

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Holy Ground Ministry is available in the lobby. Help yourself to drinks and snacks.  
Please be sure to use a lid on coffee cups to avoid spilling in the sanctuary.  
Please use hand sanitizer when you enter the Church.

## SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

**OPENING PRAISE SONG** "Great in Power"

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**INVITATION TO WORSHIP** John 4:23-24

## APOSTLES' CREED

**HYMN** "How Great Thou Art" #77

**OPENING PRAYER** Written by Bobbie Spence

Dear God, thank you for your great love and blessing over our Salem Family. Thank you that your favor has no end, but it lasts for our entire lifetime. When we face difficult times, God invites us to bring our pain, grief, anger and anxiety to Him in prayer. He tells us to give our burdens to Him because of the deep love He has for us. No matter what we are experiencing we can be certain that God hears our prayers. Don't worry about anything, instead pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank Him for all He has done. Amen.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## CHILDREN'S TIME

**SPECIAL MUSIC** "Celebrate Good Times, Salem"

**SCRIPTURE** Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Copies available at back of sanctuary.

**SERMON** "Restore Bethel, Stand at the Gates"

**OFFERING PRAYER** Written by Bobbie Spence

As we bring our tithes and offerings before you today, we ask that you bless these gifts and use them for your glory. May they further your kingdom and bring hope to those in need. Amen.

**HYMN** "The Old Rugged Cross" #504

## BENEDICTION

**SENDING SONG** "Shalom to You" #666 2x

## WORKSHOP FOR WORSHIP LEADERS

Worship leaders, mark your calendars for Sunday, November 10 as the date of the next Workshop, which will be held directly after Service. Your attendance is greatly important! Thank you.



## ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar Flowers are Given to the Glory of God by Ed Folk  
In Honor of his Birthday and In Memory of his Mother & Father



TO ORDER ALTAR FLOWERS PLEASE CONTACT:

FORGET ME NOT FLORIST (570-366-2619)

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THIS MINISTRY!



The 2024 Altar Flowers signup sheet is posted by the Welcome Desk.  
Please consider donating flowers to grace our Sanctuary. Thank you!

## CHOIR RECRUITMENT

Anyone who is interested in joining Salem's Choir, please see Debbie Shepler. Let your voices be heard before God!

## Pastor ShinAe Speaks

**October 20 – "God Has No Grandchildren" – Job 42:1-6, 10-17**

There are times in life when we despair over things we don't understand and spend days and nights asking God unanswerable questions.

Among the wisdom books of the Bible, Proverbs speaks to life with traditional wisdom: the principle of cause and effect, that in the end, the wicked will be punished according to their deeds, and the good will be rewarded. But how can this principle be applied to all of life?

How can we still explain the suffering of the righteous and the prosperity of the wicked in our midst? This is the question posed by Job and the writers of Ecclesiastes. Why is God silent in the face of the ravages of the wicked and the sufferings of the righteous? Does God have his eyes closed? Does God not hear the cry of the righteous?

Job's friends who come to comfort him say that there must be a reason for his suffering. They still try to explain Job's situation in terms of conventional wisdom.

But Job cannot find any sin in his life. The discipline for the righteous was too much for him to bear and he felt like he would die.

Job demands that the all-knowing God himself come to court and defend him. When God finally appears in the midst of the storm, Job expects answers to the many questions he has been unable to understand.

But instead of answering Job's questions, God asks him a question. God asks Job if he knows what is in the heavens above and what is in the depths of the sea below. In the end, God's answer is not an answer to Job's question, but an introduction to who God is.

**Job's response is remarkable. 'All these years I have only heard about God, but now I have seen Him!'**

It's time to move from a faith that hears about God to a faith that sees God.

# Announcements

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Jen's great niece Marlo. She just turned 1 year old.
- Renita's friend Shawna. Her 10-year-old daughter fractured her spine. Please pray for her healing.
- Frank Wickle, who continues to have health problems.
- Stu Richards, who has ALS.
- Ed Folk.
- Annette Kelly, who is preparing for chemo prior to surgery.

## JOYS

- Happy birthday to Bill Heckman, who celebrated this past Tuesday.

## WELCOME HOME MINISTRY

Cynthia and Vince, members of Salem's dinner church family, welcomed twin daughters on Tuesday, October 8! There is a basket on the Welcome Desk for cards and gift cards. The twins are Emma and Elle, and they have a brother Wyatt who is in kindergarten at BMEE. The family is also in need of a second highchair and crib. Please see Bob Guers or Brenda Binns if you have access to either of these items, or any questions.

## "SNL" MEAL & MOVIE NIGHTS

This autumn, SNL Meal & Movie Nights will take place on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month. SNL meets in the social hall from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. The movie and meal are both free and open to the community.

## COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

On Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00 pm, there will be a Community Thanksgiving Service at St. John's UCC.

## EAT, PRAY... COLOR!

Drop in at Cake Pros on Dock Street in Schuylkill Haven on Wednesday mornings from 10:30 am – 12:00 noon this fall for fellowship, prayer and scripture coloring pages. The prayer, coffee and coloring pages are all free. Eat, Pray... Color is a community outreach of Salem Church.

## THURSDAY NIGHT DINNER CHURCH

Sign ups to volunteer and contribute to the meal are on the Welcome Desk. This is a great opportunity to bring a friend to church in a casual setting, or to reach out to a family whose work or sports activities prevent their attendance on Sunday mornings. Meal begins at 5:30 pm, worship begins at 6:00 pm. This is a free event and all are welcome.

- November 7 – Pizza night!
- November 14 – Tacos + Tex-Mex

## CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR PEOPLE IN PRISON

Salem is taking part in a program that will distribute Christmas cards to people in prison this holiday season. You can find cards and instructions on the Welcome Desk. You may take as many blank cards as you will be able to complete. Be sure to return all completed cards before Monday, November 4. Together we can all make someone's holiday brighter!

## MASTER GARDENER WREATH & SWAG WORKSHOP

Register now for an introduction to the many evergreens available this season! Held on Saturday, November 16 from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon at Friedensburg Fish and Game. Register by phone at 1-877-345-0691.

## History of Salem UMC

Excerpt from **A CENTURY'S PROGRESS: A Story of Religious Education in the Evangelical Church – 1832-1932**  
By Professor Raymond W. Albright and Rev. Roy B. Leedy

A Sunday School was organized in Orwigsburg, October 4, 1838, with Rev. Jacob Schnerr as the leader of the movement. The local histories of Schuylkill County are rich with material about the Evangelical Church and Sunday School of Orwigsburg.

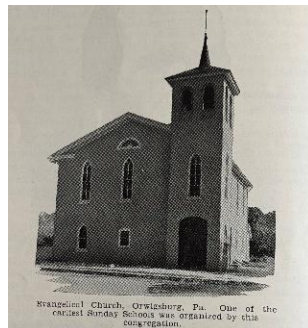
The following report from the Sunday School at Orwigsburg was printed in the January issue of the *Botschafter* in 1839:

“It gives us great pleasure to make known through the *Christliche Botschafter* something concerning the hopeful condition of our Sunday School which was founded and opened in our city some time ago. This Sunday School is now the only one in our city and is built upon the ruins of two that have disappeared, one of which was the Lutheran-Reformed Church and the other the Methodist. Our Sunday School began the first Sunday with fifty-eight scholars and since that it has increased from Sunday to Sunday so that last Sunday there were about one hundred and fifty scholars present.

“So far we have noticed a praiseworthy zeal among the teachers as well as among the scholars. The men and women teachers, each one of whom has six, seven, or eight scholars in charge, seem to discharge their important office with love and patience, which are highly necessary qualities for teachers, and we hope also that this interest which they display for our Sunday School will become more and more active in time, when they see that their patient endeavors are rewarded and crowned with the prospects of good fruit. Further, it is also very encouraging that we observe such a good impression produced among the scholars. Several of our young brothers and sisters were not ashamed to enter as scholars, not only in order to learn to read better, but also to investigate the interpretation and meaning of words which often occur in Scriptures and to gather information which must naturally be of great value to them. And why should they be ashamed? We also have something to learn and to prepare ourselves for as long as we remain in the mortal cloak of this body... We wish that the blessing of God might rule over our Sunday School and all others more and more.

By order of Jacob Schnerr, Chief Overseer, (Superintendent) and Samuel Leffler, Treasurer.

C. Haseler, Secretary, Orwigsburg, November 12, 1838.”



Salem United Methodist Church, Orwigsburg, Pa. One of the earliest Sunday Schools was organized by this congregation.

## The Week Ahead

<b>Mon 10/28</b>	Office Open 12 noon – 4 pm
<b>Tue 10/29</b>	Office Open 9 am – 1 pm 7 pm – Yoga with Ed Folk
<b>Wed 10/30</b>	Office Open 12 noon – 4 pm 10:30 am - 12 noon – Eat, Pray, Color at Cake Pros 2 pm – Bible Study
<b>Thu 10/31</b>	Office Closed <b>Happy Halloween!</b> 6 - 8 pm – Trick or Treat in Orwigsburg
<b>Fri 11/1</b>	Office Open 12 noon – 4 pm / All Saints' Day Trick or Treat Rain Date
<b>Sat 11/2</b>	200 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion Dinner at Orwigsburg Veterans' Memorial Hall – Doors Open at 3 pm, Program at 4 pm
<b>Sun 11/3</b>	10 am – Morning Worship / Communion 6 pm – SNL Meal & Movie Night Daylight Saving Time Ends

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## Salem United Methodist Church

TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH CHRIST (TLC)

# Sunday, Oct. 27, 2024



## Today's Message

### “Restore Bethel, Stand at the Gates”

Rev. Dr. ShinAe Kim



**Our Mission**

Transforming Lives Through Christ (TLC)

We Share Christ's Love

We Serve Others Through Christ

We Worship, Glorify, and Praise God

We Nurture People to Live as Disciples of Jesus Christ