#### Salem Presbyterian Church

# Sunday, February 28th, 2021, 2nd Sunday in Lent

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery Organist: Dave Van Tilburg
The flowers are given to the glory of God by Mark & Missy Zielke

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Prelude Lighting of the Candles Welcome & Prayer

Call to Worship Psalm 22:23-31 491

Lenten Play

\*<u>Hymn</u>: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee 38

Prayer of Confession: God of Sarah and Abraham, in this holy place, we know how weak our discipleship is. We can spend hours at the computer or TV, but only give You fleeting moments of our time. We can talk endlessly on our cell phones, but fall silent when it comes to sharing our fears, our worries and our hopes with You. We seek quick fixes for our problems, rather than seeking Your vision and future for our lives. Forgive us for our lack of trust; for our faithless living; and for our closing our ears to the call of Jesus. Forgive us, so we may lay aside all that keeps us from You, so we may take up the life You offer to us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. 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

Prayer Response The Lord's Prayer

Special Music Lauren Jean Schroeder

Scripture Readings \*Genesis 17:1-17

Mark 8:31-38

Romans 4:13-25 1027

12

919

Time for Children

Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy 70

\*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 Response Praise God Inside Front Cover

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*<u>Hymn:</u> Diadem Welsh Hymnal, 13

\*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: \$2,108.38 Needed to Date: \$16,867.05 Rec'd 02-21-21: \$1,351.60 Rec'd to Date: \$20,981.60 Sunday: <u>02-28-21 – Second Sunday of Lent</u>

9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Bob & Kathy McCollow)

Tuesday: <u>03-01-21</u>

7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

Sunday: <u>03-07-21 – St. David's Day</u>

9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Bob & Denise Pugh)

10:30 AM St. David's Day reception

Saturday: <u>03-20-21 – Lions Pancakes & Sausage Day</u>

7:00 AM – 1:00 PM Located at the Venedocia Lion's Club

# **Announcements:**

The **March newsletter** is available at the back benches or the back table.

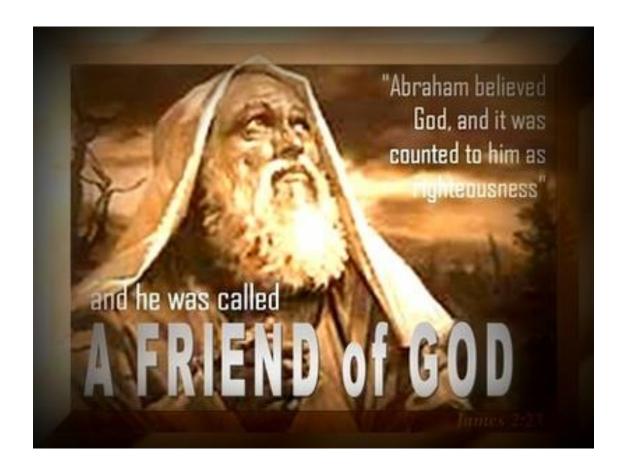
March 7th is the celebration of **St. David's Day**. We will have a reception in the Prayer Room following the service.

The **Venedocia Lions Club** is holding a drive-through **Pancakes and Sausage Day 2021** event. The hours are from 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Saturday, March 20th. All prices are by donation. The Lions Club uses all the proceeds for underwriting community needs and charities.

Salem will be holding **Baptisms** on **Palm Sunday**, March 28<sup>th</sup>.

# **Upcoming Birthdays**

28th Jean Owens Mar 2nd Marilyn Stickler 8th John Morris



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#### **TEACHING POINTS**

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