

Salem Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 30, 2017

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery

Organist: LaDonna Allenbaugh

Flowers are given to the glory of God

Rex & Lisa Lloyd



Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Welcome & Prayer

Call to Worship

Psalms 116:1-4, 12-19

553

*Hymn:

In the Garden

264

Prayer of Confession: **Almighty God, You poured Your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of Your Spirit among us. We do not listen for Your Word of grace, speak the Good News of Your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of Your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be Your faithful people, doing Your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Forgive us, we pray in the Name of 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

Hymn Sing

Huddersfield

Welsh Hymnal, 19

Scripture Readings

Luke 24:13-35

964

Acts 2:14a, 36-41

992

Time for Children

*Hymn:

Be Thou My Vision

334

Sermon:

"Lessons On the Road to Emmaus" 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 our tithes and offerings*

*Response

Praise God

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*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

Immortal, Invisible

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*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.*



Financial Update:

Needed Weekly: \$1,934.00

Needed to Date: \$32,878.00

Rec'd 04-02-17: \$4,696.27

Rec'd to Date: \$35,248.41

Sunday: 04-30-17
9:30 AM Worship (*nursery with Todd & Jayne Morris*)
10:45 AM Sunday School

Tuesday: 05-02-17
7:00 PM Teens for Christ

Thursday: 05-04-17
6:30 PM V-Fit

Sunday: 05-07-16
9:30 AM Worship (*nursery with Gwenda Blackmore*)
10:45 AM Sunday School

Announcements:

Teens for Christ Area churches are having Teens for Christ meet each Tuesday night at 7 PM at the Nazarene Church in Spencerville. It offers Christ-centered Bible study, skits, games, food and fun. If you need a ride, contact Pastor Tom.

Please contact Pastor or Liz Hobbs for your secretarial needs. To contact Liz Hobbs please call or text 419-303-2032.

V-FIT is an exercise class happening right here at Salem Church on Thursdays from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Bring your water bottle and \$1 donation and prepare to have fun and get fit! We have been exercising inside, but on nice nights we will begin walking outside.

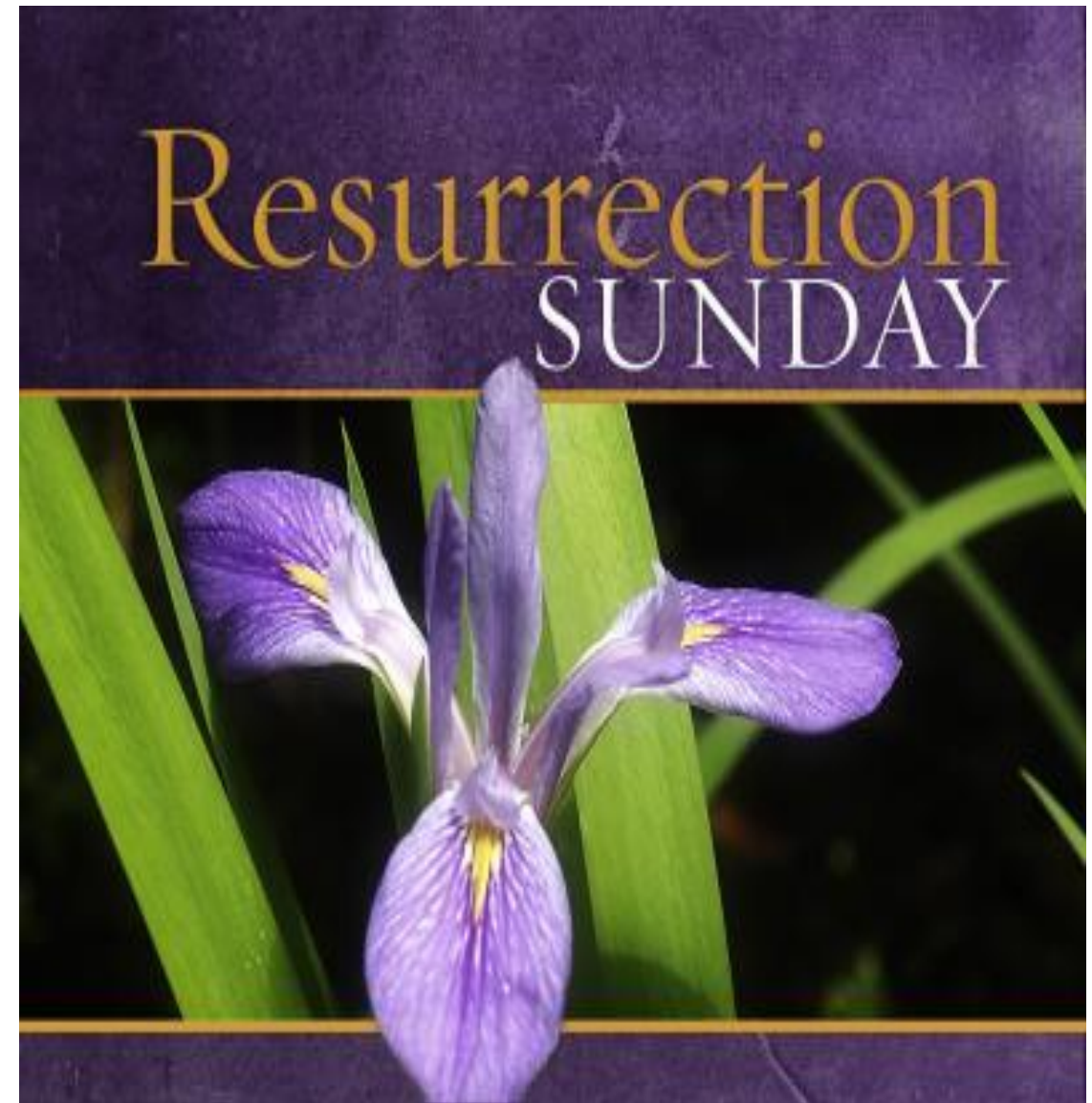
Please let us know if there are any **graduates** that need to be recognized.

Upcoming Birthdays

30 th -Bob Bolton	30 th -Ruth Evans	May 2 nd -Audrey (Hobbs) Menker
3 rd -Kim Coil	3 rd -Deb Fair	3 rd -Eric Pugh
4 th -Rod Eutsler	4 th -Heather Matthews	6 th -Emma Jones
7 th -Josh Lloyd	8 th -Bob Pugh	9 th Linda Fisher Howell
10 th -Rex Lloyd	12 th -Sandy Clayborn	

Upcoming Anniversaries

Jerry & Marylin Foust 3/13/77



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Prayer Concerns:

Norma Adam (diabetic issues)
Violet Ashton (broken leg)
Arlene Barrientos (Alzheimer's & foot surgery)
Aiden Ellerbrock (serious injuries from a fall)
Natalie Ellerbrock (Stacia Profit's niece)
Doris Evans (cancer)
Alice Gamble (car accident)
Colin Good (diagnosed with emphysema – son of Charlie Good)
Larry Howell
Melanie Huddleston (cancer – sister of Kim Coil)
Noell Hunter (Type 1 diabetes)
Simon Ibell (deadly birth condition)
Sami Jones (shoulder surgery)
Nancy Lautzenheiser (colon cancer - friend of Evelyn Martz)
Betty Lloyd
Byron Mohr (recovering from bowel hospitalization)
Marian Morris (stage two cancer)
Ronnie Neate (throat cancer)
Walter Poling (heart attack & possible kidney failure)
Joyce Profit (heart issues)
Chris Reichert (health issues)
Nick Roxo's Family (house fire – neighbor of Evelyn Martz)
George Siler (physical therapy)
Thad Summersett (malignant brain tumor – grandson of Warren S.)
Warren Summersett (cancer)
Martha Walker (recovering from heart attack)
Natalie Wilkins (90 years old and failing in health)
Noah Wyatt (son of Stuart Wyatt)

Serving our Country:

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TEACHING POINTS

Point One – The Resurrection Changes Everything.

Point Two – God is alive, and God is with us.

Point Three – The Resurrection Takes Hold of Us to Transform Us

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE

³⁰ As they sat down to eat, he [Jesus] took the bread and blessed it. Then he broke it and gave it to them. ³¹ Suddenly, their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And at that moment he disappeared (*Luke 24:30-31 NLT*)!

ACTION POINT

We are not called to acknowledge Jesus as risen and then go on living as though nothing changed. The two disciples were healed of their blinding confusion. It took the expressing of doubts. the expounding of the Word of God, the interchange of ideas, combined with the fellowship and a sense of mission, over a meal sharing bread -- to produce their healing. And so it is with us. Now that we have heard the words of Holy Scripture and we have wrestled with them, let us stretch ourselves, that we might experience the first step of our healing with clear vision. We cannot live life as before. We know now that Jesus is risen, and we must change our lives in light of the resurrection!

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