Salem Presbyterian Church Sunday, June 16, 2024, 4 th Sunday after Pentecost					
Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery		Organist: Becky Reichard			
Prelude Lighting the Candles Welcome & Prayer					
Call to Worship	Psalm 9:9-20	482			
* <u>Hymn</u> :	God of Our Fathers	532			

<u>Prayer of Confession</u>: God of love and power, we listen to the stories of miracles and doubt that these things can happen today. We look at the waves of misfortune, distress, misery, distrust, and anger and wonder how we can still those waves. We feel the pressures of power and fear, flooding into our lives, threatening to drown us, and we wonder where You are. Forgive us for the littleness of our faith. Forgive us for our doubts. Help us to place our trust in You, Lord Jesus. Help us to fix our eyes, not on threatening giants, but on You and on the ministries to which You have called us. We ask these things in Jesus' Name. Amen (Let us now have a moment of silence to offer our personal prayers of confession).

Assurance of Pardon <u>Response</u>	Glory Be to the Father	Inside Front Cover			
<u>Joys & Concerns of the Church</u> Prayers of the People					
Prayer Response	The Lord's Prayer				
Scripture Readings	*1 Samuel 17:32-51 Mark 4:35-41 2 Corinthians 6:1-13	258 914 1054			

 Baptism of Terri Jane Lloyd

 Celebration of Fatherhood

 Time for Children

 Hymn:
 Have Thine Own Way

 Sermon:
 "The Battle Belongs to the Lord"

*<u>Apostle's Creed</u>: 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.

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* <u>Hymn</u> :	Faith of Our Fathers		183		
*Taking the Light into the World					
*Charge and Benedi *Congregational Res *Those who are able	Inside Back Cover				
<u>Financial Update</u> :					
Needed Weekly: Rec'd 2024-06-09	\$2,298.10 \$1,341.25	Needed to Date: Rec'd to Date:	\$52,856.32 \$55,853.50		

Sunday:2024-06-16 Father's Day9:30 AMWorship (nursery with Mark & Missy Zielke)Baptism of Terri Jane Lloyd, daughter of Scott & Katey
Lloyd

2024-06-18 Men's Bible Study at the Orchard Tree Restaurant

Thursday:2024-06-20NoonVan Wert County Prayer Group meets at Trinity Friends
Church.

Sunday: 9:30 AM

Tuesday:

7:30 AM

2024-06-23 Worship (*nursery with Toby & Elizabeth Adkins*)

Announcements:

The Men's Bible Study meets at the Orchard Tree Restaurant in Van Wert on Tuesdays at 7:30 AM.

The Van Wert County Prayer Group meets on Thursdays at noon at the Trinity Friends Church during June.

Today, we will Baptize Terri Jane Lloyd, daughter of Scott & Katey Lloyd.

The Ice Cream Social is this week on Friday, June 21st at the Lions Club.

Salem is collecting Offerings from the Heart for the **Salvation Army.** There is a monthly need, and your generosity is greatly needed. Each month we collect different food. The food for June is Raman noodles.

Upcoming Birthdays

17th Katey Lloyd18th Charlie Good25th Tamara Mullenhour29th Tom Evans

22nd Ann Rees 30 Shania (Profit) Lloyd

Upcoming Anniversaries 17th Bill & Elgarda McGee 22nd Todd & Jayne Morris



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Second. Don't walk by worldly sight.

Third. Walk by faith with God at your side.

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ACTION POINT

All of us at times have giants facing us in life. It may be a bully, but it may also be an obstacle in your life that seems insurmountable to tackle in your power. As frail human beings, who are so easily influenced by our physical senses, we are prone to let the challenges of the present swallow up what we have learned in the past and paralyze us. David's faith does not allow this to happen. He remembers how God has delivered him from powerful predators, and he was convinced that God's past faithfulness will be repeated in the present. As a believer, why not walk by faith and not by sight so you can be assured of God's intervention and of his power to deliver you in your time of need?

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