

This Week's Calendar of Events

This Sunday

7:30 AM Informal Worship Team Set-up (Fellowship Hall)
8:15 AM Morning Worship (Sanctuary)
8:30 AM Informal Worship Team Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
9:15 AM The Gathering Rehearsal (Room 110)
9:30 AM Back to the Bible Adult Bible School Class (Room 210)
9:30 AM Informal Worship (Fellowship Hall)
9:30 AM PACT (Room 215)
9:30 AM Samaritan Adult Sunday School Class (Room 214)
10:45 AM Informal Worship Team Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
10:45 AM Visioning Class (Room 210)
11:00 AM Cross Training "One Room School House" (Rooms 112-114)
11:00 AM Seekers in Christ Adult Sunday School Class (Rooms 115, 214 [Children])

11:00 AM The Gathering (Sanctuary)
12:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 21125 Craft Event (Rooms 112-114)
3:00 PM GS Jr Troop 20090 (Rooms 112-114)
5:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 20088 (Rooms 113-114)
7:00 PM Sunday Night Lamplighters (Kline Home)

Monday

10:15 AM "Stand Up" Staff Meeting (Office)
6:00 PM Girl Scout Daisy Troop 11469 (Room 111)
6:00 PM Girl Scouts Troop 20296 (Rooms 112-114)
7:00 PM CDA--Chemically Dependent Anonymous (Room 219)
7:00 PM Monday Night Men's Basketball Ministry (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday

6:30 PM Arrow of Light (Room 115)
6:30 PM Bears (Room 210)
6:30 PM Lions (Rooms 112-114)
6:30 PM Tigers (Room 111)
6:30 PM Webelos (Room 211)
6:30 PM Wolves (Room 214)

Wednesday

6:15 AM Men's Morning Cup of Jesus (Room 115)
6:00 PM 4th & 5th Grade Girls Group (Rooms 112-114)
6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 20857 Daisies (Room 212)
6:30 PM Men's Evening Cup Bible Study (Room 210)
6:30 PM Wednesday Night Kids (Rooms 112-114 and FH)
6:30 PM Women in Prayer (Room 215)

Thursday

5:30 PM Talent Show Practice (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 PM Brownie Troop 20861 (Room 111)
6:30 PM 4th and 5th Grade Guys Group (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 PM Women's Book Group (Room 212)
7:30 PM Troop 198 Meeting (Room 115)

Friday

6:00 PM West Shore YWCA Volleyball (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday

3:00 PM Susquehanna Folk Festival Planning Committee (Room 115)
5:15 PM Parents' Night Out (FH and Rooms 105, 106)

Special Event Next Sunday

No special events scheduled

Salem Parish News – April 15, 2018

Visiting Salem Today? We have a gift for you! Come to the Welcome table in either the Lobby or the back of the Fellowship Hall. We invite you to fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin. We're glad you are here!



Altar Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are in honor of Lyndsey Michelsen's 19th birthday from her Mom. The flowers in Fellowship Hall are in honor of 2-year-old Madden Dyer from her grandparents, Doug & Pam Dyer.

Sermon Action Ideas!

Join God and "let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream." (Amos 5:24)

- **Read *Tears We Cannot Stop*** by Michael Eric Dyson
- **Contribute** to the International Justice Mission www.ijm.org
- **Volunteer** to help with Family Promise May 27 - June 3
- **Volunteer** with the Motel Ministry
- **Form** a team to explore sponsoring another refugee family

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN

Child Care at 9:00am & 11:00am for children up to 36 months in Room 106.
Sunday School for children 4yrs through 5th grade at 9:30, and for children 3yrs old through 3rd grade at 11:00am.

Pray for our Leadership

Please pray for the members of our Church Council. Not only do they carry a lot of responsibilities for the church, but **PRAY** they spend a lot of time doing it (not that they complain). Please pray for their ability to have balance in their lives.

Sisters of Salem is
Not currently meeting, but
will resume in a few weeks.

**Changings Pastors,
Why is it Different this Time?**

Folks have asked why the process of filling a pastoral vacancy is so different this time. **Two reasons:** First, 35 pastors are retiring this year and only 5 new pastors are beginning ministry. So it is more urgent for congregations with no pastor to receive an appointment rather than a church with one pastor to receive the second. Also, we are in a visioning process this year and since it isn't clear yet exactly where God is leading, an interim pastor seems to be our best option. Then next year we can request leadership with the skills we will need to take Salem where God is calling us. Though transition is tough, we will work and endure together until we get to where God would have us be!



OUR FAITHFULNESS April 8

Attendance - 358
Tithes & Offerings - \$12,225.58

Connect

Morning Sunday School (MS/HS) 9:15-10:30am
Youth Group (MS/HS) 6-8pm

NEW High School small group gatherings started Wednesday, 4/11. We will meet on Wednesday nights from 6-7:30pm. We'll play board games, hang out, even help each other with homework (if we're super bored), as



well as have a dedicated time for bible study and discussion. Open to any and all high school students! For more details, contact Kevin Fickel at kfickl12@gmail.com

The Salem Seniors will meet on Thursday, April 19th at T.J. Rockwell's. For reservations please contact Fay Brown at 717-938-1190 or email fayjake@ptd.net by Sunday, April 15th. Hope to see you!



Mother Daughter Banquet

LADIES, Enjoy a night of good food, entertainment and fun! Join us for the annual Mother Daughter Banquet on Friday, 5/11 at 6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Prices for tickets are \$11.00 for individuals over the age of 12, \$6.00 for children 4 to 12, and free for children under the age of 4. The deadline for ordering tickets is Sunday, April 29th. **Contact Lois Witters (938-5438; lmwitters@gmail.com)**



Missing a Dish?

There are many dishes in the kitchen that have been left over the last few months. Please see if any are yours. Any dishes left after 6/1 will be donated. Thank you!

Grow

Visioning Together for April—Community and Fresh Expressions

Now our visioning focuses outward! We'll ask questions like who lives in our community, and is Salem engaged in our mission field? We'll also talk about Fresh Expressions, new ways to "do church" outside our building. Have you had an idea about how to reach our community but dismissed it as too "out there?" Now's a great time to share it!

- Today, 9:30am in the Samaritan Class (Room 214) by Terry Duncan and Jo-Ann Howard
- Today, 10:45am with Bonnie Moody, Brian Davis and Judy Novinger (Room 210)
- Monday, April 23, 7pm by Ellen Smith at the Wilkinson's home
- Thursday, April 26, 11am with Joan Dean (Room 115)
- Wednesday, May 9, 6:30pm with Men's Evening Cup (Room 210) by Ed Kautz and Steve Novacek
- Saturday, May 12, 10am by Susan Huntsberger (Room 115)
- Sunday, May 13, at 11am in Seekers of Christ (Room 115) with Dennis Best

Resilience, a new PACT Series will be presented by Ellen Smith on 4/28, 5/20 & 5/27 at 9:30am in room 215. Resilience means: To bend but not break; the capacity to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness; the ability of a substance or object to spring back into shape, elasticity. Let's better understand the concept of resilience & how it impacts our lives & our children's lives in this often-challenging world. We'll discuss what resilience is, learn to recognize resilience & explain and practice using tools to help build resilience in ourselves & our children.



Serve

COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY, APRIL 28,
7:30 AM-4:30 PM— Receive assistance or serve! Volunteers from Salem's congregation will be serving their neighbors in the Community by completing yard work (such as: weeding, raking, trimming bushes), simple home repairs, painting, and etc.... If you want to serve or if you need assistance, please indicate it on your Connection Card. Dinner to follow the work day at 5:00 PM, at Salem.

Have a Weekly Get Together With Your Friends!

Start a small group at your house. Home groups function just like ones that meet at church. Choose how often you meet and the function of the group. It could include a shared interest, hobby, season in life, or a Biblical conversation. What do you want to talk about, what group has a need of fellowship, what Biblical topic is on your mind? Think this might work for you? Contact Susan Ryder sryder@fcsalem.org or note interest on the Connection Card.



Beautiful Pictures Wanted

Do you have one or more pictures that you have taken of something beautiful—a face young or old, a scene, a piece of art? The theme of next Sunday's message is the gift of beauty & your photo will be included in a slide show. Please email them to office@fcsalem.org. We will do our best to use all the photos, but due to the time limit we may not be able to use all the photos.

Due by Tuesday, April 17th



Give the Gift of Financial Peace. Consider leading a Financial Peace University group at Salem this fall. You don't have to be a financial expert or have your own finances in order to lead this video study. Just a desire to help folks take control of their money, plan for the future and transform their lives! Note interest on the Connection Card.



Item of the Month: Mission Central also partners with Healthy Steps Diaper Bank. They send diapers to struggling families unable to afford them. Mission Central continues to send cleaning buckets to those in need. The item of the Month is (non-cellulose) sponges for these cleaning buckets. Please put the sponges in the bin marked Mission Central in Mission Corner.