Salem Presbyterian Church Sunday, April 09, 2017

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery Organist: LaDonna Allenbaugh

Flowers given to the glory of God Kathy & Bob McCollow

Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Welcome & Prayer

Call to Worship Psalm 31:9-16 495

Hymn: All Glory Laud and Honor 108

Prayer of Confession: God of covenants, old and new, carved in stone and written in hearts, we confess that we have broken our agreements with You as with others, and we need Your forgiveness for our wrongdoing. We avoid learning, because it often entails suffering. To avoid suffering, we seek the way of ease, forgetting that even Jesus learned by the things that He suffered. Forgive us our sins, and continue Your patience with us. We pray in the Name of Jesus Christ. 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 Inside Front Cover

Joys & Concerns of the Church

Prayers of the People

<u>Prayer Response</u> The Lord's Prayer

Scripture Readings Isaiah 50:4-9a 667

Philippians 2:5-11 1069

Special Music Palm Sunday Bells

Time for Children

Confirmation Class joins church

*Apostle's Creed (Join with the Confirmation Class): 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.

*<u>Hymn</u> Llanfair Welsh Hymnal, 44

Sermon "The Obedient Servant" Rev. Thomas Emery

Offertory – ushers will receive our tithes and offerings

*Response Praise God Inside Front Cover

*Prayer of Dedication

*<u>Hymn</u> Deemster Welsh Hymnal, 29

*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.

Financial Update:

Needed Weekly: \$1,934.00 Needed to Date: \$27,076.00 Rec'd 04-02-17: \$2,142.55 Rec'd to Date: \$26,052.63

Sunday: 04-09-17

9:30 AM Worship Service (nursery Tuzz & Liz Hobbs)

Confirmation class joins, One Great Hour of Sharing

10:45 AM Session Meeting (No Sunday School)

5:00 PM Trustee Meeting

Tuesday: <u>04-11-17</u>

7:00 PM Teens for Christ

Thursday: <u>04-13-17</u>

6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Meal

7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service & Communion

Sunday: <u>04-16-17</u>

7:30 AM Sunrise Service & breakfast

9:30 AM Worship Service (nursery available, not staffed)

10:45 AM Sunday School

Announcements:

Teens for Christ continue to meet each Tuesday night at 7 PM at the Nazarene Church in Spencerville. If you need a ride, contact Pastor Tom.

V-FIT is an exercise class happening right here at Salem Church on **Thursdays** from 6:30–7:30 pm. No V-fit this week due to Maundy Thursday service.

Lenten Services Eight churches from the surrounding area will share their pulpits with each other every Sunday throughout Lent.

- April 9th at Spencerville Nazarene Church w/Jim Fletcher
- April 14th at First Baptist Church w/Andrew Adkins

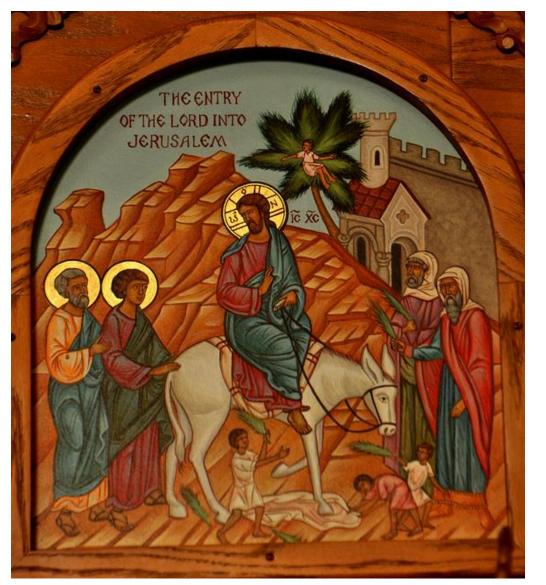
Upcoming Birthdays

12th-MaKenna Kimmet 13th-Sami Jones 16th-Bill Evans

16th-Anne Morris 20th-Kevin Matthews 22nd-Elgarda McGee

Upcoming Anniversaries

John & Mary Ellen Lloyd 4/21/56



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Prayer Concerns:

Norma Adam (diabetic issues)

Violet Ashton (broken leg)

Arlene Barrientos (Alzheimer's & foot surgery)

Aiden Ellerbrock (serious injuries from a fall)

Natalie Ellerbrock (Stacia Profit's niece)

Doris Evans (cancer)

Alice Gamble

Colin Good (diagnosed with emphysema – son of Charlie Good)

Melanie Huddleston (cancer – sister of Kim Coil)

Noell Hunter (Type 1 diabetes)

Sami Jones (shoulder surgery)

Betty Lloyd

Byron Mohr (recovering from bowel hospitalization)

Marian Morris (stage two cancer)

Ronnie Neate (throat cancer)

Joyce Profit (heart issues)

Chris Reichert (health issues)

George Siler (physical therapy)

Thad Summersett (malignant brain tumor – grandson of Warren S.)

Martha Walker (recovering from heart attack)

Natalie Wilkins (90 years old and failing in health)

Noah Wyatt (son of Stuart Wyatt)

Simon Ibell (deadly birth condition)

Walter Poling (heart attack & possible kidney failure)

Nick Roxo's Family (house fire – neighbor of Evelyn Martz)

Nancy Lautzenheiser (colon cancer - friend of Evelyn Martz)

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Serving our Country:

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TEACHING POINTS

Point One – The obedient servant has confidence.

Point Two – The obedient servant listens.

Point Three – The obedient servant would die for others.

Point Four - The obedient servant has already been judged and found guiltless and fully acquitted by God.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

⁴The Sovereign Lord has given me an instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught. ⁵The Sovereign Lord has opened my ears, and I have not been rebellious; I have not drawn back (Isaiah 50:4-5).

ACTION POINT

The response to the ministry of this servant may be the choice of faith, or the choice of further rebellion against God. If people insist on walking by their light, the judgment of God will overtake them, and there will be no escape. The prophet is saying here that the important thing is to cultivate a close personal relationship with God in Christ, to listen so carefully that God awakens you to hear. There is something inside you that is tuned into God, or if it's not, with some practice, it can be. This Easter Lent season, why not truly make Jesus your Lord and Savior?

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