Salem Presbyterian Church

Sunday, June 30, 2024, 6th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery Organist: Connie O'Neill

Prelude Lighting the Candles Welcome & Prayer

<u>Pledge of Allegiances to the Christian and American Flags</u>

I pledge allegiance to the Christian Flag and to the Savior for whose Kingdom it stands. One Savior, crucified, risen, and coming again with life and liberty to all who believe.

*<u>Hymn</u>: My Country, 'Tis of Thee 529

<u>Call to Worship</u> Psalm 48 507

Prayer of Confession: Gracious God, we hear You calling. You have shown us hope and You offer us courage. We come to You as people who long to walk Your pathways of grace and love. But many times, God, we get discouraged by our living. We are afraid of the difficult experiences; we despair at challenges that are given to us. The roads we walk, find us weary sometimes, and we let hopelessness get the best of us. Care for us on our journey, God. Help us know that Your love is always there, sustaining us, and caring for us. Take our road-weary lives and transform us to be Your new people, shining in the darkness. We ask these things in Jesus' Name. (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

<u>Prayer Response</u> The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Readings	*2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10	276
	Mark 6:1-13	915
	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	1057
	Mark 6:1-13	

Time for Children

<u>Hymn</u>: God of Our Fathers 532

Sermon: "Where Jesus Will Reign" 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 Prayer of Dedication

*Response Praise God Inside Front Cover

*Prayer of Dedication

* <u>Hymn</u>: Cwm Rhondda Welsh Hymnal, 40

*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.

Financial Update:

Needed Weekly: \$2,298.10 Needed to Date: \$57,452.52 Rec'd 2024-06-23: \$4,139.00 Rec'd to Date: \$61,322.50 Sunday: <u>2024-06-30</u>

9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Tyler & Morgan McConnell

Tuesday: <u>2024-07-02</u>

7:30 AM Men's Bible Study at the Orchard Tree

Restaurant

Thursday: <u>2024-07-04</u>

Noon Van Wert County Prayer Group meets at the

Pentecostal Way Church.

Sunday: <u>2024-07-07</u>

9:30 AM Worship with guest speaker Harry Tolhurst

(nursery is not staffed)

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 during July on Thursdays at noon at the Pentecostal Way Church.

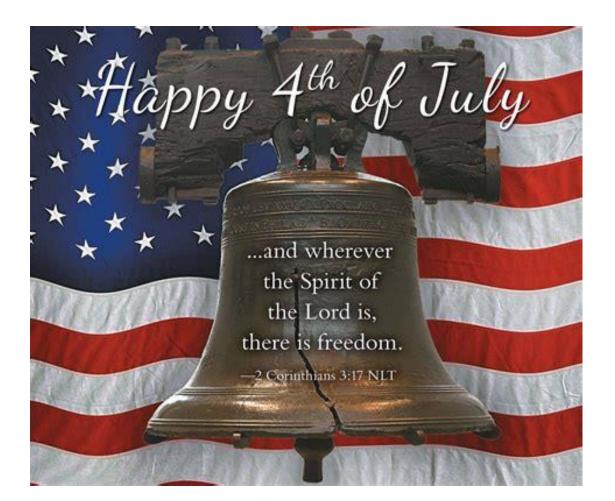
Salem is collecting Offerings from the Heart for the **Salvation Army.** There is a monthly need, and your generosity is greatly needed. Each month we collect different food. The food for July is canned fruit.

<u>Upcoming Birthdays</u>

30th Shania (Profit) Lloyd Jul 1st Gloria Leiter 1st Owen Pugh 2nd Lynette Lloyd 6th Charles Boroff 10th Mark Zielke

Upcoming Anniversaries

1st Jack & Grenda Blackmore 4th Toby & Elizabeth Adkins



2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 – Where Jesus Will Reign

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TEACHING POINTS

FIRST - What the people of ancient Israel missed is that while God was in the midst of the city, God called them to trust not a place but a presence.

SECOND - When God calls us to be shepherds to the world, God calls us to care for people so that they "shall not want" by knowing Christ.

THIRD - Though God's Kingdom has not fully come yet, the way we live as Kingdom people today is by inviting God to live within us.

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