

Salem Ebenezer Reformed Church

LORD'S DAY

April 14, 2024 10 a.m.

Rev. James Grossmann

Prelude Lindsey Pankratz

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 5

***Hymn 3** "From All that Dwell Below the Skies" (Tune 2)

*Salutation and Invocation

Hymn 84 "O Praise the Lord, for He is Good"

Belgic Confession of Faith Article 2 (See back of bulletin)

Congregational Prayer

***Hymn 109** "This is My Father's World"

Scripture Reading and Text: Acts 1:12-26 (Pg. 965)

Sermon: "The Disciples Stand Up As Witnesses"

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

Hymn 660 "Standing by a Purpose True"
(Tithes and Offerings Collected)

*Benediction

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

Church Calendar

Sunday	Tonight	6 p.m.	Young People's Mtg.
Wednesday	April 17	1 p.m.	Ladies Bible study
Sunday	April 21	6 p.m.	Men's 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.

Happy birthday to Susan Borgwardt on Wednesday.

Happy Anniversary to Pat and Cindy Check on Friday.

As of the end of March:

Budget – General Fund = \$40,067 Benevolent Fund = \$16,667

Actual - General Fund = \$38,380 Benevolent Fund = \$13,242

On our website – salemebenezer.org – you can find the "Monthly Calendar", a "Weekly Bulletin", and the "Suggested Bible Reading Schedule".

Our Sunday worship services are available on live stream at

<http://tinysa.com/live/salem>

Belgic Confession of Faith
ARTICLE 2

BY WHAT MEANS GOD IS MADE KNOWN UNTO US

We know Him by two means: First, by the creation, preservation, and government of the universe; which is before our eyes as a most elegant book, wherein all creatures, great and small, are as so many characters leading us to *see clearly the invisible things of God, even His everlasting power and divinity*, as the apostle Paul says (Rom. 1:20). All which things are sufficient to convince men and leave them without excuse. Second, He makes Himself more clearly and fully known to us by His holy and divine Word, that is to say, as far as is necessary for us to know in this life, to His glory and our salvation.

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“The Disciples Stand Up As Witnesses”
Acts 1:12-26

Theme: Christ's Disciples Take Up Their Place as Christ's Witnesses.

- I. The Continuing Disciples Identified as Witnesses – vv. 12-14
 - A. The Disciples Obedient, Staying in Jerusalem – v. 12
 - B. The Disciples Identified – v. 13
 - C. The Disciples Continue in Prayer and Supplication – v. 14
- II. The Disciples Note the Need for a Witness to Replace Judas – vv. 15-19
 - A. Peter Addresses Judas Absence in the Light of Prophecy – vv. 15-17
 - B. Judas' Remorse and Suicide – vv. 18-20
- III. A Replacement Apostle Chosen – vv. 20-26
 - A. The Need to Fill Judas' Office – v. 20
 - B. Qualifications for Apostleship – vv. 21-22
 - C. God Guides the Vote of His People – vv. 24-26