Salem Presbyterian Church 4th Sunday after Epiphany Sunday, February 1, 2015

Prelude
Lighting of the

Lighting of the Candles Price Children

Pastoral Welcome & Prayer

Call to Worship Psalm 111 551

*<u>Hymn</u> **Blessed Assurance** 255

*Prayer of Confession: Hear us now, Lord Jesus Christ, as we gather to worship and to praise You. Renew our trust in You, and help us to use this time, to deepen our relationship with You by re-aligning our priorities with Yours. Forgive us when we are reluctant disciples, and renew our desire to follow You even if, like those first disciples, it means having the direction of our lives completely changed. Forgive us when we forget, that we do not have to do everything in our own power when we are challenged to take risks of faith. Holy Spirit, breathe new life into us now, as we can only offer true worship and provide faithful discipleship, when we are empowered by You. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen. (Take a moment of silent confession.)

*Assurance of

*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 Junior Bells

Gospel Lesson Mark 1:21-28 910 Epistle Lesson 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 1043

A Time with the Children

*Hymn 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Sermon "Demonic Power Encounters" 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 A Mighty Fortress is Our God 36

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9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Jeff & Kim Coil)
10:45 AM Sunday School
6:00 PM Super Bowl Party (Everyone Invited)

Sunday: 02-08-15

9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Todd & Jayne Morris)

10:45 AM Sunday School

Wednesday: <u>02-11-15</u>
6:00 PM Potato Supper
7:00 PM Prayer Meeting

^{*}Taking the Light into the World

^{*}Charge and Benediction

^{*}Congregational Response Three Fold Amen

^{*}Those who are able are invited to stand.

Financial Update:

Needed Weekly: \$2,067.00 Needed to Date: \$8,268.00 Rec'd 01-25-15: \$1,157.30 Rec'd to Date: \$5,982.14

Announcements:

Today's **Adult Sunday School** will be covering an insightful, historical study of Islam and its effect on the West and Christianity.

Tonight, the **Super Bowl Party** will begin at 6:00 pm.

The annual **Potato Supper** has been rescheduled for **Wednesday**, **February 11**. The meal will start at 6:00 pm and the prayer meeting will follow at 7:00 pm.

Prayer Concerns:

The Blackmore and Hobbs Families

Brendan Daily (friend of Morgan Pugh)

Ralph Du Cheney (father of Stacia Profit)

Natalie Ellerbrock (Stacia Profit's niece)

Jeannie Etzler (daughter of Warren Summersett)

Hope Eutsler (leukemia)

Ralph Eversole (several conditions)

Margaret Keltner (in hospice – mother of Jan Jones)

Jesse (needs God's strength)

Amanda Lamb (granddaughter of Dave & Jean Owens)

Betty Lloyd

James Marshall (mysterious ailment)

Tim Morris (liver transplant)

Marjorie Rhoades (leg pains)

Aimee Schulte (friend of Sarah Kimmet)

Dave Slygh (organ transplant problems)

Warren Summersett

Tom Theobald (recurrent cancer)

Taylor Stephens & Family

Stacia Profit (painful sciatic pinched nerve)

Serving our Country:

Cory McCollow (U.S. Coast Guard)

Pete McCollow (U.S. Marine Corps)

In Mourning:

The Family of Vernon Hobbs, Sr.

The Family of Chris Adams (brother of Kim Owens)

February 1, 2015



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.

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TEACHING POINTS

Teaching Point 1: The kingdom of God is invading the kingdom of Satan taking back territory from Satan.

Teaching Point 2: By keeping the commands of Jesus, we show to which kingdom we belong. John 14:15 in the words of Jesus, "If you love me, obey my commandments."

Teaching Point 3: As a Christian, you are empowered to do battle with Satan, not in your own power, but in Jesus' Name and authority.

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