

Salem United Methodist Church

1321 Salem Church Road
Irmo, South Carolina 29063
Established 1873



Series: *Learning to Live Inside Out*

Part 2: *Go From Your Country*

March 5, 2023
2nd Sunday of Lent

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Purple is a color of penitence and is used to reflect the preparatory season of Lent.

PRELUDE

*CHIMING OF THE HOUR and WELCOMING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP 269

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days (vs2)

As thou with Satan didst contend, and didst the victory win, O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to conquer sin.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

SESQUICENTENNIAL MOMENT

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

Welcome pilgrims on the way to the cross.

We are learning to follow Jesus.

When God says, "Go!" without telling us the destination,

Show us, Christ, how to go forward in faith.

When re-birth is the impossible way forward,

Christ, be our midwife as we accept God's call to be reborn.

When we find ourselves in the in-between of where we've been and where we're going,

Christ, meet us on the way and bless us in the going.

Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

We come to worship God as we learn to live inside out! Amen.

Let us pray:

Holy God, Creator of all that is, Donor of Grace, and Giver of Life: Hear our prayer. There are chasms in our lives, deep valleys that separate us from one another and from You. You call us to a reconciled life, to healed relationships, to a wholeness with each other and with You. Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations through the power and love of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*HYMN 116

The God of Abraham Praise

A TIME OF PRAYER

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY 95

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 12:1-4a

ANTHEM

Creation of Peace

INTRODUCTION TO THE LESSON

GOSPEL LESSON

John 3:1-17

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

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

*HYMN 98

To God Be the Glory

PROCLAMATION

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A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II, PG. 12

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.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 2259

Victim Divine

*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!

STEWARDSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

Week of February 26, 2023

Needed each week to fund unified budget \$14,137.77

Unified budget received \$15,509.00

Needed to meet budget year to date (Inclgd. bldg. fund) \$127,239.93

Unified budget received year to date (Inclgd. bldg. fund) \$120,367.52

| Attendance | On Line Viewing |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Worship 159 Sunday School 78 | 136 |

Total for Epworth Renovations \$2894
Collected at Pancake Supper \$991

PLEASE PRAYERFULLY REMEMBER:

Brookdale — Mary Skenes

Generations of Irmo — Carolyn Brower,
Joyce Cook, Dot Corley, Anita Weed

Harbison Shores — Mary Catherine Bickley Erskine

Lowman Home Rehab — Gwen Parnell

NHC Northeast — Inez Hyatt

Rice Estates Assisted Living — Barbara Rolin

Tyborne UCP — Jessica Gore

Special Prayers — Freddie Butler, Janice Catoe,

Bob Davis, Leroy Gibson, Miriam Grooms,

Shirley Hart, Lee McMillan, Margie Oswald,

Bill Rolin, Barbara Thomas, Terry Waites

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Ushers: Lead – Bill Sills
 Callie Dunn
 Sandra Durst
 Melinda Hydrick

Trustee: Eric Puette

Sound Booth: Dustin Tanner

Acolyte: Sandra Sills

Nursery: Martina Thomas, Rachel McCrary

Communion Assistant: Juanita Kelley

Flower Ministry

The flowers which grace the Holy Altar today are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of Fatma's birthday by Francis Haliwanger.

Ladies Lunch Bunch

Ladies if you'd like to get together for fellowship time over lunch, meet us on Monday, **March 27 at 12:00 at Zorba's on St. Andrews Road.**



Celebrating 150 Years Salem United Methodist Church

This year, we will be celebrating Salem United Methodist Church's Sesquicentennial birthday throughout the year! This special celebration will include events, historical moments, shared stories and memories, all culminating with Homecoming to take place in September. Be sure to read the newsletters for details and ways you will be able to participate in these historic events.

The Chosen Season 2 Bible Study

Started Tuesday, February 21, 2023

6 – 7:30 PM 9 Weeks in the Fellowship Classroom

Please email (hmagann@gmail.com) or text (843-446-7280) Heather Magann if you would like to sign up for the study or if you have any questions.

OASIS

Our March event will be packed with lots of goodies so plan to join us on **Tuesday, March 21 at 11:30**. Our guest speaker will be Shari Selke, Executive Director of Sharing God's Love. We will also enjoy a St. Patty's Day themed meal of corned beef and cabbage from Tim Scott catering. The cost of the meal will be \$9. We will also have a Lucky Pot of Gold Drawing that you won't want to miss. Attendees are asked to bring a donation to Sharing God's Love to assist in their Mother's Day mission project. Items requested are: Boxes of Cheerios, graham crackers and gold fish as well as larger diapers, size 3-4 toddler size. All canned goods are accepted as well. **Please call the church office to say you'll be there by Wednesday, March 15th.**

Safe Sanctuary Training

Salem UMC will be offering Safe Sanctuary Training for everyone who is interested in working with Children, Youth and Vulnerable adults. The Training will be held today, **March 5 from 4:00 - 5:00p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**. The training lasts for three years so it is time for everyone in Salem UMC to go through the training again. We will also have to update our background checks at this time so be prepared to share information that is needed to complete these checks. If you plan to help with any Youth or Children's Sunday School, nursery, Sunday nights, and Vacation Bible School, please make plans to attend as these training sessions will only take place a couple of times.

How to Receive Salem UMC's Monthly Newsletter

In order to be better stewards of resources and time, we are now offering our monthly newsletter electronically. You have the option of accessing the newsletter either by logging into our website (salemumcsc.com), or having it emailed to you. If you prefer email, please contact the church office and let us know. If you do not have a way to receive the newsletter electronically, let us know and we can still provide you with a paper copy.

Prayer and Self-Denial

The United Women in Faith will be holding a day of Prayer and Self-Denial on **March 11th at 10am** in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a brief program and light refreshments.

Beginner Line Dancing Class

There will be a beginner line dancing class starting **March 9 at 2 o'clock in the Fellowship Hall**. If you want to learn a few dances but didn't know where to start, this is the class for you. The class will go for an hour to an hour and a half for five weeks. We are wanting to keep the class small so we are limiting the number to 20 ladies. If you would like to sign up please contact Millie at 803-920-5261 by text or phone call. There is no cost.

Outdoor Bazaar

Faith Circle will have an Outdoor Bazaar on **April 29, 2023** from 9 - 2 in the Salem parking lot. If you would like to be a vendor or know someone that would like to be, please contact Millie Fore 803-920-5261 or Sandra Durst 803-600-6206.

Epworth Project Sign-ups

We are beginning the process of signing up to take part in the upcoming Epworth Mission Project. The dates will be **April 26 - May 3**. You may sign up for a half day or all day. You can sign up for as many days as you would like. There is a sign up sheet in the Welcome Center but you may also scan this QR Code to be directed to the sign-ups for this project. We look forward to this project and working together as a church.





Palm Sunday
Egg Hunt & The Celebration of 150 Years at Salem
Sunday April 2 | 11:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.
 Salem United Methodist Church
 In the Fellowship Hall & Outside in the Children's Area
Lunch - Games - Face Painting

"Stepping Back in Time"



Join us in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the Palm Sunday service on Sunday, April 2nd for a Sesquicentennial Celebration, "Stepping Back in Time".

- View Salem's artifacts and memorabilia
- Listen to hymns from the first 100 years of our founding
- Participate in fun games and face painting
- Join in the Easter egg hunt
- Video booth to record your entry into the Salem diary
- Enjoy a delicious lunch (RSVP will be requested)

This event will have fun for all ages! Check the bulletin in the coming weeks for more details and RSVP opportunities.

THIS! SPRING FORWARD! ALEM
 Daylight Saving Time

Sunday, March 5
 9:30 A.M. Sunday School
 10:30 A.M. Morning Worship
 4:00 P.M. Safe Sanctuary Training
 4:00 P.M. Children
 5:00 P.M. Youth

Monday, March 6
 6:00 P.M. Faith Circle
 7:00 P.M. Missions Meeting

Tuesday, March 7
 9:00 A.M. Truthseekers Bible Study
 6:00 P.M. Bible Study
 6:30 P.M. 150th Celebration Meeting
 7:00 P.M. AA Meeting

Wednesday, March 8
 7:00 A.M. AA Meeting
 7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

Thursday, March 9
 2:00 P.M. Line Dance Class
 6:30 P.M. LMA Meeting @ Seekers Class
 7:00 P.M. AA Meeting

Saturday, March 11
 10:00 A.M. UWIF Prayer & Self-Denial
 7:00 P.M. AA Meeting

Sunday, March 12
 2:30 A.M. Daylight Savings Spring Forward
 9:30 A.M. Sunday School
 10:30 A.M. Morning Worship
 4:00 P.M. Children
 5:00 P.M. Youth

Sharing God's Love

Current Pantry Needs: Cereal, Oatmeal, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Spaghetti, Noodles, Pasta Sauce, Pasta Dinners, Rice Dinners, Lunch Combos (SpaghettiOs, Ravioli, etc.), Chili, Pork & Beans, Canned Beans, Dry Beans, Crackers (Ritz or Saltines), Snacks, Juice and Canned or Powdered Milk.

Other Items: New Underwear and Socks for Women, Queen and King Sheets, Bed Linens and Comforters, Blankets - all sizes, Wash Cloths, Towels, Winter Coats (all sizes), pots, pans, plates, glasses, cookware, bakeware, kitchen linens and small appliances.

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

118 items were delivered to Sharing God's Love on February 2nd.

Sunday, March 12th

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
 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 — Coordinator of Children/Youth Ministries
 Tina Overton — Director of Creative Ministries
 Dustin Tanner — Audio/Visual/Communications Director
 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>