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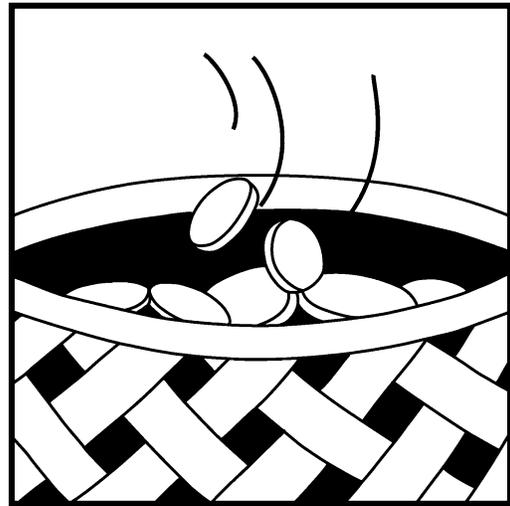
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A Reconciling in Christ Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

21st Sunday
after
Pentecost

October 17,
2021
9:30 AM

*Those who leave everything
to follow me*



*will receive 100-fold,
both now & in the age to come*

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Gathering

Welcome!

At our September Council meeting it was decided to move worship back indoors as the weather is growing cooler. It was also decided that properly worn masks will be required of everyone. The reason for this is that the combination of the vaccine's waning efficacy and the continuing emergence of new variants, have resulted in more and more breakthrough cases among the fully vaccinated, especially among those 65 and older. Although treatments continue to improve, many of these cases have been quite serious, requiring hospitalization. We are told the numbers are expected to rise this month and that another peak is expected in January. *If you received the Pfizer vaccine and are 65 or older and/or have comorbidities you are urged to get your booster as soon as possible. Those who received Moderna should be able to receive a booster soon – contact our Parish Nurse, Carol Lansing, for details.* No news yet on the Johnson and Johnson front. **Council also decided that since everyone will be masked, soft singing of hymns will be permitted.** While we know not everyone will be happy with this decision, please understand that whether it's about indoors vs. outdoors, masks vs. no masks, singing vs. no singing, there is simply no way we can please everyone. As Christians, however, it is our call to put aside our own preferences and focus not on our own desires, but on what God asks of us – which is to provide a place where even the most vulnerable in our midst feel safe. We have too many attendees with comorbidities and too many who are in contact with unvaccinated grandchildren to be less than cautious. Thank you for your understanding and your support.

Flowers this morning are given by Salem in memory of and thanksgiving for Pastor Bud Myers.

Give thanks with a grateful heart – This past year has been full of challenges for each of us personally and for Salem as a congregation. But God has been with us through all of it. Over the next several weeks, let's reflect on the things for which we are thankful. In your bulletin is a slip of paper; please fill that out and deposit it in the offering box. We will collect these thoughts, post them on a board, and include them in the next week's prayers. (Those who are not worshipping in person can participate by emailing your thankful thoughts to salemsec123@sbcglobal.net so we can include them.)

TODAY is the 47th Annual Greater Bridgeport CROP 2 mile Hunger Walk and YOU are invited to participate as a walker and/or a donor. Pastor Marjo will be walking and will be happy to have you join her or to deliver your contribution of cash, check, or non-perishable food. For details, please see the end of this bulletin.

Pastor Marjo will be away on a spiritual retreat in Maine, beginning tomorrow, 10/18 and continuing through 10/25. If you should find yourself in need of emergency pastoral care, please contact the church office or Pastor Chris Files at 203-767-4189.

Because Pastor Marjo will be away, there will be NO Bible study this Wednesday, 10/20. There WILL be prayer gathering at noon, however.

GATHERING SONG

Way Maker

As long as everyone is masked, you may sing along softly.

Verse 1 You are here moving in our midst
I worship You I worship You
You are here working in this place
I worship You I worship You

Chorus (You are) Way Maker Miracle Worker Promise Keeper
Light in the darkness my God that is who You are

Verse 2 You are here touching ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You
You are here healing ev'ry heart
I worship You I worship You

Verse 3 You are here turning lives around
I worship You I worship You
You are here mending ev'ry heart
I worship You yeah I worship You Lord

Tag That is who You are
That is who You are
That is who You are
That is who You are

Bridge Even when I don't see it You're working
Even when I don't feel it You're working
You never stop You never stop working
You never stop You never stop working

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Performance # 1 "Way Maker Opener" by Covenant Church— 04/12/20 (Easter)
as found at this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SEP53RIqbF4> [5:51]

Performance # 2 "Way Maker" sung by the Times Square Church Choir. 10/20/18
as found at this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lW4M5DeQ4dk> [8:16]

Please note that here we go live on Facebook.

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

Sing to the Lord of Harvest

*(as found in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's worship books,
Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 694)*

As long as everyone is masked, you may sing softly.

- 1 Sing to the Lord of harvest
your songs of love and praise;
with joyful hearts and voices
your alleluias raise;
by him the rolling seasons
in fruitful order move;
sing to the Lord of harvest
a joyous song of love.**

- 2 God makes the clouds drop fatness,
the deserts bloom and spring,
the hills leap up in gladness,
the valleys laugh and sing.
God fills them with his fullness,
all things with large increase
and crowns the year with goodness,
with plenty and with peace.**

- 3 Bring to this sacred altar
the gifts his goodness gave,
the golden sheaves of harvest,
the souls Christ died to save.
Your hearts lay down before him
when at his feet you fall,
and with your lives adore him
who gave his life for all.**

Text: based on Psalm 65:9-13, 145:15-16, 147:7-14, Isaiah 35:1-2

by John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt.; Meter 7 6 7 6 D

Music: WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN by Johann Steurlein, 1546-1613

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Word

Genesis 26:1-6, 12-14a

¹ Now there was a famine in the land, besides the former famine that had occurred in the days of Abraham.... ² YHWH appeared to Isaac and said, "...settle in the land that I shall show you. ³...and I will be with you, and will bless you; for to you and to your descendants I will give all these lands, and I will fulfill the oath that I swore to your father Abraham. ⁴I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven, and will give to your offspring all these lands; and all the nations of the earth shall gain blessing for themselves through your offspring, ⁵because Abraham obeyed my voice and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws." ⁶So Isaac settled in Gerar.... ¹² Isaac sowed seed in that land, and in the same year reaped a hundredfold. YHWH blessed him, ¹³ and the man became rich; he prospered more & more until he became very wealthy. ¹⁴ He had possessions of flocks and herds, and a great household....

Psalm 37, selected verses:

³ Trust in YHWH, and do good; so you will dwell in the land, and enjoy security.
⁴ **Delight in YHWH, and you'll be given the desires of your heart.**
⁵ Commit your way to YHWH; trust in YHWH; God will act....
⁷ **Be still before YHWH, and wait patiently....**
⁸ Let go of your anger, and leave resentment behind.
And stop worrying! It produces nothing but evil, ⁹ and evildoers will be cut off.
But those who put their hope in YHWH will inherit the land....
¹⁸ **YHWH safeguards the possessions of the honest and their inheritance will last forever;**
¹⁹ they will not wither in the days of drought & when famine comes they will have abundance....
²¹ **The corrupt borrow, and never pay back, but the righteous are generous and keep giving;**
²² for those blessed by God shall inherit the land, but the accursed shall be cut off....
²⁵ **I...am old, yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread.**
²⁶ They are ever giving liberally and lending, and their children become a blessing....
³⁴ **Wait for YHWH, and keep YHWH's way,**
and God will raise you up so that you can possess the land....

Mark 10:23-31

²³ Then Jesus looked around & said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" ²⁴ And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." ²⁶ They were greatly astounded & said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" ²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸ Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything & followed you". ²⁹ Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake & for the sake of the good news, ³⁰ who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age — houses, brothers & sisters, mothers & children, & fields, with persecutions — and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, & the last will be first."

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *You may stand for the prayers if you so desire.*

Set free from sin and death and nourished by the word of truth,
we join in prayer for all of God's creation.

So they can be heard online, these petitions will be offered by the leaders at the microphones.

Holy One, for the gift of the church handed down through the ages
and for all who carry on the servant ministry of Jesus, we praise you.
Send your Holy Spirit upon all who are discerning calls to ministry in its many forms
and equip them with your gifts, especially Jeanette Harris and Tom Conroy.
We pray for our mission partners, especially today for food pantries and community suppers
at Golden Hill United Methodist church and elsewhere,
and for Salem members and families, especially those celebrating birthdays this week:
William Sokoloski, Wes Murphy, Mary Ann Kenyon, Edith Larson, Merlee Lange, & Scott Dewalt.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Creating One, for the lush & abundant habitat you provide for all your creatures, we praise you.
Provide healing for the earth so that waterfowl, reptiles, wild horses, dolphins & all living things
flourish as you intend.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Suffering One, for all who work toward peace and justice, we praise you.
Motivate all who follow you to work to change the systemic racism
that causes violence, persecution, discrimination, hunger, poverty, and homelessness..
Help us create places of refuge for all people.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Merciful One, for all who do the work of healing in mind, body, and spirit, we praise you.
Heal all who struggle with depression, anxiety, cancer, diabetes, dementia, or any illness, especially
Barbara, Dolores, Eron, Frank, Grace, Steve, Sue, and all we name in our hearts.
And we give you praise and thanks for the healing you have brought and are still bringing
to DARTH, Judi, Justin, and the family, friends, and congregation of Pastor Myers.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Sustaining One, for every time we place our trust in you rather than ourselves, we praise you.
Strengthen & encourage all who give their time, talent & treasure & serve with generous hearts.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Risen One, we thank you for those who have shaped your church and shared your gospel.
Through the witness of your saints,
especially Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, whom we commemorate this week,
continue to inspire us with hope until we all are gathered at your eternal feast.
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Abundant One, we thank you that you are always with us, even in difficult and painful times.
We thank you for loving parents, children, brothers, sisters, & friends who are like family,
for people to care for us, for our homes, and for our country,
Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

You are invited to offer your own prayer petition at this time, either silently or aloud.

The pastor concludes:

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands;
through Jesus Christ, our truth and life. **Amen**

Thanksgiving

LORD'S PRAYER *You may stand for the Lord's Prayer if you so desire.*

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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, forever and ever. Amen

OFFERING PRAYER *You may stand for the Offering Prayer if you so desire.*

Jesus, you said, "Give and it will be given to you...
for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

**Give us the confidence to cheerfully give
our tithes and offerings of time, talent and treasure to your work in this place,
trusting that you will provide abundantly for all our needs.
We pray this in the power of your Spirit. Amen**

OFFERING INVITATION *Please be seated.*

In response to God's grace,
it is our joy to return to God our tithes and offerings.
We are grateful for your generosity,
which not only is an exercise of and witness to your faith,
but which funds our ministry together here at Salem.

If you are a member of another congregation,
we encourage you to give to your home congregation first,
but invite you to contribute to our ministry also
so that we can continue to take our worship online
as a witness to the power and love of the amazing God we serve.



Simply go to the menu on our website at SalemBridgeport.org and click "donate"
or scan the QR code here in our Sunday worship program
with a QR reader on your smart phone which will take you to that page.

OFFERTORY SONG

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

*(sung to the tune “**HOLY MANNA**” Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 771)*

*(as found in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America’s worship book,
Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 678)*

As long as everyone is masked, you may sing softly.

- 1 God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store:
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door,
gifted by you, we turn to you, off'ring up ourselves in praise;
thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.**
- 2 Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone;
born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.**
- 3 Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through pow'rs your grace conferred;
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel word.
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.**

Text: based on Matthew 25:14-30, Luke 19:11-27,

2 Corinthians 8:8-14, Ephesians 4:11-13

by Robert L. Edwards, 1915-2006; Meter 8 7 8 7 D

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Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS, THANK YOU and BLESSING

Here ends our Facebook live stream.

Meal & Dismissal

AFFIRMATION

You may stand if you so desire.

Let us affirm our faith together.

**We believe in YHWH,
creator of all that is and shall be,
redeemer of all that is less than it could be,
sustainer of our living, our loving, our being.**

**We believe in an all-powerful Creator
who loves us like an affectionate father and nurtures us like a devoted mother.**

**We believe in Jesus,
who manifested divine power in human form and showed us how to do the same,
who loved God with all his heart and soul and mind and body,
who gave all he had, willingly suffering and dying in obedience to God's will,
because he trusted the God who keeps every promise,
who makes a way where there is no way, and who works miracles,
bringing light out of darkness, love out of hatred, life out of death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit
who calls to each heart,
who gathers us into the family of God,
who enlightens our minds, engages our hearts, and empowers our spirits
to share in word and deed what we've been given.**

**We believe in love: the nature of God, a gift unsurpassed,
but a mystery only fulfilled when all else is relinquished.**

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COMMUNION

Please be seated.

God be with you!

And also with you!

Open your hearts!

We open them to God and one another!

Let us give thanks to the God of all!

It is right to give God thanks and praise!

In the night in which he was betrayed...

Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest and let these gifts to us be blessed.

Blessed be God, who is our Bread; may all the world be clothed and fed. Amen

The body of Christ given for you.

The blood of Christ shed for you.

*During communion, you may take your communion elements during worship
or hold on to your kit until you get home.*

*If you take the elements inside the church, open the kit over the pew to prevent spilling on the carpet.
After the service, please dispose of your own kit either in a waste receptacle at church or at home.*

The body & blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you & keep you in divine grace! **Amen!**

SENDING SONG

Take My Life, That I May Be

*(as found in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's worship book,
Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 685)*

As long as everyone is masked, you may sing softly.

- 1 Take my life, that I may be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.**
- 2 Take my hands and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee.**
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my lips and let them be
filled with messages from thee.**
- 4 Take my silver and my gold,
not a mite would I withhold;
take my intellect and use
ev'ry pow'r as thou shall choose.**
- 5 Take my will and make it thine,
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own,
it shall be thy royal throne.**
- 6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.**

*Text: Mark 12:41-44, Luke 7:36-50, John 12:1-8, Romans 12:1, Galatians 2:20
by Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879, alt.; Meter 7 7 7 7*

Music: PATMOS by William H. Havergal, 1793-1870

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DISMISSAL

Go in peace.

Give and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened!

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE MEDLEY: I SURRENDER ALL + I GIVE IT ALL

As long as everyone is masked, you may sing along softly.

I SURRENDER ALL

- 1 All to Jesus I surrender All to Him I freely give
I will ever love and trust Him In His presence daily live

Refrain I surrender all I surrender all
All to Thee my blessed Savior I surrender all

- 2 All to Jesus I surrender Humbly at His feet I bow
Worldly pleasures all forsaken Take me Jesus take me now (*Refrain*)

I GIVE IT ALL TO YOU

Refrain I give it all to You I give my life to You
Yielding my thoughts All of my dreams
I lay them down A living sacrifice
My willing offering All I am, wholly Yours I give it all

- 1 I will worship You I belong to You Use me Lord, take it all For Your glory

- 2 You can have it all Every part of me I surrender all I am For Your glory (*Refrain*)

I SURRENDER ALL

Refrain I surrender all I surrender all All to Thee my blessed Savior I surrender all

I Surrender All

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Text: Judson W. Van de Venter (1855-1939); Meter 8 7 8 7 with refrain

Music: Winfield Scott Weedon (1847-1908)

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I Give It All

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Text & Music: Nicholas Hung and Grace Lim

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Performance by Creative Trio, 07/17/21

Musical Arrangement by Ivan Tangkulung

as found at this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nwRAWzcEzoE> [6:29]

Announcements

Wednesday at 12:00 noon we meet on zoom for prayer. This is such a powerful time that Pastor Marjo and Momma J will be zooming in from Maine just so they don't miss it! Please join them!

NO BIBLE STUDY THIS WEDNESDAY 10/20, but we will resume on 10/27. Currently our Bible Study is focused on the Purpose and Principles of Worship, so if you'd like to help plan worship or simply would like to get more out of worship, please join us. Following Bible Study at 7:15 we will have a brief service of Holy Communion together. The link is also on the calendar on our website at Salembridgeport.org under the Resources Tab.

The next Sunday Night Alive Inter-Church Event will be held the last Sunday of October, the 31st, at 6:00 pm in-person in our Salem Lounge. We'll watch the movie, "Pilgrims Progress", and then discuss it. This adaptation of John Bunyan's powerful and life-changing classic story is a film you won't want to miss. Written over 340 years ago when Bunyan was in prison, the story has been smuggled to the underground church during communism, banned for a time in China, and has sold more copies than any other book other than the Bible. The story is about a man who discovers a book which prompts him to escape from his own city of destruction, and to journey towards a celestial city ruled by a good and noble King, meeting friends and foes along the way. Please join us as we learn and laugh and love, building relationships grounded in the joy of the Lord!

The next Salem and Friends Breakfast & Faith Discussion, sponsored by the Salem Men but open to ALL, will be held Saturday **November 13th** at 8:00 am. Please join us...and invite a friend! Volunteers to help prepare breakfast welcome to come at 7:00 am. Thx!

The Connecticut Hospice in Branford is accepting applications for new volunteers! Their patients and families are in need of your care and support. If you have an interest in Reception or Patient Companionship, please call Joan Cullen, Director of Volunteers at 203-315-7510.

UniteCT - Emergency Rental Assistance for Connecticut's Economy - The UniteCT Program is administered by the Department of Housing on behalf of the US Treasury. UniteCT provides up to \$15,000 rental and electricity payment assistance on behalf of Connecticut households financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. UniteCT is stabilizing CT's rental housing market by financially supporting those households up to 80% of HUD's Area Median Income (AMI) - Select [here](#) for an interactive AMI map. Tenants and landlords use the UniteCT Rent Relief software to submit their own sections of the application creating a unique case file for decision making evaluation. UniteCT will provide continued rental and electric utility assistance to eligible households until all funding has been committed. There is no current end date of the program.

For more info, go to: <https://portal.ct.gov/DOH/DOH/Programs/UniteCT>

You must first register to get an email invitation to start your application. Paper applications will not be accepted. Do you qualify for UniteCT funding? If you need to share your eligibility status with a new landlord or court, check your eligibility by taking this survey at <https://portal.ct.gov/DOH/DOH/Programs/UniteCT---Survey> and print the results for your records.

In case you have not heard, Pastor Bryan “Bud” Myers, former pastor at Salem, died, and his memorial service was held on October 8th with Pastor Marjo presiding. The recording of the service can be watched right on Salem’s own Facebook page. Donations in memory of Bud may be made to Tabor Lutheran Church and mailed to 45 Tabor Drive, Branford, CT 06604. Condolences may be sent to his wife, Judy, at 45 Farm River Road, Branford, CT 06604. Please keep Pastor Myers’ family, friends, and the people of Tabor in your prayers.

Let’s stay connected! Pastor Marjo and Salem’s Office Manager, Karl, work primarily from their homes but generally come in once a week to take care of tasks that cannot be accomplished remotely. If we can help in any way, please know that you can call Salem’s church office at 203-330-3300 and leave a message and your message will be picked up remotely and your call returned. **Please also do not hesitate to call or text Pastor Marjo at 203-982-3441. She would be MORE THAN HAPPY to hear from you!**

If you would like to call, or send a card or note to one of our shut-ins, please contact our Parish Nurse, Carol Lansing. She will let you know if the person would prefer a call or a note. If you have extra cards that you do not need, please let her know.

The baptism of McKenzie Marie Kemp, daughter of Paul Baronavski and Amy Kemp, scheduled for October 9th has been postponed until November 13th, due to quarantining because a classmate contracted RSV. We pray for the child who came down with the virus, and pray that all of her contacts stay safe and healthy.

UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

**Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, martyr, died around 115
Sunday, October 17, 2021**

Ignatius was the second bishop of Antioch in Syria, the city where the name "Christians" originated.

Ignatius is known to us from his letters, which encouraged Christians to live in love, yet stand firm in true doctrine.

**Luke, Evangelist
Monday, October 18, 2021**

Identified as the author of both Luke and Acts, Luke was careful to place the events of Jesus' life in their social and religious contexts. His gospel gives us some of the most beloved parables, as well as the songs of Zechariah, Mary, the angels, and Simeon.

**James of Jerusalem, martyr, died around 62
Saturday, October 23, 2021**

One of three early-church leaders named James, this man is identified in the New Testament and by a historian of the time as a brother of Jesus. Scholars are uncertain whether this means a blood brother. He was a leader of the church in Jerusalem.



Walk With Us ... It's Our 47th!



**Pick up Materials at the Rally
Sunday, September 19, 2021 at 2 PM at
UNITY HILL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
364 White Plains Road, Trumbull, CT**



CROP Hunger Walk No. 47

**Sunday, October 17, 2021
at 1:30 – 4:00 pm for 2+ mile walk (Rain or Shine)**

**at United Congregational Church
2200 North Avenue, Bridgeport, CT**

25 % of monies raised goes to hunger related programs in the Bridgeport Area.

For more information, call 203-375-1284. www.crophungerwalk.org



47th Annual Greater Bridgeport CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday October 17, 2021 ~ 1:30 – 4:00 pm. (Rain or Shine)
LOCATION: United Congregational Church, 2200 North Avenue, Bridgeport, CT
Take a 2.14 mile walk with us www.crophungerwalk.org !

CROP is the Community Appeal of Church World Service. It fights hunger, locally, nationally, and internationally, and emphasizes self-sustaining agricultural practices. 75% of the money collected will be used by Church World Service or whichever agency the sponsor designates. 25% remains here supporting 10 local agencies that support our vulnerable neighbors here in the Greater Bridgeport area.

WHO WALKS? Everyone is welcome to walk! Please remember to adhere to proper social distancing rules, if necessary. An adult must accompany children under 12.

CONTRIBUTIONS to CWS/CROP are tax deductible. If your company has a matching grant program, please let us know. Please include the PIN # 840005226 in the memo section of the checks.

BEFORE THE WALK: We are encouraging all participants to register online at crophungerwalk.org/Bridgeport CT, and to fundraise online with the CROP Hunger Walk website. Instructions on Facebook fundraising are included so you can use Facebook to fundraise as well! Set your goals and commit yourself to make a difference for hungry people. Then ask friends, neighbors, co-workers, church/synagogue members, teachers, classmates, etc., to sponsor you. Please make every effort to collect your pledges prior to the walk.

DAY OF THE WALK – FOR WALKERS! *Go to United Congregational Church, 2200 North Avenue, Bridgeport and pull into the parking lot. You can register with your local recruiter ahead of time or at United Church on the day of the walk. In either case, a fully completed donation envelope must be turned in before you walk.* Card validation, water and rest rooms are available at the church. Wear comfortable clothes, hat, shoes, and socks. Bring rain gear & snacks.

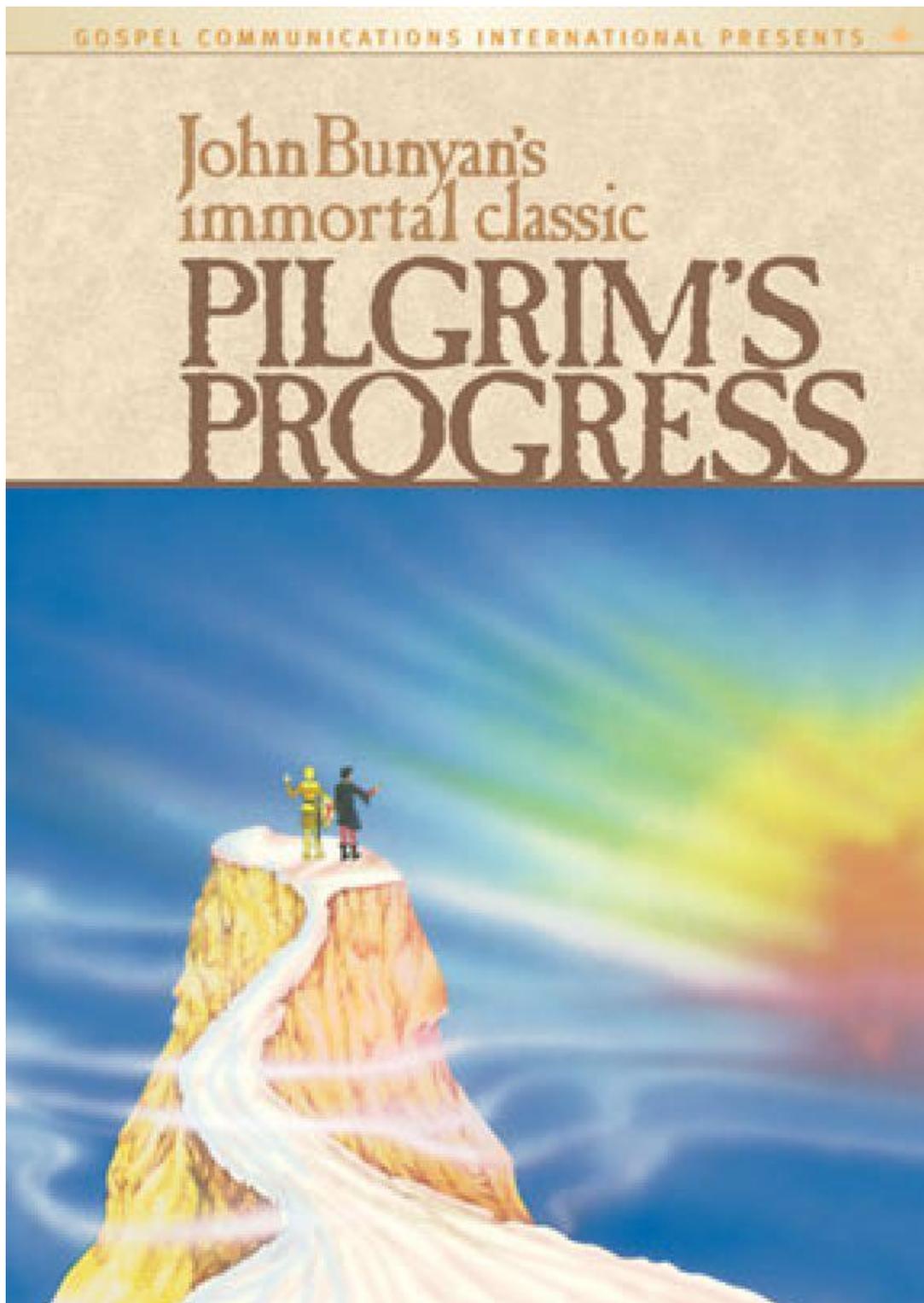
DAY OF THE WALK AND AFTER – FOR CONTRIBUTORS! *You can give cash or a check to Pastor Marjo today. Please make checks out to CWS/CROP and include the walk PIN # 840005226 in memo section. Or you can send it later – by November 15 – along with a notation that it is for Pastor Marjo Anderson’s team at Salem Lutheran to: CROP Walk, c/o Elaine & Robert Wood, 6 Lakeview Avenue, Shelton, CT 06484. Phone: 203-924-0396. If you’d like to donate healthy, non-perishable food items for Nourish Bridgeport at United Congregational Church, Pastor Marjo will be happy to take those with her today.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Call Carole Fanslow at 203-375-1284 or email fanslow@juno.com.

IMPORTANT! Please do not destroy any used, unused or soiled Donation Envelopes. All envelopes must be accounted for after the event. Please return them to your recruiter.

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**Please JOIN US 6:00-8:00 pm Sunday 31st October in Salem's Lounge,
for our Inter-Church Sunday Night Alive's MOVIE NIGHT
as we watch...**



**A time to build relationships with people God has brought into our lives,
to watch a powerful film, to reflect on our faith,
and be drawn closer to God and to one another.**