




**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD
SHOE BOXES
AND
SALVATION ARMY
CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS
DUE NOV 14
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Wolfsville Community to Celebrate God's Blessings

Community Thanksgiving Service



Wednesday evening
November 24, 2021
7:00 p.m.

St. Mark's Lutheran Church
12704 Wolfsville Road

This year's Community Thanksgiving Service will be held the evening before Thanksgiving, Wednesday evening, November 24, 2021, 7:00 p.m., at the St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 12704 Wolfsville Road.

According to St. Mark's pastor, Eric Moser, the host of this year's service, Pastors Bob Snyder of Salem United Methodist, Mary Ricketts of Garfield United Methodist, and Dan Johnson of Grossnickle Church of the Brethren, all plan to participate.

Music • Prayer • Scripture

Pastor Eric wrote in an email, "This service is open to everyone. We will not be receiving Holy Communion. This will be a service of music, prayer, and scripture. Masks are optional at St. Mark's and we are not checking temperatures at this time, although the state or county could change the requirements by November 24th."

Lois Kuhn, Music Director at St. Mark's, will lead music by the St. Mark's Handbell Choir and also a community choir where singers from other churches are invited to join the St. Mark's choir for an anthem titled "Together in Thanksgiving." Singers from Salem, Garfield and Grossnickle will be given the music in advance and the whole choir will come together for one rehearsal that evening before the service.

The Community Thanksgiving Service is rotated among the four area Wolfsville churches: St. Mark's Lutheran, Salem United Methodist, Grossnickle Church of the Brethren, and Garfield United Methodist.

The schedule is as follows:

- 2021 – St. Mark's Lutheran Church
- 2022 – Salem United Methodist Church
- 2023 – Grossnickle Church of the Brethren
- 2024 – Garfield United Methodist Church



GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD.
In Everything Give Thanks!



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Salem Membership Statistics:
Current Membership: 238
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 Stottlemeyer, 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:

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 talks about how God comforts us in all of our troubles so that we can comfort others. We see the truth of this scripture often at the center. The comfort that we have received from the Lord in our troubles, we share with our clients in the midst of their troubles. Sometimes this message is gladly received. However, sometimes this message is rejected and we pray that comfort and hope will penetrate their hearts.

Please pray for a client we recently saw. She was not open to any spiritual discussion, and she is planning to abort her pregnancy. She has agreed to come back for an ultrasound. Please pray that she will return, she will connect to the baby growing in her womb, and we will be the hands and feet of Jesus to her.

Even though you may not be in the center, you are a part of this visit. It is because of you that we are able to faithfully serve our clients. Thank you for your generosity in giving to this center.

—Linda King, Executive Director



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? November 2021

9:00 A.M. SANCTUARY & ONLINE ZOOM WORSHIP

Lay Reader	Acolyte	Organist
7 Donna Snyder	7 Loralli Snyder	7 Sara Weitzel
14 Lora McGraw	14 Valentina Barkdoll	14 Sara Weitzel
21 Michael Burrier	21 Loralli Snyder	21 Sara Weitzel
28 Wanda Barkdoll	28 Valentina Barkdoll	28 Sara Weitzel
Computer	Camera	Greeter
7 Michele Kline	7 Lori Williamson	7 Donald & Susie Stottlemeyer
14 Wanda Barkdoll	14 Michele Kline	14 Dennis Draper
21 Lori Williamson	21 Patrick Boyton	21 Matt Stottlemeyer
28 Robin Haupt	28 Dennis Draper	28 Barkdoll Family

CROP Hunger Walk Blessed with Support and Great Weather



■ By Fonda Gormer, Walk Coordinator

Dear Friends of the Wolfsville/Myersville CROP Hunger Walk:

Twenty-one walkers and 3 four-legged friends participated in the 2021 Wolfsville/Myersville CROP Hunger Walk on September 26th. Representatives from four different congregations completed the 5-mile walk along the Wolfsville area's scenic roads. The weather was perfect and the walkers enjoyed the rest stop at Ron Ellis' driveway on Loy Wolfe Road.

Most Successful Walk Since 2013

This was the most successful walk since 2013, with \$4,100 being raised to fight hunger locally and world-wide through Church World Service.

Twenty-five percent of the funds will be returned to the area, split between Salem's Food Pantry, Middletown Food Bank and the Religious Coalition for Emergency Human Needs.

Churches participating, with the number of their walkers and amount raised are as follows:

Harmony Church of the Brethren	1 walker \$700
Grossnickle Church of the Brethren	6 walkers \$745
St. Mark's Lutheran Church	4 walkers \$1,455
Salem United Methodist Church	10 walkers \$1,200

Thank You

A big "Thank You" to everyone who walked and to their sponsors. A big thanks also to Michael Burrier, walk treasurer; Ron Ellis and his helpers who manned the rest stop; Jon Gormer who checked on the walkers along the route; and Lois Kuhn, Rosalind Baker and Pam Jouannet who recruited walkers in their congregations. Each one was essential to the success of the walk. God surely blessed their work!



It's Your Day!

November Anniversaries

- 10 - Harry & Karen DeLauter
- 24 - Ronnie & Sue Kinna

November Birthdays

- 3 - Caroline Buhrman
- 4 - Darcy Gormer
- 13 - Leah Tolland
- 13 - Fonda Gormer
- 14 - Karen Sowers
- 16 - Polly Doyle
- 17 - Christopher Haupt
- 17 - Beth Snead
- 17 - Darlene Burrier
- 18 - Ben Swope
- 22 - Liz Waite
- 25 - Jadie Buhrman
- 26 - Mary Fogle
- 28 - Susie Stottlemeyer

Holy Communion

November 7, 2021
9:00 a.m.



Final Report

Lord's Acre Festival

September 11, 2021

Sales:

Produce	439.75
Needlework & Crafts	328.00
Flea Table & Plants	346.00
Silent Auction	460.00
Auction	1,654.50
Soup, Sandwiches, etc.	3,506.30
Baked Goods	1,186.75
Ice Cream	288.00
Total Sales	8,209.30

Contributions:

UMW Bee-lievers	1,500.00
Individuals	2,376.22
Total Contributions	3,876.22

Total Income 12,085.52

Total Expenses 1,941.14

Net Profit 10,144.38

Net profit placed in Salem's Building & Improvement Fund, to be used for maintenance of our buildings and grounds; equipment purchases and repairs.



Message from the Pastor and Worship in November

■ By **PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER**

During October, we were blessed to restart Sunday school and have our Works in Progress praise band begin leading us in music at worship services once again.

We supported two ladies from our congregation and three other ladies from our community to attend a "Seven Mile Walk with Jesus" weekend.

A Trunk-or-Treat was held, and the 2021 Annual Conference was attended.

During November, a day-long ladies spiritual retreat will be held at Ole Mink Farm, and several of us will be attending a day-long CPR class.

The Community Thanksgiving Eve worship service will be held this year at St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

All Saints Sunday will occur on the first Sunday in November and the Advent Season will begin on the last Sunday.

Also during November, we'll engage in a Sermon Series titled "Discipleship in Action," which focuses on the acts of compassion, justice, worship and devotion.

Our discipleship is vital and effective as we practice all four of these acts and keep them in balance.

If you're able to return to worship and Sunday school in the building in November, you will bless us with your presence.

If you need to continue worshipping online, we understand. We're always glad when we're worshipping together in ways that we can. Have a great month! God Bless. —Pastor Bob

November 7
All Saints Sunday
Holy Communion
"Discipleship in Action - Justice"
John 8:1-11

John 8:7 – "If any one of you is

without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone at her."

Like acts of compassion, acts of justice are works of mercy. But they differ from acts of compassion in that they normally occur in the public sphere.

Take the story of the woman caught in adultery. That day, Jesus was teaching in the temple, a very public place.

The religious leaders, determined to test Jesus, rounded up the woman, brought her in front of Jesus, and prepared to stone her to death.

They were more interested in testing Jesus than they were this woman's life.

Would he support stoning her, the punishment allowed for the offense of adultery? No. Instead, Jesus showed the true meaning of justice to all who were watching.

November 14
"Discipleship in Action – Worship"
Luke 4:14-30

Luke 14:18 – "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor ..."

Worship is a work of piety, normally done in the public arena.

One day, Jesus returned to his hometown of Nazareth and was invited to teach during worship. During that teaching he made clear who it is that we are to worship.

We don't worship a denomination or a building or a particular ministry. We worship only God, who exists in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

Jesus was telling those assembled that day, "I am the anointed one and I am the Son of God your Savior."

We come together for public worship to praise and honor God, to be

in his presence, and to receive the grace he gives us. May it always be so.

November 21
Christ the King Sunday
"Discipleship in Action - Devotion"
Mark 1:29-39

Mark 1:35 – "Very early in the morning while it was still dark. Jesus got up, left the house, and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed."

Devotion is a second work of piety. It normally occurs in private. The practice of devotion keeps us grounded in Christ as we show compassion, seek justice, and participate in public worship.

Jesus modeled staying centered on God. Mark, Chapter 1, tells us that Jesus called his first disciples on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. Then they traveled to Capernaum where Jesus taught and healed in the synagogue.

As soon as they left there, Jesus went to the home of Simon and Andrew where he healed Andrew's mother-in-law. That same evening, the whole town gathered around Jesus, bringing all their sick to be healed by him. During these days, Jesus was being pulled in many directions. He must have been very tired. He needed to stay centered on God, so he went off early the next morning by himself to pray.

November 28
First Sunday of Advent
"New Life"
Jeremiah 33:6b-16

Jeremiah 33:15 – "I will raise up a righteous branch from David's line, who will do what is just and right in the land."

The prophet Jeremiah was God's spokesperson to warn the people of Judah to turn away from their sinful living and turn in obedience to God.

They chose not to and in doing so brought terrible consequences upon themselves: loss of life and their homes, destruction of the temple, fall of their government and loss of their way of life. Most were taken away to live in exile in a foreign country.

But God continued to remain with them and, through prophets like Jeremiah, promised them that a remnant of their people would turn back to God to be restored, and would return to their homeland to rebuild their lives.

There are times when we are in need of God's restoration. No matter how far we may stray from him, God always stands at the ready to help us return to him.



A Prayer at Thanksgiving

By Marian L. Moore

Dear Lord, as autumn drops across the land,
A crisp reminder of chill days ahead,
The sight of falling leaves on every hand,
And hillsides etched in sparkling gold and red—

We ask thy guidance for the family here.
Our work, receive all blessings from above,
That we may have a most successful year,
Give us your grace and ever constant love—

Keep us forever in a watchful glow
And may we never fail to do they will;
So looking down upon us here below
Our hearts with all your heavenly peace fulfill—

This is our prayer, that we may spread the light
Of truth to all who labor in thy sight.

Give Me a Grateful Heart, Lord

By Grace E. Easley

Give me a grateful heart, Lord,
For each small favor granted.
As years unfold, may I behold
Life, still, through eyes enchanted.
Let me find beauty in all things,
Not be too blind to see
The goodness in my fellowman,
That he would find in me.



Let me rejoice in simple things;
I need no wealth to buy
The scent of pine upon the wind,
A burnished copper sky,
Scarlet roses on the fence,
Sunrise through the trees—
Oh, grant that I may not outgrow
Affinity for these!

Give me a grateful heart, Lord;
Let me be satisfied
When days are less than sunny
And plans lie at low tide.
Life is a sweet adventure
That will lead to who knows where,
So, give me a grateful heart, Lord,
That I may always care.

Thanksgiving — Faith made visible in daily living:
The perfect gift of a grateful heart.



RECIPE



Turkey Vegetable Barley Soup

INGREDIENTS:

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|---|-------------------------------|
| 5 quarts fresh turkey broth,
fat skimmed off | 1 onion, chopped |
| 2 cups diced celery | 3/4 cup pearl barley |
| 2 cups sliced carrots | 2-3 cups cooked turkey, diced |
| 2 cups green beans | salt and pepper to taste |
| | fresh parsley, if desired |

DIRECTIONS:

1. In soup pot, combine broth, celery, carrots, green beans, onion, and barley. Simmer approximately 1 hour, or until vegetables and barley are tender but not mushy.
2. Add cooked diced turkey, salt and pepper to taste, and heat thoroughly.
3. Serve piping hot, garnished with fresh parsley.

TIP:

Use 2 cups diced potatoes instead of barley. Makes 10-12 servings.

Selected from "Fix-It and Enjoy-It!" cookbook



A Flaming Torch

Veterans Day, the eleventh of November, is observed as a legal holiday in the United States and Canada to honor all war veterans. From 1919 until 1954, the holiday was called Armistice Day in commemoration of the end of hostilities in 1918 and again in 1945, but the name of Veterans Day was officially adopted in 1954.

On **Veterans Day**, Americans everywhere pause to remember the many patriots throughout the years who served our country to preserve peace especially those who gave their lives. Religious services, ceremonies, and parades are typical Veterans Day observances in the cities and small villages across the country. Multitudes of flags are flown at half-mast that day, from sunrise to sunset.

On **Veterans Day** in 1960, a torch with an eternal flame was placed beside the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, DC. The flame had been lighted in a ceremony in Belgium and then brought to the United States. Its eternal light will forever keep alive the hope of Americans for a time when permanent peace will become a reality.

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.

August 2020

Veterans Day

On Veterans Day we honor all, who answered to a service call. Soldiers young, and soldiers old, Fought for freedom, brave and bold. Some have lived, while others died, And all of them deserve our pride. We're proud of all the soldiers, who Kept thinking of the red, white and blue. They fought for us and all our rights. They fought through many days and nights. And though we may not know each name, We thank ALL Veterans, just the same.

—Cheryl Dyson

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman



Salem Mission Project No. 2

Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

Turning "shoe boxes" into Christmas gifts for children

■ By Barbie Stottlemyer

We will once again be participating in OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD, in which we fill shoe boxes to be distributed to needy children around the world. This is a project of Samaritan's Purse, a Franklin Graham ministry in Boone, North Carolina.

HOW TO PACK YOUR BOX

Boxes are now available for pick up at church. Instructions are inside the box. Select boy or girl and age. Affix label to top of box on the end. Mark "Paid" on the label if you have included a check in the box for shipping, or paid online.

Please bring your filled boxes back to church by Sunday, November 14th.

Boxes are due by
Sunday, November 14, 2021

POSTAGE is \$9.00

There is a \$9.00 postage charge for each box. Place the postage amount in the donation envelope and place the envelope on top of the gift items inside the box so it is clearly visible.

Checks should be made payable to Samaritan's Purse, with a note on the memo line that the gift is for Operation Christmas Child.

If you are unable to pay the postage, Salem will pick up this cost from our Mission Project No. 2.

Contact: Barbie Stottlemyer at 301-293-2372.

SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

Filled stockings are due by Sunday, November 14, 2021

SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS are now available for pick up at church. Fill stockings with Christmas items for local boys and girls ages 0 through 12 years. Please bring your filled stockings back to the church by Sunday, November 14th for delivery to The Salvation Army the following day. Contact Theresa Haupt at 301-293-2201, if you have any questions.



"Bee-lievers" making Ornaments for Wolfsville Elementary School PTA

■ By Fonda Gormer

The women attending the "Bee-lievers" meeting on October 14th devoted most of their time to making Christmas ornaments for the Christmas Sale sponsored by the Wolfsville Elementary School PTA.

The December sale allows students to purchase gifts for family and friends, and the PTA likes to have a variety of items. This project is one way Salem reaches out to the community.

The ornaments were made using can lids, old Christmas cards and miscellaneous trims that the ladies had collected. So far, 71 ornaments have been completed, with more on the way! The women enjoyed this relaxing time of creativity and fellowship.

The next "Bee-lievers" meeting will be on November 11, at 7 p.m. in the church social area. All women of the congregation are invited to attend.



News & Notes



Baltimore-Washington Annual Conference was held October 25-27, 2021

The 237th Session of the Baltimore-Washington Conference, was held entirely online, October 25-27, due to a fourth surge of COVID-19.

Clergy & Lay Ministers

This year, 13 licensed local pastors were appointed to lead congregations. 11 were ordained as elders, 1 ordained as deacon, 14 commissioned as provisional members preparing to be elders, and 1 is preparing for ordained ministry as a deacon.

This year, 29 clergy retired from the Baltimore-Washington Conference.

The clergy base salary for 2022 will be increased by 2 percent.

Health flex premium rates for clergy health care will not be changed in 2022.

Mission Share Budget (Apportionments)

The Conference approved a new formula for determining mission share payments.

Each year, every congregation pays, to the Conference, a portion (the percentage for 2022 is 17.55%) of the funds they spend on themselves.

For 2022, the mission share calculation will be based on a three-year average of spending from 2018-2020, rather than just the spending for one year—2020.

Church Closings

Nine churches within the Baltimore-Washington Conference were officially closed: Corkran Memorial in Temple Hills; Youngs in Huntingtown; Solomons in Solomons; Edgewater in Edgewater; Piney Grove in Middle River; Falls in Sparks; Zion in Cumberland; Shaft in Frostburg; and Pleasant Walk in Myersville.

New Cemetery Association

The Conference created a Cemetery Association that will oversee funds for the upkeep of three historic cemeteries.

Reconciliation & Grace Through Separation

The Conference endorsed the "Protocol of Reconciliation and Grace Through Separation" which will be considered at the General Conference in Minneapolis, MN, Aug. 29 – Sept. 6, 2022. The protocol is expected to lead to a denomination split mainly due to differing points of view on human sexuality. A new "Global Methodist Church" is being formed and will follow a more traditional interpretation of scripture, theology, and practice.

Scenes from . . .

Salem's "Trunk or Treat"

October 23, 2021

Photos by Jim Laky





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:

Salem United Methodist Church
Church Treasurer
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.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

...with unintended meaning

The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water."

The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Potluck supper Sunday at 5pm — prayer and medication to follow.

Some thoughts to ponder . . .

Tend to your thoughts with care. They have the power to grow weeds or flowers.

Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is a true meaning of our thanksgiving.

Great opportunities to help others seldom come, but small ones surround us every day.

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

The Mountain Shepherd

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NEW SERVICE TIMES

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:15 a.m. Sunday School

November 2021

