### For the Record

Attendance Sept. 10, 2023:

In person: 49

Zoom: 15 devices (est. 21 people)

#### **General Offering received:**

September 3	\$2,980
September 10	\$na
Sept to date	\$2,980

Total monthly requirement \$14,691

# Join us for worship next week on **Saturday** at Drift Creek Camp.

The church retreat is happening this Friday evening through Sunday morning at Drift Creek Camp. Even if you are not coming to the retreat, you are welcome to join us for the worship service on Saturday, Sept. 23 at 10:45 am at Drift Creek Camp. There will be no service here at Candlewood Drive next Sunday, Sept 24.

# **Nurturing Church Family**

Birthdays This Week:

Hendrik Mobley, Maribeth Kennel

**Birthdays Next Week:** 

Tony Handrich, Ruby Berg, Jennie Kauffman, Mabel Yutzie, Mariana Acosta, Russel Kennel

**Anniversaries this Week:** 

none

**Anniversaries Next Week:** 

Mervin & Heather Kropf

# Worldwide Communion Sunday October 1

MCC School Kits. Our

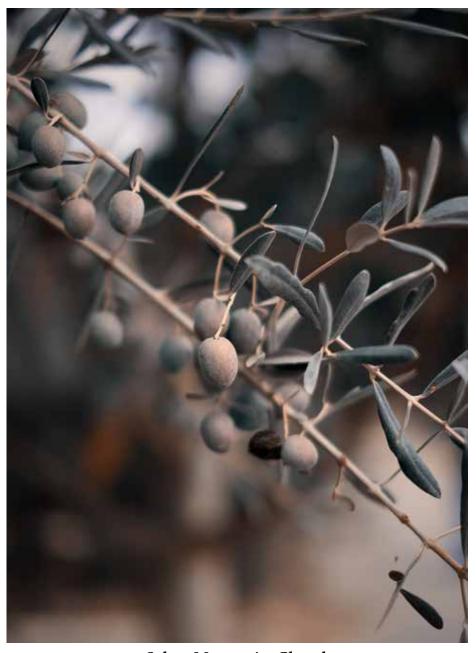
congregation is planning to assemble 150 school kits and you are **invited to help on October 15** right after church. We need volunteers to help pack the school supplies into cloth bags. Refreshments will be provided for those who come and help.

## Register today for the All Church Retreat at Drift Creek Camp Sept

**22-24.** Today is the last day to register for the church retreat happening next weekend. The fee is greatly reduced by a generous grant and you can come for the entire weekend or just the times that work for you. Contact Brent Mobley-Oorthuys for details: gratefulmobley@gmail.com.

Jenn Reimer-Berg wishes to thank everyone for their prayers and kind words as well as a thank you to Salem Mennonite Church for the beautiful flowers in memory of her mother.





**Salem Mennonite Church**Interim Pastor: **Marlene Bogard**, pastor@salemmennonitechurch.org

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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 September 17, 2023

#### We Gather

Prelude -Al Nisly
Hymn -John Beechy
Call to Worship and Invocation -Jim Pauls
Hymns -John Beechy

#### **We Confess**

Prayer of Confession

-Jim Pauls

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn -John Beechy

## We Hear God's Word

Message for Children **VT 511** "Come on Children" -Linda Pauls Scripture John 15:1-8 -Jim Pauls, Stephen Penner, Maribeth Kennel Message *Abiding in Jesus Brings Peace* -Marlene Bogard Hymn

# We Respond

Birthday Blessing
Offering /My Coins Count

-Al Nisly

Sharing and Prayer Ending with Lord's Prayer\*

\* forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us

### We Go Forth

Closing Hymn Sending Words

**Ushers today:** Brent & Marj Mobley-Oorthuys **Sound/Zoom Tech:** Ryan Nisly **Nursery Volunteer Today:** no nursery attendant today (parents feel free to use the nursery)

## **Call to Worship**

One: We have come to meditate on the word of God,

**Many:** that we might be like trees planted by streams of water.

One: We have come to listen to the words of Jesus,

Many: that we might be branches abiding in the true vine.

One: Let us delight in this time of worship,

Many: that our joy might be complete.

# **Oregon Mennonite Relief Sale**

Saturday, October 21 • 8 am - 2 pm

at the Linn County Expo Center, Albany OR

Shop to support the work of Mennonite Central Committee!

• Pancake Breakfast • Shops with fair trade items, hand-crafted items, fabric remnants and sewing-related items, used books, fresh apple cider specialty cheese and sausages, pies and baked goods. • Food Booths • Live auction with Paul Schultz, auctioneer. Bid on experiences, quilts, handcrafted items, and more!

plus Online Auction Oct 14 - 18

Want to volunteer to help? Go to: www.oregonmccsale.org/get-involved

# Coming Up

### This Week: September 18-23, 2023

Wed 7:00 am Women's Breakfast (Zoom)

Wed 7:00 pm Leadership Board

Fri 6:00 pm SEKCC Friday Night

Fri eve - Sun morning All-Church Retreat at Drift Creek Camp Sat 10:45 am Worship Service at Drift Creek Camp

## Sunday, September 24, 2023

no Sunday School or Worship Service today (retreat)

Sunday, October 1, 2023

9:30 am Sunday School for children, youth, and adults

10:30 am Coffee Time in Fellowship Hall

**10:45 am** Worship Service, message by Marlene Bogard; communion

12:15 pm Potluck

Full calendar of events at www.salemmennonitechurch.org

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