

For the Record

Attendance March 24, 2024:

In person: 75
Zoom: 14 devices (est. 17 people)

General Offering received:

March 3	\$15,115
March 10	\$3,665
March 17	\$3,005
March 24	\$1,980
Monthly total	\$23,765

Nurturing Church Family

Birthdays This Week:

Carl Snyder, Roger Schmidt,
Martin Klein, Myron Harms,
Bernard Showalter, Sarah Acosta

Anniversaries this Week:

none this week



PNMC Annual Meeting:
A 3-day gathering of our
conference for worship,
fellowship, service and
discernment together.

June 21-23 in Bend, Oregon
"Called in the One Body, and Thankful"
Colossians 3:1-4, 12-17

Register online at pnmc.org

MDS Meeting at Portland Mennonite Church, April 6, 10 am to 2 pm.
Please email Clyde Hockman (agent1943@canby.com) or call him (503-592-4490) by
March 31 (today) so that we have an accurate count to order the correct number of lunches.

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.

Coming Up

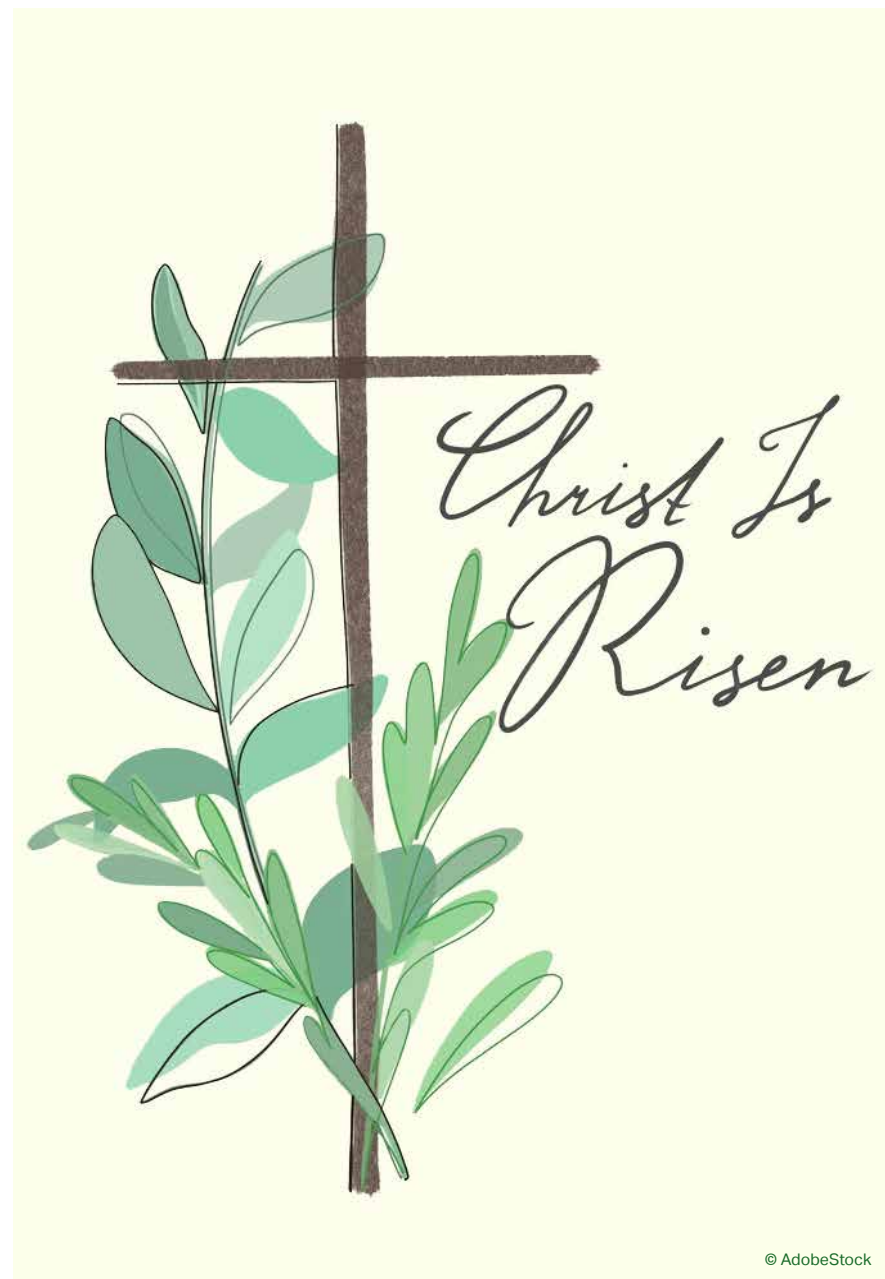
This Week: April 1-6, 2024

Wed 9:30 am Quilting/MCC Projects in Fellowship Hall
Wed 6:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting (Zoom)
Thurs 9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Zoom)
Fri 6:00 pm Community Center Family Night

Sunday, April 7

9:30 Sunday School for children, youth and adults
10:45 Worship, message by Micah Ralston

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 31, 2024

Christ Among Us!

Visual Symbol this Week: The tomb is empty! The linens are folded up and the stone rolled away. The good news of the resurrection is that Jesus is risen! Jesus came to make all things new. Let us allow the good news of the resurrection to take possession of our lives and transform us so all people can be free. This week's symbol is a large stone and linens folded to represent the hope we have in the risen Christ.

We Gather

Prelude -Martin Klein
Hymn **VT 340** "Lift Your Glad Voices" -John Beechy
Call to Worship and Invocation -Jon Newswanger

Call to Worship Responsive Reading:

One: When it is still dark, we come seeking Jesus.

Many: The risen Christ is here among us!

One: The stone has been rolled away, walls torn down.

Many: The risen Christ is here among us!

One: The burial cloth removed, his body transformed.

Many: The risen Christ is here among us!

One: Mary Magdalene, Simon Peter, and John see and believe.

All: We find the risen Christ among us who has made all things new! The tomb is empty, the way of Love has prevailed!

One: Peace be with you!

Many: Peace be with you!

Hymns **VT 346** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" -John Beechy
VT 556 "I Bind My Heart This Tide"

We Confess

Prayer of Confession -Jon Newswanger
Assurance of Pardon

Responsive Prayer of Rejoicing:

One: Risen Jesus, you make all things new.

Many: You call us by name to come to you.

One: You come preaching peace and forgiving sins.

Many: You prepare a feast for us and wipe away all tears.

All: You bring life everlasting. We rejoice in your salvation, Lord of all!

Hymn **Hymn Sheet** "O, The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" -John Beechy

We Hear God's Word

Message for Children **VT 511** "Come on Children" -Karen Pérez
Scripture John 20:1-18
Message *Open My Eyes* -Terry Rediger
Hymn of Response **VT 355** "Thine is the Glory"

We Respond

Offering /My Coins Count -Martin Klein
Sharing and Prayer Ending with Lord's Prayer (**VT 989A**) -Joseph Penner

We Go Forth

Closing Hymn **VT 333** "Low in the Grave He Lay"
Sending Words

Ushers today: Mallory Turner and Mitchell Daily Sound/Zoom Tech: Jim McKinnell
Nursery Volunteer Today: none today

John 20:1-18 (NRSV)

The Resurrection of Jesus

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus’s head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, ¹² and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’ ” ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord,” and she told them that he had said these things to her.