Salem Presbyterian Church 19th Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, October 19, 2014

Pastor : Rev. Thomas Emery Organist: LaDonna Allenbaugh

Hymnal: Great Hymns of the Faith

Order of Worship

Prelude
Lighting of the Candles
Welcome & Prayer

Price Kids

Call to Worship Psalm 99 540

*Hymn This Is My Father's World 39

*Prayer of Confession: O Lord, of all creation, we confess that we have overlooked Your goodness and beauty. Your great glory surrounds us, yet we concentrate on all that is not right with the world. Forgetful of You, we see only ourselves. Forgetful of Your promises, we seek to secure our own way. Always complaining and seldom praising, we choose to distance ourselves from You and one another. Please forgive our waywardness, our selfishness, and our fear. Have mercy, O Lord. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Response Glory Be to the Father Inside Front Cover

Joys & Concerns of the Church

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response Hear Our Prayer, O Lord 535

Special Music First Presbyterian Women's Group

Epistle Lesson I Thessalonians 1:1-10 1075 Gospel Lesson Matthew 22:15-22 900 A Time with the Children

*Hymn Have Thine Own Way, Lord

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Sermon "Render to God" 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 God's tithes and our offerings

*Response Praise God Inside Front Cover

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn I Surrender All 394

The flowers are dedicated to the glory of God by Vernon Hobbs, Sr.

Financial Update:

Needed Weekly:	\$2,067.00	Needed to Date:	\$84,747.00
Rec'd 10-12-14:	\$1,391.00	Rec'd to Date:	\$69,673.88

^{*}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.

<u>Today:</u> <u>10-19-14</u>

9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Catie & Christina Emery)

10:45 AM Sunday School

3:00 PM Celebrate Recovery

4:00 PM Session Meeting

Saturday: <u>10-25-14</u>

3:00 PM Youth Group—Corn Maze

Sunday: <u>10-26-14</u>

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6:30 PM Youth Group

Announcements:

Both the Burnett and Morris families thank all who helped and made food dishes for their loved ones' funerals.

Please plan to pack a **shoebox** this year for **Operation Christmas Child!** Brochures with labels are available on the vestibule table. Bring your completed boxes to the church by Sunday, November 23.

Today's **Adult Sunday School** Alpha Course topic is: "How and When I Should Pray."

The **Youth Group** will meet at the Manse Saturday, October 25 at 3:00 PM to go to the **Suter's Corn Maze**, which was rescheduled from last week.

This year, the **Salvation Army** has requested that our church to collect 500-600 small cans of **chicken** or **beef broth** for the holiday season meals.

Birthdays This Week:

10/21 Randy Skanes 10/23 Bart Strick 10/23 Josh Hobbs

Anniversaries This Week: 10/21 Bob & Kathy McCollow

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Bob Drewyore (son of Bette Richards)

Ralph Du Cheney (serious medical testing – father of Stacia Profit)

Natalie Ellerbrock (Stacia Profit's niece)

Cassy Emery (juvenile rheumatoid arthritis)

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TEACHING POINTS

Teaching Point 1: Rendering to Caesar is easy.

But Jesus' answer raises more questions: How do you know what is God's? How can you tell where Caesar's due begins and ends? Why is there a difference? How can you serve them both? And how do you know when you've made the separation properly?

Teaching Point 2: Rendering to God is the hardest spiritual problem for most of us.

Teaching Point 3: *It's all about a surrendered personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ.*

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

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ACTION POINT

Every time we enter God's house and see a cross, we are reminded that the reason we are to give to God the things that are God's is because God has already given us everything. We remember that when we come to the Lord's Table and hear the words, "This is my body, broken for you. This is my blood, poured out for you..." God has given us everything. The world challenges our devotion to God with its allures and empty promises of happiness. If God has given us everything, why shouldn't we return our surrendered hearts to God through Jesus Christ?

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