

Sunday:

9:30 AM
10:45 AM
5:00 PM

10-08-17

Worship (nursery with Jeff & Kelly Lloyd)
Sunday School
Trustee Meeting

Sunday:

9:30 AM
10:45 AM
Noon

10-15-17

Worship (nursery with Ruth & Bill Evans)
Sunday School
Session Meeting

Announcements:

Adult Sunday school will take place in the Prayer Room after the service that is exploring the Sabbath.

Violet Ashton's viewing will be Tuesday, Oct 10 from 4-8 pm at Bayliff Funeral home in Spencerville. The next day will be visitation at 10 am and service at 11 am at Salem Presbyterian church.

Women's Bible Study is starting Tuesdays at 7 pm and Thursdays at 10 am. Our goal is to fellowship and have fun experiencing God together! Contact Carol Emery if you'd like more information (513)270-1036.

On October 24 at 6:30 pm at First Baptist Church, 451 N. Cable Rd., Lima, Nadia Karnatova (an Operation Christmas Child shoebox recipient) will be sharing how God's love affected her life.

Senior Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, October 25th.

The Election Day Supper will be held on Tuesday, November 7th.

Please take photos and contribute recipes, thoughts, and ideas for the October newsletter. Submit them to secretary@salemchurch.cc.

Upcoming Birthdays

8th-Bob McCollow 13th-David Breese
13th-Kayla Owens/Momford 14th-Jason Kimmet

Upcoming Anniversaries

21st-Bob & Kathy McCollow



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Larry Howell
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Noell Hunter (Type 1 diabetes)
Paula Jones (healing from fall)
Nancy Lautzenheiser (colon cancer - friend of Evelyn Martz)
Betty Lloyd
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Second. You can have a perfect society if everyone practiced the Ten Commandments, but no one can perfectly obey them.

Third. Jesus instilled grace into the Commandments and showed us how they point us to God’s mercy.

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY PASSAGE

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