

Today: **01-18-15**
9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Rex & Lisa Lloyd)
10:45 AM Sunday School
12:00 PM Session Retreat
3:00 PM Loss & Grief Group

Sunday: **01-25-15**
9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Tuzz & Liz Hobbs)
10:45 AM Sunday School
12:00 PM Session Retreat
3:00 PM Loss & Grief Group

Financial Update:

Needed Weekly:	\$2,067.00	Needed to Date:	\$4,134.00
Rec'd 01-11-15:	\$1,208.83	Rec'd to Date:	\$2,033.13

Announcements:

The **Loss and Grief Group** will meet **today at 3:00 pm**. All are welcome who have experienced a loss of a loved one, divorce, loss of health, or loss of hope and dreams.

Today's Adult Sunday School topic is, "What About the Church?"

The **Session Retreat** will be **today from 12:00 – 3:00 pm**. Pizza will be provided, please bring a drink to share.

A **Congregational Meeting** will be held **January 25** to approve the annual reports.

The annual **Potato Supper** will be held on **Wednesday, January 28**. The meal will start at 6:00 pm and the prayer time will follow at 7:00 pm.

Prayer Concerns:

Brendan Daily (friend of Morgan Pugh)
Ralph Du Cheney (father of Stacia Profit)
Natalie Ellerbrock (Stacia Profit's niece)
Jeannie Etzler (daughter of Warren Summersett)
Hope Eutsler (leukemia)
Ralph Eversole (several conditions)
Vernon Hobbs
Margaret Keltner (in hospice – mother of Jan Jones)
Jesse (needs God's strength)
Amanda Lamb (granddaughter of Dave & Jean Owens)
Betty Lloyd
James Marshall (mysterious ailment)

Tim Morris (liver transplant)
Joyce Profit (heart problems)
Marjorie Rhoades (leg pains)
Aimee Schulte (friend of Sarah Kimmet)
Dave Slygh (organ transplant problems)
Warren Summersett
Tom Theobald (recurrent cancer)
The Blackmore Family

Serving our Country:

Cory McCollow (U.S. Coast Guard)
Pete McCollow (U.S. Marine Corps)

January 18, 2015



Rooted in our heritage and called into God's future, we proclaim in new ways the unchanging Good News of Jesus Christ in a changing world.

Salem Presbyterian Church Venedocia, Ohio

Established 1848, Built 1898

Salem Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

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Sunday Worship: 9:30 AM
Sunday School: 10:45 AM

Church Officers 2015

Clerk of Session:	Carolyn Girod	Auditors:	John Smith
Financial Secretary:	Kim Coil		Jonathan Morris
Head Usher:	Kelly Lloyd	Treasurer:	Lisa Lloyd
Church Secretary:	Tamara Mullenhour	Organist:	LaDonna Allenbaugh

Session:	2015	2016	2017
	Charlie Good	Gwenda Blackmore	Jenny Pugh
	Stacia Profit	Kim Coil	Liz Hobbs
	Dave Rees	Rex Lloyd	Bob McCollow

Trustees:	2015	2016	2017
	Dan Lloyd	David Breese	Mark Zielke
	Tim Price	Bruce Eutsler	Jeff Coil
	Eric Pugh	Jason Lloyd	Todd Morris

Music Committee:	2015	2016	2017
	Lisa Lloyd	Carla Breese	Claudia LeValley
	Ann Rees	Jean Owens	Jayne Morris
	Bells: Kathy McCollow	Sr. Choir: Jan Jones	Jr. Choir: Jenny Pugh

Nominating Committee: Congregation: Kelly Lloyd, Joyce Profit
2 Session, 1 Trustee, 1 Youth, 1 Music Committee, 1 Women's Assoc.

Women's Association: Secretary: Jean Owens Co-Moderators: Ann Rees & Gloria Leiter
Treasurer: Doris Price

Sunday School: Superintendent: Paul Price Assist. Superintendent: Ron Richards
Secretary/Treasurer: Jim Lloyd

Rev. Thomas Emery
“Just Sex?” - John 6:1-18
Salem Presbyterian Church
Sunday, January 18, 2015

Corinth was a Greek city given over to the worship of sex. A thousand priestesses from the temple of Aphrodite that stood on the little hill behind the ancient city would come down into the streets at night and practice their trade. Sexual promiscuity, therefore, was accepted and highly regarded in that culture, as it is pretty much the same today here in our nation. When the Apostle Paul had come into the city, and had begun to teach and preach about Jesus, the Christian church in Corinth began to challenge head-on this whole sexual looseness of the city. This gave an opportunity for Paul to clarify that there is no “just sex,” but something much more.

TEACHING POINTS

Teaching Point One: *Our sexuality is a gift from God.* We were created as sexual beings. That was God’s intent as He blessed Adams and Eve and said to them, ‘Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it’” (Genesis 1:27-28).

Teaching Point Two: *Every gift God gave us is to be used responsibly, or else we spoil it.* What we sow, we reap.

Teaching Point Three: *By making our bodies the Temple of the Holy Spirit, we can be partakers of the divine with a capacity to fuse with the very nature of God.*

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE

“Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body.” 1 Corinthians 6:18 NLT

ACTION POINT

“You are not your own. You were bought with a price.” said Paul. We were made to be indwelt by God himself. If we cooperate with God’s intentions, life is good. But if we play fast and loose with God’s intentions, we suffer the consequences, and we cause other people to suffer the consequences as well. God has a purpose for our bodies in the life to come; it teaches us what we are like and what our role is. God has come to dwell in our bodies as God’s temple, and that temple should be maintained without defilement, without offering it to another, except as God, Himself, has ordained in the beautiful sacrament of marriage.