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July 14th, 2024

140th Anniversary Sunday

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*All are invited to stand in body or spirit.

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

Lord, You Give the Great Commission Robert A. Hobby

WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

One:	Today we remember a great cloud of witnesses
All:	The pioneers of old whose legacy we honor today
One:	They came from Europe by ship, and to Colorado by
	train,
All:	They made the journey of a lifetime
One:	They brought with them a steadfast faith in God
All:	Together they built an enduring community of
	Believers,
One:	The faith of those pioneers is with us even today
All:	We thanks for their faith in God - We still share
	that faith!
One:	May God bless us as we seek to do God's will in all
	things
All:	Thanks be to God!

UNISON PRAYER

Holy One: We give thanks for Salem church, remembering those who have come before us. We give thanks for their faithfulness and their love. We also give thanks for those who influenced our own faith - the teachers and pastors and loved ones who helped us grow in spirit. We give thanks for their faithfulness and love. We give thanks for the people of this community, who support and encourage us in this journey. We give thanks for their faithfulness and love. God, help us to remember the good of the past, to celebrate the community of the present, and look to with joy to the future that lies ahead of us. AMEN.

*OPENING HYMN A Mighty Fortress is Our God HFG #118

FIRST READING

Psalm 91

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

UCC STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe in you, O God, Eternal Spirit, God of our Savior Jesus Christ and our God, and to your deeds we testify: You call the worlds into being, create persons in your own image, and set before each one the ways of life and death. You seek in holy love to save all people from aimlessness and sin. You judge people and nations by your righteous will declared through prophets and apostles. In Jesus Christ, the man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Savior, you have come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the world to yourself. You bestow upon us your Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues, and races. You call us into your church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be your servants in the service of others, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at this table, to join him in his passion and victory. You promise to all who trust you forgiveness of sins and fullness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, your presence in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in your realm which has no end. Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto you, Amen

COMMUNION INVITATION This table is open to ALL who wish to partake

HYMN OF PREPARATION

A Hymn of Joy We Sing

HFG #565

COMMUNION PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION MEDITATION

For All the Saints Karl Osterland

SPECIAL MUSIC

I'll Fly Away

Lee Hamre

SECOND READING

Joshua 4 selected verses

FAMILY MOMENT

MESSAGE

PASTOR DUSTIN

HYMN OF RESPONSE Praise to the Lord, the Almighty HFG #337

OFFERING MEDITATION

Let All Things Now Living Jacob B. Weber

*DOXOLOGY

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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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH**

POSTLUDE

Lift High the Cross Jacob B. Weber

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THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Tuesday – join us on zoom for Bible Study, at 10 AM.

The word of the day is **Anniversary.** A special time to celebrate an event. Salem's 140th birthday. A time to think back to the beginning. Remembering a joy. Can be an acknowledgement of a historical event. What are some of your anniversaries?

Tuesday - Zoom Fellowship 7:00 PM.

Wednesday- at the church – Community Meal, 6:00 PM.

Announcements:

This weekend is Salem's 140th birthday...

Happy Birthday to US! Join us for a lunch potluck, special music, and birthday cake after worship in the Community Hall! Be sure to join us again for our other anniversary celebrations on September 14 & 15.

Thank You to Gerald Johnson and Lee Hamre for sharing their music gifts today!