Salem Presbyterian Church Sunday, June 13, 2021, 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Organist: LaDonna Allenbaugh Pastor: Rev. Thomas Emery The flowers are given to the Glory of God by Gloria Leiter ****** Prelude Lighting the Candles Welcome & Prayer Call to Worship Psalm 20 489

*Hymn: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee 38

Prayer of Confession: Holy God, You call us to live to live by faith. You call us to place our trust in You and to live according to Your direction. Yet, we want life to make sense from a human point of view. You call us to feel the mystery of life, and to marvel at the power of Your love. Yet, it's not easy to accept Your promise that everything old has passed away. It's hard to live by faith. Forgive us, Holy Maker of reality. Forgive us for playing god instead of accepting our humanity. 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 Glory Be to the Father Inside Front Cover Response Jovs & Concerns of the Church Pravers of the People Prayer Response The Lord's Prayer Scripture Readings *1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 Mark 4:26-34 2 Corinthians 5:6-17 1053

Time for Children

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13 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty Hymn:

"Create Within Me a Clean Heart, O God" Rev. Thomas Emery Sermon:

*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

*Prayer of Dedication *Response Praise God Inside Front Cover Immortal. Invisible 34 * Hvmn: *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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Needed Weekly:	\$2,108.38	Needed to Date:	\$48,492.78
Rec'd 06-06-21:	\$5,783.86	Rec'd to Date:	\$60,284.30

Sunday: 9:30 AM 10:45 AM 5:00 PM 06-13-21 Worship (nursery with Jeff & Kelly Lloyd) Session Meeting Trustee Meeting

Friday: 4:30-7 PM 06-18-21 Ice Cream Social

Sunday: 9:30 AM <u>06-20-21</u> Worship (*nursery with Bill & Ruth Evans*) Father's Day Recognition

Sunday:06-27-219:30 AMWorship (nursery with Steve & Lindsay Richards)

Summer Announcements:

Please sign up for the June Ice Cream Social (sit-down) June 18, 4:30 – 7 PM; the sheets are on the back table for volunteer time slots and for making food.

The **Senior Luncheon** is on **Wednesday**, **23**rd, **at noon**. For a ride call Kim Coil at 419.667.2391 or Marylin Foust at 419.667.4934. Bring a bagged gift to exchange.

There is a **Music Committee** Meeting on Wednesday, June 23rd at 6:30 pm.

We will have a Salem float in the **June 26 Spencerville Parade**. If marching, be at the rally point at the High School after 3 PM. The **parade begins at 4:30 PM**. Fireworks are in the evening.

The congregation is invited to celebrate **Dominic Adkins** upcoming graduation. The graduation celebration will be held **Sunday**, **July 4th**, from **3-9 PM** at his home at 15584 Ohio City-Venedocia Road.

Vacation Bible School is July 27-28th 9:00 to 11:30 AM.

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

Upcoming Birthdays

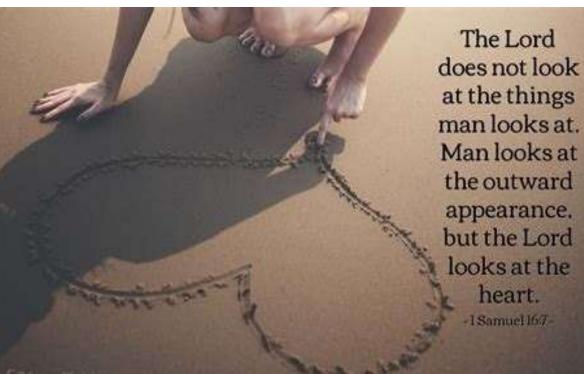
13th Kevin Price

14th Sandra Caffro 18th Charlie Good

Upcoming Anniversaries

14th Jeff & Kim Coil 24th Owen & Karen Pugh 17th Bill & Elgarda McGee 25th Rex & Lisa Lloyd

22nd Todd & Jayne Morris 28th Larry & Sandra Caffro



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TEACHING POINTS

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