

Offertory – *Just A Little Talk With Jesus*

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 *I Sing The Mighty Power of God*
v. 1-3 #288 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

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

July 19, 2026
8th Sunday After Pentecost

Prelude – *Softly and Tenderly*

Welcome

Prayer Requests

Call to Worship

LEADER: When we look up to heaven, God is there.

PEOPLE: **When we look into the depths, God is there also.**

LEADER: When we look to the farthest Horizon, God is there.

PEOPLE: **When we look deep into ourselves, God is there also.**

LEADER: Worship our God, who is always with us, everywhere!

PEOPLE: **LET US WORSHIP THE LORD!**

Opening Hymn *Praise Ye The LORD, the Almighty*
v. 1-3 #482 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 #324 Presbyterian Hymnal

First Scripture Reading

Genesis 28:10-19 - See Insert

A Moment with the Children - God is with You!

Second Scripture Reading

Psalms 139:1-18 - See Insert

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon - God is ALWAYS with us 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 search for you everywhere, failing to see that you are ALWAYS with us. 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

Genesis 28:10-19

¹⁰ Jacob left Beer-Sheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹ He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹² And he dreamed that there was a stairway set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring, ¹⁴ and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵ Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go and will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." ¹⁶ Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!" ¹⁷ And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." ¹⁸ So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. ¹⁹ He called that place Bethel, but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 139:1-18

¹ O LORD, you have searched me and known me. ² You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. ³ You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. ⁴ Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely. ⁵ You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. ⁶ Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it. ⁷ Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? ⁸ If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. ⁹ If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, ¹⁰ even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast. ¹¹ If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and night wraps itself around me," ¹² even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you. ¹³ For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴ I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. ¹⁶ Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. ¹⁷ How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! ¹⁸ I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.

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July 19, 2026 Worship Team	
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Tithes and Offerings

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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
 July 22nd - 5-6 pm

Blood Drive
 July 30th
 11:30-4:30
 Fellowship Hall

Name tags are available for everyone.
 Name tags are on back table
 in the Sanctuary before service.

Women's Bible Study
Day Changed to Tuesdays
 through August 18th
 Tuesdays at 7 pm
 Contact Jenni Logging or Sara Oldenburg

PCOWS Annual Pool Party - West Salem Swarthout Pool
 Sunday, July 26th – 6-8pm – Free Admission
 Snacks, drinks and prizes provided! Bring a friend

Church September Rummage Sale
Day and Time Changed

Items can now be dropped off on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 7 or the last Sunday of the month – 7/26 and 8/30, a ½ hour before & after church service (8:30 & 10:00). Please be sure all donated items are clean and ready to sell.

We are not accepting any large electronics or appliances.

If you have furniture to donate or are unable to make the times above, call Sharon at 608-797-1732 or Sara at 608-304-9926 to set up a time.

This is an important mission for PW. Please consider volunteering before or during the sale. Any time you can give is of great help!

Thank you!

National Night Out
 Tuesday, August 4, 2026
 5:00 – 7:30 PM - Village Park of West Salem
 PCOWS will have a table at this fun, free community event. Come join the fun!

VBS
 August 5th, 6th and 7th
Cancelled

Second Quarter Giving Statements
 Now on back table