

Financial Update:

Needed Weekly:	\$1,927.00	Needed to Date:	\$75,153.00
Rec'd 09-30-18:	3,316.21	Rec'd to Date:	\$71,052.76



Sunday: 10-07-18
 9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Gwenda Blackmore)
 Communion
 10:45 AM Adult Sunday School

Tuesday: 10-09-18
 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

Sunday: 10-14-18
 9:30 AM Worship (nursery with Mark & Missy Zielke)
 Guest speaker-John Zerbe
 5:00 PM Trustee Meeting

Announcements:

We will have Communion today on this World Communion Sunday.

The **Adult Sunday School** is today after the service. The **Women's Bible Study** will meet on October 9, at 7 PM, to go through the Book of Matthew. All are welcome.

SHOEBOX PROJECT- For the last 25 years, shoeboxes have been collected, filled with gifts and delivered to children in need around the world. Please plan to fill a shoebox and give hope and joy to a precious child. Collection day is Sunday, November 18.

Please take photos and contribute recipes, thoughts, and ideas for the November newsletter. Submit them to secretary@saalemchurch.cc or PastorTomEmery@live.com.

Upcoming Birthdays

8 th -Bob McCollow	13 th -David Breese
13 th -Carter Dunlap	13 th -Kayla Owens/Mumford
14 th -Jason Kimmet	

Upcoming Anniversaries

7th-Jason & Sarah Kimmet



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TEACHING POINTS

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