

# Salem United Methodist Church

1321 Salem Church Road  
Irmo, South Carolina 29063  
Established 1873



January 9, 2022  
Baptism of the Lord Sunday

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*The color white is used today to commemorate the baptism of Christ,  
and to remember our baptism.*

### PRELUDE

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

\*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP 347 *Spirit Song (verse 1)*  
"O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love. Let  
him fill your heart and satisfy your soul. O let him have the things  
that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove will descend upon your life  
and make you whole. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill you lambs.  
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### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

*(Inspired by Isaiah 43:2)*

When we pass through the waters,

**God is there with us.**

When we suffer and feel hopeless,

**God is there with us.**

When we are joyful and celebratory,

**God is there with us.**

Whether we feel triumphant or defeated,

**God is there with us, always.**

Come, let us worship together with Emmanuel, God with us.

Let us pray:

**God of many names, we give ourselves into the hand of your  
continuing creativity; our past, with its joys and triumphs, its  
failures and regrets, our present, with its struggles and  
accomplishments, its hopes and setbacks, our future, with its  
fears and freedom, its pain and possibility, trusting the Spirit  
that breathes life, trusting the love that will not let us go,  
trusting the promise of the Word made flesh. Amen.**

\*HYMN 139 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

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

FIRST LESSON *Isaiah 43:1-7*

ANTHEM *Down to the River to Pray*

### INTRODUCTION TO THE LESSON

GOSPEL LESSON *Luke 3:15-17, 21-22*

### THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

\*HYMN 189 *Fairest Lord Jesus*

### PROCLAMATION

"The Gift of Belonging"

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 884

*A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church*

**We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things,  
Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all  
truth and love.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our  
teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for  
guidance, for comfort, and for strength.**

**We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and  
prayer, and in grace equal to every need.**

**We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New  
Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.**

**We believe in the church, those who are united in the living  
Lord for the purpose of worship and service.**

**We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in  
human society, and in the family of God, where we are all  
brothers and sisters. We believe in the final triumph of  
righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE 420 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

### \*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE 347 *Spirit Song (verse 2)*  
"O come and sing this song with gladness as your hearts are filled  
with joy. Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name. O give  
him all your tears and sadness; give him all your years of pain, and  
you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill  
your lambs. Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs."

\*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!*

### EOY 2021

Salem UMC received \$44,317.08 in financial contributions during the period of December 19-31, 2021.

All 2021 operating invoices are paid. All 2021 operating accounts have a positive balance as of December 31, 2021.

All 2021 Conference Apportionments were paid to the Conference.

### STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

Week of January 2, 2021

Needed each week to fund unified budget \$13,969.07

Unified budget received \$6,233.00

#### Attendance

Worship 121 Sunday School 39

#### On Line Viewing

228

### PLEASE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER:

**Generations of Irmo** — Carolyn Brower,

Joyce Cook, Dot Corley, 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,

Sandra Hinson, Lee McMillan, Voncille Meetze, Margie Oswald,

Molly Kate Shealy, Norman Thomas, Terry Waites, Marie Wicker

### ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

**Ushers:** Lead – Ted Hornsby  
Will Bowers, Jim Lewis

**Sound Booth:** Cory Anderson

**Trustee:** Betsy Goodale

**Acolyte:** Matthew Tanner

**Nursery:** Sheri Hood, Rachel McCrary

*The nursery will be available during the 10:30 worship hour.*

*Children's Church will resume at a later date.*

### Flower Ministry

The flowers which grace the Holy Altar today are given to the Glory of God by Joyce Lewis in honor of Jim & Marie Lewis, Jr. and David & Jean Lewis.

### Our Christian Sympathy

We would like to express our heartfelt sympathy to **Janice Catoe** and family upon the death of her brother, **Jerry Griffin**.

## Assisting with Communion

Communion is a sacred sacrament of the United Methodist Church and the distribution of the elements is one of several discipleship opportunities Salem would like to extend to its members. Communion is offered the first Sunday of each month. If you are interested in assisting Pastor Jeff with the sacrament of holy communion, we encourage your participation and ask you to place your name on the **sign-up sheet located in the Welcome Center**. Pastor Jeff will contact you prior to your participation to ensure you are adequately prepared.

## OASIS - January 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:30

It's hard to believe we have entered into a new year! Kick it off right by joining our Oasis (previously known as our Over 50's ministry) group as we take some concentrated time to get to know each other during the first month of the year gathering. If you haven't joined us previously and considered doing so, now would be a great time! We will enjoy a variety of soups prepared by Janet Haas and then spend some time in fellowship afterwards. Call the church office and let us know you will be attending by Wednesday, Jan 12<sup>th</sup>!

## New Bible Study Coming

"The New Testament You Never Knew"

by N. T. Wright and Michael Bird

Join us for a time of exploring the New Testament like never before in this guided tour led by world famous expert N. T. Wright and Michael Bird. Explore the story of the New Testament, world of Jesus, life and death of Jesus, resurrection of Jesus, the apostle Paul, the early Christians, mission of the church and how the New Testament came to be. The class will be at **6:00 P.M. on Monday nights beginning January 3 through February 21 in the Seekers Classroom**. The cost is \$10 for the Study Guide. Contact Jim Magann at [jimmagann@gmail.com](mailto:jimmagann@gmail.com) to sign up.

## Ladies' Lunch Bunch

For any ladies that just want to get together for fellowship time over lunch, we will meet **Monday, January 24 at Zorba's** on St. Andrews at 12:00.

## Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes have arrived for 2022! They are in the Welcome Center.

## 2022 Flower Calendar

The 2022 Flower Calendar has been placed in the Welcome Center. Cost is \$95 for two arrangements and is a thoughtful way to honor or memorialize someone special. The arrangements are yours to take following the service. If you would like to donate the flowers, they will be arranged into several different vases to be delivered to shut-ins and the sick. **Please help support the church in this meaningful manner.**

## Women's Bible Study

We will offer a new Bible study beginning **February 3, 2022** at 6:00. The study is entitled **Forgiveness by Rodney Hogue**. If you are interested in participating in this 11 week study, text, email or call Heather Magann @ [hmagann@gmail.com](mailto:hmagann@gmail.com) or 843-446-7280.

## Winter Wonderland Italian Lunch

Family Ministries is hosting a Winter Wonderland Italian lunch on **Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup>** immediately following the worship service in the fellowship hall. We will be serving lasagna and spaghetti, so we are requesting an RSVP to make sure we are prepared. There are two ways to RSVP:

1. Call the church office
2. Email [Autumnesmith452@gmail.com](mailto:Autumnesmith452@gmail.com)

## 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.*

**370 items were delivered to Sharing God's Love on December 13<sup>th</sup>. 275 of the items were donated by the Seeker's Sunday School Class as part of their annual Christmas Party.**

## Meetings Canceled

The **Finance Committee** meeting scheduled for 6:30 P.M. on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, is cancelled.

The **Administrative Council** meeting scheduled for 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, is cancelled.

## THIS WEEK AT SALEM

### Sunday, January 9

9:30 A.M. . . . . Sunday School  
10:30 A.M. . . . . Morning Worship  
3:30 P.M. . . . . Confirmation Class  
4:30 P.M. . . . . Children's Council Meeting  
5:00 P.M. . . . . Youth

### Monday, January 10

6:00 P.M. . . . . Bible Study  
6:00 P.M. . . . . Girl Scouts  
6:30 P.M. . . . . Faith Circle in Fellowship Hall

### Tuesday, January 11

10:30 A.M. . . . . Staff Meeting  
6:00 P.M. . . . . Ricefield Plantation HOA Meeting  
7:00 P.M. . . . . AA Meeting

### Wednesday, January 12

10:30 A.M. . . . . Cavin, Joy, Love Circle Meeting  
7:00 A.M. . . . . AA Meeting  
7:00 P.M. . . . . Choir Practice

### Thursday, January 13

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

### Saturday, January 15

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

### Sunday, January 16

8:00 A.M. . . . . United Methodist Men Breakfast  
9:30 A.M. . . . . Sunday School  
10:30 A.M. . . . . Morning Worship  
3:30 P.M. . . . . Confirmation Class  
5:00 P.M. . . . . Youth

## Sermon Notes

### 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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### OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Jeff Childress — Pastor  
Ashley Anderson — Children's Ministries  
Sarah E. High — 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>