

Salem United Methodist Church

1321 Salem Church Road
Irmo, South Carolina 29063
Established 1873



September Sermon Series: *Priorities*

Based on Matthew 6:33

"Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Today's Message: *Giving It All Up*

September 4, 2022
13th Sunday After Pentecost

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

PRELUDE

*CHIMING OF THE HOUR and WELCOMING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

***CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP 405** *Seek Ye First*
"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!
Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!"

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (for Labor Day Sunday)
Come, all who labor and are weighed down with responsibility, uncertainty, and worry.
We come, because the load we carry is heavier than we can bear alone.

Come, all you who seek to relate work and worship, leisure and service, into a meaningful whole.

We gather for spiritual renewal and practical challenge, for help in making choices and carrying out our commitments.

Come, sinner and saint, with your hatreds and loves, your failures and successes, your sorrows and joys.

We respond to the Spirit's leading and open ourselves to receive God's gracious gifts.

*PRAYER OF APPROACH

Let us pray:
God of power and mercy, only with your help can we offer you fitting service and praise. May we live the faith we profess and trust your promise of eternal life. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

***HYMN 344** *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

A TIME OF PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING *Jeremiah 18:1-6*

ANTHEM *Would You Have Answered When I Called*

INTRODUCTION TO THE LESSON

*GOSPEL LESSON *Luke 14:25-33*

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

We invite children of all ages to come forth for the children's moment.

*HYMN 415

Take Up Thy Cross

PROCLAMATION

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INVITATION

CONFESSION AND PARDON

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SERVICE OF THE LAVABO

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Let us pray:

Holy God, we give thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *In Our Waking*

We believe in a God who is always with us, shaping us and directing our path. May God be the first thing that enters our head: In our waking and arising, in our eating and drinking, in our walking and journeying, in our working and serving, in our sowing and harvesting, in our rejoicing and sorrowing, in our resting and sleeping; be the first thought that enters our head, O Lord. Amen.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 382

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

*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.*

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!

Church on the Lake

September 4, 2022

8:30 Worship

Gathering Time and Music

*Choral Call to Worship

Seek Ye First

“Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!”

Welcome and Grace of Hospitality

Opening Prayer

*Song 1

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

1. Lord, you have come to the lakeshore looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones; you only asked me to follow humbly.

Refrain:

O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me, and while smiling have spoken my name; now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me; by your side I will seek other seas.

3. You need my hands full of caring through my labors to give others rest, and constant love that keeps on loving. *[Refrain]*

4. You, who have fished other oceans, ever longed for by souls who are waiting, my loving friend, as thus you call me. *[Refrain]*

*Song 2

Take Up Thy Cross

1. "Take up thy cross," the Savior said, "if thou wouldst my disciple be; deny thyself, the world forsake, and humbly follow after me."

2. Take up thy cross, let not its weight fill thy weak spirit with alarm; his strength shall bear thy spirit up, and brace thy heart and nerve thine arm.

3. Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame, nor let thy foolish pride rebel; thy Lord for thee the cross endured, to save thy soul from death and hell.

4. Take up thy cross and follow Christ, nor think till death to lay it down; for only those who bear the cross may hope to wear the glorious crown.

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 18:1-6

Gospel Lesson

Luke 14:25-33

Message

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Offering

Communion

*Song 3

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

1. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Thou art the potter, I am the clay. Mold me and make me after thy will, while I am waiting, yielded and still.

2. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Search me and try me, Savior today! Wash me just now, Lord, wash me just now, as in thy presence humbly I bow.

4. Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Hold o'er my being absolute sway. Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see Christ only, always, living in me!

*Blessing and Sending Forth

*Post-Service Music

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FELLOWSHIP TIME

Come early (8:15am) each week and enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

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 9:30am and Sunday Worship Services in our sanctuary at 10:30am at Salem United Methodist Church at the corner of Hwy. 6 and Salem Church Road in Irmo, SC.

Rev. Jeff Childress

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

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

Week of August 28, 2022

Will be reported next week

Attendance

Worship 177 Sunday School 63

(Includes 10:30 service and Church on the Lake)

On Line Viewing

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PLEASE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER:

Brookdale — Mary Skenes

Embrace Hospice House — Bill Oswald

Generations of Irmo — Carolyn Brower,

Joyce Cook, Dot Corley, Anita Weed

Harbison Shores — Mary Catherine Bickley Erskine

Lexington Extended Care — Ray Keith

Lowman Home Rehab — Gwen Parnell

Tyborne UCP — Jessica Gore

Special Prayers — Bob Davis, Faye Derrick,

Leroy Gibson, Lee McMillan, Margie Oswald,

Barbara Thomas, Terry Waites

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Ushers:

Lead – Randy Hilliard

Jim Lewis

Sound Booth:

Mike Lambert

Trustee:

Sandra Durst

Acolyte:

Thomas Brewton

Communion Assistant:

PJ Garrett

Nursery:

Martina Thomas, Rachel McCrary

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

Flower Ministry

The flowers which grace the Holy Altar today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Ed Thomas whose 90th birthday would have been today by Larry and June Salters.

Church on the Lake Service

Our Church on the Lake service at Woodmen of the World, 2000 Johnson Marina Rd., Chapin, is in full swing and will run through September 25th. **Join us at 8:30 am for our service.** We look forward to worshipping with you there! Rain or shine!

College Students

We need Updated addresses!!

Youth and Children

Youth and Children are Now OFFICIALLY underway!!!!

The children went on a Safari last week and even learned how to read things that were written in the Hebrew and Greek styles the first scriptures were written in, and even learned there have been so many Bibles sold already that if you laid them all side by side, they would wrap around the earth 28 1/2 times!!! We next have Mrs. Sarah coming to lead us through music and then on September 11 we start visiting our Science Lab. You don't want to miss it. In the evening we had a "sweet" time learning how you can learn about God through Candy. This week, see if you can come and figure out all the secret codes!!!

The Youth learned all about Creation and followed it by learning what their names mean and how to live out the meanings of their names on a daily basis. This week they will learn in Sunday School about Mans rebellion in Genesis and then Sunday night, we learn what it truly means to "abide" in Christ Jesus.

We hope to see ALL the Youth and Children this week!!!

Ongoing Ways to Support the Church

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. The **flower calendar** is also located 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.

Children's Church Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help lead Children's Church during worship service. This is the time when our younger children, ages 3- 7 leave the Sanctuary following the Children's Moment and learn about the sermon of the day with a fun, interactive activity. We use Sermon4Kids for the Children's Sermon during Children's Church, and the lessons will be provided each week. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please reach out to P.J. Garrett at garrett.patriciaj@gmail.com or via phone at (803)743-5648.

Ladies Lunch Bunch

Ladies if you'd like to get together for fellowship time over lunch, meet us on Monday, **September 26 at 11:30 at Doza Rizen in Chapin.**

Women's Fall Bible Study

We will begin studying the book, **Simon Peter by Adam Hamilton on September 1, 2022.** The Study begins at 6:00 PM on Thursday nights and will last for 6 weeks.

If you are interested in participating or have any questions please contact Heather Magann at 843-446-7280 or hmagann@gmail.com.

Salem Ringers

Are you interested in playing handbells? The Salem Ringers are looking for you! Our handbell choir provides special music for worship once a month. **We will resume our practice schedule on Sunday, 9/11/22, at 4:00 PM in the basement.** No previous experience is required. If you have any questions, you may speak to any member of the handbell choir or contact the director, James David Lindler, at 803-603-6417.

OASIS

Our OASIS ministry will kick off their year of events on **Tuesday, September 20 at 11:30** with an Italian meal catered by Olive Garden. We will have our choice of Lasagna or fettucine alfredo along with salad, breadsticks, tea and dessert. The cost of the meal will be \$8 per person. **RSVP by Thursday, September 15th.**

Self Defense Class

Community Outreach will host a Self Defense Class immediately following worship on **Sunday, September 25th** from 12:15-2:30 in the fellowship Hall. The cost of the class is \$10 and includes a boxed lunch. Call the office to RSVP and bring a friend!

End Alzheimer's

We are looking for volunteers to join a team to raise money and help put an end to Alzheimer's. Amy Bundrick's mom passed away from Alzheimer's at the age of 59 in 2018. Amy is sponsoring a team and welcomes any support. **A walk will be help at Segra Park, 1640 Freed Street, Columbia, SC 29201 on Saturday, Oct. 8.** The name of the team is Nancy and registration starts at 9am with an opening ceremony at 9:45 am. Any questions or additional information can be obtained by contacting Amy Bundrick directly at 803-497-1015. Donations will be accepted.

Epworth Children's Home

Next Sunday is the annual Work Day offering for Epworth Children's Home. This tradition dates back decades to when Methodists were challenged to "Give a Day's Pay" to the children at Epworth. While the emphasis has shifted a bit over the years, it is still important that we come together to provide spiritual, educational, emotional, and physical support for the children at Epworth. As you consider what God is calling you to give to support our church's ministry to children, remember Christ's command to let the little children come to him. He embraces them, welcomes them, loves them, and teaches them. Epworth is answering this call to let the little children come. Your generous contribution to our church's ministry enables transformation to happen for the children who are served by Epworth. Epworth does not receive apportionment dollars from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, please visit www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

Transitions

The Columbia District United Women in Faith is collecting **needed items for Transitions.** Transition's mission is to engage and equip homeless adults of the Midland's to transition into stability and permanent housing. It is the only center to provide homeless adults both day services with a place to spend the day and residential services. Men, women and children are all accepted. For more information on this mission, visit Transitions website at transitionssc.org. Below is a list of needed items. If you would like to help with this project, please place your items in the box in the Welcome Center. All items collected will be taken to the district Meeting in September. Thank you in advance for your contributions.

Wish List *Sample or travel size*

Shampoo, Conditioner, Small first aid kits, Soap/ body wash, Lotion, Small sewing kits, Deodorant, Individual packages of facial tissue, disposable razors and shaving cream packets, individually wrapped toothbrushes and travel size toothpaste.

Stop the Bleed

Union UMC will be hosting a class called **Stop the Bleed on September 24, at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Union UMC.** With most injuries, people die because the bleeding was not stopped. It is a health and safety class on the correct use of tourniquets and how to stop bleeding. We wanted to extend the offer to the members of Salem as well. Prisma Health will be conducting the training. To register, please call Erin Schoolmeester @ 803-781-3013. There is no cost and the training will take approximately 1 hour.

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Sunday, September 4

8:30 A.M. Church on the Lake
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:30 A.M. Morning Worship
4:00 P.M. Quest Children
5:00 P.M. Youth

Tuesday, September 6

7:00 P.M. AA Meeting

Wednesday, September 7

7:00 A.M. AA Meeting
10:30 A.M. Joy/Love Circle Meeting @ Seekers Class
11:30 A.M. Cavin Circle @ Generations of Irmo
7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

Thursday, September 8

6:00 P.M. Women's Bible Study
7:00 P.M. AA Meeting

Saturday, September 10

7:00 P.M. AA Meeting

Sunday, September 11

8:30 A.M. Church on the Lake
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:30 A.M. Morning Worship
4:00 P.M. Nominations Meeting Conference Room
4:00 P.M. Salem Ringers
4:00 P.M. Quest Children
5:00 P.M. Adult Education Meeting Seekers Class
5:00 P.M. Youth
6:00 P.M. Outreach Zoom Meeting

Sharing God's Love

Our current needs: Pancake Syrup, Jelly, Oatmeal, Grits, Tea, Small Coffee, Juice, Flour, Sugar, Pasta Dinners, Pasta Sauce, Boxed Baking: Cornbread, Cake Mix, Frosting, Ravioli, SpaghettiOs (Lunch Can), Elbow Pasta, Boxed Pasta Dinners (No Mac 'n Cheese please) Baked Beans, SNACKS: Granola Bars, Trail Mix, Raisins, Lance Crackers and Chips.

Immediate Needs: Peanut Butter, Jelly, 1" 3-ring binders with clear view cover (solid colors), Face masks, Grocery Bags, School Supplies, Towels and King and Queen Size Bedding (new or gently used accepted).

Other Needs: Dry erase markers (low odor) — black Yellow highlighters 2-pocket PLASTIC portfolio (folder) with PRONGS, Solid colors 1" 3-ring binders with clear view cover, Solid colors 5 ct. Letter Index Dividers Backpacks (no wheels) Thank you, but we do NOT need crayons or pencils.

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

35 items were delivered to Sharing God's Love on August 9th.

The Church Office will be closed on
Monday, September 5th in observance of
the Labor Day Holiday.

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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call 864-985-2456 or 803-422-9400*



OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Jeff Childress — Pastor

William Byrd — Pianist

P. J. Garrett — Director of Children's Ministries

Sarah E. High — Director of Music

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>