



*South Salem
Presbyterian Church Est. 1752*

August 24, 2025, Year C

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PRELUDE

The Prelude is a sacred curtain dropped between the World and the Sanctuary. We cross the threshold of the secular to the sacred, from the common to the uncommon from the profane to the Holy.

WELCOME

OPENING WORDS

*THE PEACE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 107:1–16



*HYMN 275

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 2:13-17, Matthew 25:4-40

SERMON:

Prison Ministry

***HYMN 41**

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above

THE OFFERING

DOXOLOGY 606

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Sacrament will be celebrated each week during worship so have your own bread and wine/juice with you before we begin the service if you are joining us by virtual.

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN 546**

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Today's liturgist is Samantha Zaffiro

🌀 Upcoming Events 🌀

Sunday 8/23 - Special presentations from:
Bruce Elmegreen, Elder at Katonah Presbyterian, and
Veronica Dodge, Deacon
re, Prison Ministry

Sunday 9/14 - Welcome Back Fried Chicken Picnic after worship

Saturday 11/1 - Chili Cook-off

SERMON NOTES: Hope, redemption, and restoration, drawing from biblical narratives and principles that resonate with the incarcerated experience, speaking to overcoming adversity, finding forgiveness, and experiencing God's presence in difficult circumstances.

Church Leaders

Pastor: Mark E Salmon

Minister of Music: Mary Jane Newman

Children's Ministry Director: Samantha Zaffiro

Clerk of Session: Eliza Fraser Travalino (Class of 2025)

Class of 2025: Deb Buscema

Class of 2026: Richard Cochran, Samantha Zaffiro

Class of 2027: Rebekah Habinowski, Chris Jessup, James (Sam) M. Dodge III To
contact Session email Session@southsalempc.org.

Board of Deacons: Veronica Dodge, Brendan Mulligan, Kelly Kim, Brooke Habinowski, Anne Hill,
Katie Watkins, Robyn Musicant

To contact the Deacons email Deacons@southsalempc.org. Nursery

School Interim Director: Katie Watkins

THE HAMMER THAT CHANGED THE WORLD is a weekly radio program hosted by our minister, Mark, each Saturday night at 9 pm (Eastern) for 10 minutes. It is broadcast on the international radio station WRMI and can be heard on 9955 KHz shortwave, or on WRMI.net or even ASK ALEXA to turn on WRMI radio about a minute before 9 pm. Mark has also started another weekly radio program (only 5 minutes) on WRMI called YANKEE BASEBALL.