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Sixth Sunday after Pentecost salemuccdenver.org

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*All are invited to stand in body or spirit.

PRELUDE

Isabella Ashton, Piano

WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

RINGING OF THE BELL

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is good and loving to the faithful Give thanks and praise for all that God

has done for us.

Many: God is good! Praise the Lord!

UNISON PRAYER

Grant us this day, O God, not to be overtaken by anxious thoughts that can make us feel that you are far away from us. Give us this chance, to sit at your feet, and to enjoy every word and every musical note that we might feel your presence within our families, our communities, our jobs, and our schools. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

* OPENING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful We Adore You

NCH #4

SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 1: 15-21

Rev. Richard Ward

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. ²¹ And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds.

³⁸ Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. ³⁹ And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹ But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, ⁴² but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

THE MESSAGE

The One Thing We Need

Rev. Richard F. Ward

INVITATION AND OFFERTORY

Isabella Ashton, Piano

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

God, we give today in thankfulness and with the assurance that anything we give will contribute to the continuing growth of your kingdom in the world. Give us wisdom as a church, so that this offering us used for the sharing of your word and the service of your people. In the name of the One that gave us everything we are and have. Amen.

*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.

A TIME FOR PRAYER
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.

*CLOSING HYMN

What A Friend We Have In Jesus

NCH#506

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

A QUESTION FOR REFLECTION THIS WEEK:

How do you balance your prayer life and fostering a relationship with God, while also serving others?



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Ten ways to love

- 1. Listen without interrupting. (Proverbs 1:8)
 - Speak without accusing. (James 1:19)
 - Give without sparing. (Proverbs 21:26)
 - Pray without ceasing. (Colossians 1:9)
- 5. Answer without arguing. (Proverbs 17:1)
- Share without pretending. (Ephesians 4:15)
- 7. Enjoy without complaint. (Philippians 2:14)
- 8. Trust without wavering. (1Corinthians 13:7)
- 9. Forgive without punishing. (Colossians 3:13)
- Promise without forgetting. (Proverbs 13:12)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **Discernment** –July 24th at 11:00 am -lunch will be provided.
- **Bible Study** Please join in the Zoom Bible Study Class on Tuesday at 10 am via Zoom. Word of the day is.... Home.
- Community Meal Wednesday at 6 pm.
- July Mission Archway School Supply drive!!

LOOKING AHEAD:

- Worship at the Kirk! Join with our fellow UCC churches 10 am on July 31st, at the Kirk of Bonnie Brae. There will be no worship service at Salem.
- **Discernment** August 14th and August 28th at 11:00 am.

WELCOME TO SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST!

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

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Mon. 7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Tues. 9:00 am – Twinkle Music

10:00 am Bible Study – Zoom

7:00 pm Cub Scouts

Wed. 9:00 am – Twinkle Music

6:00 pm Community Meal

Thurs. 9:00 am – Twinkle Music

Fri. 9:00 am– Twinkle Music

Sat. 9:00 am– Twinkle Music

Sun. 9:30 am Worship

3:00 pm Christ the King (CTK)



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JULY MISSION

Archway School Supply Drive

