Salem Presbyterian Church Sunday, May 10, 2020, 5th Sunday of Easter Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery Organist: Connie O'Neill The flowers are given in honor of all Mothers by Marylin Foust Prelude Lighting of the Candles

Welcome & Prayer

<u>Call to Worship</u>	Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16	495
* <u>Hymn</u> :	Aberystwyth	Welsh Hymnal, 17

<u>Prayer of Confession</u>: Jesus said: "If you love Me, you will keep my commandments." Eternal God, we confess that often we have failed to be an obedient church: we have not done Your will; we have broken Your law. Jesus said: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind" and "you shall love your neighbor as yourself." We have rebelled against Your love; we have not loved our neighbors; we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience. We pray through Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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

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The Lord's Prayer

Mothers Day

Scripture Reading	ys John 14:1-14 Acts 7:55-60 1 Peter 2:2-10	982 999 1104	
Time for Children			
* <u>Hymn</u> :	O for a Thousand Tongues	46	
Sermon:	"The Way, The Truth, The Life"	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 rec * <u>Response</u> *Prayer of Dedication	eive our tithes and offerings Praise God	Inside Front Cover
* <u>Hymn</u> *Taking the Light into the	How Great Thou Art World	37
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*Those who are able are invited to stand.		

Financial Update:

Needed Weekly:	\$1,988.78	Needed to Date:	\$35,798.01
Rec'd 05-03-20:	\$1,265.00	Rec'd to Date:	\$38,554.78

Sunday:	<u>05-10-20</u>
9:30 AM	Worship (nursery with Mark & Missy Zielke)

Tuesday: 7:00 PM

10:30 AM

11:30 AM

05-12-20 Women's Bible Study

Sunday: 9:30 AM <u>05-17-20</u> Worship *(nursery with Toby & Elizabeth Adkins)* Adult Sunday School Session Meeting

Announcements:

The Adult Sunday School will be starting the "The Path to The Cross" series today. This will put in perspective on a personal level the meaning of Christ's sacrifice on the cross.

Upcoming Birthdays

10th-Rex Lloyd 16th-Chance Mosier 17th-Stacia Profit 12th-Sandy Clayborn15th-Dane Ebel17th-Mary Jane Haines17th-Delayna Profit18th-Ione Owens19th-Holden Price

Upcoming Anniversaries

13th-Jerry & Marylin Foust 20th-Mark & Missy Zielke

19th-Bart & Rosemary Strick



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Point Two – He is Truth.

Point Three – He is the path to abundant Life.

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