

For the Record

Attendance March 17, 2024:

In person: 62

Zoom: 17 devices (est. 21 people)

General Offering received:

March 3 \$15,115

March 10 \$3,665

March 17 \$3,005

Monthly total \$21,785

Total monthly requirement \$15,933

Nurturing Church Family

Birthdays This Week:

Cesia Olvera, Chad Hochstetler

Anniversaries this Week:

inone this week

Maundy Thursday Service. We will have a joint service with Albany Mennonite this Thursday at 7:00 pm at Albany Mennonite Church (3405 Kizer Ave NE, Albany). The service will also be on Zoom, and a link to this will be emailed on Wednesday. If you plan to join by Zoom, please consider having something to use as bread, wine/ juice, and to wash your hands with to participate more fully from home.

Easter Breakfast. We will have an Easter Breakfast at 9 am on March 31, Easter Sunday. **Please bring a plate of fruit or bread, cut up and ready to serve in a potluck line.** The kitchen committee will prepare a hot breakfast casserole and provide coffee, tea & milk.

Carl Newswanger Memorial Service May 11. Carl Newswanger's memorial service is scheduled for Saturday, May 11, at 10:30 am at Salem Mennonite Church. Following the service, there will be a light lunch and then opportunity for attendees to share their stories of Carl. The family looks forward to reconnecting with friends and SMC church family.

Coming Up

This Week: March 25-30, 2024

Wed 8:00 am Women's Breakfast (ask Florence G.)
Wed 9:30 am Quilting/MCC Projects in Fellowship Hall
Wed 7:00 pm Leadership Board Meeting
Thurs 9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Zoom)
Thurs 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service at Albany Mennonite
Fri 6:00 pm Community Center Family Night

Sunday, March 31 - Easter Sunday

9 am Easter Breakfast

9:45 Children's Sunday School

10:45 Worship, message by Terry Rediger

Full calendar of events at www.salemmennonitechurch.org



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Salem Mennonite Church

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Education Hour: Sundays at 9:30 am • Worship: Sundays at 10:45 am

Salem Mennonite invites all to join us for worship and fellowship. Our prayer is that everyone who enters here may be received as Christ. We celebrate the image of God in all people and publicly affirm that persons of every gender identity and sexual orientation are welcome to participate in our life and ministry.

Mission Statement: Salem Mennonite Church commits to hear and live God's call to be followers of Jesus Christ and to grow as a worshipping community of faith and reconciliation, where peace, joy and healing are experienced in the church and shared with others.

Salem Mennonite Church Worship Service

March 24, 2024

Christ Among Us, The Way of a Servant

We Gather

Prelude -Jennie Kauffman
Hymn **VT 313** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" -Trudy McKinnell
Call to Worship and Invocation -Sarah Acosta

Responsive Reading:

All: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

One: Christ among us, humble and riding on a donkey.

Many: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

One: Christ among us, God's light shining on us!

Many: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

One: Christ among us, showing the way of a servant.

Hymns **VT 57** "Holy Spirit, Come with Power" -Trudy McKinnell
VT 315 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

We Confess

Prayer of Confession -Sarah Acosta
Assurance of Pardon

Responsive Prayer:

One: When we get caught up in embracing the world's power,

Many: forgive us. *(continues next page)*

One: When we lose sight of the humble donkey and put our trust in horses of war,

Many: remind us of this Palm Sunday.

One: When we begin to get sucked into the darkness of the "now,"

Many: bring us once again the peace of looking toward the "not yet."

Hymn **Hymn Sheet** "O, The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" -Trudy McKinnell

We Hear God's Word

Message for Children **VT 511** "Come on Children" -Brent Mobley-Oorthuys

Scripture Psalm 118:1-2, Mark 11:1-11

Message *Caught Between Joy and Dispair* -Rev. Ineda Pearl Player,
Willamette University

Hymn of Response **VT 316** "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

We Respond

Offering /My Coins Count -Jennie Kauffman

Birthday Blessing (**HWB 422**)-Marj Mobley-Oorthuys & Dillon Newswanger

Sharing and Prayer Ending with Lord's Prayer (**VT 989A**)-Marj Mobley-Oorthuys

We Go Forth

Closing Hymn **VT 849** "We Your People Sing Your Praises"

Sending Words

Visual Symbol this Week:

The crowds gathered, waving palm branches and throwing down their cloaks. The people were expecting a mighty king to defeat the Romans. Instead, Jesus came humbly, riding on a donkey and showing us the way of a servant, the Lamb who was slain. This week's symbol is a palm branch.

Ushers today: Charles and Jennie Kauffman **Sound/Zoom Tech:** Jason Sell

Nursery Volunteer Today: Ryan Nisly

Psalm 118:1–2 (NRSV)

A Song of Victory

¹O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!

²Let Israel say,
“His steadfast love endures forever.”

Mark 11:1–11 (NRSV)

Jesus’s Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

¹ When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples

² and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. ³ If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this: ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’ ” ⁴ They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, ⁵ some of the bystanders said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶ They told them what Jesus had said, and they allowed them to take it. ⁷ Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸ Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. ⁹ Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

“Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

¹⁰ Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

¹¹ Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple, and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.