

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

September 11, 2022
14th Sunday after Pentecost

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 *LORD, Speak to Me, That I May Speak*
 #426 Presbyterian Hymnal

Benediction

Song of Sending **Shalom, Chaverim**
 #537 Presbyterian Hymnal

Pastor: Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

The Postlude

Prelude

Welcome

Prayer Requests

The Call to Worship

LEADER: The Ninety-Nine Sheep were safe,

PEOPLE: The Shepherd went to find the 100th.

LEADER: The Nine coins were held closely,

PEOPLE: But the widow searched for the tenth!

LEADER: We do not hold back to grip on what we have,

PEOPLE: We are called to reach out and search for the lost!

LEADER: So let us worship the God who searched for us!

PEOPLE: Let us worship the LORD!

Opening Hymn *When Morning Gilds the Skies*
 #487 Presbyterian Hymnal

Prayer of Confession

Precious Lord, we come before you as sinners one and all. We have failed to be the joy you would have in the world, we have failed to carry out your love to others. There is so much to do that we haven't done, and so much we shouldn't do that we have. We hoard the people we have, and forget about our call to the others outside of us. Forgive us, we pray, and hear as we lift up our silent confessions before you.

Moment of Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

God loves us and saves us! Our sins are forgiven! Alleluia!

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 – Find It!

Scripture Reading

Luke 15:1-10

¹ Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” ³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. ⁸ “Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon - They're Out There

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.