10th Anniversary 9-11 Remembrance Service

Salem Courthouse Community Center 2:00 in the afternoon Welcome
Opening Remarks
Presentation of the American Flag/Pledge

Kim Gariepy Seth Pitts & Anne Dunigan American Legion Post 812

My country, 'tis of Thee,
Sweet Land of Liberty
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrims' pride,
From every mountain side
Let Freedom ring.

Opening Prayer
Scripture Reading
Litany of Remembrance

Rev. Debbie Earthrowl Rev. Gary Kriss Jim Gariepy

The candle is lit in remembrance for all who suffered and died on September 11, 2001, in New York, Pennsylvania and at the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia. We lit the candle to remember those who still live and who suffer because of the events of that day

When we remember the stockbrokers, office workers, maintenance workers, bystanders, window washers and all the others who worked so valiantly to help each other, we can say together, \mathbf{We} remember great courage.

When we recall the firefighters who rushed upstairs as most everyone else was racing out, we can say together, We remember selfless service.

When we recall the police officers who stood to protect and defend the people and performed their duties until the towers came crashing down on top of them, we can say together, We remember selfless sacrifice for the safety of others.

When we remember the thousands of workers, women and men and, old and young, single and married, American-born and those born in countries around the world who did not escape the buildings, we can say together, We remember selfless service.

When we recall those citizens who rushed to help, did all they could to help, we can say together, We remember and give thanks for dutiful commitment to those in distress.

When we recall the people who stood in line at the nation's blood banks to make living donations from their very bodies, we can say together, We give thanks for those who live on to pass on life and love.

When we remember the millions of Americans who gave so generously of their life and labor to endow funds to help survivors and their families recover from their losses, we can say together, We are grateful for generosity.

We lit the candle to light the way to a better world for our children and our children's children and all the children of God.

We recall with joy the unity we felt in the outpouring of help, kindness, thoughtful words and deeds from at home and around the world, We must hold firmly to our unity, borne forward now not of tragedy but of loving kindness.

We place fresh confidence in international organizations and conversations that bring the diverse gifts of the world to the problems of poverty, injustice, terror and strife, We long for wise policies that forego short term gain for long term stability, justice and peace.

(A moment of silence)

America the Beautiful (by Katharine Lee Bates, words, and Samuel Wards, melody)

ALL

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

Scripture
We Remember Them

Fr. Liam Condon Kim Gariepy

In the rising of the sun and its going down, We remember them. In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter, We remember them. In the opening buds and in the rebirth of spring, We remember them. In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer, We remember them. In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn, We remember them. In the beginning of the year and when it ends, We remember them. When we are weary and in the need of strength, We remember them. When we are lost and are sick at heart. We remember them. When we have joys we yearn to share, We remember them. So long as we live, they too shall live, For they are now a part of us, As we remember them.

Prayer

Pastor Donna Frischknecht-Jackson

ALL

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord; He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored; He has loosed the fateful light-'ning of his terrible swift sword; His truth is marching on. Glory, glory hallelluia, Glory, glory hallelluia, Glory, glory hallelluia, His truth is marching on. O beautiful for spacioius skies, for amber waves of grain. For purple mountain majesties, above the fruited plain. America, America God has shed his grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea. From the lakes of Minnesota to the hills of Tennessee; 'Cross the plains of Texas, from sea to shining sea. From Detroit down to Houston; from New York to L.A. Well, there's pride in ev'ry American heart and it's time to stand and say that I'm proud to be an American where at least I know I'm free. And I won't forget the men who died and gave that right to me. And I'd gladly stand up, next to you and defend her still today. 'Cause there ain't no doubt I love this land. God Bless the U.S.A. And I'm proud to be an American where at least I know I'm free and I won't forget the men who died and gave that right to me. And I'd gladly stand up, next to you and defend her still today. 'Cause there ain't no doubt I love this land. God Bless the U.S.A.

Closing Blessing

Pastor Debbie Earthrowl

Thank you for being here to observe the September 11, 2001 anniversary with us.

Special thanks to those participating in today's service:

Father Liam Condon

Pastor Donna Frischknecht-Jackson

Jerry Cashion - Bagpiper

Boy Scout Troop #61

Salem High School Musicians

Kathy Payne

Pastor Debbie Earthrowl Reverend Gary Kriss

Donna Alexander - HUGS FOR HEROS

Cub Scout Troop 61

Richard Butler

Thank you to the Volunteer Salem Rescue Squad and Fire Department for everything you do to serve the Salem community and neighboring communities.

A special thanks to the COURTHOUSE COMMUNITY CENTER for the use of their grounds.

Let September 11, 2001, be a day remembered