

Salem Ebenezer Reformed Church

LORD'S DAY

September 15, 2024 10 a.m.

Rev. James Grossmann

Prelude Michelle Grossmann

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 28

***Hymn 62** "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne"

*Salutation and Invocation

Hymn 533 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

The Belgic Confession #24 (see insert in the bulletin)

Congregational Prayer

***Hymn 495** "Fill Thou My Life, O Lord My God"

Scripture Reading and Text: Ephesians 1:15-23

Sermon: "**Realizing Christ's Gifts**"

*Prayer of Application (concluded with Lord's Prayer in unison)

Hymn 397 "I Sought the Lord, and Afterward I Knew"

(Tithes and Offerings Collected)

*Benediction

*Doxology (Pg. xvi)

(*congregation stands if possible)

Church Calendar

Sunday	Tonight	6 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
Tuesday	Sept. 17	5:30 p.m.	Consistory Meeting
Wednesday	Sept. 18	1 p.m.	Ladies Daytime Bible Study

We welcome all **visitors** who are worshiping with us today. Please sign the Guest Register in the Fellowship Hall and join us again soon!

Announcements

Those wishing to **contact Rev. Grossmann** for spiritual or other needs can call him on his cell phone at 1-605-228-6508. The home phone number is 920-726-4464.

We will be conducting a **food drive for the Salvation Army** in coming weeks. Needed are canned fruit, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, condiments for salads, pickles, olives, crackers, fruit juices and soups. Canned vegetables or white rice are not needed. Place items in the kitchen. See Carolyn for more information.

The **Ladies Daytime Bible Study** will begin on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 1 p.m. We will be studying how we encounter Jesus in the Minor Prophets. Books are available for pick up today. Please join us as we strengthen our faith and our friendships. Contact Patty Check with questions at 920-242-0416.

There is a donation box on the table in the fellowship hall for the **Day of Prayer**. Donations to continue to the end of this month.

Happy Birthday Tuesday to Daniel Grossmann and on Wednesday to Josiah Grossmann.

Our Sunday worship services are available on live stream at <http://tinysa.com/live/salem>

Rev. James Grossmann
“Realizing Christ’s Gifts”
Ephesians 1:15-23

Theme: Paul Prays that the Reality of God’s Gifts and Power would be Understood by Christ’s Church.

- I. Giving Thanks for God’s Work in Fellow Christians – vv. 15-16
 - A. Hearing of Their Faith in the Lord Jesus – v. 15a
 - B. Hearing of Their Faith Worked Out in Love for All Believers – vv. 15b
 - C. Praying and Thanking God for Them
- II. Praying for Understanding for Fellow Christians – vv. 17-19
 - A. To Whom Paul Prays – the Father of Glory – v. 17a
 - B. Praying Knowledge of God by the Enlightening of the Holy Spirit – v. 17b-18a
 - C. To Know the Hope, Inheritance, and Power Provided Us by God – vv. 18b-19
- III. Understanding of the Power of God Working for Christ’s Church – vv. 20-23
 - A. The Power that Raised Christ from the Dead – v. 20a
 - B. The Power that Seated Christ Far Above all Principality, Power, Might, and Dominion – vv. 20b-22a
 - C. Christ Uses that Power for His Church...His Body – vv. 22b-23