## Salem Presbyterian Church Sunday, Nov 26th, 2017, 25th Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery Organist: LaDonna Allenbaugh The flowers are given in memory of Dennis L. Zielke by Mark & Missy Zielke

Prelude Lighting of the Candles Welcome & Prayer

<u>Call to Worship</u> Psalm 100 541

\*<u>Hymn</u>: All Hail the Power 42

<u>Prayer of Confession</u>: Holy One, we are like sheep that stray from Your fold.

We are the perpetually hungry, ever in spiritual need, and at times in physical want.

We are the naked, with wounds exposed and bleeding.

We are the sick, fevered, chilled, and in pain.

We are the strangers, separated from others and even from ourselves.

Hear us now as we confess our brokenness and our need of You.

We pray in the Name of the Lord 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

Special Music Bell Choir

 Scripture Readings
 \*Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
 788

 Matthew 25:31-46
 904

 Ephesians 1:15-23
 1064

Time for Children

Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy 70

Sermon: "The King of Kings" 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 our tithes and offerings

\*Response Praise God Inside Front Cover

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn: Joy to the World! 87

\*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.

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## Financial Update:

Needed Weekly: \$1,934.00 Needed to Date: \$90,898.00 Rec'd 11-19-17: \$1,294.80 Rec'd to Date: \$92,206.51

Sunday: <u>11-26-17</u>

9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Gwenda Blackmore)

Congregational meeting following the service

10:45 AM Sunday School

Tuesday: <u>11-28-17</u>

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

Sunday: <u>12-03-17</u>

9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Mark & Missy Zielke)

Christmas Joy Offering to Veterans

10:45 AM Advent Breakfast

## **Announcements:**

Adult Sunday school will take place in the Prayer Room after the service. The class is looking at historical covenant agreements God has with us.

The Manse Party and Caroling is on December 10. The Youth Christmas Program is on December 17.

If you would like to donate \$5 to decorate the church with poinsettias, please give you money to Carla Breese or Lisa Lloyd.

We have a goal of donating 250 packages of stuffing to the Salvation Army, please help us reach this goal. If you want to volunteer ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at the Van Wert Walmart, call Lt. Josh Morales at (419)910-9332.

Women's Bible Study began and is running on Tuesdays at 10 am and at 7 pm. Our goal is to fellowship and have fun experiencing God together!

Our website is down temporarily as the hosting company moves to a new server.

Please take photos and contribute recipes, thoughts, and ideas for the December newsletter. Submit them to <a href="mailto:secretary@salemchurch.cc">secretary@salemchurch.cc</a>.

## Upcoming Birthdays

29th-Kathy McCollow 30th-Mike Breese

**Upcoming Anniversaries** 

28<sup>th</sup>-Dave & Jean Owens 30<sup>th</sup>-Herman & Nell Jean Wienken



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Venedocia, Ohio | November 26, 2017

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Elizabeth Adkins (liver issue)

Aiden Ellerbrock (serious injuries from a fall)

Natalie Ellerbrock (Stacia Profit's niece)

Larry Eutsler

David Hugh Evans (cancer surgery)

Doris Evans (cancer)

Larry Howell

Linda Howell

Tim Hurbert (cancer in lungs & pancreas-friend of Barb Good)

Jan Jones (health Issues)

Paula Jones (healing from fall)

Sami Jones (health issues)

Nancy Lautzenheiser (colon cancer - friend of Evelyn Martz)

Betty Lloyd

Becky Martz (health problems)

Janet Mohr

Marian Morris

Ronnie Neate (throat cancer)

Kim Owens

Dorothea Plikerd

Walter Poling (heart attack & possible kidney failure)

Lewis Price (bladder cancer, stones, Paul Price's brother)

Joyce Profit

Mallory Rentz (blood clot in brain)

Randy Richards (mowing accident)

Laura Saylor (Viral Meningitis, wife of Pastor Mike Saylor)

George Siler (physical therapy)

Bill Stewart (brother of Kim Coil)

Keith Stoller (surgical complications)

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

Warren Summersett (cancer)

Natalie Wilkins (90 years old and failing in health)

Noah Wyatt (son of Stuart Wyatt)

## \*\*Condolences to the family of Leona Browning\*\*

## **Serving our Country**:

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#### TEACHING POINTS

*First. Jesus is the Shepherd God who is intimate with His sheep and their needs and hurts.* 

**Second.** God is personally in charge.

Third. He is the coming King.

#### THIS WEEK'S MEMORY PASSAGE

"Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds, the leaders of Israel. Give them this message from the Sovereign LORD: What sorrow awaits you shepherds who feed yourselves instead of your flocks. Shouldn't shepherds feed their sheep (Ezekiel 34:2 NLT)?

#### **ACTION POINT**

Everyone here can point to some pain from the past that nags at us. Maybe it even has robbed our lives of joy. Overcoming such pain is not easy or quick. Ezekiel assures us, though, that God knows our pain, cares about our pain and is seeking us out to bring us wholeness. Sometimes, God works through support groups, pastoral counseling, or therapy. We do not have to give in to the pain; we do not have to let it win. God is working for us and in us. Let us open ourselves to God's grace. Today, we celebrate Christ the King Sunday as we conclude the Christian Lectionary Year A. We look to Jesus as the Good Shepherd and healer who loves and cares for us, and who will one day return in glory. Let us allow ourselves to trust God. Let us embrace hope. Let us overcome the past and live in God's future.

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