

# *Salem United Church of Christ*

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“In all things Love”

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September 4, 2011 Communion, Outdoor Worship

Organ Prelude

Lighting of the Candles and Peace Candle

Welcome, Announcements/Sharing of Thanksgivings and Concern

Time to Center with God (seated)

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

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## **\* Call to Worship**

**For land and soil, grounding our steps, anchoring our homes and hopes, We rejoice with God in the land.**

**For outback and wilderness; restoring awe, bearing mystery, We rejoice with God in the wilderness and outback.**

**For rivers and lakes and all manner of waters, we rejoice with God in the rivers and waters.**

**We praise with the forest, trees soaring tall or spreading wide, bearing fruit and coloring autumn, making sacred space for creatures large and small, We rejoice with God in the beauty of Creation**

**\* Hymn 5 Morning Has Broken Tan Hymnal**

## **Gathering Prayer**

**In Holy presence we gather, we come with forest, creatures and trees, flora and floor, as those who draw life from God. We lift our voice with the voice of the forest, in praise that rises up from grace-bound roots. We listen with the forest, and all creation, for wind that stirs movements of God's renewing of creation. We find God's presence everywhere. In gratitude, we sing**

## **Song: Weave (Sing 2 times)**

**Weave, weave, weave us to-gether Weave us to-gether in unity and love.**

**Weave, weave, weave us to-gether, Weave us to-gether, to-gether in love.**

A Time for the Child in All of Us

Invitation to Prayer

Prayers of the People and our Prayers

(People are invited to say aloud a single word that expresses their praise, thanksgiving or petition at this moment) Silent Prayers

## **Prayer Response**

**Hear Our Prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord,  
Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.**

Our Offerings to God

Offertory

## **\* Congregational Response Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below**

**Praise God for all that love has done.**

**Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen**

## **\* Prayer of Dedication for Our Offerings:**

**Scripture Psalm 139: 13-14, 17, 23-24**

**Message Forests and Discernment #3**

**Communion, God's Gift to the People of God**

**\* Hymn 6 This is My Father's World Tan Hymnal**

**\* Benediction**

## **\* Congregational Response**

**Christ is risen, Christ is risen, Christ is risen, Christ is risen**

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Postlude

Welcome! Whether you are a guest or a treasured member, may the risen Christ be with you always! Thank you for worshipping with us. Greeting you this morning as you entered is Ruth Thoning. Please remain after the service for refreshments.

### **ACTIVITIES AT SALEM THIS WEEK**

**Today: Sept. 4** 9: 30 am Worship, 11 am Korean Worship 3-5 So. Asia

**Monday, Sept. 5** 6 pm Vigil at ICE,  
6 pm Webelos, 7 pm Bear Den, Cub Scouts

**Tuesday, Sept. 6** 10:30 am Bible Study with Tom  
7:00 pm Bible Study at Erin's  
7:00 pm Cub Scouts

**Wed. Sept. 7** 6 pm Community Meal,  
7 pm Choir Rehearsal

**Thurs. Sept. 8** 7 pm Child Care Providers

**Saturday, Sept. 10** 10-2 Jaffari School

2:30 pm Cleaning of Classrooms, come, help

**Sunday, Sept. 11** 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9-11. Rally Day. A special service commemorating 9-11 will be held.

The church needs offerings and pledges of \$8,000 each month.

Copies of the September Newsletter are on the table in the foyer.

The Mission Offering for the Month of September is the Urban Peak.

### **Ribbons of Hope by Erin Shock**

Six multi-faith groups called "Prepare New York" have banded together to give voice to the millions of people who are ready to move beyond hate and toward healing. They are sponsoring "Ribbons of Hope" to commemorate the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9/11. Ribbons will be delivered to Battery Park between 9am Friday September 9<sup>th</sup> and dusk Sunday September 11.

Individuals are asked to write a thought or prayer or hope for the healing of New York and the whole world. Ribbons will be joined to form a large tapestry and dedicated on Monday September 12, 2011. The tapestry will then be moved to different prominent places in New York as a positive symbol of inclusion, compassion and celebration of religious diversity.

Salem is participating by sending a ribbon of our own. Please put your message on the Salem ribbon by September 4, 2011. The ribbon will be mailed to New York and will become a part of the "tapestry".

Salem needs **Nursery volunteers!** The Christian Education Ministry seeks a person each Sunday to be available in the nursery. Show up at 9 am. If the nursery is empty at 9:45 pm you can attend the service. Thank you.

**Prayer is a means by which we connect with both God and all of God's people. You are invited to light a votive candle for a special prayer concern before the service.**

**Those dealing with Cancer: Julie McHenry; Alex Cuellar, brain cancer, young friend of Antoinio Fumagalli.**

**Our members at home or Extended Care** Ferne Courtney, Allison Smith, Lillian Martin, Pauline Lehr, Phil Kiefaber, Doris Forester (Send a "Thinking of you" card to them.)

**Continue to Remember:** Ed Kebba-failing health and Verona;  
**Other People:** Linda Schott, Norma Hansen's daughter, Doug Otto's brother, John-aneurysm; Jerome Jackson, and his mother; Ashley-end of life stage due to cancer; Anne Ottinger's son, Albert-looking for work; Polly and Guido Fumagalli, Maria and Antonio and Bette Earsman; Anne Ottinger, knee surgery; Brian Lasater, auto immune disease; Ruth Shock; Jay Eggleston, son of Linda Eggleston, head injury, Fran Sarlo-job hunting; Alec Michnikowski, recent newcomer to Denver. Grover and his son, Grover, Jr. who have various health issues-friends of George Brangoccio. Stacy Spehn, Christine's friend, knee problems, beginning internship at United Methodist Church-Iliff Student;

**Military:** Lt. Michael Lambert and Capt. Greg Lambert, brothers serving in Afghanistan. They are only sons of a single mother, and good friends of the Gibson Family.