

SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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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**

June 19, 2022

8:00 a.m.

**SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
FATHER'S DAY**

Welcome to Salem United Church of Christ! No matter who you are or where you are on your life's journey, you are welcome here in the United Church of Christ.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG

*** RESPONSIVE READING**

Psalm 42

Reader 1: As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

Reader 2: My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God?

Reader 1: My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?"

Reader 2: These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival.

Reader 1: Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise God, my help

Reader 2: and my God. My soul is cast down within me; therefore I remember you from the land of Jordan and of Hermon, from Mount Mizar.

Reader 1: Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your cataracts; all your waves and your billows have gone over me.

Reader 2: By day the Lord commands the Lord's steadfast love, and at night God's song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

Reader 1: I say to God, my rock, "Why have you forgotten me? Why must I walk about mournfully because the enemy oppresses me?"

Reader 2: As with a deadly wound in my body, my adversaries taunt me, while they say to me continually, “Where is your God?”

Reader 1: Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise God, my help and my God.

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

CELEBRATION OF FATHERS

Tommy

PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER (debts)

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again 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 one holy universal Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MESSAGE HYMN

SCRIPTURE

Luke 8.26-39

SERMON

“Return and Declare”

Tommy

BENEDICTION

TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

**Please stand if you are able to do so.*

Worship is over and our Service begins.

Leading Worship Today:
Rev. Dr. Tommy L. Faris – Pastor

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Keith Gadt, is residing at Riverbend Heights and Rehab, 1221 S. Business Hwy 13, Lexington, MO 64067.

Tina Bergsieker, is home and will continue Picc Line antibiotics for a blood infection until the middle of July. She is also on oxygen. She is improving every day and would enjoy a phone call at any time.

Kathy Bird, has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. Please keep Kathy and her family in prayer.

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

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...

Josh Baggs, June 19

Haiden Jensen, June 20

Kendall Rinne, June 20

Corey Robinette, June 21

Kathy Bodenstab-Wills, June 21

Susan Jensen, June 22

Bill Davenport, June 23

Lawson Kirchhoff, June 23

Kathy Bird, June 24

Janet Knehans, June 25

Jakob Long, June 25

Jacob Baggs, June 25

ALTAR ROSE:

Is placed in celebration of the birth of Clara Marie Thirkield. Clara was born Sunday, June 12, 2022. Clara's parents are DeShaun and Alivia Thirkield, her big brother is Jadan and her big sister is Georgia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Please join us for Summer Sunday School from 8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. There is an Adult Sunday School class and all children will meet as a combined Sunday School class. There won't be Sunday School during the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Memorial Committee is asking for volunteers to water the flower pots at the front doors of the church. If you are interested please call Mary Homfeld, 660-584-3060.

LAMPLIGHTER: Articles for the July Lamplighter are due in the church office by Wednesday, June 22. Thank you.

IT IS TIME FOR ... SUMMER SPECIAL MUSIC:

The Choirs are taking their summer break from June - August which provides an opportunity for special music to be shared! If you play an instrument or enjoy singing and would like to share your musical talent during the summer worship service, please call Jamie Smith at 660-232-4470.

Thank you in advance!

ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY TOOL SPECIAL

Your donation in the name of a male influence in your life will help supply tools to rebuild after a disaster. What a great way to remember someone on Father's Day. An article and envelope are in the June Lamplighter. (Extra cards are available in the back of the sanctuary and outside the church office.)

FATHER'S DAY CARDS: The Father's Day cards that have been returned are on display in front of the church sanctuary. Thank you for honoring your father.

QUILT RAFFLE:

Raffle tickets: \$1.00 each, or, \$5.00 for 6, can be purchased for an Underground Railroad Quilt Sampler (Made with period-correct fabrics. Measures 42"x55".) The drawing will be today, June 19; you do not need to be present to win. All proceeds benefit the Lafayette County Juneteenth Planning Committee. Quilt will be on display at the P&H Building, Main Street, Lexington MO. You can still purchase tickets today at the P&H Building.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED: The church office will be closed Monday, July 4, for Independence Day.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

Vacation Bible School will be held July 31-August 3, 2022, from 6-8:00 p.m. Anyone interested in volunteering please let June know. Volunteers get a free shirt and free dinner.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

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. They have decided to continue through the summer months. Andy Mockridge (Salem) will be leading during the month of June. The Bible Study is held every Wednesday, 10:15-10:45 a.m. in the Gathering Room.

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS:

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

UP COMING DATES:

June 21 – Summer Begins

July 4 – Independence Day (church office closed)

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT SALEM

June 19, thru June 26, 2022

Sunday - **Father's Day**
8:00 a.m. Early Worship
8:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship and Live-Stream Worship
on Facebook

Monday - **No Activities Scheduled**

Tuesday - **Food Pantry**
First Day of Summer

Wednesday - **10:30 a.m. Lafayette Area Pastors Meeting**
7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous
7:00 p.m. Al-Anon
July Lamplighter Articles Due

Thursday - **No Activities Scheduled**

Friday - **7:00 p.m. A. A.**

Saturday - **9:30 a.m. A. A.**

Sunday- **8:00 a.m. Early Worship**
8:45 a.m. Sunday School
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Hymn for a summer day

Maltbie Davenport Babcock, a minister in upstate New York at the turn of the 20th century, often walked near Niagara Falls to enjoy the view of Lake Ontario and the surrounding scenery. He'd tell his wife he was "going to see the Father's world."

After Babcock's death in 1901, his wife, Katherine, published a book of his writings, including the 16-verse poem "My Father's World." Franklin Sheppard set it to music in 1915, using two verses of text for each hymn stanza.

This is my Father's world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world:
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world,
the birds their carols raise,
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their maker's praise.
This is my Father's world:
he shines in all that's fair;
in the rustling grass I hear him pass;
he speaks to me everywhere.