

Sunday:
9:30 AM **06-09-19 Graduate Recognition**
 Worship (*nursery with Jeff & Kelly Lloyd*)
 Pentecost Offering & Communion
10:45 AM Sunday School
5:00 PM Trustee Meeting

Friday:
4:30-7:00 PM **06-14-19**
 Ice Cream Social

Sunday:
9:30 AM **06-16-19 Father's Day Recognition**
10:45 AM Worship (*nursery with Bill & Ruth Evans*)
 Sunday School

Saturday:
3:00 PM Line-up **06-22-19 Spencerville Parade**

Sunday:
9:30 AM **06-23-19**
10:45 AM Worship (*nursery with Eric & Jenny Pugh*)
11:30 AM Sunday School
 Session Meeting

Announcements:

The **Graduate Recognition** is today.

The **Ice Cream Social** is on June 14, 4:30-7 PM; the sign-up sheet is on the back table.

Thanks to all who helped with Linda (Coil) Howells's funeral. It is deeply appreciated.
The Linda Howell family

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

Upcoming Birthdays:

10 th -Dillon Ellerbrock	11 th -Doris Evans	13 th -Kevin Price
14 th -Sandra Caffro	18 th -Charlie Good	22 nd - Ann Rees

Upcoming Anniversaries:

14 th -Jeff & Kim Coil	17 th -Bill & Elgarda McGee	22 nd -Todd & Jayne Morris
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Prayer Concerns:

Kylee Ball (surgery)
Connie Bassett (breast cancer)
Kyle Baxter (brain cancer)
Peggy Burnett
Billie Coalson (agent orange)
Jackie Coalson (COPD)
Barry Coil (stroke)
Amy Cunningham (Fibromyalgia)
Jim Davis (cancer)
Mark Davis
Kent DuCheney (surgery)
Aiden Ellerbrock (injuries from a fall)
Betty Ellis (rapidly failing health)
Doris Evans (cancer)
Daniel Fisher (rectal cancer)
Aaron Francis (broken leg)
Suzanne Hadley-Himes (cancer)
Bill Harmon (cancer)
Jeff Hines (kidney transplant)
Bob Hundley (cancer)
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Serving our Country:

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Corey McColow (U.S. Coast Guard)

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Bob Louth
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Carol Matthews(Lou Gehrig's disease)
Sarah Miller (health issues)
Gwen Montez (surgery)
Marian Morris
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TEACHING POINTS

POINT ONE – *Mankind cannot solve its sin problem on their own.*

POINT TWO – *During Pentecost, the divisions of Babel mended but Babel still impedes the witness of the Gospel message.*

POINT THREE – *We cannot solve our problems on our own; we need God.* Selfishness and pride always result in confusion and chaos.

THIS WEEK’S VERSE

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ACTION POINT

Unfortunately, the problem is just as bad in the church. There are communication gaps all over the variances between denominations, chasms between the pulpit and the pew, differences between young and old, gaps between rich and poor, and splits between liberal and conservative. If anyone wonders why, in almost 2,000 years, we have not won the world for Jesus Christ, the answer is that we have not communicated the Good News of the Gospel with much proficiency at all. We need the Holy Spirit to guide and to open doors to express the Gospel to a hopeless world. Why not pray for the Holy Spirit to guide you to communicate the Good News of the Gospel?

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