

Salem Ebenezer Reformed Church

LORD'S DAY

August 24, 2025 10 a.m.

Rev. James Grossmann

Prelude Michelle Grossmann

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 89:1-23 (Pg. 528)

***Hymn 20** "Give to Our God Immortal Praise"

*Salutation and Invocation

Hymn 101 "My Song Forever Shall Record"

We Confess Our Christian Faith – Lord's Day 32
Heidelberg Catechism Q & A # 86-87 (Pg. 680)

Congregational Prayer

***Hymn 700** "Trust and Obey, For There's No Other Way"

Scripture Reading & Text: James 3:13-4:10 (Pg. 1074)

Sermon title: "**Draw Near to God**"

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

Hymn 70 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"
(Tithes and Offerings Collected)

*Benediction

*Doxology (Pg. xvi) (*congregation stands if possible)

Church Calendar

Sunday	Aug. 31	After worship	Fellowship Time
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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.

Pray for the installation service for Carl Gobelman, new pastor at the RCUS church in Napoleon, Ohio, on Sept. 4. Pastor Grossmann will preach as part of that service.

Continue to keep in prayer Jen Junk, who is now at Felician Village in Manitowoc, recovering in the rehab unit there.

The **Ladies Aid** is sponsoring a drive for the Salvation Army during the month of September. See Carolyn for details.

An **anniversary dinner** is being planned for Roger and Peggy Borgwardt and Jeff and Dianne Nelson, celebrating 55 years of marriage. It will be held at City Limits, Sept. 11, arrive at 5:30 p.m. with meal at 6 p.m.

Happy birthday on Wednesday to Kay Grady, and on Thursday to Marshal Grupe.

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

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“Draw Near to God”
James 3:13-4:10

Theme: Faith Causes God’s People to Meekly Draw Near to Him
and Away from the Earthly Desires that Easily Entrap Us.

- I. True Faith Produces Meekness and Peace, not Demonic Envy – vv. 13-18
 - A. Faith is Shown by Works of Meekness and Wisdom – vv. 13
 - B. Admitting to Myself that My Envy is Demonic – vv. 14-16
 - C. True Wisdom is Peaceable – vv. 17-18

- II. God Demands the Worship He Deserves and that We Easily Give to Earthly Things – vv. 1-5
 - A. Serving Earthly Pleasures vv. 1-3
 - B. God is Jealous for His Deserved Worship – vv. 4-5

- III. Humbly Draw Near to God and He will Draw Near to You – vv. 6-10
 - A. God Resists the Proud, but Gives Grace to the Humble – vv. 6-8
 - B. Humble Yourselves in the Lord’s Sight and He will Lift you Up – vv. 9-10