

**BRIEF SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**  
**SALEM TABERNACLE**  
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**\*\*\**Leader can be anyone in the home***

*Leader begins with the following:*

You are no longer strangers and sojourners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God. Ephesians 2:19

**Confession of Sin**

*Leader and family together, all kneeling*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. *Amen.*

*The designated Leader alone stands and says*

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

**The Invitation to the Psalms**

*All stand*

*Leader*            Lord, open our lips.

*Family*            And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Leader and Family*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever Amen.

*Leader and Family*

The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.

**L=Leader; F=Family (Call and response)**

*Psalm 100*

L: Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;

F: serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.

L: Know this: The Lord himself is God;

F: he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

L: Enter his gates with thanksgiving;

F: go into his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

L: For the Lord is good;

F: his mercy is everlasting;  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

*Then follows*

**The Psalms Appointed:**

**119:49-72**

49- L: Remember your word to your servant,  
because you have given me hope.

50- F: This is my comfort in my trouble,  
that your promise gives me life.

51- L: The proud have derided me cruelly,  
but I have not turned from your law.

52- F: When I remember your judgments of old,  
O LORD, I take great comfort.

53- L: I am filled with a burning rage,  
because of the wicked who forsake your law.

54- F: Your statutes have been like songs to me  
wherever I have lived as a stranger.

55- L: I remember your Name in the night, O LORD,  
and dwell upon your law.

- 56- **F:** This is how it has been with me, \*  
because I have kept your commandments.
- 57- **L:** You only are my portion, O LORD;  
I have promised to keep your words.
- 58- **F:** I entreat you with all my heart,  
be merciful to me according to your promise.
- 59- **L:** I have considered my ways  
and turned my feet toward your decrees.
- 60- **F:** I hasten and do not tarry  
to keep your commandments.
- 61- **L:** Though the cords of the wicked entangle me,  
I do not forget your law.
- 62- **F:** At midnight I will rise to give you thanks,  
because of your righteous judgments.
- 63- **L:** I am a companion of all who fear you  
and of those who keep your commandments.
- 64- **F:** The earth, O LORD, is full of your love;  
instruct me in your statutes.
- 65- **L:** O LORD, you have dealt graciously with your servant,  
according to your word.
- 66- **F:** Teach me discernment and knowledge,  
for I have believed in your commandments.
- 67- **L:** Before I was afflicted I went astray,  
but now I keep your word.
- 68- **F:** You are good and you bring forth good;  
instruct me in your statutes.
- 69- **L:** The proud have smeared me with lies,  
but I will keep your commandments with my whole heart.
- 70- **F:** Their heart is gross and fat,  
but my delight is in your law.

71- **L:** It is good for me that I have been afflicted,  
that I might learn your statutes.

72- **F:** The law of your mouth is dearer to me  
than thousands in gold and silver.

*The entire family says:*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

**The Old Testament Reading**

*Reader:* A Reading from Ezekiel

**Ezekiel 34:1-16**

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*Answer:* Thanks be to God.

**\*\*DESIGNATE A READER:**

**14 A Song of Penitence**

O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven,  
God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,  
and of all their righteous offspring:  
You made the heavens and the earth,  
with all their vast array.  
All things quake with fear at your presence;  
they tremble because of your power.  
But your merciful promise is beyond all measure;  
it surpasses all that our minds can fathom.  
O Lord, you are full of compassion,  
long-suffering, and abounding in mercy.

You hold back your hand;  
you do not punish as we deserve.  
In your great goodness, Lord,  
you have promised forgiveness to sinners,  
that they may repent of their sin and be saved.  
And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart,  
and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness.  
I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned,  
and I know my wickedness only too well.  
Therefore I make this prayer to you:

Forgive me, Lord, forgive me.  
Do not let me perish in my sin,  
nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.  
For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent,  
and in me you will show forth your goodness.  
Unworthy as I am, you will save me,  
in accordance with your great mercy,  
and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life.  
For all the powers of heaven sing your praises,  
and yours is the glory to ages of ages. Amen.

**The New Testament Reading**

*Reader:* A Reading from I Corinthians 2:1-13

**I Corinthians 2:1-13**

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*Answer:* Thanks be to God

**\*\*DESIGNATE A READER:**

**11 The Third Song of Isaiah**

Arise, shine, for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.  
For behold, darkness covers the land;  
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.  
But over you the Lord will rise,  
and his glory will appear upon you.  
Nations will stream to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.  
Your gates will always be open; \*  
by day or night they will never be shut.  
They will call you, The City of the Lord,  
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.  
Violence will no more be heard in your land,  
ruin or destruction within your borders.  
You will call your walls, Salvation,  
and all your portals, Praise.  
The sun will no more be your light by day;  
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.

The Lord will be your everlasting light,  
and your God will be your glory.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## **The Gospel**

*Reader:* A reading from the Gospel according to Mark 1:29-45

### **Mark 1:29-45**

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*Answer:* Thanks be to God.

*Podcast:* Now play Pastor Bill's podcast regarding this verse

## **The Apostles' Creed**

### ***Family all standing together***

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## **The Prayer**

### ***Leader and Family***

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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

*Then follows the prayers for the world and the church*

L. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
F. And grant us your salvation.  
L. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
F. Let your people sing with joy.  
L. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
F. For only in you can we live in safety.  
L. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
F. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.  
L. Let your way be known upon earth;  
F. Your saving health among all nations.  
L. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
F. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.  
L: Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
F. And sustain us by your Holy Spirit.

*The Leader then says the following Prayer*

Grant, O Lord, that the course of this world may be peaceably governed by your providence; and that your Church may joyfully serve you in confidence and serenity; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*The Leader and family then say the following Prayers*

**A Prayer for the Renewal of Life**

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Prayer for Mission***

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.

## **The General Thanksgiving**

*Leader and Family*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

*Everyone now welcome to pray spontaneous open prayers as lead.*

### **A closing prayer**

*Leader*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

*Leader*            Let us bless the Lord.

*Family*            Thanks be to God

*Leader concludes with:*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen. Ephesians 3:20,21