

# Salem Presbyterian Church

## Sunday, May 10, 2015

### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery

Organist: LaDonna Allenbaugh



Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Adkins Children

Welcome & Prayer

Call to Worship Psalm 98 540

\*Hymn All Glory, Laud and Honor 108

Prayer of Confession: God of Steadfast Love, we confess that our love is short-sighted. We love our family and friends and those close around us; we show partiality to those in positions of power over us, and we ignore those who seem irrelevant. We are selfish with our love; loving those who will love us in return and who will help us. Forgive us, loving Jesus, for not loving the way You did; by laying down Your life for the lost and the least, the poor and the broken. Forgive us, loving Jesus, for being short-sighted, and not seeing our brothers and sisters in this world. Call us back into the ways of Your love, away from the ways of the world. In the Name of Jesus, the Christ, the Love of God, we pray. Amen. *(Take a moment of silent confession.)*

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Response Glory Be to the Father Inside Front Cover

Joys & Concerns of the Church

Prayers of the People

Prayer Response The Lord's Prayer

Special Music Junior Choir

### Junior Choir Recognition

Scripture Reading John 15:19-17 983  
Acts 10:44-48 1003

A Time with the Children

\*Hymn I Need Thee Every Hour 318

Sermon "Love Is What Life Is About" 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 Diadem *Welsh Hymnal, 13*

\*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.



*The flowers are given by Jerry & Marilyn Foust in honor of all mothers.*  
**Happy Mother's Day!**

**Financial Update:**

Needed Weekly:	\$2,067.00	Needed to Date:	\$37,206.00
Rec'd 05-03-15:	\$827.00	Rec'd to Date:	\$33,470.11

**May 10, 2015**

**Today:**

9:30 AM	Worship (nursery with Bill & Ruth Evans)
6:30 PM	Trustee Meeting

**05-10-15 *Happy Mother's Day!***

**Sunday:**

9:30 AM	Worship (nursery with Eric & Jenny Pugh)
10:45 AM	Sunday School
4:00 PM	Session Meeting

**05-17-15 *Graduation Sunday***

**Announcements:**

There will be no Sunday School today.

**Graduation Sunday** is next Sunday, May 17. Please let Pastor Tom or Tamara know of anyone who should be recognized and are planning on attending this day.

The **Women's Association** will meet on Thursday, May 21 at 9:00 am.

**Memorial Day Services** will be held on Monday, May 25. The Horeb Cemetary Service will be at 10:30 am and the Venedocia Cemetary Service at 11:00 am.

The last **Senior Luncheon** until September, will be on Wednesday, May 27.

**Birthdays:**

5/10	Rex Lloyd	5/16	Chance Mosier
5/12	Sandy Clayborn	5/17	Mary Jane Haines
5/14	Bob Louth	5/17	Delayna Profit
5/15	Dane Ebel	5/17	Stacia Profit

**Anniversaries:**

5/11	Don & Jeannine Leckrone
5/13	Jerry & Marylin Foust



<p><b>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.</b></p>
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**Salem Presbyterian Church**  
Venedocia, Ohio

*Established 1848, Built 1898*

**Prayer Concerns:**

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 in remission)  
Ralph Eversole (several conditions)  
Judy Foust (knee surgery)  
Bev Hefner (aunt of Jenny Pugh)  
Jesse (seeking help from heroin addiction)  
Margaret Keltner (in hospice – mother of Jan Jones)  
Betty Lloyd  
James Marshall (mysterious ailment)  
Tina Mayes  
Tim Morris (liver transplant)  
Jean Owens (hip)  
Stacia Profit (painful sciatic pinched nerve)  
Aaron Ries (age 15, received a heart transplant – son of Bruce Ries)  
Marjorie Rhoades (leg pains)  
Aimee Schulte (friend of Sarah Kimmet)  
Dave Slygh (organ transplant problems)  
Taylar Stephens & Family  
Tom Theobald (cancer in remission)  
Tim (cancer – friend of Barb Good)  
Steve West (son-in-law of Jeff & Marcia Pollock)  
Noah Wyatt (recovering from surgery – son of Stuart Wyatt)  
Haydn Williams (esophagus cancer treatment)

**Serving our Country:**

Micah Linger  
Cory McCollow (U.S. Coast Guard)  
Pete McCollow (U.S. Marine Corps)  
Will Morrison (U.S. Army Reserves – *deployed to Iraq*)

*Rev. Thomas Emery*  
*“Love Is What Life Is About” John 17:6-19*  
*Salem Presbyterian Church*  
*May 10, 2015*

This passage from John reminds us that from the beginning of creation itself, God chose to love us. God is the initiator of our relationship. It's God who chose us, not the other way around. God chose us to love.

**TEACHING POINTS**

**Teaching Point One:** *We are commanded to love.* To be a follower of Jesus Christ is to love our families, love our friends, and even love our enemies.

**Teaching Point Two:** *Real love is sacrificial.*

**Teaching Point Three:** *Life is about loving others.*

**THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE**

“This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you.”  
(John 15:12 NLT)

**ACTION POINT**

We love because Christ first loved us; unless we have Christ's love in our hearts, we simply cannot love others who are outside of our circle of intimate relationships. We simply do not have the power to love as Christ loved us, unless we have Christ's Holy Spirit within us. Then and only then can we fulfill His command to love others as He has loved us. That is what the cross is about. We see His love poured out on the cross of Calvary. The Golden Rule, as wonderful as it is, is insufficient for this task. We are not simply to do unto others as we would have them do unto us. We are to do unto them as Christ has done unto us.