SALEM CHURCH OF ROUGH & READY

Pastor: Mark E. Mantz Pianist: Haley Dietrich Acolyte: Ethan Lenker

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY COMMUNION August 13, 2023

PIANO PRELUDE

*OPENING HYMN "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" #207 WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SOLEMN DECLARATION

*CHORAL AMEN

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

P: Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

C: Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

P: Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.

C: Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will.

P: Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion.

C: **Praise the LORD, O my soul.** —Psalm 103:1-2, 20-22, NIV *CALL TO CONFESSION

P: The psalmist models a transparent faith with these words: Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. We express our longing for God's leading by our own transparent confession.

—based on Psalm 139:23-24, NRSV

*CONFESSION OF SIN (Unison)

(Silent Confession)

O Lord, great God, all holy, Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, we are embarrassed to come before you, for we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways, for we have rebelled against your wisdom and we have gotten into trouble, for we have rejected your fatherly guidance and have gotten lost altogether. To you belongs righteousness, O Lord, and to us confusion of face. O Lord, great God, all holy,

filled with awe, Father, most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, incline your ear to our troubles. Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before you. Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercy. On the ground of your great mercy in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in his name that we pray, for he is our Savior and the mediator of the covenant of grace. Amen.-Based on Daniel 9:4-19

*KYRIE, page 518, red hymnal

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

P: O LORD, should you mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

—Psalm 130:3-4, 7-8, NRSV

*PRAISE

P: Praise the Lord.

*C. THE LORD'S NAME BE PRAISED!

*GLORIA PATRI, page 491, red hymnal

SPECIAL MUSIC:

MISSION MOMENTS

JOYS & CONCERNS

GENERAL & SILENT PRAYERS

CHILDREN'S SERMON:

*NICENE CREED (Page 24, red hymnal -Unison)

*SERMON HYMN "I Love to Tell the Story" #435

SCRIPTURES: 2 Corinthians 11: 11-15

SERMON: "Blinded by the Light"

OFFERING

* OFFERATORY RESPONSE, page 506, and Prayer of Dedication

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

*DOXOLOGY, page 551, red hymnal

HOLY COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN

The Lord's Prayer

*BENEDICTION

SILENT MEDITATION

PIANO POSTLUDE

*Congregation, please stand, if you are able. All hymns are from BROWN HYMNAL.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>TODAY</u> – WELCOME TO ALL. Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost and Holy Communion. Altar Flowers are to the Glory of God. There will be no Children's Church today. Please join us for Sunday School and Bible study immediately following the service. The Love Offering this month is for Brenda and Toby Tobias.

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>August 19th</u> – Baking for Missions. Please bring donated items to church by Saturday Morning. There is a signup sheet on the table by the entrance.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY, August 20th</u>th – Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost. The acolyte will be Marian Heim.

<u>Tuesday</u>, <u>August 22nd</u> – It's time for School to Start. We will be pack bags for LMNETS at Christ Church starting at 10 a.m. Here is a list of items that we can use for the first few packs of the year. Pop tarts, Oatmeal packets, Sunny D/Yahoo drinks, Hot chocolate mix, Mac & cheese cups, Ramen noodles, Chef Boy-R-Dee canned pasta, spaghetti, etc. (Generic is great!), Dried fruits, Trail mix/nuts. That should get us started. Thank you!

Saturday, August 26th – Men's Fellowship Breakfast at 8 a.m..

Sunday, August 27th - Please join us at the Klingerstown Carnival Grounds for the annual church picnic. We will begin fellowship with coffee and doughnuts at 9 a.m. followed by the worship service at 9:30 a.m. We will have chicken at noon. Please bring a salad, covered dish or dessert to share. Please donate a basket to raffle at the Chinese Auction.

<u>Sunday</u>, <u>September</u> 24th - There will be a confirmation class meeting right after church. Anyone planning to attend Confirmation class must attend, with one or both parents.

Please give names and addresses of children who would like to receive the extra Vacation Bible School Kits Brock Klinger, Jacob Masser, or one of the Sunday School Teachers.

The Janitor for August is James Dietz.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pastor & Jeanne Mantz, Katie Madera, Missionaries in Alaska, Family of Maureen Gearhart, Donna Horne, Diane Wehry, Louise's Nephew, Roxane Laudenslager, Janice Deitz, May Keim, Jack Bensinger, Melissa Lenker, Toby Tobias, Carl Schaible, Jack Wilson, Nancy Warns, Angie Romberger, Mark Smith, Judy Grosser, Jeff Latsha, Nancy Rothermel, Karen Heim Wolf, Darwin Erdman, Kimberly Heim Curtis, Galen Spickler, Kathy Saltzman, Bud Deeter, Brian Mussolini, Mark Aungst, Sherry Erdman, Esther Stoltzfus, Janey Wehry, Kera Spickler, Marlene Updegrave, Frank Pollick, Andy Schreffler, Elaine Wolfgang.

NURSING HOME

Doris Lucas – Nottingham Village, Northumberland Gerry Masser – Nottingham Village, Northumberland Darice Wehry – Polk Foundation, Millersburg Roberta Huntsinger—Polk Foundation, Millersburg Larry Lucas – Tremont Nursing Home, Tremont Joyce Masser – Schuylkill Center, Pottsville Contact Information for Pastor Mark E. Mantz

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CHURCH WEBSITES: http://www.salemchurchrr.org/ The Salem Church's email address is secretary@salemchurchrr.org. You can also join the Salem Church group on Facebook for regular updates.

NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL--The Consistory has approved the sending of the RUMBLINGS via email. If you would like a digital, rather than a paper, copy of the newsletter, please send an email to Elaine Dietrich requesting such a change. Her email is secretary@salemchurchrr.org Thank you!

PER CHURCH MUTUAL – We would like to inform the congregation that Salem is a church that welcomes all sinners to worship and study the Word of the Lord. While we acknowledge that this may include registered sex offenders, we wish to assure the congregation that we do have policies and precautions in place to maintain the safety of all in attendance. We do also ask that if you are attending and have been convicted of a sexual offense, that you please inform either the Pastor or a member of the consistory so that we can ensure proper safety policies are followed while you worship with us.

REDNER'S SAVE A TAPE PROGRAM--Salem Church Sunday School is participating in this program. Please, bring your register receipts to the church.

COMMUNION SERVICE

Luke the Evangelist records that on the evening of the first day of the week, the same day on which our Lord rose from the dead, when he was at the table with two of the disciples, he took bread and blessed and broke it, and gave it to them, and their eyes were opened, and they knew him. Beloved, this is the joyful feast of the people of God. Come from the East and the West, and from the North and the South, and gather about the table of the Lord.

BEHOLD HOW GOOD AND PLEASANT IT IS WHEN BROTHERS DWELL IN UNITY.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. AMEN.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Lift up your hearts.

WE LIFT THEM TO THE LORD.

Let us give thanks to the Lord God.

IT IS MEET AND RIGHT SO TO DO.

We give thanks to you, O holy Lord, almighty and everlasting God, for the universe which you have created, for the heavens and the earth, and for every living thing. We thank you that you have formed us in your image and made us for yourself. We bless you that when we rebelled against you, you did not forsake us, but delivered us from bondage and revealed your righteous will and steadfast love by the law and the prophets.

Above all, we thank you for the gift of your Son, the Redeemer of all people, who was born of Mary, lived on earth in obedience to you, died on the cross for our sins, and rose from the dead in victory, who rules over us, Lord above all, prays for us continually and will come again in triumph.

We thank you for your Holy Spirit and for your holy church, for the means of grace and for the promise of eternal life. With patriarchs and prophets, apostles and martyrs, with your church on earth and with all the company of heaven, we magnify and praise you, we worship and adore you, O Lord Most Holy:

HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD OF SABOATH, HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL, ARE FULL OF THE MAJESTY OF THY GLORY, HOSANNA, HOSANNA, HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST! BLESSED IS HE THAT COMETH IN THE NAME OF THE LORD, HOSANNA, HOSANNA, HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST!

We thank you that the Lord Jesus on the night he was betrayed took bread, and, when he had given thanks, broke it and said, "Take, eat, this is my body which is broken for you;" and that he also took the cup, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this is the new covenant in my blood. Do this in remembrance of me."

Obeying the commandment of our Lord Jesus Christ, we, your people, offer you this bread and this cup, recalling his incarnate life, his atoning death, his resurrection and ascension until he comes.

Bless and sanctify by your Holy Spirit both us and these your gifts of bread and wine, that in this holy communion of the body and blood of Christ, we may be made one with him and he with us, and that we may remain faithful members of his body until we feast with him in your heavenly kingdom.

HERE WE OFFER OURSELVES IN OBEDIENCE TO YOU, THROUGH THE PERFECT OFFERING OF YOUR SON JESUS CHRIST, GIVING YOU THANKS THAT YOU CALLED US TO BE A ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, YOUR OWN PEOPLE; AND TO YOU, O FATHER, AS TO THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT BE ASCRIBED BLESSING AND HONOR AND GLORY AND POWER FOREVER AND EVER. AMEN.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ.

THE POURING OF THE WINE

The cup of blessing which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ. Come, for all things are now ready.

THE COMMUNION

Let us give thanks.

ALMIGHTY AND ETERNAL GOD, YOU HAVE FED US WITH THE HOLY COMMUNION OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF YOUR SON, OUR SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST; WE THANK YOU FOR THIS GIFT BY WHICH YOU ASSURE US THAT WE ARE MEMBERS OF THE MYSTICAL BODY OF YOUR SON AND HEIRS THROUGH HOPE OF YOUR EVERLASTING KINGDOM. SO ASSIST US BY YOUR HOLY SPIRIT THAT WE MAY GROW DAILY IN KNOWLEDGE OF YOUR TRUTH AND IN FAITHFULNESS TO YOUR WILL, ABIDING IN THAT FELLOWSHIP IN WHICH ALL YOUR SAINTS HAVE PART; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, TO WHOM WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT BE ALL HONOR AND GLORY, WORLD WITHOUT END. AMEN.