

South Salem Presbyterian Church Est. 1752

November 15, 2026 Year A

This service is being live streamed and recorded. If you prefer not to be on camera, you may sit in the balcony (with the exception of communion). Thank you.

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 123



***HYMN 39** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

*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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SCRIPTURE READING **2 Timothy 4:19-22**

SERMON Teamwork

***HYMN 366** *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

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.

**We serve communion with two designated cups: clear cups have grape juice, and the purple cups have wine.*

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN 643** *Now Thank We All Our God*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Today's liturgist is Susan Kang

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ITEM OF THE MONTH:

Liquid hand soap and Dawn dish detergent.

2027…THE YEAR TO READ THE BIBLE!

A strong congregation is a strong Biblical congregation. During Covid we had weekly Zoom Bible study with the E100 (from Scripture Union) which is an easy reading plan of 100 short readings which will take you through all the themes of the Bible. This can be done on your own or we might see if a small group would like to meet briefly after worship with coffee to discuss the 5 readings of the week. Think and pray about it! Shalon-Mark

SAVE THE DATES- SSPC EVENTS*

- **Sunday, 11/15/26**- Stewardship Sunday
- **Sunday, 11/22/26-** Mite Society Annual Meeting
- **Sunday, 12/20/26 -** SSPC Cookie walk
- **Saturday, 1/30/27 –** Lord of the Wings
- **Date TBD, March 2027** – Champagne Fundraiser with our own Greg Kim, Sommelier
- **Date TBD, April 2027 –** Whiskey Fundraiser with Whiskey Influencer Tim Fisher
- **Monday, 5/31/27 -** Memorial Day Races we will have SSPC 275th anniversary on the t-shirts
- **Saturday, 9/25/27** – SSPC 275th Anniversary Community Event with food trucks and more

SSPC COMMUNITY RISES TO THE TASK(S)



PRISON HOLIDAY GIFT BAGS



Many women incarcerated at Bedford Hills and Taconic Correctional Institutions will receive nothing from friends or family this holiday season. To ensure no one is forgotten, the Interfaith Prison Fellowship coordinates area churches and nonprofits which fund and assemble gift bags for all of the inmates. Each contains the same small treats, basic toiletries, and two pairs of socks.

Our Sunday school students added a personal touch, creating colorful greeting cards filled with love, empathy, and compassion. Thank you to their teachers, Katie Watkins and Allison DeLaurentis, for making this heartfelt project so successful.

After church on Sunday, November 1st, enthusiastic volunteers made short work of filling the bags and adding the cards. Special thanks to Tianli and Murphy Hu, and Charlotte Marsh for checking that every bag contained the correct items and a greeting card.

The bags have been delivered to the Interfaith Prison Fellowship, which will take them to both prisons alongside hundreds of identical bags assembled by others. Security staff will inspect and clear the contents before holiday distribution.

Everyone who helped can celebrate Christmas knowing they have made the season brighter for these women. Thank you.

MATTHEW 25, V 40

***"'TRULY I TELL YOU, WHATEVER YOU DID FOR ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF* MINE, YOU DID FOR ME.'"**

CHURCH LEADERS

Pastor: Mark E Salmon
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