

Salem United Methodist Church

1321 Salem Church Road
Irmo, South Carolina 29063
Established 1873
July 26, 2020

Trust in God under Adversity

A Psalm of David when he fled from his son, Absalom.

O Lord how many are my foes! Many are rising against me;
Many are saying to me, "There is no help for you in God."

Selah

But you, O Lord, are a shield around me, my glory and the one
who lifts up my head. I cry aloud to the Lord, and he answers
me from his holy hill.

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I lie down and sleep; I wake again, for the Lord sustains me.
I am not afraid of ten thousands of people who have set
themselves against me all around.

Rise up, O Lord! Deliver me, O my God! For you strike all my
enemies on the cheek; you break the teeth of the wicked.

Deliverance belongs to the Lord;
may your blessings be on your people!

Selah

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

Week of July 19, 2020

Needed each week to fund unified budget \$14,088.99

Unified budget received \$14,291.00

Needed to meet budget year to date (Inclg. bldg. fund) \$408,580.71

Unified budget received year to date (Inclg. bldg. fund) \$313,893.52

Attendance

Worship 53

Includes 10:30 service and Preachin' on the Porch
Epworth \$525

PLEASE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER:

Generations of Irmo — Carolyn Brower,

Joyce Cook, Anita Weed

Pruitt Health — Ed Brower

Springfield Place — Doris Monts

Tyborne UCP — Jessica Gore

White Oak Manor — Emily Manley

Homebound — Leroy Gibson,

Gloria Gordon, Betty Jaco, Ray Keith

Special Prayers — Amy Carter, Clarice Gibbons,

Becky Gobble, Donald Grooms, Wayne Haltiwanger,

Dale Jenkins, Jessica Mack, Quinton Meetze,

Voncille Meetze, Barbara Pereira, Larry Salters

NHC Lexington — Ruth Smith

Prisma Health Children's Hospital — Molly Kate Shealy

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Ushers: Lead – David Thomas

Bill Sills

Trustee: Mike Haas

The nursery is not staffed, but is available if needed.

Preachin' on the Porch

Due to our inability to meet for our lake service at Woodmen of the World, we are offering an alternate service during the interim called "Preachin' on the Porch." We are gathering on the cemetery side of the church at **8:30 each Sunday** and welcome those interested and comfortable with joining in. Like COL, this service provides a casual setting to worship and fellowship while social distancing. Bring your chair and pick your spot or join us from your car. We welcome all those who are interested and respect those who choose to remain home during this time.

Graduation Recognition

Graduation Recognition will be next Sunday, **August 2**. This will be a sending forth service for High School and College graduates. All graduates are welcome to attend either service as we will recognize them at both.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday

Office hours are flexible during this time. If you need
to see someone in the office please call ahead.

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OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Gary Phillips — Pastor

Bill Childs — Pastor of Visitation

Ashley Anderson — Children's Ministry

Sarah Bridges — Director of Music

Mary Catherine Greenway — Communications Coordinator

Stephanie Knott — Pianist

Angie Lain — Business/Finance Manager

Miriam Y. Lovett — Organist

Jim Magann — Youth/Outreach Ministries

Tina Overton — Director of Creative Ministries

Marie Wicker — Administrative Assistant

E-Giving

Please prayerfully consider giving to Salem United Methodist Church through our e-Giving program. Scan the QR code below to be taken to Salem's donation page to present your offering.



You can also visit the link:

<https://giving.ncsservices.org/App/Giving/ncs-2365>

Attention Guests and Salem Members

Please ensure your family is signed in as you enter or depart the sanctuary today. Having a record of your attendance enables us to contact you in the unfortunate event someone is diagnosed with COVID-19. Thank you in advance for your adherence to this request.

July 26, 2020
8th Sunday after Pentecost
A Service of Word

The color red is used to denote the presence of the Holy Spirit.

PRELUDE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 3(musical response)*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***WORDS THAT CALL US TOGETHER** *Psalm 3*

Musical Response

O Lord, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me;

Many are saying of me, “There is no help for him in God.”

But you, O Lord, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.

I cry aloud to the Lord who answers me from his holy hill.

Musical Response

I lie down and sleep; I wake again, for the Lord sustains me.

I am not afraid of ten thousand people who have set themselves against me on every side.

Arise, O Lord!

Deliver me, O my God!

For you strike all my enemies on the cheek, you break the teeth of the wicked.

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Musical Response

A SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION OF FAITH

Introduction to the Service

Presentation of the Candidates

Candidates

Margaret Kelley Brewton

Cooper Allen Bykalo

Michael Carder Nash

Bailey Elise Vincent

Mentors

Kate Shelton

John Hood

Tommy Mclendon

Janet Haas

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith

Do you, as Christ’s body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

With God’s help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments. Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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.

CONFIRMATION OF FAITH

Reception into the United Methodist Church

Reception into Salem U. M. Church

Commendation and Welcome

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

A TIME OF PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

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PROCLAMATION

“Blessed Awareness”

SONG OF RESPONSE

Blessed Assurance

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

There are times, O Lord, when we feel like we are sinking in a deep morass, or standing in shifting sands. Our world is not only crumbling around us but is set against us.

In those times, Lord, we ask that you remind us of the promises made on our behalf; That we are bound to you by loves strong cord, that we are not left orphaned or abandoned, that by holy grace we can and will prevail. Remind us that if you are for us no one can stand against us. Assure us, Lord, that we are thine and you are ours.

And then, Lord, we shall stand on those very promises. The place where we stand shall be a holy firmament under our feet, strength shall return to our being and we will listen every moment to the Spirits call.

We will stand aware of the way that you have blessed us, lifting our heads to look on holy places and preparing us to do the things that this day calls of us to do. With a deep and abiding breath, we will be ready to go and to do as you would have us to do. Amen and amen.

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE AND DEPARTING

**Indicates that the Congregation stands. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue with your participation.*

Bold Titles indicate Congregation Participation.

If you have a prayer request, please fill out the blue prayer card and place it in the offering plate.

**Preachin' on the Porch
July 26, 2020**



Prelude

Welcome / Announcements

Opening Prayer

***Song 1** *Seek Ye First*

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things, shall be added onto you. Allelu, alleluia!
2. Ask and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find; knock and the door shall be opened onto you. Allelu, alleluia!

***Song 2** *This Is My Father's World*

1. This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres. This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.
3. This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world: why should my heart be sad? The Lord is King; let the heavens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad!

***Song 3** *How Firm A Foundation*

1. How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent word! What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, for I am thy God and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
5. "The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

Scripture Reading Psalm 3

Proclamation "Blessed Awareness"

***Closing Song** *Blessed Assurance*

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

(Refrain)

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

(Refrain)

* Benediction

* Postlude

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WORDS OF WELCOME

- We bid you a warm welcome this morning. We hope you will join us regularly during the summer and will tell others about this service.
- Please also consider joining us for Sunday School at 9:30 A.M. and Sunday Worship Services at 10:30 A.M at Salem United Methodist Church at the corner of Highway 6 and Salem Church Road. **Reverend Gary Phillips.**

If you are visiting with us today and would like additional information about Salem United Methodist Church please fill out the following and deposit it in the offering plate.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____

The members of our 2020 Confirmation Class have been asked to consider four questions:

1. Do you believe that Jesus is who he says he is?
2. Do you choose to be a follower of Jesus and be a part of his holy church?
3. Do you think that the ways of the people called "Methodist" to be a fair and fitting way to live out being that church and do you choose to be a part of that movement? and finally:
4. Do you think that the people of Salem U. M. Church can be your church family, do you believe that they will assist you in your spiritual growth, that they will provide the place for you to pursue your ministry, and do you choose to join with them?

Having duly considered these four questions and having answered them in the affirmative the following persons have chosen this day to join with us as "Professing Members":

<i>Candidates</i>	<i>Mentors</i>
Margaret Kelley Brewton	Kate Shelton
Cooper Allen Bykalo	John Hood
Michael Carder Nash	Tommy Mclendon
Bailey Elise Vincent	Janet Haas

By God's grace, may we provide for them all that they may need to grow in wisdom and in the favor of God.