



September 2015

Salem Spirit of Life Church

**“A Welcoming Community”
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**Sunday Worship 10:00AM
Sunday School 9:45AM**

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Greetings:

If you are visiting us for the first time we hope that you will be enriched by our Service as much as your presence enriches us. Please join us for coffee and refreshments after Service. We would also asked that you fill out a visitor's form located in the hospitality room.

I hope you enjoyed your summer vacations as much as I enjoyed mine. Visiting family and friends is always enjoyable.

Thanks to everyone who helped at our Pride booth. It was great to see some old friends and meet several new ones. We talked with over sixty people during the event.

We will begin planning our fall bible study more information will be put on our Facebook page. Check out our Facebook page and like it so you can stay up to date on our future activities.

T.A. Kantonen in A Theology for Christian Stewardship says, "I am convinced that the tithers in our churches are by and large not Pharisees but humble and sincere Christians who have been led to use this ancient device as a helpful means for a steady expression of their gratitude and faithfulness to their Lord....But I am also convinced that the true beginning of Christian stewardship is in a clean break with the false God material wealth through complete self-surrender to the love of God in Christ." This church urges its members to percentage giving as a special symbol whereby we attest that Christ is the Lord of all our living.

THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE ON TITHING

City News:

The Salem-Keizer Transit is changing bus routes effective September 8th. Check your routes on the Salem-Keizer website for the changes. The Moving Forward project increases frequency on busy routes, and establishes consistent frequency throughout the

day. In some low ridership areas coverage would be reduced.

What's Happening Around SSOL:

34 Days of Peace in Salem Area. The events start September 21st on International Day of Peace and ends on United Nations Day Celebration October 24th.

On September 26th at Lancaster Mall (11am - 7pm) several organizations with have booths, display tables, entertainment. More information to follow.

Tuesday September 15th HIV Alliance Meets at SSOL 4:00PM. (beginning in October they meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month)

Friday September 18th Pot Luck and Movie All Are Welcome - 6:30PM -- Signup Sheet on the table in the hospitality room.

Hospitality Schedule For September:

Check the calendar in the Hospitality Room.

Keep in your prayers those not with us today because of illness or distance.

My Brother and I
By Debbi Kupris

**Long ago when we were kids,
It was just the two of us
My Little brother Scott and I
In a family loved so much.**

**There were fishing poles, baseball mitts
And even wáter skis.
We shared the fun together,
We were happy as can be.**

**But our childhood years slipped and quickly
By and adulthood couldn't wait.
Our happy days ust disappeared,
And we went our separate ways.**

**Through my years of struggle
I found the meaning to life.
God was right there all along,
Standing at my side.**

Readings and Gospel For September:

Sept 6th:

Book of the Prophet Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalm Response: Praise the Lord, my soul!

Letter of Saint James 2:1-5

Gospel according to Mark 7:31-37

Sept 13th:

Book of the Prophet Isaiah 50:5-9a

Psalm Response: I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Letter of St. James 2:14-18

Gospel according to Mark 8:27-35

Sept 20th:

Book of Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

Psalm Response: The Lord upholds my life.

Letter of St. James 3:16-4:3

Gospel according to Mark 9:30-37

Sept 27th:

Book of Numbers 11:25-29

Psalm Response: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Letter of St. James 5:1-6

Gospel according to Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

