seats)*

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."***

### ***A Moment with the Children – What's More Important?***

#### Scripture Reading

Luke 10:38-42

<sup>38</sup> Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." <sup>41</sup> But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, <sup>42</sup> but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

#### Prayer of Illumination

**Sermon -** Choosing the Better Thing      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 have been given so much. All that we have is a gift from God. God's love is not for sale, and so when we give we do not do so in order to purchase it. Instead, we give to others as God has given to us, as a sign of love, in imitation of our Creator. So let us worship 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.