

Sunday:

9:30 AM
10:45 AM

06-07-15

Worship (nursery with Jeff & Kim Coil)
Adult Sunday School Class

June 7, 2015

Sunday:

9:30 AM
10:45 AM
4:00 PM
6:30 PM

06-14-15

Worship (nursery with Todd & Jayne Morris)
Adult Sunday School Class
Music Committee Meeting
Trustee Meeting

Announcements:

The **Music Committee** will meet next Sunday, May 14 at 4:00 pm. 

The **Trustees** will hold their monthly meeting on Sunday, May 14 at 6:30 pm.



Vacation Bible School will be held on **June 18 and 19, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm.** All children **ages 3 – 12** are welcome to come (meet at the park next to Lion’s Club, weather permitting) to meet Shadrack, Meshack, and Abednego and learn how they stayed strong and courageous, even when they faced a fiery death! To **pre-register**, you may use a form found in the church vestibule or call Carol Emery or the church (leave a message with your child’s name and your phone number). Please let Carol know if you are willing to volunteer your help! Get ready kids, and come ready to **Roar Like a Lion!**



The **church secretary’s office hours** will remain basically the same this summer, with hours on **Wednesday** afternoon and **Friday** morning. The *best* way to get information or requests to Tamara is through **email** (secretary@saalemchurch.cc) or placing your notes in the office **mailbox**.

Anniversaries This Week:

6/14 Jeff & Kim Coil



Birthdays This Week:

6/8 Tammy (Lloyd) Wells
6/10 Dillon Ellerbrock

6/13 Kevin Price
6/14 Sandra Caffro



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

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 in remission)
Ralph Eversole (several conditions)
Judy Foust (knee surgery)
Bev Hefner (aunt of Jenny Pugh)
Jesse (seeking help from heroin addiction)
Margaret Keltner (in hospice – mother of Jan Jones)
Betty Lloyd
James Marshall (mysterious ailment)
Tina Mayes
Tim Morris (liver transplant)
Jean Owens (hip)
Stacia Profit (painful sciatic pinched nerve)
Aaron Ries (age 15, received a heart transplant – son of Bruce Ries)
Marjorie Rhoades (leg pains)
Aimee Schulte (friend of Sarah Kimmet)
Dave Slygh (organ transplant problems)
Taylar Stephens & Family
Tom Theobald (cancer in remission)
Tim (cancer – friend of Barb Good)
Steve West (son-in-law of Jeff & Marcia Pollock)
Haydn Williams (esophagus cancer treatment)
Noah Wyatt (recovering from surgery – son of Stuart Wyatt)
Norma Adams (diabetic issues)

Serving our Country:

Micah Linger
Cory McCollow (U.S. Coast Guard)
Pete McCollow (U.S. Marine Corps)
Will Morrison (U.S. Army Reserves) *deployed to Iraq*

In Mourning:

The Family of Elizabeth “Betsy” Jones
The Family of Larry Fox

Rev. Thomas Emery
“Divided Houses” Mark 3:20-35
Salem Presbyterian Church
June 7, 2015

It must have been hurtful to Jesus to be labeled “crazy” in his ministry by his beloved family members and friends. Despite this, Jesus does not lash out at them. Instead, He focuses on the new “family of God.” He redefined the family as something bigger, as all those who do “the will of God.” That definition leaves the door open to include all his relatives, but also now includes all those seekers who follow Him and recognize God’s Spirit presence in Him.

TEACHING POINTS

Teaching Point 1: *Our family may be a house divided.*

Teaching Point 2: *Our Church may be a house divided.*

Teaching Point 3: *The individual may be a house divided.*

In committing to follow Christ, there is healing for a house divided.

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE

²⁴ “A kingdom divided by civil war will collapse.

²⁵ Similarly, a family splintered by feuding will fall apart.” Mark 3:24-25 NLT

ACTION POINT

The demonic is like the rotten fruits Paul describes in Galatians 5:19-21: immorality, impurity, shamelessness, idolatry, sorcery (abuse of drugs), hostility, strife, jealousy, anger, selfishness, dissension, party spirit, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and the like. The worst evil spirit is the one which resists the Holy Spirit. Jesus now confronts the real problem: the refusal of some to cooperate with the power of God, the Holy Spirit.

The greatest undertaking and the most courageous change that can be attained in life is becoming a disciple of Jesus Christ. Unfortunately, those words usually fall on deaf ears. When you become a follower of Jesus Christ, you move from a nominal belief to a radical conviction. You move from a nodding association with God to a complete commitment of one’s life. That is more of a challenge for us than anything else. Many of us live fragmented lives tossed and buffeted by conflicting desires. We need to unite our lives around one love, one Savior, one Lord. "A house divided against itself cannot stand..." No house is big enough for living together in the Spirit of Christ and a demonic spirit of malice, envy, hatred, and hostility. Let us make a courageous change in our lives by truly becoming followers of Christ making Jesus the total focus of our lives!