

**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.

**Closing Hymn**     *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*  
v. 1,3,4 #417 Presbyterian Hymnal

**Benediction**

**Song of Sending**     *Jesus Loves Me*  
v. 1 #185 Celebration Hymnal

**Pastor:**    Go in Peace. Serve the Lord.

**People:**    Thanks be to God!

**The Postlude**

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

**May 25, 2025**  
**6th Sunday of Easter**

**Prelude – *Abide With Me***

**Welcome**

**Prayer Requests**

**Call to Worship**

Leader: People of God, Christ the Healer calls to us!

**People: Christ's People Respond: Blessed be the LORD!**

Leader: People of God, Christ the Chosen calls to us!

**People: Christ's People Respond: Praise be to God!**

Leader: People of God, Christ the Savior calls to us!

**People: Christ's People Respond: Christ is Risen, Praise the LORD!**

**Opening Hymn**     *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*  
v. 1,3,4 #142 Presbyterian Hymnal

**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.

**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."*

## Hymn of Illumination

***Open Our Eyes, LORD***  
***v. 1 #633 Celebration Hymnal***

## First Scripture Reading

**John 14:23-29 - See Insert**

## A Moment with the Children – God’s New City

## Second Scripture Reading

**Revelation 21:10 21:22-22:5 – See Insert**

## Prayer Of Illumination

**Sermon – Don’t Be Afraid    Pastor Dan McCurdy**

## Prayer of Confession

**Risen LORD, we are a people in desperate need of a Savior.  
Our lives are spent in sadness, anger, and bitterness, and we  
forever walk in the sin of our ancestors. We do not do the  
things we are called to do, and often we do the things you  
tell us not to do. We allow fear to hold us back, forgetting  
your reminders that your love is greater than all danger.  
Forgive our endless sin, and hear the silent confessions we  
raise 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.**

## 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 Gifts of God are all around us, our lives and our homes, our talents and our joys, our family and friends, and the greatest gift of all was the Salvation promised, the life of Christ seeking to end our division from God and each other. When we give, we do not do so to purchase anything... for the gifts of God were already given. Instead, we give in imitation of our LORD, offering what we have to support others, and to be ourselves the gift that God gives the World, so let us worship God with our Giving.

## Offertory – *Be With Me*

## **First Scripture Reading**

**John 14:23-29**

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered him, “Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words, and the word that you hear is not mine but is from the Father who sent me. <sup>25</sup> “I have said these things to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup> You heard me say to you, ‘I am going away, and I am coming to you.’ If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur you may believe.

## **Second Scripture Reading**

**Revelation 21:10 21:22-22:5**

<sup>10</sup> And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. <sup>22</sup> I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. <sup>25</sup> Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup> But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life. <sup>1</sup> Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month, and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> Nothing accursed will be found there anymore. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; <sup>4</sup> they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

**Nursery Available – 4k and under only  
Not staffed**

**Coffee and Cookies  
Fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall  
9:30-10:00 am**

May 25, 2025 Worship Team	
Liturgist	Nick Miller
Musicians	Julie Baker
Sound Room	Carter Hill
Choir & Handbells Director	Vicki Arndt
Usher	Mike Siekert

**Tithes and Offerings**  
Donations can be mailed to:  
**Presbyterian Church of West Salem**  
**PO Box 861**  
**West Salem, WI 54669**

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***Tabitha Circle***  
***Bring your crafts, sack lunch and join us!***  
***The first and third Mondays of each month***  
***11:30-2:30 pm - Bring a Lunch***

***Exercise Group***  
**Tuesdays and Fridays**  
**9:00 to 10:00 am**  
**Fellowship Hall**

**Bingo at Mulder's**  
**June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:15pm**  
**Want to help?? Call Rita Thompson**  
**At 608.799.4009**

***The ongoing mission of The Presbyterian Women is to support  
the Salvation Army and WINN (What I Need Now) 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.***

**Community Dinner**  
**May 28th**  
**5pm – 6pm**

**Support the West Salem Food Pantry**  
**Please bring food donations**  
**and place them in the shopping carts**  
**between the entryway doors.**  
**The current need is canned vegetables and soups.**

**Blood Drive**  
**May 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:30am - 4:30pm**

**Confirmation Sunday**  
**June 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Women's Summer Bible Study**  
**Starts June 4<sup>th</sup> – 6-7pm**  
**Please contact Jenni Logging or**  
**Sara Oldenburg to participate**

**Spring Roadside Cleanup**  
**Please join the Stewardship and Mission Committee for roadside  
cleanup on June 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. Come to the church where we will  
have breakfast before we start the cleanup. No need to bring  
anything but a pair of gloves for picking up trash. When we are all  
done, we will head to Le Coulee Cheese Castle for some ice  
cream!**

**Summer Worship Service Hours**  
**Start June 1<sup>st</sup> thru August 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**9 am**