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 $Salem\ United\ Methodist\ Church\ -\ Wolfsville$ 

# Food Pantry

6:30-7:30 pm

### **Sunday Worship**

9:30 a.m.
in Salem's sanctuary
or at home using Zoom.

# ★ HOLY COMMUNION SUN APR 4 - 9:30 a.m.

When worshipping in the sanctuary, wear a mask and observe 6' social distancing. The service is broadcast "live" from the sanctuary for those worshipping at home.

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# Holy Week & Easter Sunday

### **HOLY WEEK**

### Palm Sunday, March 28

9:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary & Zoom) Sermon: "It Was Not a Misplaced Hope"

### Scripture: Mark 11:1-11

### Holy Thursday, April 1

7:00 p.m. (Zoom only)
Holy Communion
"The Last Supper" by Salem members
Narrator – Bill Burrier
Jesus – Bob Snyder
Bartholomew (Nathaniel) – Patrick Boyton
James the Lesser – Denny Leatherman
Andrew – Vernon Stottlemyer
Peter – Justinn Irons
Judas – Bill Weaver
John – Robin Haupt

Philip – Bobby Fogle Matthew – Steve Leatherman Thaddeus – Donald Stottlemyer Simon the Zealot – Brandon Leatherman

### Good Friday, April 2

7:00 p.m. (Sanctuary & Zoom) "Good Friday Worship"

Thomas – George Stottlemyer James the Greater – Gary Barkdoll

### Holy Saturday, April 3

12 Noon to 12 Midnight Prayer Vigil from our homes

### NOTE:

The Community Easter Egg Hunt has been CANCELLED due to COVID-19 limitations.



### **EASTER SUNDAY**

# Sunday, April 4 Community Sunrise Service

6:30 a.m.

Garfield United Methodist Church 13628 Stottlemyer Road Service will be held outside. Masks required. Social distancing between families.

The Wolfsville Ruritan Club will provide donuts, pre-wrapped and safely distributed.

### Sunday, April 4

9:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary & Zoom) Holy Communion

Sermon: "A Truth That Can Unite Us"

Scripture: John 20:1-18

Children's Recitations during Children's Time Special Music by Works in Progress

# Community Sunrise Service at Garfield United Methodist

This year, the Community Easter Sunrise Service will be held at Garfield United Methodist Church, 13628 Stottlemyer Road, at 6:30 a.m. The service will be held outside observing COVID-19 restrictions. This service is rotated among 6 area churches.



Easter Sunday April 4, 2021

2021 - Garfield United Methodist

2022 - St. John's Lutheran

2023 - Salem United Methodist

2024 - St. Mark's Lutheran

2025 - Grossnickle Church of the Brethren

2026 - Pleasant Walk United Methodist



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### Salem Membership Statistics:

Current Membership: 241 2021 New Members: 0

### Salem Physical Facilities:

Church built 1847 Educational Building built 1967 Parsonage built 1974-75

### Salem Website:

www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org

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### **Purpose of Newsletter:**

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide a means of communicating with our members, their families, and our many friends of the Wolfsville community and surrounding areas. We pray that this newsletter will inspire you, our readers, to regularly attend worship services, Sunday School, and all other activities of the church. For those who are unable to attend, this newsletter is a means of bringing part of the church to you.

### **Salem Mission Statement:**

At Salem, with God's help, we pledge to INVITE others to Christ, HELP each other grow in faith, and SERVE those in need in our congregation, the community, and the world.

### **Salem Vision Statement:**

We will direct our efforts out into the community to serve people's needs and bring them to Christ.



# **2021 MISSION PROJECTS**

2021 Goal

1.	Frank & Nancy Stottlemyer, Retired, New Tribes Mission	\$2,460
2.	Operation Christmas Child (shipping for shoe boxes)	45
3.	Salem Mission & Outreach (local needs)	1,180
4.	Wolfsville Elementary School PTA - "All Pro Families Breakfast"	900
5.	Wolfsville Community Food Pantry at Salem	1,180
6.	Mary E. (AIM - France)	1,320
7.	United Methodist Board of Child Care Christmas Offering	750
8.	Potato Project (Society of St. Andrew)	300
9.	Middletown High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes	300
10.	The Least of These Ministries (Dominican Republic)	780
11.	Care Net Pregnancy Center of Frederick	600
12.	Compassion International (Sponsored Child in Tanzania)	456
13.	Hero's Club after school ministry	4,500
14.	World Vision (Sponsored Child in Colombia)	420
	TOTAL GOAL for 2021	\$15.191

### Here's how you can give . . .

- 1. Make checks payable to Salem United Methodist Church, or place cash in an envelope marked "Missions."
- **2.** Tell us which mission project(s) you wish to support by making a note on your check or envelope.
- **3.** Place your contributions in the offering plate at Sunday worship or mail to Salem.
- If you do not designate a project, your contribution will be distributed to the project or projects needing funds to meet the monthly minimum payout goals.

### **MISSION PROJECTS - NEWS & UPDATES**

Salem Mission Project No. 11

### **Care Net Pregnancy Center of Frederick**



Dear Salem Church:

Although 2020 impacted our numbers, eight women that were considering abortion chose to continue their pregnancy after receiving services at our center! This week as I sat in my office, an ultrasound was happening with a woman considering abortion. As I sat working, I could hear her crying. My heart was stirred and I was so thankful that we were able to offer her the opportunity to see her baby in the womb. Please pray for this young woman, in the midst of her circumstances, to choose life for her baby.

Romans 5:8 says "God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners." For most of our clients, earthly love is the only thing they know. Unfortunately, what they experience is more often than not, unhealthy. It is our desire to introduce them to the great love of God through Jesus. A love that is available right where they are. A love that doesn't use and abuse them, but rather cherishes and values them. Please pray that our clients are open to hearing about this kind of love and are receptive to receiving it.

-Linda King, Executive Director, Care Net Pregnancy Center of Frederick

### OFFICE HOURS for PASTOR BOB SNYDER

### Sunday\_

7am - Noon Prep and worship (at church)

### Monday (day off)

6-7 am Devotions (at home)
9-11 am Planning Time (at home)

### Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

6-7 am Devotions (at home) 9 am - Noon Parsonage Office Noon - 1 pm Lunch

1-5 pm Parsonage Office

### Saturday\_

7-9 am Final touches on Sunday's sermon (at home)

# Who's Doing What, When?

### April 2021

### 9:30 A.M. SANCTUARY & ONLINE ZOOM WORSHIP

### Lay Reader

### 4 - Gary Barkdoll

11 - Worship at Home

18 - Mary Cline

25 - Lora McGraw

### Acolyte

- 4 Loralli Snyder
- 11 Worship at Home
- 18 Loralli Snyder
- 25 Valentina Barkdoll

### **Organist**

- 4 Sara Weitzel
- 11 Worship at Home
- 18 Sara Weitzel
- 25 Sara Weitzel

### Computer

### 4 - Michele Kline

11 - Worship at Home

18 - Lori Williamson

25 - Robin Haupt

### Camera

- 4 Lori Williamson
- 11 Worship at Home
- 18 Patrick Boyton
- 25 Dennis Draper

# **Easter Sunday**

9:30 a.m.

# **Holy Communion** Apr 4, 2021

# **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

## News from Salem's Board of Trustees

■ By Sue Ellen Stottlemyer, Chair, Board of Trustees

### Cemetery Clean-up and Maintenance Planned for April 6

The Trustees have scheduled the evening of Tuesday, April 6, to clean-up the cemetery as well as complete some much-needed work on some gravesites.

Work that needs to be done is picking up sticks and other debris from the cemetery as well as moving dirt, filling in and raking dirt to level off low spots and planting grass seed.

The Trustees are responsible for maintaining the cemetery, but are inviting and encouraging anybody from the congregation to come out and help.

If you have a garden or lawn rake, we encourage you to bring it with you.

Work will start at 5:00 p.m. and continue throughout the evening. If you are not able to be there at 5:00 p.m., please come when you can. It is anticipated all the work can be completed in one evening.

Rain date is scheduled for Tuesday, April 13.

### **Light Fixtures Upgraded to LED**

Green Home MD and Business, a contractor in Potomac Edison's Commercial Energy Efficiency Program, reached out to Salem regarding the light fixtures in our buildings. They explained the benefits and energy efficiency of upgrading all light fixtures to LED.

EmPower Maryland funds are collected as a surcharge that all MD residents pay on their electric bills. EmPower programs provide cost-effective long-term benefits, including reduced energy consumption and rates.

Currently, Potomac Edison is providing funds from this program to local churches and non-profits to upgrade their lighting fixtures, at no additional cost to the church.

The week of March 8th, all lighting fixtures in the sanctuary, social hall/Sunday School areas, the parsonage and the pavilion were updated to LED lighting. Not only the benefit of energy efficiency, the LED bulbs/tubes have a longer life, and are much brighter.

The spotlight in the front of the building was also upgraded to LED, and the cross on the front of the building shines out even more bright now in the darkness of night.

### It's Your Day!

### **April Anniversaries**

- 2 Clay Waite & Jennifer Gormer
- 2 Bill & Darlene Burrier
- 10 Michael & Jennifer Burrier
- 23 George & Judith Harne
- 25 Robert & Mary Cline

### **April Birthdays**

- 1 Travis Keller
- 4 Joey Hawkins
- 4 Paula Main
- 9 Melanie Adams
- 9 Sophie Wagaman
- **Emily Stottlemyer**
- Sue Ellen Stottlemyer
- 12 Charlotte Wisner
- 13 Mason Crutchley
- 16 Adam Stottlemyer
- 17 Delphine Zimmerman
- 17 Judy Hamilton
- 18 Dennis Leatherman
- 20 Ali Robinson
- 22 Richard Kline
- 23 Craig Brown 24 - Jennifer Gormer
- 24 Vernon Stottlemyer
- 24 Barbara Stottlemyer
- 24 Jase Wesley Haddock
- 29 Karen DeLauter
- 30 Payton Robinson

### **Ladies Bible Study**

Every Wednesday - 7:00 pm

By Debbie Irons

Looking for a way to grow in your faith journey and have fellowship and support of wonderful ladies.

Beginning in March, we started a 6-week study on "Praying with Power" with the example of the "Lord's Prayer." We invite you to join us on Zoom! If interested or have questions, please let me know at mdirons@oleminkfarm.com or 301-271-7012.

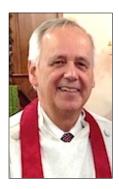
### **Upcoming Events**

### Saturday, May 8

Mother's Day Plant Sale at Salem's pavilion Plants are hand-selected in Lancaster County, PA

### Saturday, May 22

Music in the Meadow Concert on the lawn. Music by Salem's Praise Band "Works in Progress"



# Message from the Pastor and Worship in April

### By PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER

he month of April begins on Holy Thursday this year. On Holy Thursday, after cancelling last year due to COVID-19, we'll return to performing our annual Last Supper dramatization. This year we'll do it via Zoom.

We'll also have our Good Friday worship service, our Prayer Vigil on Holy Saturday, the Community Easter Sunrise Service at Garfield United Methodist Church, and finally back to Salem for our 9:30 AM Easter Sunday service with prerecorded special music by "Works in Progress" and children's recitations.

Please see all the dates, times and locations for these activities listed on the front page of this newsletter.

I encourage you to participate in all the Holy Week and Easter opportunities that have been scheduled for you.

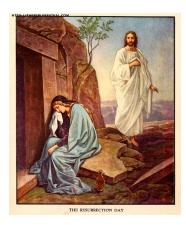
The Easter Season continues for fifty days, all through April and most of May, leading up to Pentecost on Sunday, May 23rd.

As more people are vaccinated for COVID, and county regulations allow, there may be opportunities to schedule more activities.

The Mother's Day Plant Sale has already been scheduled for May 8th, and a "Music in the Meadow" concert by "Works in Progress" on May 22nd. Both events will be held outdoors.

Even as we get our vaccines, let's continue to remain vigilant in protecting one another by social distancing 6' apart, wearing masks, using hand sanitizer, and avoiding large crowds. Thanks for everyone's great efforts and cooperation! God Bless.  $-Pastor\ Bob$ 

April 4
Easter Sunday
"A Truth That Can Unite Us"
John 20: 1-18



Acts 10: 36b - "He is Lord of all!"

The story of Jesus' resurrection is read on this Easter Day. The resurrection reveals a powerful truth. Luke, author of the Book of Acts proclaims this truth, "Jesus Christ is Lord of all!"

Luke proceeds to offer proof: "We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a tree but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen – by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead." (VV. 39-41).

In this broken world, there is a truth that can still unite us: "Jesus is Lord of all and Jesus can unite us!"

### April 11 Second Sunday of Easter

The church building will be closed on this Sunday and an online worship service will be provided by the Baltimore-Washington Conference.

Please join our Bishop, our District Superintendents, the Assistant to the Bishop, and the remainder of the worship team for a service of prayer, hymns, Scripture readings, and reflections on post-resurrection scenes from the Bible that inspire us to live as God's resurrection people!

A link for this service will be sent out as the date approaches.

### April 18 Third Sunday of Easter "God's Child"

1 John 2: 28 – 3: 10

1 John 3: 1a – "How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"

Do we believe this? Are we defined by it? Do we rely on it? Claiming God as our Father and seeking to live under his care as his children causes us to live a certain way. It causes us to obey him, trust in him, and follow Jesus' example.

We no longer live to gratify our own desires, sinning on a whim, but we live to honor and love him and one another, striving to live as Jesus lived.

What defines us the most isn't where we came from, or the list of our talents, or what we've accomplished.

No, what gives our life worth is being God's child. All else follows from there.

When asked, "Who are you?" there's no better answer than, "God's child."

### April 25 Fourth Sunday of Easter "Pursued" Psalm 23

Psalm 23: 6 – "Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

The Lord acts in our lives for our good. That is grace.

Take a look at the action verbs in Psalm 23 which describe God acting on our behalf: "makes me lie down" (V. 2), "leads me beside still waters" (V. 2), "restores my soul" (V. 3), "guides me" (V. 3), "comes to me and comforts me in my times of need" (V. 4), "protects me from those who seek to harm me" (V. 5), "claims me as his own" (V. 5), "is present with me and welcomes me to live with him always (V. 6).

We are pursued by God. He will not let us go, in spite of what we do. Even if we were to disown him, God would continue to reach out for us, pursuing us.

How can we respond to such a love as this but to love him back.



# INSPIRATIONAL

Reading

### **Once Again**

By Marie Elmore Baxter

Once again the Eastertime Brings the lilies white; Once again the breezes blow And the sun is bright.

Gone the snows of yesterday, Brooks once more can sing. Bluebirds flit from tree to tree With their notes of spring.



Once again the church bells chime, And we cast off gloom As we worship Him who once Came from out the tomb.

Once again it's Eastertime And our praises ring, As glad anthems we do raise To our Lord and King.

### **Easter**

By Hattie Pope

There's a glow on Easter morning In rose-tinted eastern sky. There is due upon the lilies; Church bells ring from belfries high, Ringing clear and perfect rhythm In the cool, fresh morning air, Calling all to join and worship In a resurrection prayer.



There's is joy on Easter morning When we hear the gospel read, Telling Jesus Christ, our Savior, Has arisen from the dead. Oh, with prayerful hearts uplifted, We should all join in to sing, "Christ is risen, Hallelujah, And He lives, our Lord and King."

Our Lord has written the promise of the Resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime. —*Martin Luther* 

May the blessed Easter story
Of the Resurrection bring
New hopes, new peace,
New joy and love,
And make your heart to sing.



# RECIPE



### **Lemon Tea Bread**

### **INGREDIENTS:**

- 3 tablespoons butter, melted
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs, at room temperature
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup fresh lemon juice, divided 2 tablespoons lemon zest, grated, divided
- 1/2 cup sifted confectioners sugar

### **DIRECTIONS:**

- Pour butter into mixing bowl and stir in sugar. When well blended, beat in eggs.
- 2. In separate mixing bowl stir together flour, baking powder, and salt.
- 3. Stir dry ingredients into wet ingredients. Mix well.
- 4. Add 1/2 cup lemon juice and 1 tablespoon lemon zest.
- 5. Pour batter into a greased and floured 9 x 5 loaf pan.
- 6. Bake at 350 degrees for 50 minutes. Remove from oven and cool 10 minutes
- While bread is baking, mix confectioners sugar with remaining 1/4 cup lemon juice and 1 tablespoon lemon zest in a small bowl.
- 8. Cool bread for 10 minutes in pan. Remove from pan, place on a serving dish, and pour glaze over top. Makes 6 servings.

Selected from "Fix-It and Enjoy-It!" cookbook All-Purpose, Welcome Home Recipes





















### **News Briefs**

### CWS/CROP

Although last fall's CROP Walk was cancelled due to COVID-19, folks still donated to the cause.

Fonda Gormer, Wolfsville/ Myersville CROP Coordinator explained how donations were distributed; 75% to Church World Service and 25% to local agencies: Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs, Middletown Food Bank, and Salem's Food Pantry.

Salem recently received \$18.74 for the food pantry. Always looking forward to the next walk, Fonda commented, "Praying that we will be able to walk this fall."

### **Honor the Graduates**

Salem will be honoring our high school and college graduates at the end of the school year.

If you are graduating, please advise Pastor Bob or Salem's Lay Leader, Denny Leatherman.

### Sticky Buns & Pies For Sale

As a fundraiser for Salem's United Methodist Women "Bee-lievers," Anita Harshman is making sticky buns and pies.

- Pecan Cinnamon Sticky Buns: \$12
- Apple Pie: \$10
- Cherry or Peach: \$11
- Raspberry, Blueberry or Blackberry: \$13

You may purchase these items directly from Anita. To place an order, call Anita at 240-818-0126.

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### In Sympathy

### **Martha Lewis**

The Salem congregation expresses sincere sympathy to the family of Martha Lewis. Martha passed away on February 6, 2021. She was a long time member of Salem Church. In accordance with her wishes, there were no services.

# Three Ways to Give Tithes & Offerings

### 1. Offering Plate in Sanctuary

For those at sanctuary worship, an offering plate will be available at the rear of the sanctuary.

### 2. By Mail

You may mail your tithes and offerings to: Church Treasurer Salem United Methodist Church P. O. Box 144 Myersville, MD 21773-0144

Make checks payable to Salem United Methodist Church.

### 3. Electronically Online

You may give electronically by viewing our website SalemChurchWolfsville.org and select GIVE.





Because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him for that day.

- 2 Timothy 1:12 NIV

### Some thoughts to ponder . . .

God answers all of our prayers. Sometimes the answer is yes. Sometimes the answer is no. Sometimes the answer is, you've got to be kidding. —*Jimmy Carter, 1997* 

Faith is not being sure where you are going but going anyway.

A Bible that's falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn't.

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

### The Mountain Shepherd

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