The Worship of God

Salem Church, Sunday, November 1, 2026

Greeting and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship: John 4:23-26 *ESV*

"…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.

God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things."

Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

"O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing" 164

Confession of Faith: 1 Corinthians 15:3-8 *ESV*

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

The Pastoral and Congregational Prayer

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, forever. Amen.

Psalter - Psalm 61A "O God, Hear My Cry"

Old Testament Reading: Job 28:1-28

Gloria Patria 735

Scripture Reading and Message: James 3:13-18 "Wisdom From Above"

"Be Thou My Vision" 642

The Lord's Supper

Benediction

Doxology 731

Questions for Reflection and Conversation

1) How would you pick out one who is wise and understanding? What does James say is evidence that one is wise and understanding?
2) If in chapter 2 James says that faith without works is dead, how might you fill in the blank here for chapter 3? _____ without works is dead.
3) If those who best know you were to check a box whether you do good deeds with gentleness and wisdom, would they check "yes" or "no"?
4) What happens when jealousy and selfish ambition are present in the same person?
5) Are you bitterly jealous? Over what? If so, what do you do?
6) Is it possible for Christians to have earthly, devilish wisdom? What will happen if it is not cut out of the Christian's life?
7) Why do disorder and every foul practice follow where jealousy and selfish ambition exist?
8) Why does sowing in peace yield the fruit of righteousness? Are you a peacemaker?
9) How did Jesus display wisdom from above?

Announcements

- Men's Prayer Meeting is 2:00 p.m. on Thursdays at the Buis residence, 1701 Mandeville Rd, Bremen, GA 30110.
- Salem will help with the Heard County Food Pantry this Friday, November 6th, 8:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., 1191 Franklin Pkwy, Franklin, GA 30217. Please let Bill know if you plan to take part.
- Next Sunday, November 8th, we will have our Second Sunday Lunch following worship. Please bring something to share and join us.