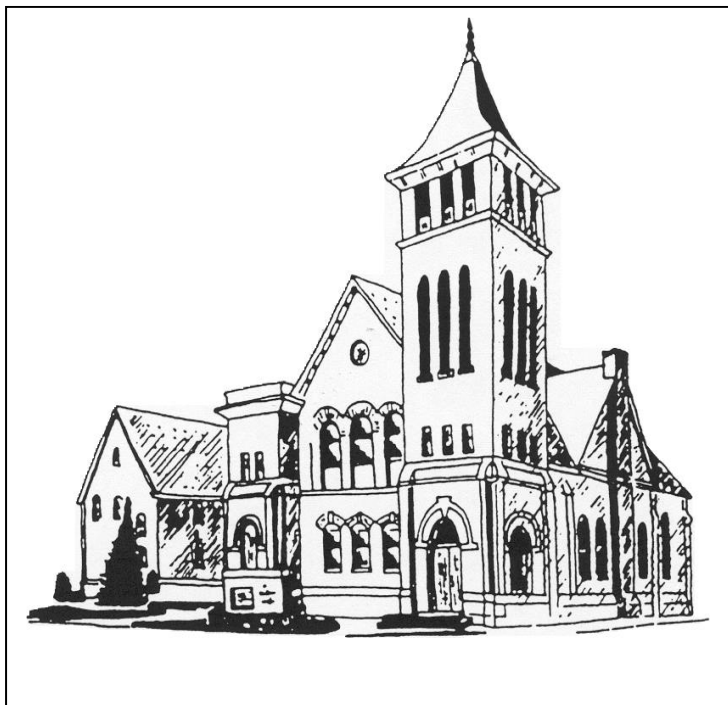


# **SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

1500 North Main

Higginsville, Missouri

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**We are a gathering church sent out  
by God to bring the good news of  
God's grace, justice, peace, and  
love to the world**

January 16, 2022

10:00 a.m.

## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

### THE GATHERING

#### MUSIC BEFORE WORSHIP

**WELCOME:** No matter who you are or where you are in your life's journey, you are welcome here. Welcome to worship, fellowship and Christian education at Salem Church. We are honored to be with you in the Lord's presence.

#### NEWS OF THE CONGREGATION

#### RINGING OF THE BELL

**Piano Prelude**

“Let There Be Peace On Earth”

Miller/ Jackson arr. Vinick

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: There are many gifts, talents, and abilities that God gives.

**People: But there is only one Spirit.**

Leader: There are a variety of things we can do to serve the Lord.

**People: But it is the same Lord we all serve.**

Leader: There are many activities we can do to serve God: teach, sing, clean, preach, play, work...

**People: But God activates all of these in us.**

Leader: There are many manifestations of God's Spirit in the world.

**People: It is impossible to list them all.**

Leader: To say that one is better than another makes no sense.

**People: God gives to each as God chooses. Thanks be to God!**

#### \*HYMN

“Sing, All Creation”

(Copies of this hymn are in the Hymnal/Bible Racks in the pews)

#### \*INVOCATION (Unison)

**God of all good gifts, we thank you and praise you. Your Spirit has touched our lives, bringing wisdom, ability, strength,**

courage, and passion. Enable us to use our gifts in service to you and to others. In all that we do, and in all that we are, may your name be glorified, that your Vision will be with us and reside here on this earth. We pray this in the name of your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

No. 623

**JOYS AND CONCERNS** Preparation for prayer  
**PASTORAL PRAYER, THE LORD’S PRAYER,**  
(“debts” and “debtors” words in hymn No. 426)

**MORNING OFFERING**

\*Doxology

No. 625

\*Dedication Prayer

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostle’s Creed  
*(Printed inside back cover of Hymnal)*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

I Corinthians 12.1-11, John 2.1-11

**\*HYMN**

“Our God Has Made Us One”

No. 287

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”

African-American Spiritual

**Offering plates are at the exits from the sanctuary.**

The Worship Service is over and our Service begins.

*\*Indicates please stand if you are able to do so*

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Leading Worship Today:  
Rev. Dr. Tommy L. Faris – Pastor  
Jamie Smith – Music Director

### **IN OUR PRAYERS:**

Arlene Long, has been hospitalized at Centerpoint Medical Center with pneumonia, fluid around the heart and lungs, and has been diagnosed with congestive heart failure. The hospital was planning on releasing her to go home on Friday, January 14.

Margaret Soendker, is hospitalized at Warrensburg hospital with pneumonia.

Ann Iles, prayers as Ann continues to regain strength.

Clayton Lettau, we continue to say prayers of thankfulness as there is no new growth.

Brenda Homfeld, Brenda's health has improved but she will still need a liver transplant. Continued prayer is appreciated.

Prayers, for anyone with a health issue, anyone grieving, and anyone that has a heavy burden on their heart, mind, and soul.

Prayers, for our world and nation.

### **Best Wishes for Birthdays this week...**

Becky Bergsieker, January 16

Danielle Bergsieker, January 16

Kearston Lettau, January 17

Denise Kirchhoff, January 18

Jim Stoner, January 18

Danny Long, January 19

Teri Salyer, January 20

Joyce Gross, January 22

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

### **BALLOTS AND LETTER:**

The Annual Congregational Meeting this year will not be held as usual due to COVID concerns. You will be receiving a manila envelope in the mail this coming week. It will contain a ballot for each family member eligible to vote, a letter explaining this procedure, the Annual Report, and an envelope to mail or return your ballots as we did when voting on the budget.

**BINGO/TACO NIGHT:**

The Board of Christian Education will be hosting a Bingo/Taco night on Friday, January 21, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

**EVANGELISM COMMITTEE REQUEST:**

The Evangelism committee is asking for donations for the upcoming souper supper. Donation request: 7-1 gallon cans of green beans; 8-1 gallon cans of fruit cocktail. If you are bringing a canned good donation for the souper supper, please have it to church by January 19. Please place your donation on the counter in the kitchen. There will be a sign to designate the location for the donation. Monetary donations are always welcome for souper supper supplies. Thanks for your continued support.

The Evangelism Committee

**INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATIONS:**

If the church council makes the decision to close church because of inclement weather, these are the stations that will have the cancelation notices: KMBC 9, KCWE 29, Fox 4, KCTV 5, 41 Action News, KMMO, KMZU. To be added to the church closing text list, call June or send June a text letting her know you want to be added. Her number is 660-441-8568.

Thank you to June Howell for coordinating this!

**2022 ENVELOPES:**

Are available by the church office.

**MASK UPDATE FROM THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:**

In keeping with the Lafayette County C-1 School decision on Covid response, masks are recommended but not required.

**CHURCH COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION:**

If you are not feeling well, please stay home and watch our service on Facebook live. Please take care of others by taking care of yourself.

**PRAYERS AND CONCERNS:**

Anyone who is in need of prayers, please call the church office, (660) 584-3603.

**COMMUNITY NEWS:**

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

There will be a Martin Luther King Jr. community service today in the Lafayette County C-1 High School East Gym at 11:00 a.m. This service is organized by the Higginsville Ministerial Fellowship.

**JKV AND MEYER CARE CENTER BIBLE STUDY:**

John Knox Village and Meyer Care Center have a weekly Bible Study that is led, on a rotational schedule, by the Ministerial Fellowship. Father Tom Hawkins (Catholic) will be leading during the month of January. The Bible Study is held every Wednesday, 10:15-10:45 a.m. in the Gathering Room.

**JANUARY SCHEDULE FOR SOUPER SUPPERS:**

(All suppers are 5:30–6:30 p.m.)

Sunday, January 23 First Presbyterian Church: Phone: 660-584-3372

Monday, January 24 Salem UCC: Phone: 660-584-3603

(Immanuel Lutheran Church partnering)

Menu at Salem: Turkey Tetrazzini, green beans, fruit cocktail, French bread, and dessert.

Tuesday, January 25 First Baptist: Phone: 660-584-7165

Wednesday, January 26 St. Mary's Catholic Church:

Phone: 660-584-3038

Thursday, January 27 Grace United Methodist Church:

Phone: 660-584-2211

**UP COMING DATES:**

January 17 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Church Office Closed)

January 21 – Bingo/Taco Night at Salem

January 24 – Souper Supper at Salem

**CHURCH INFORMATION:**

Tommy's email: [tlfaris@ctcis.net](mailto:tlfaris@ctcis.net)

Tommy's cell phone: 816-352-2052

Church Telephone: 660-584-3603

Church Email: [salemucc@ctcis.net](mailto:salemucc@ctcis.net)

Church Website: [salemucchigginsville.org](http://salemucchigginsville.org)

Fax number: 660-584-5666

Wi-Fi Network Name: Salem UCC

Wi-Fi Password: Resurrection!1870

## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT SALEM

January 16, thru January 23, 2022

- Sunday - 8:00 a.m. Early Worship  
8:30 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal  
8:45 a.m. Sunday School  
8:50 a.m. Little Notes and Chime Bell Rehearsal  
10:00 a.m. Brief Worship and Live-Stream Worship on Facebook
- Monday - Church Office closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Tuesday - Food Pantry
- Wednesday – 10:30 a.m. Lafayette Area Pastors Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous  
7:00 p.m. Al-Anon  
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- Thursday - W.I.C. All Day  
7:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting
- Friday - 6:00 p.m. Bingo/Taco Night  
7:00 p.m. A. A.
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8:45 a.m. Sunday School  
8:50 a.m. Little Notes and Chime Bell Rehearsal  
10:00 a.m. Worship and Live-Stream Worship on Facebook  
11:15 a.m. Confirmation