Salem Presbyterian Church
12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, August 31, 2014

Pastor: Rev. Thomas EmeryOrganist: Connie O'NeillHymnal: Welsh and English Hymns and Anthems

#### **Order of Worship**

Prelude	Prelude, based on "Aberystwyth"	Connie O'Neill
Lighting of the Cand	les	Catie Emery
Introit	Finlandia	Double Quartet
Pastoral Welcome &	Prayer	
*Hymn	Huddersfield	19
Call to Worship:	Psalm 105:1-6, 42-45	545

\*<u>Prayer of Confession</u> Merciful God, You call us to follow, to turn away from our own selfish interests, and to take up our cross and follow You; even if the path is difficult to see, or is heading in a direction we would never have chosen for ourselves. Forgive us for being so quick to question, and so hesitant to follow. Help us to see with eyes of faith, rather than from our own human point of view. Teach us to follow without fear, knowing that You are always with us, leading the way. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen. (*Take a moment of silent confession before God.*) \*Assurance of Pardon

<sup>c</sup> Response	Glory Be to the Father	Inside Front Cover

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Special Music	When You Call	Double Quartet
Epistle Lesson Gospel Lesson	<b>Romans 12:9-21</b> <b>Matthew 16:21-28</b>	1034 894
A Time with the Children	1	
*Hymn	Calon Lân	66
Sermon	"Committed People"	Rev. Thomas Emery

<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.

Offertory Ushers will receive God's tithes and our offerings			
Offertory Musi	ic <b>Deemster</b>	Double Quartet	
*Response	Praise God	Inside Front Cover	
*Prayer of Ded	lication		
*Hymn	Cwm Rhondda	40	
*Taking the Light into the World			
*Charge and B			
*Closing	A Blessing	Double Quartet	

\*Those who are able are invited to stand.

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The alter flowers are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Daryl Girod by his family.

# This Week:

## Sunday:

9:30 AM

10:45 AM

7:00 PM

4-6:00 PM

# <u>08-31-14</u>

Worship (nursery with Tuzz & Liz Hobbs) Sunday School Gymanfa Ganu – light supper served Gymanfa Ganu – song service

Sunday: 9:30 AM

10:45 AM

# <u>09-07-14</u>

Worship (nursery with Jeff & Kim Coil) Sunday School

## Announcements:

Today is our annual **Gymanfa Ganu!** Thank you to everyone who has helped prepare for this wonderful day. Please bring **salads & desserts** by 3:00 p.m.

**Sunday School** begins for all ages on September  $21^{\text{st}}$ . If you are interested in being a **S.S. teacher**, please sign up on the table in the vestibule. Teachers are needed for Pre-K –  $2^{\text{nd}}$  grade,  $3^{\text{rd}}$  –  $6^{\text{th}}$  grade, and  $7^{\text{th}}$  –  $9^{\text{th}}$  grade.

Blessing of the Tractors and meal is scheduled for Sunday, September 14.

# **Birthdays This Week**

- 9/1 Elizabeth Adkins
- 9/1 Kim Ebel
- 9/3 Pete McCollow

# **Financial Update:**

Needed Weekly:	\$2,067.00
Rec'd 08-24-14:	\$1,194.00

9/4 Claudia LeValley

- 9/4 Katie McClure
- 9/7 Rob Wiss

Needed to Date: \$70,278.00 Rec'd to Date: \$59,772.60



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.

# Salem Presbyterian Church Venedocia, Ohio

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## **Prayer Concerns:**

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## **TEACHING POINTS**

**Teaching Point One**: Let us ask ourselves "Am I following Jesus or just believing in Christ?"

**Teaching Point Two:** The greatest temptation in life is to accept less than the best God has for us.

Teaching Point Three: There is a price in following Jesus, and it is worth the price.

## THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

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#### **ACTION POINT**

Jesus tried to tell them He was going to Jerusalem to suffer, die and be raised again. They were visibly upset. What they failed to understand was that Jesus was a model to follow. Jesus would suffer and die, and in dying He would have life. When we give of ourselves for Christ's sake, when we witness to our faith, and even place ourselves at risk, we will find life. That's the Good News of the Gospel. Let us fall on our knees and make a commitment today to truly follow Christ.

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