Salem Presbyterian Church Sunday, April 22, 2018, 4th Sunday of Easter

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery Organist: LaDonna Allenbaugh The flowers are given to the glory of God by Rex & Lisa Lloyd

Prelude Lighting the Candles Welcome & Prayer

<u>Call to Worship</u>	Psalm 23	491
* <u>Hymn</u> :	Lily of the Valley	447

<u>Prayer of Confession</u>: Good Shepherd, we take Your care for granted. In the midst of Your many blessings, we complain of not having enough. In the presence of danger, we fail to trust Your abiding love. When You set a table before us, we turn aside from You. Call us back into Your care and help us trust Your caring presence, that our actions may proclaim Your truth. 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 <u>Response</u>	Glory Be to the Father	Inside Front Cover
<u>Joys & Concerns of the</u> Prayers of the People	<u>Church</u>	
Prayer Response	The Lord's Prayer	
Special Music Lando	n and Ashlyn Price & Jackson	and Carter Dunlap
Scripture Readings	*Acts 4:5-12 John 10:11-18 1 John 3:16-24	994 978 1111

Time for Children

<u>Hymn</u> :	Blessed Assurance	255
Sermon:	"The Rejected Cornerstone"	Rev. Thomas Emery

*<u>Apostle's Creed</u>: 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 *Prayer of Dedication *Hymn: Sanctus *Taking the Light into the World *Charge and Benediction *Congregational Response Three Fold Amen *Those who are able are invited to stand.

<u>Financial Update</u> :			
Needed Weekly:	\$1,927.00	Needed to Date:	\$28,905.00
Rec'd 04-15-18:	\$1,005.30	Rec'd to Date:	\$25,639.65

<u>04-22-18</u> Worship (nursery with Dave & Carla Breese) Sunday School
<u>04-24-18</u> Women's Bible Study Teens for Christ
<u>04-25-18</u> Senior Luncheon
04-29-18

Sunday School

Announcements:

9:30 AM

10:45 AM

Sunday:

Tuesday:

9:30 AM

10:45 AM

7:00 PM 7:00 PM

Wednesday: Noon

Sunday:

Today, we are honored to have **Landon and Ashlyn Price and Jackson and Carter Dunlap** perform their hard work on their first-year piano recitals. Let's show them encouragement for their talents.

Worship (nursery with Bob & Kathy McCollow)

The **Teens for Christ** of youth from area churches meets on Tuesday at 7:00 pm at the Spencerville Nazarene Church. If you need a ride, call Pastor Tom to carpool.

This week the **Women's Bible Study** will be meeting on Tuesday at 7 pm, no 10 am meeting.

The next Senior Luncheon will be held at noon on April 25th.

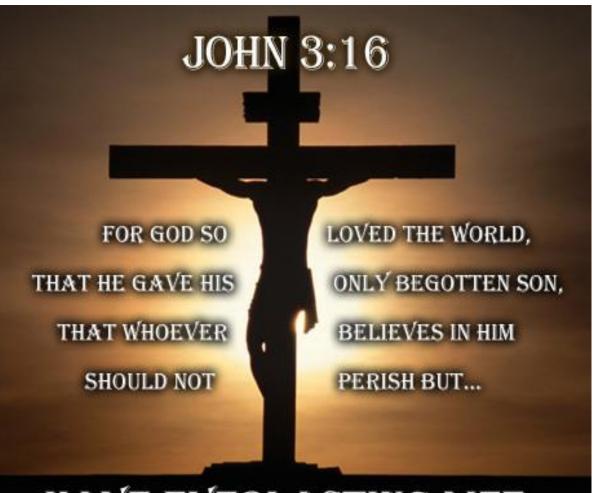
The new address for **Eric Pugh and family** is: 300 Oak Drive, Spencerville, OH 45887

Please take photos and contribute recipes, thoughts, and ideas for the May newsletter. Submit them to <u>secretary@salemchurch.cc</u>.

Upcoming Birthdays

22nd-Elgarda McGee23rd-Grant Zielke26th-Gwenda Blackmore29th-Jenny Pugh

e 25th-Julia (Morris)Molitor



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TEACHING POINTS

First. Jesus, who is God, was rejected.

Second. The rejected Jesus is the cornerstone of our faith.

Third. Jesus is the only foundation on which you can reliably build your life.

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