

Salem Presbyterian Church
Sunday, February 14, 2016
1st Sunday in Lent

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery

Organist: LaDonna Allenbaugh



Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Price Children

Welcome & Prayer

Call to Worship **10. "The Joy of Forgiveness"** *Hymnal*, pg. 468

*Hymn **I Need Thee Every Hour** 318

Prayer of Confession:

Facing temptation, Jesus refused to turn stones into bread.

Facing temptation, we too often turn bread into stones.

Facing temptation, Jesus refused to use power for its own sake.

Facing temptation, we too often take power that belongs to someone else.

Facing temptation, Jesus refused to test the promises of God.

Facing temptation, we too often want God to do what we should do ourselves.

Lord, help us to listen to you. Heal us, Lord. In Jesus' Name we pray. 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** Inside Front Cover

Joys & Concerns of the Church

Prayers of the People

Prayer Response **The Lord's Prayer**

Scripture Readings **Luke 4:1-13** 936

Romans 10:8b-13 1032

A Time with the Children

*Hymn **I Surrender All** 394

Sermon **"Temptation"** Rev. Thomas Emery

*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** Inside Front Cover

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn **Cwm Rhondda** *Welsh Hymnal*, 449

*Taking the Light into the World

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response **Three Fold Amen** Inside Back Cover

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*



Today: **02-14-16**
9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Jeff & Kim Coil)
10:45 AM Sunday School
6:30 PM Trustee Meeting
7:00 PM Community Lenten Services begin

Sunday: **02-21-16**
9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Todd & Jayne Morris)
10:45 AM Sunday School
4:00 PM Session Meeting

Financial Updates:

Needed Weekly:	\$2,067.00	Needed to Date:	\$12,402.00
Rec'd 02-07-16:	\$1,467.25	Rec'd to Date:	\$8,370.49

Announcements:

Adult Sunday School will go verse by verse through the book of Romans. The class will examine how God intends our life to be and how God will judge each person on the final day.



Today is the first Sunday of Lent. The **Community Lenten Services** this year will begin tonight! All services begin at 7:00 pm followed by a time of food and fellowship.

February 14 – Monticello UB Church – Speaker: Pastor David Howell

February 21 – Spencerville Friends Church – Speaker: Pastor Andrew Adkins

February 28 – Salem Presbyterian Church – Speaker: Pastor Tom Shobe

March 6 – First Baptist Church in Spencerville – Speaker: Pastor Justin Furman

March 13 – Trinity UM Church in Spencerville – Speaker: Pastor Tom Emery

March 20 – Kossuth UM Church – Speaker: Pastor Jim Fletcher

March 25 (Good Friday) Nazarene Church in Spencerville – Speaker: Pastor Charles Johnson

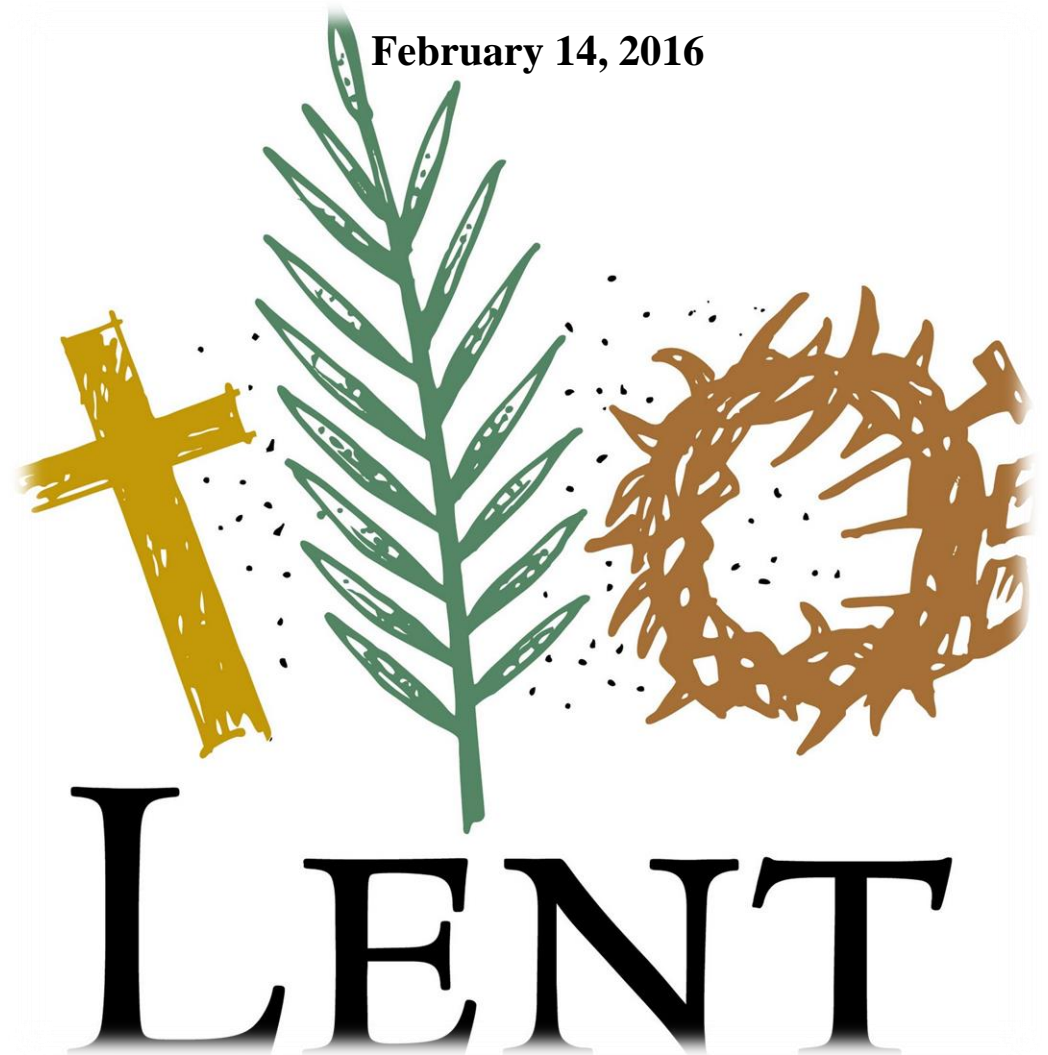
The **Lincolnview Bible Board** will present to us on Sunday morning, February 21.

The **Youth Group** will go ice skating Sunday, February 28. Meet at the Manse at 1:00 pm and we will return by 4:00 pm.

St. David's Day is March 6.



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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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Prayer Concerns:

Norma Adams (diabetic issues)
Bob Allenbaugh (heart and lung issues – husband of LaDonna)
Brendan Daily (friend of Morgan Pugh)
Aiden Ellerbrock (serious injuries from a fall)
Natalie Ellerbrock (Stacia Profit's niece)
Hope Eutsler (leukemia)
Bill (Nancy) Evans
Eric Fancher (chemotherapy – son of Rev. Jon & Mary Fancher)
Melanie Huddleston (cancer – sister of Kim Coil)
Jesse (seeking help from heroin addiction)
Betty Lloyd (broken hip)
Marjorie Rhoades (leg pains)
Dave Slygh (organ transplant problems)
Elaine Siler (cancer has returned – cousin of Ann Rees)
John Stutz
Thad Summersett (malignant brain tumor – grandson of Warren Summersett)
Steve West (son-in-law of Jeff & Marcia Pollock)
Noah Wyatt (recovering from surgery – son of Stuart Wyatt)
Rev. John Medaugh
Evelyn Pugh (hospice)

Condolences:

Kevin Thatcher Family

Serving our Country:

Micah Linger (U.S. Marine Corps)
Cory McCollow (U.S. Coast Guard)
Pete McCollow (U.S. Marine Corps)

Birthdays This Week:

15	Ryan Fair	16	Jeff Lloyd
16	Scott Lloyd	18	Dalton Ellerbrock
18	Marylin Foust	19	Corey Hobbs
21	Paul Price		

Anniversaries This Week:

15	John & Anne Morris	15	Brian & April Ellerbrock
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If you have a prayer request, please write it down and leave it in the offering plate or send an email to secretary@salemchurch.cc so that we can have a contact person to follow up and to insert the prayer request with the correct spelling and details. Thank you!

Rev. Thomas Emery
“Temptation” Luke 4:1-13
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Lent teaches us many pleasant and most useful things concerning temptation and the trials that are sure to come. The devil completed every test against Jesus, and he departed but only until a future trial. That's unsettling knowing that Satan is not finished with us. The most significant and relevant point that comes into play is in our need to be watchful at all times. Will we be ready? It mostly depends upon our spiritual adaptability. Our best assumption is that he will be back again and again when we least expect it.

TEACHING POINTS

POINT ONE – *All of us will be tempted.*

POINT TWO – *We can resist temptation with God's help.*

POINT THREE – *Trying to love God with all your heart, soul and mind is the best defense from temptation.* Turning our eyes toward Jesus is the best escape.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

⁵ Then the devil took him up and revealed to him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. ⁶ “I will give you the glory of these kingdoms and authority over them,” the devil said, “because they are mine to give to anyone I please. ⁷ I will give it all to you if you will worship me.” (*Luke 4:5-7 NLT*)

ACTION POINT

What have we learned from Jesus' battle with the enemy of every person? As we prepare to celebrate Easter, Lent becomes that fertile period of self-denial of temptations of our own choosing. God allows the testing to make us spiritually strong and steadfast. Look around you. What kind of friends are you keeping? What kind of places do you frequent? What does your checkbook say about the way you spend your life? We have six weeks ahead of us to equip ourselves to say to the devil, "Go back where you came from, for Christ is here." Praises be to God that God will be with us in all our trials and tribulations.