

This Week's Calendar of Events

TODAY:	7:30am	Informal Worship Set Up (FH), Informal Worship Rehearsal (FH)
	8:15am	Worship (Sanctuary)
	9:15am	The Gathering Rehearsal (110)
	9:30am	Informal Worship (Fellowship Hall)
	9:30am	Middle School Youth (219)
	9:30am	Cross Training (Sanctuary)
	9:30am	Adult SS Classes - Samaritan (115), Back to the Bible (210)
		Simply Scripture (214)
	9:30am	Parents & Children Together (215)
	9:30am	New Member Class (Chapel, 218)
	10:45am	Informal Worship Rehearsal (FH)
	11:00am	"The Gathering" Worship (Sanctuary)
	11:00am	Cross Training "One Room School House" (112-114)
	11:00am	Seeker in Christ Adult Sunday School Class (115)
	12:00pm	Families in the Field (115)
MON.	9:00am	Stand Up Meeting (Office)
	9:20am	Core Staff Meeting (215)
	7:00pm	Chemically Dependent Anonymous (219)
	7:00pm	Monday Night Men's Basketball Ministry (FH)
TUES.	1:00pm	Egg Making Leadership Team Meeting (215)
	6:00pm	Vision Prayer Team (Office)
	6:30pm	Pack 198 Den Meetings (112-114,115,210,211,214)
WEDS.	5:45pm	Children's Choir (Chapel)
	6:00pm	Wednesday Night Kids Club (105,106,112-114)
	6:30pm	Table Talk (115)
	6:30pm	Sisters of Salem (115)
	6:30pm	4th & 5th Grade Girls Group (219)
	6:30pm	God & Family (215)
	6:30pm	God & Me (214)
	6:30pm	God & Me, Catholic (211)
	7:00pm	Chimechoir (110)
THUR.	6:30pm	Pack 198 Committee Meeting (215)
	6:30pm	Choir Rehearsal (110)
	7:00pm	United Methodist Women (115)
	7:00pm	sudSSpirit (210)
	7:30pm	Troop 198 Meeting (212, FH)
	7:45pm	Gathering Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:45pm	Informal Worship Rehearsal (110)
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SAT.	10:00am	Prayer Shawl Ministry (115)
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	9:15am	Middle School Youth (219)
	9:30am	Informal Worship (Fellowship Hall)
	9:30am	Cross Training (Sanctuary)
	9:30am	Adult SS Classes - Samaritan (115), Back to the Bible (210)
		Simply Scripture (Library)
	9:30am	Parents & Children Together (215)
	9:30am	New Member Class (214)
	10:45am	Informal Worship Rehearsal (FH)
	11:00am	"The Gathering" Worship (Sanctuary)
	11:00am	Cross Training "One Room School House" (112-114)
	11:00am	Seeker in Christ Adult Sunday School Class (115)
	11:00am	ALL Youth Worship Together (Sanctuary)
	5:30pm	Children's Christmas Pageant & Church Wide Advent Dinner (FH)
	7:30pm	Troop 198 PLC Meeting (115)

Salem Parish News – December 4, 2016



The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by the Wert family in celebration of Caleb Wert's 5th birthday and by Bob & Bonnie Shreiner in celebration of David Shreiner's 50th birthday. The flowers in Fellowship Hall are given to the glory of God by Phil & Sue Taylor in celebration of their grandson, Jackson's, birthday.

2017 FLOWER CHARTS ARE UP!
Help beautify our worship spaces each Sunday! Sign up to sponsor flowers in honor of a special day or a special person. The charts are located across from the office windows.



HELP US DECK OUR HALLS
Salem will continue our tradition of decorating the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall with poinsettias. The flowers are available in 6.5" pots with 5+ blooms of red, white or marbled. The flowers will be placed in the church for Christmas Eve and may be taken home after the last service in each location or after services on Christmas Day. The cost is \$8 for each plant. Please make checks payable to FCSUMC with "Poinsettias" in the memo line. Place payment with the order form in Jeannie Pelen's mailbox TODAY. Order forms are available in the rack across from Pastor John's office.

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.

CHURCH WIDE ADVENT DINNER & CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT Sunday, Dec. 11th at 5:30pm

Come enjoy a short show, dinner and fellowship with your church family! Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. *Last names beginning A-N should bring a side dish. Last names beginning O-Z should bring a dessert.* Sign up on the Connection Card to attend. Contact the Church office with questions.

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Share the news about Salem's Christmas schedule by posting fliers throughout the community. Flyers are available in the back of each worship space.



Wondering what's going on in the east field of the church? Through the RL Lacrosse organization that uses our lower field, a local company has offered us some fill that will level off that field and make it usable for various sports and activities. In exchange for receiving the fill, they have obtained and paid for all the necessary permits, they will remove and replace the topsoil, landscape, and reseed, free of charge.

OUR FAITHFULNESS November 27th

Attendance - 348
Tithes & Offerings - \$10,293.25

Connect



TODAY: 9:30am Middle School Youth (219)
NO High School Youth (Youth Retreat)

Dec. 6th 6:30am: High School breakfast at the Summit Restaurant.
 Bring money & a friend - first timers eat for FREE!

Dec. 11th 9:00am: Confirmation Class (Room 218)
9:15am: Middle School Youth (Room 219)
11:00am: ALL Youth Worship Together (Sanctuary)
5:30pm: Church Wide Christmas Pageant & Advent Dinner (Fellowship Hall)



WOMEN OF LIGHT HOLIDAY BREAKFAST - The Women of Light will meet for breakfast at John's Diner on Limekiln Rd. on Sat., Dec. 10th at 10:00am. Please bring a wrapped Christmas ornament for a gift exchange. Please sign up on the WOL bulletin board or call Linda Wrightstone at 774-0901. All single women are invited!

The United Methodist Women will meet Thurs., Dec. 8th at 6:30pm in room 115 for our annual Christmas Party. Please bring soup or a dessert and a sandwich that can be cut into 4 pieces. Also, please bring a \$5.00 wrapped gift for games, and an unwrapped gift marked with the value for the Children's Home in Mechanicsburg. Come and enjoy an evening with good food and fun. As always all women of the Church and the Community are welcome.

Christmas at Salem

Dec. 23rd - 7pm, Traditional (Sanctuary)
Dec. 24th - 5pm, Children's Choir (Sanctuary)
5pm, Blended (Fellowship Hall)
7pm, Celtic (Sanctuary)
9pm, Informal (Fellowship Hall)
9pm, Heritage (Chapel)
11pm, Traditional (Sanctuary)

*Childcare will be available at 5 & 7pm.
 Communion will be served at 11pm.*

Dec. 25th, 10am, Blended (Sanctuary)



Serve



SALEM'S GIVING TREE IS HERE!!! Help local families with gift giving: Select a tag(s) from the tree, purchase & wrap the item, secure the tag on the OUTSIDE of the gift, place the gift under the tree by Sunday, Dec. 11th so they can sorted & delivered several days before Christmas.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE ADVENT DINNER! Please see the Connection Card to sign up to help! Contact Bonnie Moody in the office with questions.



Any brass players, high school age or older, interested in playing on Christmas Eve should contact Dave Kline (774-4995).

CHRISTMAS EVE HOSPITALITY

On Christmas Eve we will need persons to park cars, stand outside the open doors, be greeters inside, and persons to donate & serve refreshments. Check your calendar and pray about your availability on Dec. 23rd & 24th. You can sign up on the Connection Card next week or contact the church office.

FAMILIES IN THE FIELD is gearing up for the holidays with Candy Canes & Cart Returns for our December mission. Join us on Dec. 4th at noon for a potluck lunch followed by a mission to tag candy canes with the meaning of the candy as well as our Christmas Eve services. We will take them to parking lots of local grocery stores, etc. to hand out holiday cheer. Hope to see you there!



Item of the Month: Mission Central sends birthing kits to women who need baby supplies. An item needed for these kits is receiving blankets.

Please place the blankets in the bin marked "Mission Central Item of the Month" located at the end of the hall outside Nursery School rooms (rooms 112-114).