

# Salem United Methodist Church

1321 Salem Church Road  
Irmo, South Carolina 29063  
Established 1873  
November 14, 2021



## November 14, 2021 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost Stewardship Sunday

*The color green is used to denote growth,  
reminding us of our journey of growing in discipleship.*

### PRELUDE

\*CHIMING OF THE HOUR and WELCOMING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

\*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP 99 *My Tribute*  
"To God be the glory, to God be the glory, to God be the glory for the things he has done. With his blood he has saved me; with his power he has raised me; to God be the glory for the things he has done."

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER (based on Psalm 145)

Great is our God, and worthy of praise!

**God's goodness knows no limit; God's faithfulness toward us is boundless!**

God's majesty and glory surrounds us here.

**We've come together to celebrate God's presence here with us, and to offer our gifts of praise and worship.**

May the Lord move among us as we worship together.

**May the Holy Spirit guide and inspire our thoughts and actions as we spend this time in this holy place.**

Let us pray:

**Almighty God, help us to be faithful followers of your Son, Jesus Christ. May we always hear his word, follow his teachings, and live in his Spirit, giving ourselves and all we have through sacrificial love. Amen.**

\*HYMN 102 *Now Thank We All Our God*

### A TIME OF PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

ANTHEM *Love of God*

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Matthew 6:19-21**

#### Lay Up Treasures in Heaven

<sup>19</sup> Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; <sup>20</sup> but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup> For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

**2 Corinthians 9:6-8**

<sup>6</sup> The point is this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. <sup>7</sup> Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup> And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work.

### THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

\*HYMN 400 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

PROCLAMATION "Stewardship Lessons from a Hog"

\*Affirmation of Faith No. 881 *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And 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, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE 399 *Take My Life, and Let It Be*

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

\*WE FOLLOW THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

\*THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\*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 in the offering plate.

## *A Welcome to our Guests!*

*We are honored that you are worshipping with us. Please complete the "red book" registration to record your presence. Also, please introduce yourself to those around you and visit our Welcome Center. We have a welcome gift for our first-time guests in the welcome center. Please stop by the desk at the close of the worship service. We hope you will return to join us again in Worship!*

### Sermon Notes

**November 14, 2021**  
**25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**Stewardship Sunday**  
8:30 WORSHIP

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP *My Tribute*  
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WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

**\*SONG 1** *Now Thank We All Our God*

1. Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; and keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed; and free us from all ills, in this world and the next.

3. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given; the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven; the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

**\*SONG 2** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

1. Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

2. Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

3. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

**\*SONG 3** *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

1. My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, O let me from this day be wholly thine!

2. May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire! As thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

3. While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

4. When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll; blest Savior, then in love, fear and distrust remove; O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

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PROCLAMATION "Stewardship Lessons from a Hog"

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE** *Take My Life, and Let It Be*

1. Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

2. Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee. Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.

3. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne. Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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**WORDS OF WELCOME**

We bid you a warm welcome this morning. We hope you will join us and will tell others about this service. Please also consider joining us for Worship Services at 10:30 A.M.

**STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE**

Will be reported next week

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>On Line Viewing</b>
Worship 141 Sunday School 77	164

**PLEASE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER:**

**Generations of Irmo** — Carolyn Brower, Joyce Cook, Mary Skenes, Anita Weed  
**Harbison Shores** — Mary Catherine Bickley Erskine  
**Lexington Extended Care** — Ray Keith  
**Lowman Home** — Gwen Parnell  
**Portside at Grande Dunes** — Bill Oswald  
**Rice Estates** — Ed Brower  
**Tyborne UCP** — Jessica Gore  
**Special Prayers** — Al Berry, Leroy Gibson, Francis Haltiwanger, Linda Koon, Voncille Meetze, Margie Oswald, Molly Kate Shealy, Norman Thomas, Terry Waites, Bill Walker

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**ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY:**

<b>Ushers:</b>	Lead – David Thomas John Goodale, Ron Joye
<b>Sound Booth:</b>	Cory Anderson
<b>Trustee:</b>	Mike Haas
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Clare Anderson
<b>Nursery:</b>	Millie Fore, Rachel McCrary

*The nursery will be available during the 10:30 worship hour.  
Children's Church will resume at a later date.*

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***Flower Ministry***

The flowers which grace the Holy Altar today are given to the Glory of God by Don & Miriam Lovett in honor of their 49<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

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***Our Christian Sympathy***

We would like to express our heartfelt sympathy to **Donna Cole** and family upon the death of her mother, **Mildred Rackley Thompson.**

We would like to express our heartfelt sympathy to **Eileen Leoncavallo** and family upon the death of her father, **Ralph Joseph Godfrey.**

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**Save the Date**

Our children are working hard to bring you the **Story of Jesus** as told through Luke 2, which will be presented to our congregation **during the Sunday morning worship hour on December 5<sup>th</sup>**. Be sure to mark this date on your calendar so that we may honor their hard work in bringing us this performance! We look forward to this special Sunday.



## Christmas Poinsettias

If you would like to place a poinsettia in the Church for Christmas, or make a donation to our Building Fund in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please complete the form below. Poinsettias will be \$13.00 each. A listing of all poinsettias and donations will be inserted in the bulletins on Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. A listing will also be in the newsletter. **Poinsettias may be picked up after the Christmas Eve service on December 24<sup>th</sup>.** Please place the completed form along with payment marked "poinsettia" in the offering plate, or drop it by the Church Office. **The deadline for receiving forms and payment is Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.** Names only please, no special messages will be added. **Please print clearly.**

### Poinsettias

In Loving Memory of:

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In Honor of:

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### In Lieu Of Poinsettias, Donation to the Building Fund

In Loving Memory of:

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Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of Poinsettias @ \$13.00 each \_\_\_\_\_.

Total amount enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_.

## Birthday Party for Jesus

All children are cordially invited to a Birthday Party for Jesus on **December 5<sup>th</sup> from 5-6pm, during the Escape hour.** Dinner will be provided. This will be our last Escape for the 2021 year. Stay tuned for details about Escape restarting in 2022!

## Christmas Mission Project

This holiday season at SUMC we will once again be supporting the **Prisma Health Children's Hospital Child Life Team.** The Child Life department assists children from birth through the teenage years so there is a wide-range of shopping opportunities – the infection control policy requires that all donations must be NEW with original tags and/or packaging. New this year, for safety reasons they cannot accept socks. A list of suggested items can be found in the Welcome Center. In order to support this mission, we ask that all donations be left unwrapped and placed in a designated area of the Welcome Center by **Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.**

## OASIS - November Event

If you signed up, be sure to join us this **Tuesday, November 16 at 11:30 for our annual Thanksgiving Feast.** We will gather in the fellowship hall and enjoy the traditional meal of turkey, ham and all the trimmings catered by Tim Scott catering. There will be no charge for the meal. Come prepared to share your thankfulness!

## Ladies' Lunch Bunch

For any ladies that just want to get together for fellowship time over lunch, we will meet **Monday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> at Miyo's** 1220 Bower Parkway at 12:00 in their back room.

## The Bazaar

The Bazaar is scheduled for **December 11<sup>th</sup>** and we hope everyone puts this date on their calendar to come shop. The time of the event is 9 - 2. We look forward to seeing you there!

If you or someone you know is interested in setting up a table please contact Millie Fore 920-5261 or Sandra Durst 600-6206 for more information.

## Rediscover the gift of Advent that comes without packages, ribbons, and bows.

We don't know why the Grinch hated Christmas. We just know he did. In this new **Advent study**, from Matt Rawle, participants explore the faith themes in the Christmas classic, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas.* How did the Grinch's heart grow three sizes come Christmas morning? How did Christmas save the Grinch? Could it be that the very thing we think we hate is the one thing that changes our lives? This Advent and Christmas season, look at a familiar classic through the lens of faith and see how Christ speaks to us through our culture. **This study will be facilitated by Pastor Jeff** on the Sunday afternoons of Advent (November 28, December 5, 12, and 19) from 5:00pm until 6:00pm. **Please RSVP to the church office (803-781-1626) by November 22.**

### Parking Lot Service

After much prayerful consideration and several conversations around the Parking Lot Service at 8:30am on Sunday mornings, we announce that we will be suspending this service after November 21, 2021. This service, put in place as a temporary measure, has served a great purpose over the past many months in offering an outdoor worship space during the peaks of COVID. For now, we would like for the Advent and Christmas seasons to be the time that brings us together as a worshipping community and family to celebrate the new liturgical year, and the beautiful season of anticipation and celebration of the birth of Jesus. The warmth of the sanctuary will also be welcomed during the cold winter months. There is still plenty of room in the sanctuary to spread out and practice social distancing, and many continue to mask during the service. With COVID vaccines now being available for children, and boosters for the older population, and with the data of infections and hospitalizations trending downward, the timing seems appropriate. Following this change, the hope is that we will resume with *Church on the Lake* in the spring, with an extended season as compared to what we have offered in the past. And we will of course continue to live stream our Sunday morning worship services as well. If something arises that necessitates our reconsideration of this offering of an additional service, we will certainly keep that option open. I greatly look forward to our coming together for worship during this most sacred and joyous season.

Blessings,  
Pastor Jeff

## THIS WEEK AT SALEM

### Sunday, November 14

8:30 A.M. . . . . Outside Worship  
9:30 A.M. . . . . Sunday School  
10:30 A.M. . . . . Morning Worship  
5:00 P.M. . . . . Escape/Play Practice  
5:00 P.M. . . . . Youth Group @ Coles home

### Monday, November 15

10:30 A.M. . . . . Staff Meeting  
10:30 A.M. . . . . UMW Executive Meeting

### Tuesday, November 16

11:30 A.M. . . . . OASIS  
7:00 P.M. . . . . AA Meeting

### Wednesday, November 17

7:00 A.M. . . . . AA Meeting  
7:00 P.M. . . . . Choir Practice

### Thursday, November 18

7:00 P.M. . . . . AA Meeting

### Saturday, November 20

7:00 P.M. . . . . AA Meeting

### Sunday, November 21

7:00 A.M. . . . . UMM Breakfast Meeting  
8:30 A.M. . . . . Outside Worship  
9:30 A.M. . . . . Sunday School  
10:30 A.M. . . . . Morning Worship  
5:00 P.M. . . . . Escape/Play Practice  
5:00 P.M. . . . . Youth Group

## Sharing God's Love

**Our current needs:** tomato paste, sauce, stewed tomatoes, whole canned tomatoes, snacks, mac & cheese, pasta, rice and pasta dinners, peanut butter and jelly.

*Drop off containers are located in each Sunday School Room, Church Office lobby and in the hallway next to the Fellowship Hall entrance.*

**84 items were delivered to Sharing God's Love on October 21<sup>st</sup>**

The Annual fall Yard Sale made \$6900 this year. Thanks to all the people who came to the sale and also made donations for the yard sale.

## Blood Drive Salem UMC

1321 Salem Church Road – Fellowship Hall



SCAN ME

Wednesday, December 8  
12 PM – 5 PM

To make an appointment, scan QR code or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter Sponsor Code: **SALEMUMC**.

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday  
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  
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*In case of an emergency,  
call 864-985-2456 or 803-422-9400*



## OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Jeff Childress — Pastor  
Ashley Anderson — Children's Ministries  
Sarah Bridges — Director of Music  
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>