

September 26-27, 2026

Beyond Temple Walls, Week 3

BEYOND TEMPLE WALLS



TO A GREATER WELL BEING



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Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our services we gather before our almighty God to receive his gifts and to offer him our worship and praise. Through God's powerful Word and sacraments he renews our faith and strengthens us to serve in joy.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Lord Jesus, bless us this morning through your Word and promises, that you would fill our hearts in faith, hope, and love won for us by our Savior Jesus. Amen.

THEME OF THE DAY: In an individualistic world, the concept of well-being is rapidly changing. Today, well-being is often defined by personal comfort, happiness, and self-fulfillment. Many see little reason to change their lifestyle if they feel content. This week, we see how Christianity offers a greater well-being. When the Holy Spirit creates faith in our hearts, he not only gives us spiritual well-being—he takes up residence in our bodies as his temple. Even our emotional and physical well-being is no longer just for our benefit but for the good of others.

TODAY IN SUNDAY JAM: The slithery snake caused Adam and Eve to doubt God's Word with one simple question: "Did God really say...?" Seeking wisdom like God, Adam and Eve rebel against their Creator and Father. Suddenly aware of their condition before God, they try to hide their sin. With sin, comes just punishment, but God did not leave humanity without hope. He promises a Savior who will come to rescue his people.

A WORD ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION: Our church observes the biblical practice of member communion (also called close communion). In Holy Communion we not only receive forgiveness from God, but we also express the unique relationship our members have with each other. If you are not a member of our congregation, we kindly ask that you not take communion today, but speak with our pastor after the service. We would love to share the sacrament with you in the future.

SERVING GOD, SERVING US:

Preacher: Pastor Jon Enter Sunday Worship Leader: Pastor Ryan Wolfe
Preschool Director: Jane Grobe Men's Chorus Director: Steve Angus
Piano: Paige Reiners

Order of Worship

CW Hymnal, Setting Three



(5 pm/8am) Hymn: O Holy Spirit, Enter In

CW 590 sts. 1-2

1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in and in our hearts
 2 Give to your Word im - pres - sive pow'r that in our hearts

your work be - gin, your dwell - ing place now make us.
 from this good hour as fire it may be glow - ing,

Sun of the soul, O Light di - vine, a - round and in
 that in true Chris - tian u - ni - ty we faith - ful wit -

us bright - ly shine, to joy and glad - ness wake us
 ness - es may be, your glo - ry ev - er show - ing.

that we may be tru - ly liv - ing, to you giv - ing
 Hear us, cheer us by your teach - ing; let our preach - ing

prayer un - ceas - ing and in love be still in - creas - ing.
 and our la - bor praise you, Lord, and serve our neigh - bor.

(10:30 am) Preschool Anthem

2 Peter 3:18

Angela Naeve

But grow, grow, grow in the grace, Grow, grow, grow in the knowledge.
 Grow, grow, grow in the grace and in the knowledge
 of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 3:18

M: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS OF SINS

M: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded Baptism when he said, *“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”*

All of us are born into this world with a deep need for Baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. He took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. In Baptism, he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness and gives us a new life. We recall what Baptism means for our daily lives:

C: **Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.**

M: As baptized children of God, we confess our sins:

C: **Holy God, gracious Father, I am sinful by nature
and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.
I have not loved you with my whole heart;
I have not loved others as I should.
I deserve your punishment both now and forever.
But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins
with his innocent suffering and death.
Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit and united us to the death and resurrection of Jesus. Every day God forgives your sins, removes your guilt, and strengthens you to defeat Satan’s power. His promise is for you and your children, and he will never forsake you. Your sins are forgiven. You are clothed with Christ. You are at peace with God now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

(Saturday) Hymn: O Holy Spirit, Enter In

CW 590 st. 3



3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, let your dear Word,
in doubt and strife, in us be strong - ly burn - ing
that we be faith - ful un - to death and live in love
and ho - ly faith, from you true wis - dom learn - ing.
Your grace and peace on us show - er; by your pow - er
Christ con - fess - ing, let us see our Sav - ior's bless - ing.

(Sunday) Men's Chorus Anthem

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Jacob Weber

Create in me a clean heart, O God and renew a right spirit with-in me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.

Amen

(10:30am) Sacrament of Baptism

The Rite of Baptism continues at the font at the 10:30am service.

M: The Gospel according to St. Mark: *"People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them."*

The minister applies water to the person presented for baptism as he says:

M: Ryan Gary Sinclair, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart + to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified.

The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has given you the new birth of water and the Spirit and has forgiven all your sins. May he strengthen you with his grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

(10:30am) Exhortation to Parents & Congregation

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Ryan and all the children of our church may remain children of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: **Yes, as God gives me strength.**

M: Let us pray.

We give thanks, most merciful Father, that you have received Ryan as your own child and made him a member of Christ's body, the church. Now, we pray, grant to him and to all your church on earth that, being dead to sin, we may live to righteousness and, being buried with Christ into his death, we may also share in his resurrection, so that, with all your saints, we may inherit eternal life; through Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

Hear our prayers, Lord Jesus Christ, and come with the good news of your mighty deliverance. Drive the darkness from our hearts, and fill us with your light; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

The apostle Paul warns us against using our bodies for indulgence but reminds us that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit.

¹²“I have the right to do anything,” you say—but not everything is beneficial.

“I have the right to do anything”—but I will not be mastered by anything.

¹³You say, “Food for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will destroy them both.” The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. ¹⁵Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! ¹⁶Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, “The two will become one flesh.” ¹⁷But whoever is united with the Lord is one with him in spirit.

¹⁸Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. ¹⁹Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; ²⁰you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

M: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation

Psalm 51:17



Refrain



My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart you will not despise. **Refrain**

Gospel

John 14:15-24

Jesus promises to send his disciples his Holy Spirit to take up residence in them.

¹⁵“If you love me, keep my commands. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— ¹⁷the

Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. ¹⁸I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them." ²²Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, "But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?"

²³Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

M: The Gospel of the Lord.

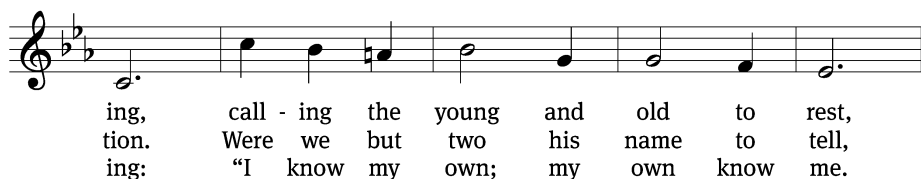
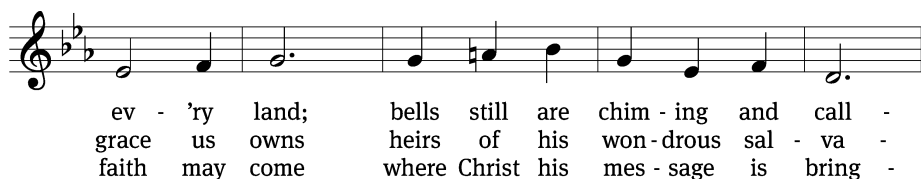
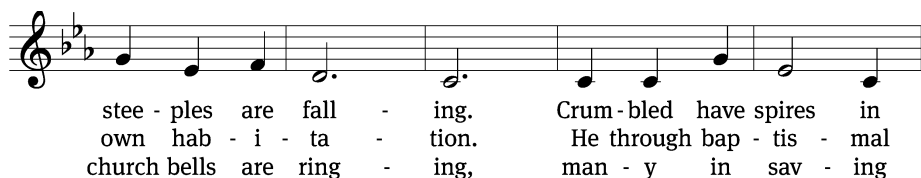
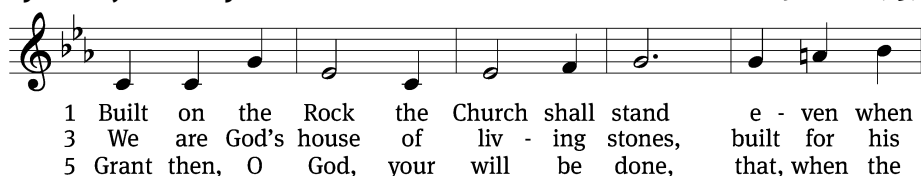
C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

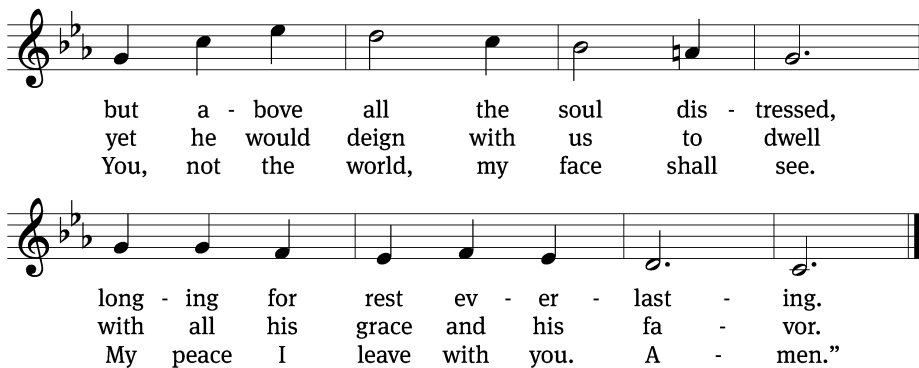
Be seated.

Children's Devotion

Hymn of the Day: Built on the Rock

CW 856 sts. 1, 3, 5





Sermon

Based on 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

“Honor the Lord with Our Bodies”

Please stand after the sermon.

THANKSGIVING

Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Be seated.

Offering



Our members give offerings to support God's work in our church. Offerings can be put in the basket or made online by scanning the code. Visitors may give, but aren't expected to.

We ask members and visitors alike to fill out the connection card and place it in the basket now or as you leave. Please share your prayer requests that we can pray for you.



Please stand.

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. The meal also bears witness to the unity and fellowship we share with each other. Therefore, we invite to communion all those who share in our confession by virtue of their membership here or in a sister WELS or ELS congregation. We ask visitors to speak to the pastor before communing.

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Words of Institution

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my + body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my + blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Jesus, Lamb of God

CW 202

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; grant us, grant us peace.

Be seated.

Communion Distribution

For those who cannot have any alcohol for personal or medical reasons we offer white grape juice. You will find cups of white grape juice in the center of each communion tray. Gluten-free wafers are available by request for those medically unable to tolerate gluten.

Communicants may choose to receive the wine by individual or common cup. If you choose the common cup, please allow the individual tray to pass and then assist the minister by helping to tip the common cup.

If you have not communed with us before, please see the announcement on the inside cover of this service folder.

Distribution Hymn: Once in the Blest Baptismal Waters CW 678



1 Once in the blest bap - tis - mal wa - ters I put on
 2 His bod - y and his blood I've tak - en in his blest
 3 Though death may come to - day, to - mor - row, I know in
 4 And thus I live in God con - tent - ed and die with -



Christ and made him mine; now, num - bered with God's sons and
 sup - per, feast di - vine; now I shall nev - er be for -
 Christ I per - ish not; he grants the peace that stills all
 out a thought of fear; to God's good plans I have con -



daugh - ters, I share his peace and love di - vine. My God, for
 sak - en for I am his and he is mine. My God, for
 sor - row, gives me a robe with - out a spot. My God, for
 sent - ed, my faith is fo - cused, firm, and clear. By grace, in



Je - sus' sake I pray your peace may bless my dy - ing day.
 Je - sus' sake I pray your peace may bless my dy - ing day.
 Je - sus' sake I pray your peace may bless my dy - ing day.
 Je - sus' name I say, "Lord, you will bless my dy - ing day!"



Distribution Hymn: Your Hand, O Lord, in Days of Old

CW 769



1 Your hand, O Lord, in days of old was strong to
2 Your touch then, Lord, brought life and health, gave speech and
3 O be our great de - liv - 'rer still, the Lord of



heal and save; it tri-umphed o - ver pain and death, o'er
strength and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed re -
life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless, with



dark - ness and the grave. To you they came, the
vealed you, Lord of light. And now, O Lord, be
your life - giv - ing breath. To hands that work and



blind, the mute, the par - a - lyzed and lame, the lep - ers
near to bless, al - might - y as be - fore, in crowd - ed
eyes that see give wis - dom's heal - ing pow'r that whole and



in their mis - er - y, the sick with fe - vered frame.
street, by beds of pain, as by Gen - nes - 'ret's shore.
sick and weak and strong may praise you ev - er - more.

After the distribution please stand at the pastor's direction.

Response of Thanksgiving

M: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

C: **His mercy endures forever.** *Psalm 118:1*

M: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

C: **We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

1 Corinthians 11:26

Blessing

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and + give you peace.

C: **Amen.**

Hymn: Holy Spirit, Light Divine

CW 593 sts. 1, 4-5



1 Ho - ly Spir - it, light di - vine, shine up - on this heart of mine;
4 Ho - ly Spir - it, pow'r di - vine, dwell with - in this heart of mine;
5 Ho - ly Spir - it, fill my heart, cleanse my life in ev - 'ry part;



chase the gloom of night a - way, turn the dark - ness in - to day.
cast down ev - 'ry i - dol throne, reign su - preme and reign a - lone.
your own tem - ple I would be now and for e - ter - ni - ty.

Silent Prayer and Announcements

Acknowledgments

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Fellowship & Spiritual Growth

Sunday morning, all are invited to enjoy fellowship in the entry between services. Sunday JAM for children ages 3yrs to 6th grade starts at 9:15am in the 1st grade room. Adult Bible study begins at 9:15 in the fellowship hall downstairs.

For Worship Next Week

Worship theme: Beyond Temple Walls to a Greater World

Bible Readings: Genesis 1:26-31; Romans 8:18-23; Matthew 19:27-30

Hymns: 504, 507, 307

We urgently need three more prayer partners!

Next week, our kindergarteners will be writing the first of four letters to their prayer partners. As of Friday morning, we still need three more adults to partner with them. The church member and student will write letters as an opportunity to grow in faith and develop a lasting friendship. It's a very easy way to make a big impact. (Kindergarteners are just learning to read, so you will generally only write a few sentences.) If you already have a prayer partner, and are willing to have another one, please let us know. To sign up or ask questions, talk to one of the pastors or email church@salemlutheran.org.



Bring the kids and join us for an afternoon of fall fun at Salem's annual Trunk or Treat! Stick around for free booyah and chips to enjoy with friends and neighbors. It's the perfect way to kick off the Halloween week with safe, family-friendly fun.

Decorated Trunks / Games / Apple Cider
/ Candy / Costumes / Music / Booyah

**Sign up to
volunteer
or host a
trunk**



WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

FOR OUR GUESTS

We are glad that you joined us to worship our Savior today. If you have questions about our church or service simply ask an usher or someone near you. We're happy to help!

Please take note of a few helpful things:

- ✦ Restrooms with diaper-changing tables are located straight down the hall opposite the sanctuary entrance.
- ✦ Our sanctuary is equipped with a "loop" system for hearing assistance. Please set hearing aids to the "T" position or ask an usher for a headset.
- ✦ You will find a connection card in your pew. Please share names, contact information, and prayer requests.
- ✦ Salem members give an offering to support the work we do for the Lord. Guests are not expected to give anything, but if you wish to make a donation you can place it in a basket as it's passed during the service or give online.
- ✦ Our services are streamed live on our YouTube channel. If you would prefer not to be on camera, please sit in the seats located beneath the balcony.

FOR THOSE WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

We love to see families worship together and we welcome children to sing, pray, and grow with us in our services.

We provide a few special worship aids and helps for families:

- ✦ Children's bulletins & activity bags are available in the entry, just to the left of the office hallway. Ask an usher if you need help finding them.
- ✦ If your child needs a quiet space, you can use the fireside room down the hallway across from the restrooms. The service is streamed live into the room.
- ✦ Children of all ages are invited to come to the front of church for the weekly children's message. Parents are welcome too!

**Salem Lutheran Church exists to glorify God
by teaching his timeless Truth, that all may
grow in grace and faith to share tomorrow's eternity.**

