

John 16:12-22 (ILT)

*“What does he mean by a little while?
We do not know what he is talking about.”
(Jn. 16:18).*

Confusion dominates among Jesus’ disciples. His words confuse them. We are likewise confused, even though we have the luxury of hindsight. Jesus knows the disciples in front of him had confusion; he also knows that his disciples of the future would likewise be confused. His solution? He makes a promise. He makes it in the form of an oath, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy” (Jn. 16:20).

Jesus gives those disciples then, and consequently us now, his word. It doesn’t necessarily clear up our confusion... It doesn’t necessarily relieve us of our sorrow... but it does necessarily provide reassurance because Jesus does not lie. The confusion... the sorrow... will not last forever. We may well go to our graves not seeing the end of it. But it will end. We will have joy. We will have joy without sorrow... joy without confusion. You have Jesus’ word on it.

Gospel & citation on reverse of Prayer List

Responsive Reading: Psalm 150 (NIV)

All: Praise the LORD.

North: Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

South: Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness.

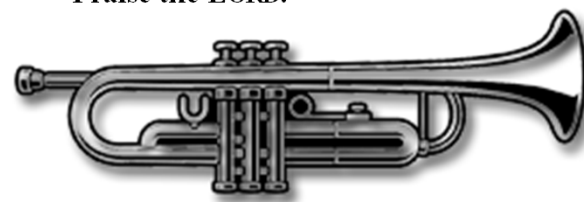
North: Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre,

South: praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe,

North: praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals.

South: Let everything that has breath praise the LORD.

All: Praise the LORD.



Lesson: Revelation 21:1-7

Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.” He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.” He said to me: “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life. Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children.”

Salem's News & Family Events

Pastor Scott Adkins
HAS ACCEPTED our
call to become Salem's
new pastor!!! He will be
installed July 24th!!!



There will be a celebration of life service for Pastor Slim here at Salem on Saturday, June 11 @ 10:30am



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Salem's Service Leadership Teams

Worship Ministry	Pr. Bill Pohl Pr. Ellen Erdman Hans Erdman Nick Williams
Music Ministry	Becky Fiske Mark Scherer
Service Ushers	Volunteers needed...
Altar Guild	Angie Gnau

Prayer List Items

Please contact Jerry Youngquist (jerry.youngquist@gmail.com) with any Prayer List additions or updates!



Dumb Jokes...

- Been reading up on the thesaurus lately because a mind is a terrible thing to garbage.
- I sent a reminder to a client that it was time to visit the eye doctor. [SEP]He called back to inform me that he would not be coming in because, as he put it, "I have a new obstetrician."
- **Client:** The blue looks OK, but it would be great if it was a little more orange. Like "blorange."
- My boss was watching a video of his son. I heard a voice in the background and asked if it was Elmo. [SEP]It was his wife.
- When my customer ordered [SEP]iced tea, I asked, "Sweetened or [SEP]unsweetened?" Her answer: "What's the difference?"

