



Salem Presbyterian Church
Sunday, August 16, 2015
12th Sunday after Pentecost



Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery

Organist: LaDonna Allenbaugh

Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Catie Emery

Welcome & Prayer

Call to Worship

Psalm 111

551

*Hymn

Mae D'eisiau Di Bob Awr

Welsh Hymnal, 62

Prayer of Confession: **Lord, You must shake Your head in wonder at our ways. How can we say we want wisdom, when we foolishly squander the knowledge we have of Your ways? How can we claim to follow You, when we walk the slippery roads of the world, not caring where they lead us? How can we desire Your great and steadfast love, when we place simple seductions of our society in our full view every day? How can You have mercy on us unwise and unfaithful people? Holy Spirit, guide us to turn our greed to gratitude, our pettiness to praise, and our tantrums to thanksgiving. This we pray in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

(Let us now have a moment of silence to offer our personal prayers of confession.)

Assurance of Pardon

Response

Glory Be to the Father

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Joys & Concerns of the Church

Prayers of the People

Prayer Response

The Lord's Prayer

Special Music

Paula Schumm

Scripture Readings

John 6:51-58

973

Ephesians 5:15-20

1067

A Time with the Children

*Hymn

The Lily of the Valley

Welsh Hymnal, 113

Sermon

“Think About How You Live”

Rev. Thomas Emery

Spirit of the living God - fall afresh on me

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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me

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*Apostle's Creed: **I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offertory *(Ushers will receive God's tithes and our offerings.)*

*Response

Praise God

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*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

Sanctus

Welsh Hymnal, 30

*Taking the Light into the World

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Three Fold Amen

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*Those who are able are invited to stand.

The altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God by Bob & Kathy McCollow.

Financial Update:

Needed Weekly:	\$2,067.00	Needed to Date:	\$66,144.00
Rec'd 08-09-15:	\$3,055.75	Rec'd to Date:	\$59,882.66

Today:

9:30 AM
10:45 AM
4:00 PM

08-16-15

Worship (nursery with Toby & Elizabeth Adkins)
Adult Sunday School Class
Session Meeting

Sunday:

9:30 AM
10:45 AM
11:00 AM
4:00 PM

08-23-15

Worship (nursery with Dave & Carla Breese)
Blessing of the Tractors
Potluck Meal
Session Meeting

Announcements:



Drive Your Tractor to Church Sunday is next week! Drive to church in style on **August 23**, for the special service of thanksgiving and prayer for safety to be held on our annual Blessing of the Tractors Sunday. A potluck meal will follow.

Our **100th Gymanfa Ganu** is approaching quickly and many plans are in place to make this celebration a memorable one! Held annually on Labor Day Weekend, this year it is on Sunday evening, **September 6**. A light supper will be served from 4:00 – 6:00 pm and the Festival of Song will begin at 7:00 pm. **Flyers** are available in the vestibule.



The trustees bring to attention that the **handicap lift** is in need of repair. There is an estimate of \$4,500 to repair the lower door lift mechanism. Please designate your donations to the **major improvement fund** to help cover this cost. Thank you.

After replacing our **copier** machine, we now have the older model for sale! It is in good condition (last serviced in June) and available for purchase. Bids starting at \$100 and any questions regarding the copier may be directed to the secretary.

Birthdays This Week:

8/20 Austin Kimmet
8/22 Jan Jones

Anniversaries This Week:

8/17 Kory & Tamara Mullenhour
8/19 George & Elaine Siler



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Rooted in our heritage and called into God's future, we proclaim in new ways the unchanging Good News of Jesus Christ in a changing world.

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Venedocia, Ohio

Established 1848, Built 1898

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Jack Blackmore
Brendan Daily (friend of Morgan Pugh)
Ralph Du Cheney (father of Stacia Profit)
Aiden Ellerbrock (serious injuries from a fall)
Natalie Ellerbrock (Stacia Profit's niece)
Hope Eutsler (leukemia)
Eric Fancher (chemotherapy – son of Rev. Jon & Mary Fancher)
Judy Foust (knee surgery)
Bev Hefner (aunt of Jenny Pugh)
Jesse (seeking help from heroin addiction)
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Betty Lloyd (broken hip)
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James Marshall (mysterious ailment)
Evelyn Pugh
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Taylar Stephens & Family
John Stutz
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Serving our Country:

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TEACHING POINTS

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Teaching Point Three: *Give thanks to God for everything.* Romans 8:28 tells us that: “we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.”

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE

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ACTION POINT

Paul tells us to pay attention to how we are living. There is a right way to proceed in life and there is a wrong way to proceed in life according to the gospel. Without taking time to reflect, you can accidentally do life wrong. You can join the secular society and mess up your life without much planning. But if our lives are going to be meaningful and wholesome and rewarding, we will have to exercise some thought and diligence. We do this by seeking Godly wisdom and asking the Holy Spirit to guide us according to God’s will for us. Let us do that daily!

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