



SALEM UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST
Living Out God's Love

An Open and Affirming Congregation

July 17, 2022

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*The Call to Worship (Responsively):

We gather this day from a week filled with needs and demands.

We come to find rest and renewal of our spirits.

Open your hearts in love to hear the voice of God.

We want to quietly rest in God's presence, free from the clamor of the world.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Let us worship God.

*Hymn:

Christ Be Beside Me

(Same tune as "Morning Has Broken")

Christ be beside me; Christ be before me;

Christ be behind me, King of my heart.

Christ be within me; Christ be below me;

Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,

Christ all around me, shield in the strife.

Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,

Christ in my rising, Light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me;

Christ be on all tongues telling of me.

Christ be the vision in eyes that see me;

In ears that hear me Christ ever be.

*Prayer of Confession (Unison):

Patient Lord, we schedule our lives down to the very second. We crowd in as much activity as we can and then wonder why we are so stressed out and tired. We are afraid to miss out on anything. And when it comes time to be with others we spend our time worrying about details rather than longing for the visit. Forgive us

when we get so caught up in the details and miss the opportunity to sit at your feet, learning, listening, growing in our faith. Help us to place ourselves in your care. Slow us down, just a bit, so that we can see the wonders you have placed before us and truly enjoy and share the blessings you have given to us. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

*Silent, Personal Prayers of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon (Responsively):

On the seventh day of creation, God rested, creating a Sabbath, a time set apart for rest, to learn, to listen, to be quiet and at peace.

Let Sabbath take root in our hearts and in our lives, O God.

Let us learn to be at peace in your holy love for us. Amen.

First Lesson:

II Kings 4: 8-17

p. 331

Pastoral Prayer and the **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Gospel Lesson:

Luke 10: 38-42

p. 948

Sermon:

"When you come to a fork in the road – take it!"

-Dr. Robinson

Offering

Offertory

*Doxology:

tune: 780

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God for all that love has done;

Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.

Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn:

Be Now My Vision

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Benediction

Postlude

An asterisk (*) where those who are able should stand as an act of worship. Hearing-assistance devices are available in the entrance near the canopy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR TOM BASS

A Celebration of Life "Tom Bass Style" will be held on Saturday, July 23, 2022, at Salem United Church of Christ, Verona from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00pm.

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THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Sunday, July 17	9AM - Worship
Saturday, July 23	1-4PM - Celebration of Life for Tom Bass
Sunday, July 24	9AM - Worship

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