

Salem Community Church  
Wolfsville



**Wolfsville FOOD PANTRY**  
Open Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm  
Located at Salem Community Church  
12479 Wolfsville Rd  
Open to all residents with a Myersville, Smithsburg or Sabillasville zip code

Join us at the  
**Lord's Acre Festival**  
Sat September 9  
2 - 6 pm  
Wolfsville Ruritan Park

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## SALEM BEGINS NEW EXCITING CHAPTER IN ITS HISTORY

Salem becomes  
**SALEM COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
September 1, 2023



By Bill Burrier

One way to view Salem's history is to divide it into four chapters.

**Chapter 1** spanned 127 years from Salem's founding in 1819 to 1946, associated with the United Brethren in Christ denomination.

**Chapter 2** was shorter, spanning 22 years as Evangelical United Brethren (EUB).

**Chapter 3** lasted 55 years, affiliated with the United Methodist Church... until this year.

On September 1, 2023, Salem begins an exciting new chapter (call it **Chapter 4**) as an independent community church.

### New Chapter in Salem's History

On March 19, 2023, Salem members voted to disaffiliate from the United Methodist Church (UMC). The results of the vote were 79% in favor of disaffiliation and 21% against disaffiliation. A 2/3 majority was required to pass.

This vote was the culmination of a lengthy discernment process by the congregation that included Bible study, prayer, conversation, and extensive research outlining the steps and costs necessary for Salem to disaffiliate from the UMC.

The United Methodist denomination has been wrestling with differing

perspectives on theological and social issues since its founding in 1968.

The denomination's most recent legislative session, known as General Conference, resulted in a pathway for local UMC churches to exit the denomination, if certain conditions were met. (Prior to this, it was not possible for a church to leave the UMC and become independent.)

In late August, Salem paid \$412,104 to the Baltimore-Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church. The payment included 50% of the value of Salem's property which the Conference required for disaffiliation.

The UMC has held Salem's property in trust since 1968, a condition of the merger between the EUB and UMC. With this payment, Salem once again has ownership of its property.

And so, beginning September 1, Salem begins operating as *Salem Community Church, Wolfsville*, following traditional Biblical values, and will continue its mission to serve the greater Wolfsville area by proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ, helping each other grow in faith, and serving those in need in our congregation, community and the world.

More disaffiliation information on page 7



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**Salem Physical Facilities:**  
Church built 1847  
Educational Building built 1967  
Parsonage built 1974-75

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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 Vision Statement:**  
Building Connections.  
Growing God's Family.

**Salem Mission Statement:**  
Bringing hope by sharing the peace of Christ  
through teaching His word, extending His grace,  
and serving others in His love.

**Go** **2023 MISSION PROJECTS** **2023 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. Open for 2023 .....	0
5. Wolfsville Food Pantry at Salem .....	1,180
6. Travis & Mary D. (AIM - France) .....	1,320
7. United Methodist Board of Child Care .....	750
8. Potato Project (Society of St. Andrew) .....	300
9. Open for 2023 .....	0
10. The Least of These Ministries (Dominican Republic) .....	780
11. Care Net Pregnancy Center of Frederick .....	600
12. Compassion International (Sponsored Child in Tanzania) .....	486
13. Open for 2023 .....	0
14. World Vision (Sponsored Child in Colombia) .....	420
<b>TOTAL GOAL for 2023 .....</b>	<b>\$9,521</b>

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

1. Make checks payable to Salem Community 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**

*Mission Project No. 5*

**Wolfsville "Food Pantry" at Salem**

**The Food Pantry is open every Tuesday 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
Justinn & Holly Irons, Food Pantry Leaders**

Thank you to everyone for your continued support of the Food Pantry. With your support, we are able to serve many families in the area. There are a few items that continue to be popular among the families that we serve. Any donations are greatly appreciated.

If anyone is interested in volunteering, please reach out to Justinn (301-788-9537).

**Items Needed:**

- Fruit Cocktail
- Relish
- Pickles
- Beef Stew
- Chili with beans
- Canned Chicken
- Vienna Sausages
- Mayonnaise
- Ketchup
- Mustard
- Crackers
- Spam

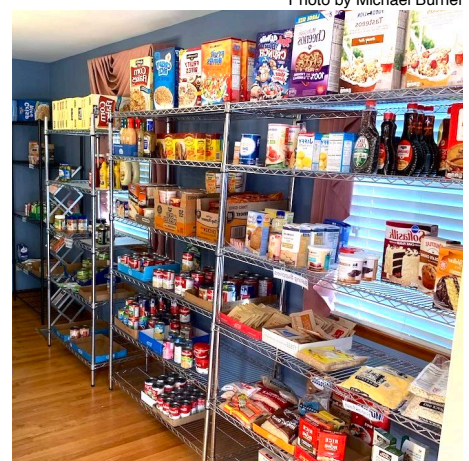


Photo by Michael Burrier

**While Salem is recruiting for a new pastor,  
the church office in the parsonage WILL NOT be staffed.**

- Phone messages on the office phone (301-293-1616) will be monitored by Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer.
- Any mail addressed to the church's physical address (12477 Wolfsville Road) will be forwarded to Salem's Post Office Box 144 at the Myersville Post Office.

# Who's Doing What, When?

September 2023

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

### Lay Reader

- 3 Dennis Draper
- 10 Janice Harshman
- 17 Michael Burrier
- 24 Gary Barkdoll

### Acolyte

- 3 Valentina Barkdoll
- 10 Cheyenne Leatherman
- 17 Brynleigh Irons
- 24 Shelby Leatherman

### Organist/Pianist

- 3 Sara Weitzel
- 10 Sara Weitzel
- 17 Sara Weitzel
- 24 Sara Weitzel

### Worship Leader

- 3 Michael Burrier
- 10 Denny Leatherman
- 17 David Barton (Pastoral Candidate)
- 24 Jim Laky

### Computer

- 3 Robin Haupt
- 10 Wanda Barkdoll
- 17 Camilo Barkdoll
- 24 Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer

### Camera

- 3 Camilo Barkdoll
- 10 Robin Haupt
- 17 Bill Burrier
- 24 Dennis Draper

### Greeter

- 3 Donald & Susie Stottlemeyer
- 10 Dennis Draper
- 17 Matthew Stottlemeyer
- 24 Barkdoll Family

### Worship Bulletin Preparation:

Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer

### Prayer Requests:

Michael Burrier

## Join us at Lord's Acre



**Saturday**  
**September 9, 2023**  
 Wolfsville Ruritan Park  
**Starting Time: 2:00 p.m.**  
 Live Auction: 6:00 p.m.



**Featured Quilt for 2023**  
 To be sold at 6 p.m. auction

### GOOD COUNTRY COOKING

(2:00-6:00 p.m.)

Many people attend the Lord's Acre Festival to eat the homemade food that has been so consistently delicious for so many years.

— This Year's Menu —

- **Homemade Soups**  
 Beef Vegetable, Ham Bean, Turkey Noodle
- **Sandwiches**  
 Country Ham, Turkey Salad, Hot Beef, Hot Dog, Chili Dog, Kraut Dog, Pulled Pork
- **French Fries**
- **Homemade Baked Goods**  
 Pies, cakes, cookies, pastry, more
- **Soft Drinks, Iced Tea, Coffee, Water**

### Ice Cream 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Hand-dipped by the bowl

### Crafts & Fancy Needlework

(2:00-6:00 p.m.)

A wide variety of handmade fancy needlework and craft items will be on sale.

### Produce 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Fresh produce, fruits & vegetables. Selection is based on donated items.

### Flea Tables 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Household items and books. The price is your donation.

### Silent Auction 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Bid on donated items.

### Music 2:00-5:00 p.m.

"His Word Ministries"

### Live Auction 6:00 p.m.

Featured Quilt  
 Unique & unsold items  
 Robert A. Wilson, Auctioneer

## It's Your Day!



### September Anniversaries

- 8 - David & Sharon Harshman
- 13 - Bill & Joyce Weaver
- 16 - Charles & Yvonne Reeder
- 17 - Steve & Joann Leatherman
- 20 - Mark & Hallie Burrier
- 26 - Bill & Caroline Buhrman
- 30 - Adam & Vicki Robinson

### September Birthdays

- 2 - Dawn Brown
- 3 - Emmanuel Barkdoll
- 6 - Marilyn Leatherman
- 7 - Sarah Burrier
- 8 - David Harshman
- 9 - David Brandenburg
- 10 - Nevaeh Mellott
- 14 - Mary Cline
- 14 - Meredith Harshman
- 14 - Dan Lafferty
- 19 - Wanda Barkdoll
- 19 - Cody Leatherman
- 21 - Delilah Herrell
- 26 - Bobby Fogle
- 27 - Terri Buhrman

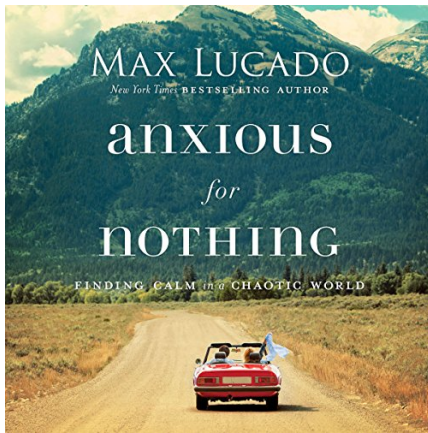
### If you have an announcement for the Sunday bulletin, contact

Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer  
 301-293-1470

### If you have a Prayer Request, contact:

Michael Burrier  
 301-401-7575

## Bible Studies: Women • Men • Youth • Adult singles & couples



### Ladies Tuesday Evening Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

The Ladies Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, September 19th on zoom at 7:00 p.m. The ladies will be using a study titled "Anxious for Nothing" by Max Lucado.

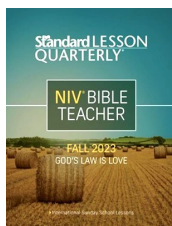
If you are interested in joining this group of ladies on Tuesday evenings, contact Debbie Irons at 301-271-7012 for the Zoom link and more details about the study.

### Sunday Bible Study 10:15-11:00 am

Every Sunday, Salem offers Bible study for all ages during its Sunday School time, following worship at 10:15 to 11:00 a.m.

September begins a new 3-month Fall quarter of lessons for the adult men and women classes titled "God's Law is Love."

These lessons are published by Standard Publishing, following the International Sunday School Lessons.

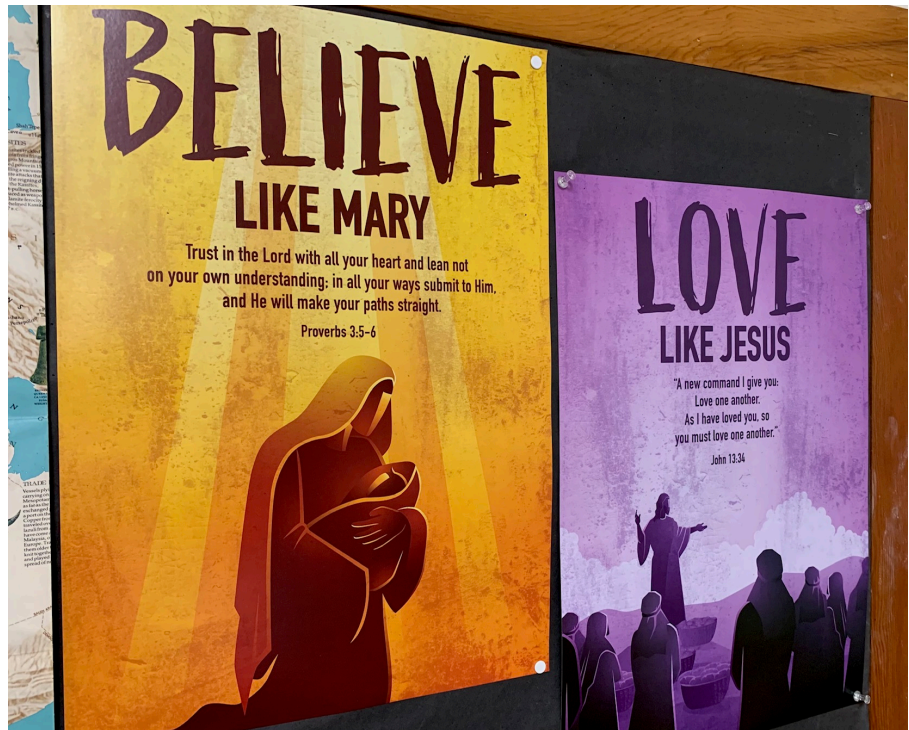


### Youth Sunday School Class 10:15-11:00 a.m.

• By Michael Burrier

As your new Youth Sunday School Class teacher, I wanted to share some of the exciting things we are learning. The Youth Class is for middle school, high school, and young adult students and meets upstairs in the social room from 10:15-11:00 a.m. during the Sunday School hour.

We are using lessons from Scripture



Press (published by the David C. Cook Company) that builds a solid faith foundation based on Scripture. The curriculum helps students understand and grow in the knowledge of God's Word and features a take-home journal to continue their engagement with Scripture during the week.

During class, we use the Student Life Application Bible in the New Living Translation to make Scripture as clear and easy to understand as possible. We end each class with a prayer to thank God for His Word and ask God to help us apply the message that we learned.

Our first lesson together was called, "Who Am I?" We learned that God has uniquely created each one of us in His image – our identity is found in Him.

We are people of value because we are loved by God and have a purpose to serve a God who is worth serving.

For the rest of August, we studied about Faith – learning of our need to live our Christian lives by faith.

Romans 4:20-21 tells us that faith means holding on tightly to God's promises, giving God glory in difficult situations, standing firmly on the fact that God's Word is true, and knowing that God is able to fulfill His promises.

During the Fall quarter, our lessons will focus on the themes of Discipleship, studies in the book of James, and "The Trouble with People."

Come join us on the journey of faith!

### Adult Discussion Group 10:15-11:00 a.m.

The Adult Discussion Group Sunday School Class recently began an in-depth study of the Book of Exodus.

The study is titled "From Egypt to Sinai" and will track the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as they become slaves in Egypt and as God chooses Moses to carry out His plan to free the Hebrew people.

The Adult Discussion Group meets in the social room and includes adult couples and singles. An average of 23 students attend each week. Coffee and a snack are provided by class members.

Each class begins with announcements, prayer requests, and then an in-depth study of the topic. Our Bibles are our study guides. Bill Burrier is our leader.





**INSPIRATIONAL  
Reading**

**Life's Golden Autumn**

*By Helen Steiner Rice*

Birthdays come and birthdays go  
 and with them comes the thought  
 Of all the happy memories  
 that the passing years have brought—  
 And looking back across the years  
 it's a joy to reminisce  
 For memory opens wide the door  
 on a happy day like this,  
 And with a sweet nostalgia  
 we longingly recall  
 The happy days of long ago  
 that seem the best of all—  
 But time cannot be halted  
 in its swift and endless flight  
 And age is sure to follow youth  
 as day comes after night—  
 And once again it's proven  
 that the restless brain of man  
 Is powerless to alter  
 God's great unchanging plan—  
 But while our step grows slower  
 and we grow more tired, too,  
 The soul goes soaring upward  
 to realms untouched and new,  
 For growing older only means  
 the spirit grows serene  
 And we behold things with our souls  
 that our eyes have never seen—  
 And birthdays are but gateways  
 to eternal life above  
 Where "God's children" live forever  
 in the beauty of His love.

**Helen Steiner Rice began  
 each day with this prayer . . .**

Bless me, Heavenly Father,  
 Forgive my erring ways,  
 Grant me strength to serve You,  
 Put purpose in my days . . .  
 Give me understanding  
 Enough to make me kind  
 So I may judge all people  
 With my heart and not my mind . . .  
 And teach me to be patient in everything I do,  
 Content to trust Your wisdom  
 And to follow after You . . .  
 And help me when I falter  
 And hear me with I pray  
 And receive me in Your Kingdom  
 To dwell with You some day.



**RECIPE**



**Baked Apple Squares**

**INGREDIENTS:**

- |                          |                                      |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 3/4 cups sugar         | 1 teaspoon vanilla                   |
| 3 eggs                   | 1 cup cooking oil                    |
| 2 cups sifted flour      | 2 cups thinly sliced McIntosh apples |
| 1 teaspoon baking powder | 1 cup chopped nuts (optional)        |
| 1 teaspoon cinnamon      |                                      |
| 1/2 teaspoon salt        |                                      |

**DIRECTIONS:**

1. Beat sugar and eggs until light colored. Add sifted dry ingredients. Add oil and vanilla. Fold in thinly sliced apples and chopped nuts.
2. Bake in greased 9 x 13 inch pan at 350 degrees for 40 minutes. Place pan on rack to cool.
3. Cut in squares. May be frozen.

*From a cookbook entitled, "KEEP COOKING — The Maine Way" Compiled by Marjorie Standish*



**A Prayer for Patience**

*By Joanne Fuchs*

God, teach me to be patient;  
 Teach me to go slow.  
 Teach me how to wait on You  
 When my way I do not know.  
 Teach me sweet forbearance  
 When things do not go right  
 So I remain unruffled  
 When others grow uptight.  
 Teach me how to quiet  
 My racing, rising heart  
 So I might hear the answer  
 You are trying to impart.  
 Teach me to let it go, dear God,  
 And pray undisturbed until  
 My heart is filled with inner peace  
 And I learn to know your will.

*Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman*

**Sticky Buns & Pies For Sale**

As a fundraiser for Salem's "Bee-lievers" women's group, 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

**NOTICE**  
**Salem will not be hosting a CROP Walk this year.**

**Let go**, let God take all your life  
 Without a halfway measure,  
 For His love is more to you  
 Than all your earthly treasure.

**Let go**, let God walk with you  
 When the way gets rough,  
 For He will give you added strength  
 When yours is not enough.

**Let go**, let God talk with you  
 And carry all your load,  
 For He's the only light we see  
 Sometimes along the road.

**Let go**, let God heal you now  
 In body, mind and soul,  
 For only He and He alone  
 Can really make you whole.

*—By Tom Kolb*

## News and Notes

Photo by Bill Burrier

### Lord's Acre Festival Preparation

Thursday, September 7

- Soup making, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday, September 8

- Fruit Pie making, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Cream Pie making, 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.
- Set up at pavilion, starting at 5 p.m.

Saturday, September 9

- Sandwich making, 7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
- Lord's Acre sales begin, 2 p.m.

### Facility Maintenance by Salem's Board of Trustees

#### Parsonage

Salem's parsonage is being readied for a new pastor. Although, as of this writing, a new pastor has not been selected. If the new pastor chooses to live in the parsonage rather than a home of their own, the parsonage will be ready.

In any event, the pastor's office is located in the parsonage and will be ready as well.

Painting has begun by volunteers and there will be a need to hire a painter to supplement their work.

Some recent plumbing work has been done and some floor repairs are yet to be completed.

#### Fire, Safety & Security

The church's fire extinguishers and other fire security systems have been inspected and serviced by BFPE International, a fire protection company located in Hanover, Maryland.

The inspection occurs on an annual basis.

#### Internet Network Equipment

Recently a key piece of Salem's network equipment decided to fail and had to be replaced. The item of equipment was purchased at Micro Center in Rockville. Our thanks to Robin Haupt and Jim Laky for getting Salem's WiFi network up and running in time so that those who Zoom in for Sunday morning worship were able to do so.

#### Carpet Cleaning

Our thanks to Robin & Theresa Haupt for renting the equipment and cleaning the carpet in the social room and center isle in the sanctuary.

#### Sanctuary Piano

The sanctuary piano was recently tuned and serviced by Kramer's Piano Shop, New Midway, Maryland.



On Sunday, August 13, 2023, we were blessed with special music from Sandy Lewis, Joann Leatherman, Marlene Young and Jim Laky. Thank you for sharing your gifts of music to build up the body of Christ!

Mission Project No. 11

### Care Net Pregnancy Center of Frederick

Dear Salem Church:

With the overturning of Roe V Wade, and abortion handed back to each state, we knew that Maryland will be even more of a destination state than before. This week I had my first eye-opening conversation about this with a woman seeking abortion. She lives in a state that has restricted abortion laws. She is well over the time frame that her state allows abortion. She began calling the more liberal states that allow abortion well into the 3rd trimester. She found a facility that will perform the abortion, and help with funding. She will have to travel across 4 states to obtain her abortion.

For a short time, I was able to educate her on the risks of abortion (physical and emotional), the option of adoption, and offer her help here at our center. Unfortunately, she didn't make an appointment with us. I pray that the seeds planted will cause her to stop and think through the bigger picture of abortion, and the aftermath of this decision. Please pray for her!

It takes a community of people that are committed to supporting this pregnancy center, so that these types of conversations can be had. Thank you for generously and faithfully giving to Care Net Frederick!

Blessings, *Linda King, Executive Director*



Mission Project No. 6

### Travis & Mary in France

Travis & Mary announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Mélodie Imani. Travis & Mary will be on home leave soon and may visit Salem later this year.



■ By **MICHAEL BURRIER**, *Transition Team Leader*

**D**uring August, our Transition Team finalized several significant steps toward completing our disaffiliation from the United Methodist Church.

#### Delivery of Disaffiliation Items

On Monday, August 21, Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer, our Chair of Trustees, and Michael Burrier, our Transition Team Leader, hand-delivered several disaffiliation items to the Baltimore-Washington Conference (BWC) Center located at 11711 E Market Place, Fulton, Maryland.

These items included our Disaffiliation Agreement between Salem and the BWC, two property deeds that will release the United Methodist Church's interest in our church property and cemetery, copies of requested church historical documents and records, and our disaffiliation payment in the amount of \$412,104.

Everything went well with the delivery. Based on our conversation with the Conference representative, we have selected September 1, 2023, as the date when Salem will officially become *Salem Community Church, Wolfsville*.

Our disaffiliation will be fully completed when the Conference returns the signed documents to Salem and the

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on  
September 1, 2023

property deeds are recorded in the Land Records of Frederick County by our attorney, Michael Delauter, Esq.

#### Pastor Search Update

The Pastor Search Team has been hard at work. In early August, we conducted four interviews of candidates for our open pastor position. The interviews helped us select two candidates that we would like to introduce to the Salem Church congregation.

Our first candidate, Pastor David Barton, will be speaking on Sunday, September 17th, and the second candidate, Pastor Neil Suders, will be with us on Sunday, October 1st.

On those Sundays, the candidate will bring a message and participate in other

parts of the worship service; they will visit with our Sunday School classes; and following Sunday School there will be a potluck luncheon to give the congregation even more time to interact with the candidate and their family.

The services will be recorded and uploaded to the church website for those who are unable to be there in person.

Everyone will have an opportunity to provide feedback on the candidates. That feedback will be used to make a hiring recommendation to the Salem Church Council.

#### Pastor Search Team

I want to thank Robin Haupt for his outstanding leadership of the Pastor Search Team. Debbie Irons was also very involved in helping us prepare for and conduct the interviews.

Each person on the Search Team has been so faithful with their time and commitment to the process: Vernon Stottlemeyer, Denny Leatherman, Linda Marenic, Joyce Weaver, Donnie Stottlemeyer, Wanda Barkdoll, Sandy Miller, Cathie Elsbach, Caroline Buhrman and Bill Buhrman.

Please continue to keep the Transition Team in your prayers as we strive to keep our eyes on the Lord for His guidance, wisdom, patience and discernment in all things.

## Church Membership— Transition to the new *Salem Community Church, Wolfsville*

- 1. Remain Current Member** — If you are currently a member of Salem United Methodist Church and would like to continue as a member of Salem Community Church, Wolfsville, you do not need to do anything. Your membership will automatically transfer.
- 2. Withdraw or Move** — If you do not want your Salem United Methodist membership to transfer to Salem Community Church, Wolfsville, please provide a written request to the Church Council (attention Vernon Stottlemeyer). Please instruct us if you want your membership withdrawn or moved to another church. Note that the request must be in writing for record keeping.
- 3. Become a New Member** — If you are currently not a member of Salem and are interested in becoming a member of Salem Community Church, Wolfsville — we are excited that you are ready to take this next step in your faith journey! More information will be forthcoming on the process for receiving new members.

Scenes from the . . .

Photos by Michael Burrier



The Lord provided beautiful weather for our 2023 Ice Cream Social. It was a great evening with ice cream, cornhole, music and fellowship. Thank you to LDS (Lee Delauter & Sons) for donating the delicious Hershey's ice cream!

Congratulations to our cornhole champions!  
 1st Place - Vernon Stottlemeyer and Justinn Irons.  
 2nd Place - David Irons and Meredith Harshman.



Cornhole champions! 1st Place: Vernon Stottlemeyer (right) and Justinn Irons (center). 2nd Place: David Irons (left) and Meredith Harshman (not pictured).





Scenes from the . . .

Photos by Michael Burrier

**Family Hangout**  
**OLE MINK FARM RECREATION RESORT**  
**SUN, AUG 20, 4PM**  
 12806 MINK FARM RD, THURMONT  
 Swimming • Games • Hamburgers and hot dogs for dinner



Salem family fun at Ole Mink Farm. **Watch for our next Family Hangout coming in October!**

Facebook comments:

It was a really nice evening and good time.

Thanks to the Irons family for an enjoyable evening.





**1. Offering Plate in Sanctuary**

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

**2. By Mail**

You may mail your tithes and offerings to:

**Salem Community Church**

Church Treasurer

P. O. Box 144

Myersville, MD 21773-0144

Make checks payable to: **Salem Community Church**



**3. Electronically Online**

You may give electronically by viewing our website

[SalemChurchWolfsville.org](http://SalemChurchWolfsville.org) and select GIVE.

**LAY ADVICE**

A successful layman was in a great deal of business trouble. In no uncertain terms the enterprise was failing. Even though he put in every penny he and the bank had, he owed everybody. As a last resort, he went to a pastor and with many tears asked for help.

When the businessman finished his story, his pastor said, "Here's what I want you to do: Take a beach chair and your Bible and head down to the beach. When you get there, sit at the water's edge. Next, you shall open your Bible; the wind will ruffle the pages, but finally the breeze will die down. Look down at the page and read the first thing you see. From that you will know what to do."

Some time later, the pastor saw the businessman and was curious. "Did you do what I suggested?" he asked.

"Absolutely," replied the businessman.

The pastor asked, "What were the first words you saw on the page?" "Chapter 11."

*Some thoughts to ponder . . .*

Knowledge is knowing what to say.  
Wisdom is knowing whether or not to say it.

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

Never measure God's unlimited power by your limited expectations.

**The Mountain Shepherd**

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**SERVICE TIMES**

**9:00 a.m. Sunday Worship**

**10:15 a.m. Sunday School**



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