

SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, DENVER

*“No matter who you are, or where you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here.”*



October 17th, 2021

Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

salemuccdenver.org

SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."

—Please see our Pandemic Guidelines at the back of this bulletin—

**All are invited to stand in body or spirit.*

PRELUDE "Sonata in E Major," Mvt. I Chappell Kingsland, Piano
By Ludwig van Beethoven

WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE Rev. Russ Kirby

RINGING OF THE BELL

*CALL TO WORSHIP Deborah Barnard

One: In our joy we call out to God.
Many: In our distress, we call out to God.
One: Deliver us, O God, from lying lips,
Many: Deliver us, O God, from deceitful tongues.
One: In times of brokenness, our help comes from you—
Many: In your love, you restore us to joy!

Inspired by Psalms 120 and 121

*OPENING HYMN "Enter, Rejoice and Come In" NCH #73

**Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice and come in.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.**

**Open yourself to the song. Open yourself to the song.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.**

**Open your hearts everyone. Open your hearts everyone.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.**

**Don't be afraid of some change. Don't be afraid of some change.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.**

**Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in.
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.**

We are here, O God, but the world has ripped at our souls. We struggle with broken relationships, the lies of our neighbors, everyday stress and more. Our parched souls cry out to you. Fill us with your Spirit, and remind us that you—and only you—are God.

THE CHILD IN ALL OF US

Children's Message

Rev. Russ Kirby

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Create In Me a Clean Heart

Anonymous (Psalm 51)

[Children are invited to gather at the back of the sanctuary for Sunday School. Teachers will take them to the classroom during this hymn.]

**Create in me a clean heart,
Oh God
And renew a right spirit within me.
Create in me a clean heart,
Oh God
And renew a right spirit within me.**

**Cast me not away from thy
presence, Oh Lord,
Take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of thy
salvation.
And renew a right spirit within me.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 39:1,6b-8a, 11-15, 20

Deborah Barnard

Now Joseph was taken down to Egypt, and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had brought him down there. Now Joseph was handsome and good-looking. ⁷And after a time his master's wife cast her eyes on Joseph and said, "Lie with me." ⁸But he refused...

¹¹One day, however, when he went into the house to do his work, and while no one else was in the house, ¹²she caught hold of his garment, saying, "Lie with me!" But he left his garment in her hand and fled and ran outside. ¹³When she saw that he had left his garment in her hand and had fled outside, ¹⁴ she called out to the members of her household and said to them, "See, my husband[a] has brought among us a Hebrew to insult us! He came in to me to lie with me, and I cried out with a loud voice; ¹⁵and when he heard me raise my voice and cry out, he left his garment beside me, and fled outside." ¹⁶Then she kept his garment by her until his master came home, ¹⁷and she told him the same story, saying, "The Hebrew servant, whom you have brought among us, came in to me to insult me; ¹⁸but as soon as I raised my voice and cried out, he left his garment beside me, and fled outside."

THE MESSAGE

Getting Ripped: Lies

Rev. Russ Kirby

INVITATION & OFFERTORY

"Close Every Door"
By Andrew Lloyd Webber

Chappell Kingsland, Piano

*DOXOLOGY

Hymnal #780

**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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound (3rd Verse)

NCH #547

**Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CLOSING HYMN

When Peace, Like a River

NCH #438

**When peace, like a river, upholds me each day,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
Whatever my lot, you have taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul,"**

Refrain:

**It is well
with my soul,
it is well,
it is well with my soul.**

**Though evil should tempt me, though trials should come,
let this blessed assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has paid life and blood for my soul:**

(Refrain)

**My sin oh, the bliss of this glorious thought
my sin not in part, but the whole
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!**

(Refrain)

**O God, speed the day that is filled with your light,
When clouds are rolled back as a scroll;
The trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall appear,
“even so” – it is well with my soul.**

(Refrain)

*BENEDICTION

Leader: May the Peace of God go with you.

People: **And also with you. Amen.**

*SENDING FORTH

Hallelujah!

NCH #236

Halle, halle, halle, lu-u-jah!

Halle, halle, halle, lu-u-jah!

Halle, halle, halle, lu-u-jah!

Halleluja, hallelujah!

(Repeat)

POSTLUDE

Beethoven (Reprise)

Chappell Kingsland, Piano



SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST • 5300 E. FLORIDA AVENUE, DENVER, CO 80222

Phone: 303-759-4649 • Email: salemuccdenver@gmail.com

CHURCH STAFF:

Rev. Russ Kirby, Pastor • Chappell Kingsland, Music Director

Lisa Thomas, Administrative Assistant

PANDEMIC GUIDELINES:

- Mask-wearing is strongly encouraged, especially when kids under 12 are present.
- If you wish to sing in worship, please wear a mask.
- Only one person in the bathroom at a time.
- Please wash or sanitize your hands frequently.
- Please respect that others' boundaries may be different from yours.

Salem UCC Denver COVID Task Force

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Bible Study - Zoom Meeting on Tues. at 10 am, please join us!
Meditate, pray and ponder for 3 minutes at noon on the word of the day....TRANSFORM.
- The Romeo Coffee Club will meet at Salem on Wed. October 20th at 9:00 am.
- Community Meal will be held on Wed. Oct. 20th at 6 pm.
- November Newsletter articles need to be submitted to the Church Office by October 25th.
- Handbell Choir rehearsal will be held on Wed. Oct. 27th. All are invited.
No experience necessary!
- Please join us for Pizza and Pumpkin carving on Sat. October 30th from 5:00-6:30 pm. All ages are invited to participate!
- Come in Costume to the All Hallows Eve Worship, October 31st at 9:30 am. Handbell Choir will be performing during the service.
- The funeral service for Eric Fling was held on October 16th, at First Plymouth Congregational Church, Denver. Eric and his family were very involved in Salem's Youth Fellowship and Boy Scout Troop 376 in the 1980's and 1990's. We pray for his wife, Aurelia; daughter, Micayla, and his family. Cards may be sent to his parents, Rick and Dianne Fling, 4905 E. Kansas Drive, Denver, CO 80222.

WELCOME TO SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST!

Whether you are a guest or a member, thank you for worshipping with us.

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

- Mon. 7:00 pm Boy Scouts
- Tues. 9:00 am Twinkle Together Music
10:00 am Bible Study – Zoom
7:00 pm Cub Scouts
- Wed. 9:00 am Twinkle Together Music
9:00 am Romeo Coffee Club
9:30 am Art Class
7:00 pm Community Meal
- Thurs. 9:00 am Twinkle Together Music
- Fri. 9:30 am Art Class
- Sun. **9:30 am Worship**



SALEM CHURCH OFFICE

Office Hours:

- Monday – 7 am – 9 am
Tuesday – 11 am – 1 pm
Wednesday 7 am -9 am
Thursday – 7 am – 9 am
Friday 7 am – 9 am

Pastor Russ will be in Monday-Wednesday.



OCTOBER MISSION

Neighbors in Need

