

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)
 - 9:30 AM Youth Sunday School (Room 219)
 - 10:45 AM Informal Worship Team Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
 - 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)
 - 1:00 PM Families in the Field (Budget Inn New Cumberland)
 - 3:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 20264 (Room 212)
 - 4:00 PM PACT (Room 115)
 - 6:00 PM Youth Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
 - 7:00 PM Sunday Night Lamplighters (Kline Home)
- Monday
- 8:30 AM "Stand Up" Staff Meeting (Office)
 - 4:30 PM Private Meeting (Room 115)
 - 5:00 PM Basketball - Boys 5th-6th Grade Travel Team Practice (Fellowship Hall)
 - 6:30 PM Girl Scout Brownie Troop 20861 (Rooms 112-114)
 - 6:45 PM Girl Scout Troop 20974 (Room 214)
 - 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Room 219)
 - 7:00 PM Monday Night Men's Basketball Ministry (Fellowship Hall)
 - 7:00 PM Stephen Ministry (Room 212)
- Tuesday
- 5:30 PM Pack 198 - Fall Awards/Service Project (Fellowship Hall)
 - 6:00 PM Vision Prayer Team (Office)
 - 6:30 PM Advent Lite Church-Wide Study (Room 212)
 - 7:00 PM Budget Inn Community Center Meeting (Motel Ministry) (Room 210)
- Wednesday
- 6:00 PM Holy Grounds Cafe - Open to Everyone! (Welcome Center)
 - 6:00 PM Senior High Youth Gathering (Room 218)
 - 6:30 PM 4th and 5th Grade God's Girls Group (Room 211)
 - 6:30 PM Al-Anon (Room 214)
 - 6:30 PM Art and Advent (Room 215)
 - 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 20857 (Room 212)
 - 6:30 PM Sisters of Salem (Room 115)
 - 6:30 PM Wednesday Night Kids (Rooms 112-114 and Fellowship Hall)
 - 7:00 PM Chime Choir Practice (Room 110)
- Thursday
- 6:00 PM Basketball - 4th-6th Grade Guys Open Basketball (Fellowship Hall)
 - 6:00 PM Christmas Closet Sorting (Ministry Workshop)
 - 6:15 PM Girl Scout Troop 20109 (Room 214)
 - 7:30 PM Susquehanna Folk Festival Planning Committee (Room 210)
 - 7:30 PM Troop 198 Meeting (Room 115)
- Friday
- 5:00 PM Red Land Midget Football Pee Wee Banquet (Fellowship Hall)
- Saturday
- 1:00 PM Private Event (Fellowship Hall and Kitchen)
- Next Sunday Special Events
- 1:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 20296 (Rooms 112-114)
 - 6:00 PM Lessons and Carols (Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary)

Salem Parish News – November 25, 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 our bulletin. We're glad you are here!



The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in honor of grandsons, Kyle & Tyler's, 15th birthday by Alice Orlandi and in honor of Birgit Novacek's 50th Birthday. The flowers in Fellowship Hall are given in honor of Cammi Richcreek's 7th Birthday.



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 3 yrs old through 3rd grade at 11:00am.

Please Pray for those who are hurting this holiday season— **PRAY** that they would feel God & know how He loves them.

Come to Dinner! On December 2, we will gather at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall to share dinner together as a church. After the meal we will move to the sanctuary for a time of carol singing and exploring the meaning of some of our most popular Christmas decorations and traditions. Then we will return to the Fellowship Hall for desert and drinks. Meat, place settings, and drinks will be provided. We ask those attending to bring a side dish or a dessert to share. Hope to see you there. Please RSVP on the Connection Card.



ENDING THE YEAR STRONG

I invite you to join me in ending the year strong in giving so that Salem Church can end the year strong in ministry. If you have missed the opportunity to share your regular offerings because of absence from worship, you may want to "catch up" with your giving. If God has blessed you in a particular way during this year, you may want to give an extra "thank offering" as a sign of your gratitude for all God has given you.

OUR FAITHFULNESS November 18th
 Attendance—311
 Tithes & Offerings - \$10,028.00

Connect

Morning Sunday School (MS/HS) 9:15-10:30am in room 219
 Sunday Night—6pm—Fellowship Hall
 Wednesday Nights—High School Group
 Night 6-7:30pm



Blue Christmas Service of Hope will be held at 3 p.m. on December 9th at Community UMC in New Cumberland. If you have lost a loved one and are in need of comfort and strength this holiday season join us for this worship service.

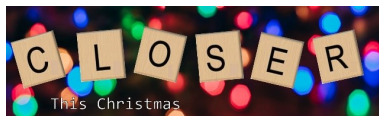


Just a reminder that Grocery Cards are available for sale Sundays in the church office from 9:15-9:30am and 10:30-10:40 and also during regular office hours. Cards are available from Giant, Karns, and Weis. Have cards to shop for the holidays and help the church at the same time!



Church-Wide Advent Study- CLOSER

The birth of Jesus is God's way of saying "I love you, and I want to be closer to you." Get CLOSER this Christmas and participate in Salem's church-wide study. The study continues today and will examine each week's sermon, which will be based on a letter from the acronym.



Participate through a small group. You can find a list of Salem's small groups at www.fcsalem.org under the adult ministry tab or paper copies by the church exits. Contact Susan Ryder, Small Group Coordinator at sryder@fcsalem.org or 938-1928.

Giving Tree

Salem's Giving Tree will be in the Welcome Center beginning, Sunday, November 25th. Select a tag(s) from the tree, purchase the item (\$25 or less), wrap it, secure the tag on the outside of the gift (taped), and place the gift under the tree. Gifts need to be returned by Sunday, December 16th so they can be sorted and delivered to the families several days before Christmas.



Serve

We are looking for Greeters to serve on Christmas Eve at all services. Needed are Greeters in the parking lot (traffic directors), opening doors at both entrances and Greeters inside as well. Nothing says welcome more than a warm handshake and smile! If you are interested, please fill out the Connection Card or contact Karen

GREETERS Derrick at 717-870-9784 or Karon Haring 717-512-3603.

Christmas Closet Breakfast Help Needed! We are in need of Breakfast Food items. See the details and sign up on the sheets located through the church. Monetary donations also accepted. Want to Volunteer? Sign up on the Connection Card for the following: Set up—7:00-7:30; Table set up, cooking, making coffee and pouring juices; Servers—8:00-10:00; buffet style); Cleanup 10:00-11:00. Questions? Jeff Strohecker (717) 884-1941 email: hockeygod265@aol.com.



Christmas Closet is no longer accepting donations. Due to the amount of work still to be done, sorting will now be every Thursday. Take home projects are available. Volunteers are also needed for the event on December 8th. Donations will be collected again beginning in March 2019.



Children are the heartbeat of the church and **our Children Need YOU!!!** You do not need to help every week—once a month, once a quarter, even twice a year is all we need. Help make a difference in a child's life.

Please contact Jeannette Payne, Childcare Volunteer Coordinator for more information about being a teacher or helper: 717-781-5136 or sign up on the Connection Card.



Help Us Deck Our Halls!

Salem will decorate the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall with poinsettias (6.5" pots/5+ blooms or red, white or marble). Take them home on Christmas Eve after the last service in either location. The cost is \$9.00 for each plant. Checks payable To FCSUMC & place with form in Jeannie Pelen's mailbox by 12/2. Forms in info rack outside Pastor Jenny's office.



Favorite cookies? Pies? Desserts? Submit them to FCSUMCrecipes@gmail.com or place in the recipe pot in the Welcome Center. Please include your name and contact information.



Mission Central is sending flood buckets to people who have lost so much in the destruction of their homes with the hurricanes in the south. Reusable wipes or handi wipes are needed for the flood buckets. Please put the wipes in the bin marked Mission Central in Mission Corner.