

Offertory – *They'll Know We Are Christians/Blest Be The Tie*

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

Blest Be The Tie that Binds
#438 Presbyterian Hymnal

Benediction

Song of Sending *Precious Lord, Take my Hand*
v. 1 #684 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

January 25, 2026
3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Prelude – *Take Time To Be Holy*

Welcome
Prayer Requests
Choral Call to Worship

Opening Hymn *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*
v. 1,3,5 #423 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 My Eyes That I May See
v. 1 #563 Celebration Hymnal

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 27:1,4-9 - See Insert

A Moment with the Children – Always With Us

Anthem – *Come Follow Me*

Second Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 1:10-18- See Insert

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon - Is Christ Divided? Pastor Dan McCurdy

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we are sinful people living in a sinful world. All around us, everyday we see more and more signs of how the world requires your love, your power, and your beauty. We have not done all that you call us to do, and we do many things you tell us not to do. We have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, and might, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We seek to eliminate division, only dividing ourselves further, instead of learning to love people for, not despite, their differences. Forgive us, LORD, hear our cry for you to come and set all that is wrong right, and listen to the silent confessions of our hearts.

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.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 27:1,4-9

1 The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? **4** One thing I asked of the LORD; this I seek: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple. **5** For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock. **6** Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD. **7** Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me! **8** "Come," my heart says, "seek his face!" Your face, LORD, do I seek. **9** Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

10 Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you but that you be knit together in the same mind and the same purpose. **11** For it has been made clear to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. **12** What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." **13** Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? **14** I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, **15** so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. **16** I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else. **17** For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel—and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. **18** For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

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Tabitha Circle
1st and 3rd Mondays
11:30am-2:30pm
Bring A Lunch

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

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.

Support the West Salem Food Pantry
Please bring food and home donations
and place them in the shopping carts
between the entryway doors.

Community Dinner
January 28th
5-6 pm

Blood Drive
January 29th
11:30 am – 4:30 pm

Congregational Meeting
January 25th
TODAY

2025 Contribution Statements
Are now on the
Back table of Sanctuary