

Sunday: 05-17-20
9:30 AM Worship (*nursery with Toby & Elizabeth Adkins*)
10:45 AM Sunday School
11:30 PM Session Meeting

Tuesday: 05-19-20
7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

Sunday: 05-24-20
9:30 AM Worship (*nursery with Dave & Carla Breese*)
10:45 AM Sunday School

Announcements:

Unfortunately, because of the Coronavirus regulations, we are not able to have the Memorial Day Ceremony in the park this month nor the Gymanfa Ganu for September.

Our next **Communion** is scheduled for May 31, the Day of Pentecost. The Confirmation Class will also be presented to the Salem Congregation for Membership during the Service.

The Adult Sunday School is looking at "Free Will" and our faith in a loving God.

Please let us know if you are aware of high school or college graduates. We need photos and stories for the newsletter. Submit them to secretary@salemchurch.cc.

Our Facebook pages are: "**Salem Presbyterian Church Venedocia**" for our Facebook Live Sermon posting and the Group Page is "**Salem United Presbyterian Church**" for spiritual churchwide discussions. Our shortrange FM station is **FM 87.9** for the Venedocia area.

Upcoming Birthdays

17 th -Mary Jane Haines	17 th -Delayna Profit	17 th -Stacia Profit
18 th -Ione Owens	19 th -Holden Price	22 nd -Dawson Kimmet
23 rd -Carolyn Girod	25 th -Taylor Hoehn	

Upcoming Anniversaries

19 th -Bart & Rosemary Strick	20 th -Mark & Missy Zielke
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Kyle Baxter (brain cancer)
Marilyn Beamer (stroke)
Warren (Punkin) Burnett
Barry Coil (stroke)
Kathy Comer
Amy Cunningham (Fibromyalgia)
John Davis (stroke)
Cathy Donnal (leg surgery)
Kent DuCheney (surgery)
Aiden Ellerbrock (injuries from a fall)
Betty Ellis (rapidly failing health)
Catie Emery (nightmares)
Rod Eutsler (hip surgery)
Stephanie Gamble (eye issues)
Suzanne Hadley-Himes (cancer)
Jane Harter
Tim Huster (cancer)
Connie Johnson (cancer)
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Dale Kiesza (leg operation)
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Serving our Country:

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LuAnn (family issues)
Carol Matthews (Lou Gehrig's disease)
Tom Menker (cancer)
David Morris (Zeb)
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Joan Poling
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TEACHING POINTS

Point One – Jesus was crucified and died.

Point Two – He spent three days in the grave conducting spiritual activities.

Point Three – Jesus bought us back from Satan.

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY PASSAGE

¹⁸ Christ suffered for our sins once for all time. He never sinned, but he died for sinners to bring you safely home to God. He suffered physical death, but he was raised to life in the Spirit. ¹⁹ So he went and preached to the spirits in prison— ²⁰ those who disobeyed God long ago when God waited patiently while Noah was building his boat. Only eight people were saved from drowning in that terrible flood (1 Peter 3:18-20 NLT).

ACTION POINT

Hell and paradise are real places that Jesus traveled. Death could not hold Jesus when He was put to death “in the flesh but made alive in the Spirit.” Romans 6:23 says that death is the wages of sin, but He never sinned. So, His Spirit remained alive, even after His physical death. Death cannot hold a Spirit Being, as Jesus is God. The grave has no power over those without sin, and it is comforting to know that is why those who are Christ’s own will be raised to eternal life. Jesus' righteousness is given to those who believe in Him. Death and hell are real. Why not take a moment to finally decide that you will make Jesus your Lord and Savior?

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