

At Salem Church, we celebrate the **Lord's Supper weekly**. We can participate in this celebration only because we are forgiven and welcome through Jesus. *Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup.* 1 Corinthians 11:28

As we celebrate the Lord's Supper, please note that the cups in the outer ring of the wine tray contain **grape juice**. The cups in the inner rings contain **wine**.

"In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!

My comforter, my all in all — Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid — Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine — Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death — This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home — Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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Notice All...Next Lord's day, **January 14**, is the second Sunday in this new year, and our first covered-dish dinner in **2024**. (How the time flies!)



About Us:

SALEM CHURCH is a church in the Metropolitan Atlanta Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). We invite all who are interested to join us in worship and fellowship every Sunday morning. Together, we are praying to be used by the Lord to become a beacon of the gospel, drawing people from Heard County...Georgia...the United States...and the world (Acts 1:8) to the peace and life-changing power found in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



Welcome to



Website: www.salemchurch.us
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Sunday, January 7, 2024


10:00 am, Sunday School
11:00 am, Worship

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

Psalm 122:1 (ESV)

The Worship of God

But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. John 4:23 (ESV)

( = please stand if able)

Greeting and Announcements

Prayer

Call to Worship

Psalm 150:1 — 6 (ESV)

Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!

***Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!
Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!***

Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

Hymn “All Creatures of Our God and King” 115

Confession of Faith: **The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets;

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and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church; **we acknowledge** one baptism for the remission of sins; and **we look** for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

The Pastoral and Congregational Prayer

A Prayer Based on Romans 7:15 – 8:2

Father in heaven, we do not understand our own actions. For we do not do what we want, but we do the very thing we hate. For we know that nothing good dwells in us, that is, in our flesh. For we do not do the good we want, but the evil we do not want is what we keep on doing. So we find it to be a law that when we want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For we delight in the law of God, in our inner being, but we see in our members another law waging war against the law of our minds. Wretched people that we are! Who will deliver us from this body of death?

(Silent Confession)

Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! There is therefore now no condemnation for us who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set us free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Old Testament Reading: **Isaiah 49:1 — 7**

Gloria Patri 735

Scripture Reading and Message

Acts 26:22 — 32

“Are You Persuading Me to Become a Christian?”


Pastor Bill Heard

Hymn “In Christ Alone” (Please see back page)

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes. 1 Corinthians 11:26

Benediction

 **Doxology** 731
Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” **Matthew 28:19 — 20**