

Salem Presbyterian Church

Sunday, October 25, 2015

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery

Organist: LaDonna Allenbaugh



Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Catie Emery

Welcome & Prayer

Call to Worship

Psalm 34:1-8, 19-20

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*Hymn

I Sing as a Bird

Welsh Hymnal, 65

Prayer of Confession: Lord Jesus Christ, even in the midst of a large and noisy crowd, You helped Bartimaeus move from blindness to sight, by focusing Your power on his cries for mercy and healing. The crowd and the attempt by some to silence Bartimaeus, did not distract You from responding to his needs. The question, however, disturbs us; would we have been among those who called out for Bartimaeus to be quiet? When we find interruptions to our plans a source of irritation, rather than an opportunity for serving others in Your Name, forgive us, Lord. When we close our ears and hearts to these cries, and You remind us that following You means responding to those who cry for mercy, forgive us, Lord. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen. (Let us now have a moment of silence to offer our personal prayers of confession.)

Assurance of Pardon

Response

Glory Be to the Father

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Joys & Concerns of the Church

Prayers of the People

Prayer Response

The Lord's Prayer

Special Music

Chris Bindel

Scripture Readings

Mark 10:46-52

922

Hebrews 7:23-28

1092

A Time with the Children

*Hymn

Rhys

Welsh Hymnal, 89

Sermon

“Faith Enough”

Rev. Thomas Emery

Prayer

Spirit of the Living God – fall fresh on me

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Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me

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*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

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*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

The Lily of the Valley

Welsh Hymnal, 113

*Taking the Light into the World

*Charge and Benediction

*Congregational Response

Three Fold Amen

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*Those who are able are invited to stand.



The flowers are given to the glory of God by Rex & Lisa Lloyd and family.

Financial Update:

Needed Weekly:	\$2,067.00	Needed to Date:	\$86,814.00
Rec'd 10-18-15:	\$856.75	Rec'd to Date:	\$75,753.18

Sunday: **10-25-15**
 9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Todd & Jayne Morris)
 10:45 AM Sunday School

Wednesday: **10-28-15**
 12:00 PM Senior Luncheon

Sunday: **11-1-15** ALL SAINTS DAY
 9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Gwenda Blackmore)
 10:45 AM Sunday School

Announcements:

The **Senior Luncheon** will be held this **Wednesday, October 28**, at 12:00 pm at the Lion's Club. The menu includes: Pigs in a Blanket, baked beans, cole slaw, and dessert.

All Saints Day will be observed next Sunday, November 1 during the morning service.

Please place your donations to the **Van Wert Food Bank** in the barrel in the vestibule.

Consider putting together a "shoe box" for **Operation Christmas Child** this year! Our church's collection day is November 22. Information on what can be included in the gift can be found on the table in the vestibule.

Birthdays This Week:

10/25	Josh Hobbs
10/27	Dolores Skanes
10/28	Keaton Adkins
10/29	Nancy Swygart
10/30	Jeff Coil
10/31	Cathy Smith
11/1	Avery Zielke

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much to all the ladies of Salem Church for sharing with me in the joy of expectation of our first baby due to arrive very soon! The baby shower last Sunday was so fun and I appreciate all the ladies that came and for all the work and preparation that made the afternoon very special. Thank you so much for the many thoughtful and generous gifts! This new baby will truly be welcomed and loved by this church family.

*You are all such a blessing to us. Many thanks, **Tamara & Kory Mullenhour***

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<p>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.</p>
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 Venedocia, Ohio

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Prayer Concerns:

Norma Adams (diabetic issues)
Brendan Daily (friend of Morgan Pugh)
Ralph Du Cheney (father of Stacia Profit)
Aiden Ellerbrock (serious injuries from a fall)
Natalie Ellerbrock (Stacia Profit's niece)
Hope Eutsler (leukemia)
Eric Fancher (chemotherapy – son of Rev. Jon & Mary Fancher)
Bev Hefner (aunt of Jenny Pugh)
Melanie Huddleston (cancer – sister of Kim Coil)
Betty Lloyd (broken hip)
Eileen Lucier (cancer treatment)
Jay Mollenkopf (cancer – nephew of Doris Price)
Evelyn Pugh
Marjorie Rhoades (leg pains)
Mike Rowland (diagnosed with brain tumor)
Dave Slygh (organ transplant problems)
John Smith (house lost to fire)
John Stutz
Thad Summersett (malignant brain tumor – grandson of Warren Summersett)
Kevin Thatcher (ALS)
Tim (cancer – friend of Barb Good)
Steve West (son-in-law of Jeff & Marcia Pollock)
Bill Wisher (car wreck – father of Madison Pugh's coach)
Noah Wyatt (recovering from surgery – son of Stuart Wyatt)

Serving our Country:

Micah Linger (U.S. Marine Corps)
Cory McCollow (U.S. Coast Guard)
Pete McCollow (U.S. Marine Corps)
Will Morrison (U.S. Army Reserves)

If you have a prayer request, please write it down and leave it in the offering plate or send an email to secretary@salemchurch.cc so that we can insert the prayer request with the correct spelling. Thank you!

Rev. Thomas Emery
“Faith Enough” Mark 10:46-52
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If they looked at Bartimaeus, they saw only a blind beggar. They probably thought that here is someone who ought to know his place. When they heard Bartimaeus, loud above even the excited crowd that followed Jesus, they heard only noise. He was an embarrassing interruption, an irritation, to be shut down quickly so that his betters could hear. The crowd listened to and walked with Jesus, but the crowd did not seem to think Jesus could, or should, be interested in Bartimaeus. Perhaps, the crowd thought that Jesus should be as blind to his cries as they were.

TEACHING POINTS

Teaching Point One: *Faith enough to seek Christ.*

Teaching Point Two: *Faith enough to believe that Jesus would heal.*

Teaching Point Three: *Faith enough to follow Jesus.* Bartimaeus immediately chose to follow Jesus rather than returning to a normal life.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

⁵² *“And Jesus said to him, ‘Go, for your faith has healed you.’ Instantly the man could see, and he followed Jesus down the road.”* (Mark 10:52 NLT)

ACTION POINT

For all of us, as for Bartimaeus, our Lord listens. He commands us to come near to Him, and Jesus exalts even the lowliest. “What do you want me to do for you?” Jesus asks Bartimaeus. Jesus heals the deepest needs and hurts of our souls, making us fit to follow Him on His way of unconditional love: “Go; your faith has made you well.”

Will the real blind beggars among us please stand up? That is me -- and you. As fellow beggars, let's go to Him to be healed of our spiritual blindness. Take heart; He's calling for us to be healed.