



# The Salem Stimulus

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## SUMMERTIME...

## AND THE PRAYIN' IS EASY

As summer arrives, we all look forward to a more relaxed pace, special trips to special places, days of sunshine and lemonade and evenings of fireworks, fireflies, and family time.

These are prime opportunities to see – to really *see* – what God is doing in the world. When stepping away from a busy schedule, numerous tasks and the daily march of doing, it is good to embrace these days of summer and learn to simply *BE*. Long, hazy days are fine times to rest and to relax the soul... to stop the compulsive need to *DO* a whole lot, and instead welcome our inner want for repose.

Personally, I find it easy to pray when I'm outdoors – whether at the beach, the mountains, or on my patio. There's something about sensing the breeze and soaking in sunlight, smelling the pines or newly mown grass, and listening to birds sing and the wind that jostles leaf and branch... When I take it easy and simply *BE* with that moment -- it feeds my soul.

Add, then, some good music to listen to and a book to enjoy, people to be around while eating, playing, or talking, and I may, on occasion, break away, mentally, from the moment, and become blissfully aware of goodness and blessing and the true treasures of life.

Then comes joy. And gratitude.

This summer, our theme is "**Pay Attention to God.**"

In our messages and Sunday worship we will open books and listen to music and gather as family and remind each other of God's graces. Let's anchor our summer experience in Sunday worship, so that in these warm, long, and languid days we will have trained ourselves to be alert to God's blessings, aware of all goodness, and also know who to thank.

Pastor John

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### **Special Summer Sunday: July 2nd**

Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:15

Combined Worship at 10:00 – outside at the pavilion

Bring lawn chairs and food to share

Food and fellowship to follow

## Neighborhood Fun Night 2017



Neighborhood Fun Night is going on the road. For the past 10 years we have had Neighborhood Fun Night at the church. This year we are taking it on the road to National Night Out at Roof Park on Tuesday, August 1. National Night Out is a national outreach to the community offered by local police. This is the fourth year for National Night Out in Fairview Township. They had over 2000 attendees last year.

This will move our church closer to one of our specific goals, (blurring the lines between community and church). We are going out among the community. We are already doing this through, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, CDA, Family Promise, use of our facilities for Lacrosse, among a host of other things. This is another step in that direction.

I attended their initial meeting for this year on May 4, 2017. I am very excited to be a part of National Night Out this year, and they are excited to have us. We will be providing 700 Hamburgers, 700 hotdogs, and 180 lbs of Potatoes and the volunteers to cook and serve the food. We will have two booths which we can do whatever we want. We are in the planning stages of that right now.

In Luke 10 Jesus sent out the disciples into the surrounding communities to tell of his Love for them. We will be doing the same in our own community on August 1. As you well know, there are 7800 people within a two mile radius of our church who have no church connection. We will be able to connect with a portion of them on August 1.

I have been so blessed by your participation in Neighborhood Fun Night these last ten years. Please be in prayer for us as we take in on the road to show our community how much Jesus Loves them and how much we love them.

## SALEM TO PARTICIPATE IN LOCAL SUMMER WORK CAMP

### 9th Annual Servants' Workcamp Northeast

**DATES: July 24- 28, 2017; work all week, or one or two days**

Servants' Workcamp Northeast focuses on service in the Northeastern School District of York County. This is a local "Mission Trip" where volunteers can do everything as if they traveled to a distant location; however, they can enjoy their own hot shower and sleep in their own beds at night! Work could entail drywall, painting, roofing, flooring, yard work, and other minor construction/maintenance tasks.

Servants is not charging a fee, however, Salem would like to provide money toward the cost of the food and building supplies. \$75 for the week, or if you plan to attend just a day or two, we can discuss a pro-rated fee.

Attend an informational meeting May 22, 7:00 PM, at Salem Church. To RSVP for the meeting, contact Laurie Murry at [lmurry@fcsalem.org](mailto:lmurry@fcsalem.org) or 938-1928 (x117).

Registration deadline is July 7. Servants is accepting only 100 volunteers for the work camp.



Come and Join Us!

## MISSION OFFERING ENVELOPE

This year, Salem is offering a special Mission Envelope in your tithing envelope packet. 100 % of the money placed in this envelope will be used to support persons from our congregation who are going on international, national, and local mission trips. Your support may help someone to:

- \* travel to Haiti to serve in an orphanage;
- \* work on homes in impoverished areas of Appalachian mountains;
- \* assist a neighbor during Community Service Day with a home need;
- \* go to Sierra Leone to meet with our sister church and develop life-changing relationships; or
- \* be a part of the Northeastern Work Camp held in York County.

This envelope is much more than an offering envelope and an annual missions-giving emphasis. It can be a life and soul-changer.



### Little Dresses for Africa

After severely injuring my hand in a car accident 5 years ago, I was not sure whether I could or would want to participate in one of my favorite pastimes, sewing. Then I was led to an article in a newsletter about "Little Dresses for Africa" ([littledressesforafrica.org](http://littledressesforafrica.org)) and decided to try to make some dresses. Several families gave me sewing materials and supplies.

To date, I have made 102 sundresses to send to Africa. If you would like to donate supplies, I am looking for light weight fabric or gently used pillowcases, 1/4" elastic, trim, lace, and double fold bias tape to make the dresses. For more information, contact Jackie Shaffer at [jkieshaffr@aol.com](mailto:jkieshaffr@aol.com) or (717) 557-8789.

### **SURPLUS MATERIAL AVAILABLE**

While cleaning out the "unfinished space" in preparation for the on-going construction work, usable surplus material has been set aside and is available to congregation members. We have **several solid core doors** with small windows that can be used for garages or basements, or cut down and used to make work tops for work benches or other heavy duty uses. We also have **5 large pieces of carpet** (4 new, 1 used), suitable for basements, family rooms, or repurposing in the garage for summer use. All are very short nap, durable, commercial grade. Contact Mike Hayes if you are interested in any of these items (938-5150).



### Stephen Ministry

**Are you called to be a Stephen Minister?**

Did you know that there is strength from faith? Trusting God and believing that God is the cure giver demonstrate faith. **Stephen Ministry** provides this kind of care, compassion, and skills.

If you've ever thought about finding ways to bring Christ's love to those who are hurting, please respond to your calling to become a Stephen Minister. To learn more about Stephen Ministry training, please contact Robyn Adams (717-774-1602) today.

Joey and Anita's family lived in a small place together with their four children and grandchild when the worst happened...an old air conditioning unit started to spark, and everything the family had soon went up in flames. They were living in a hotel, but money was running out quickly... such a big family with teenage-children...they had nowhere to go...



Lee had worked the majority of her life. Because of some health difficulties, she moved in with family. She soon adopted her newborn great niece, Ashley, when Ashley's mother gave her up. The two lived with Lee's family until a year ago when two of her relatives passed away. Between that and her medical bills that kept piling up, Lee and Ashley found themselves with nowhere to turn and no house to call a home.

Both of these families found Family Promise and you, the members of Fishing Creek Salem UMC, who opened your hearts and the doors of your church home to host children and parents who are experiencing homelessness.

When you look at the faces of these families, they are not what you generally expect to see when talking about homelessness. Yet, parents with children make up 40% of the homeless population in our country.

**The Family Promise families are coming to Salem church June 4-11, and they need you.** The families stay each evening and overnight during that week. This is your chance to do meaningful mission work right in your own church building:

- ~ Be the evening host and bring your children with you...what a great way to teach your little ones that while our circumstances may be different, underneath we're all the same.
- ~ Be the overnight host and bring a friend...you'll get to spend some time together in a way that's impacting lives beyond your own.
- ~ Drive the FP van – you're home in time to get ready for work in the morning, and home in time for dinner in the evening.
- ~ Help with set-up or tear-down and create a welcoming environment for our guests without homes.
- ~ Make a meal to share with the families.

Because people like you step forward to help, children experiencing homelessness are safe while their parents work to rebuild their lives. Today, Joey and Anita are both working and live in an apartment in the Camp Hill area. Lee and Ashley are living in Carlisle and continue to send their love and praise back to FP volunteers. Where would they be without Family Promise and you?

Sign up today at [www.volunteersignup.org/XMBWH](http://www.volunteersignup.org/XMBWH) or by contacting Laurie Murry at [lmurry@fcsalem.org](mailto:lmurry@fcsalem.org), 938-1928 (x117).



Item of the Month: Mission Central sends health kits to areas of the world where emergency supplies are needed. Band aids (3/4" - 1") are needed for these kits..

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



## June 11-16th

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR PARTICIPANTS AND VOLUNTEERS!**

Be sure to avoid the lines and get this done asap!! A link to VBS can be found on our church website [www.fcsalem.org](http://www.fcsalem.org)

**Our VBS go'ers will be inventors throughout their week and they will be needing lots of brain power and energy to make their way through the Maker's Fun Factory each night....please consider donating snack items for the kids to have in our very own Snack Factory!! Please visit our snack sign ups via signupgenius at <http://bit.ly/2p70s0l>**

VBS is just around the corner and lots preparation is in full swing! This year we will be entering the Maker's Fun Factory where we will learn that we were all created by God, we are grounded in the solid foundation of Jesus' love, a love that gives our lives incredible purpose. We will teach this through dramas, games, time to create in our imagination station, build our own snacks in the Snack Factory, and through songs and dancing in our Rainbow room.

There are so many ways that you can get involved in VBS. Of course we need lots of volunteers the week of Vacation Bible School...we need games helpers, as well as both adult and teen leaders to shepherd the kids throughout their journey each night.

But there is also still some prep work to be done. Perhaps you will be out of town the week of VBS but you would like to be involved in leading about 225+ children to follow Jesus!! WOW, doesn't just the thought of connecting ONE child to Jesus just excite you! Oh....I LOVE this!! Reach out to Tracey to see what still needs done.

**We are also needing a team to set up this huge event! We begin Friday June 9th and complete it by 3pm on June 11th.**

Sign ups for both prep work and setup or tear down can be done by signing up via your weekly worship connection card, by signing up in the Welcome Center or by contacting Tracey Michelsen directly.

PRAYER for our VBS team leaders is another HUGE blessing that we would love to have! Knowing that our church family is praying for the leadership team as well as the little hearts and minds that will be trusted in our care for VBS is AMAZING!!

**Did you know, we offer VBS VOLUNTEERS and their families meals for \$1-\$2 per serving for the week of Vacation Bible School? So many of our volunteers work during the day and have to rush to get here to serve the Lord each evening....we provide a hot meal for them at a super low cost to help make their serving just a little bit less hectic at the end of their work day. Please prayerfully consider donating the dinner items from the list on the bulletin board in the welcome center to continue this at a minimal cost to the families.**

**For Additional Information please reach out to Tracey Michelsen, Director of Children's Ministry at FCSUMC. [tmichelsen@fcsalem.org](mailto:tmichelsen@fcsalem.org) or 717-938-1928**



**High School**

Molly Curtis, Red Land High School  
Olivia Foland, Red Land High School  
Kayla Fox, Red Land High School  
Rhyannan Hayes, Red Land High School  
Lyndsey Michelsen, Red Land High School  
Josef Novacek, Red Land High School  
Nathan Stahl, Red Land High School

**Post Secondary**

Lexie Curtis, HACC, Associates, Hotel & Hospitality Management  
Meghan (McCann) DeRoy, St. Joseph's University,  
Masters of Science in Special Education  
Heather Good, Central Penn College, Associates, Physical Therapy Asst.  
John R. Greiner, Penn State University, BA Communications  
Kelsey Ross, John's Hopkins Peabody Conservatory,  
Masters of Music in Horn Performance

**Young Adults Join us at "The Porch"**

Friday, June 2nd, 6pm

For sand volleyball, grillin', and a VBS service project.  
This is a rain or shine event (FH if inclement weather).

Bring your friends or significant others.

College students - this is a great time to connect with your friends who  
are home for the summer?

Contact Susan Ryder (sryder@fcsalem.org, 938-1928) with questions.

**Rev. Dr. Paul Stanley Wilcox Memorial Scholarship**

The Rev. Dr. Paul Stanley Wilcox Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a deserving youth or young adult from Fishing Creek Salem UMC who has been accepted to their first year of post-secondary education. This scholarship is established in honor of Pastor Paul's love for youth and education and to support and encourage the ministry and calling of all persons. Applications and guidelines are located in the wall rack by the South Entrance. Deadline for applications is June 15th.



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| Dominic Apa         | Brooklyn Howard       |
| Natalie Armes       | Matthew Johns         |
| Julia Aumiller      | Madison Lorello       |
| Josh Carlisle       | Grace Lundvall        |
| Isaiah Clements     | Alex Marakovits       |
| Cole Cuomo          | TJ Meanor             |
| Liam Davis          | Austin Michelsen      |
| Hope Frederick      | Cael Trepiccione      |
| Caden Gibson        | Christian Trepiccione |
| Alexis Hepburn      | Olivia Trepiccione    |
| Layton Hetherington |                       |



The Salem Seniors will meet on  
 Thursday, June 15th at 1:00pm  
 at I-83 Diner  
 Call Paul & Shirley Sheaffer (938-2839)  
 by June 12th to make reservations.  
 All seniors are invited to join us for an afternoon  
 of great food and fellowship.

The United Methodist Women will meet  
 Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm  
 at the pavilion for a picnic.

Please bring a covered dish to share.  
 The meat, drink and paper products will be provided.

Program will be: UMW Legacy Fund  
 Speaker: Fawn McAllister  
 from: Northern/York City District

The Legacy Fund will help ensure the future of  
 United Methodist Women's work with women,  
 children and youth.

All Women of Salem and the Community are invited to attend.



**“POTS, BUCKETS AND FLOWERS – OH MY!”**

June 11, 2017  
 12:30 p.m.

The Women of Light will meet Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m.  
 for a picnic in the pavilion. Please sign up on the Women of  
 Light bulletin board or call Linda Wrightstone at 774-0901 and  
 bring a side dish or dessert.



**WOMEN'S BOOK DISCUSSION**

The women's book discussion meets on the third Thursday of every month at 7 PM at Salem.  
 It is open to any woman who likes to read – or who wants to join in the discussion topic.  
 If you have questions please call Marsha Uber (938-3108; uber2495@epix.net).

June 15: *"Interpreter of Maladies"* by Jhumpa Lahiri  
 July 20: *"Miracle at Zakynthos"* by Deno Seder  
 Aug.22: Out to Eat. No book  
 Sept. 21: *"America's First Daughter"* by Stephanie Dray and Laura Kamoie: a novel  
 about Jefferson's oldest Daughter  
 October 19: *"Rose Under Fire"* by Elizabeth Wein ( One Book One Community)  
 November 16: *"A Case For Christ"* by Lee Strobel  
 December - Out to Eat –No Book



## LIBRARY NEWS

By Kathy Alford

Father's Day was always a special day in my household growing up. You see, I was adopted and my father brought me home from the hospital at three days old on Father's Day. He always said that I was the best gift he every got. When my birthday and Father's Day fell on the same day, we especially celebrated!

I thank God that my sons were blessed with great male role models with my husband, his father, and my dad. I know my sons will carry out the same traditions and morals with their children.

Our library contains several books for Christian men and fathers. Here are a few new editions to our collection. Please come and check them out!

### ***The Measure of a Man: Twenty Attributes of a Godly Man*** by Gene Getz

This book has taught hundreds of thousands of men around the world how to live according to God's direction faithfully, lovingly, and spiritually. True masculinity is not measured by the strength of a man, but by these 20 Biblical guidelines. With life applications and words of inspiration, here is Gene's greatest work, fully rewritten and updated to reach the new generation of modern men.

### ***Big Rus and Me, Father and Son: Lessons of Life*** by Tim Russert

This book, written in Russert's easygoing, straight-talking style, offers an irresistible collection of personal memories. Russert recalls the dedicated teachers who stimulated his imagination and intellect, sparking a lifelong passion for politics and journalism, and inspired a career that took him from editor of his elementary school newspaper to moderator of Meet the Press. It has been an eventful and deeply satisfying journey, but no matter where his career has taken him, Russert's fundamental values still spring from that small house on Woodside Avenue and the special bond he shared with his father.

### ***Being God's Man by Finding Contentment: Real Life, Powerful Truth for God's Men*** by Stephen Arterburn

Many men are finding it tougher than ever to be content with what they have. They compare themselves with others and continually come up short. The soul-gnawing result is discouragement and disappointment. Lasting contentment comes only from a transformation of your mind, emotions, and will. It also takes a personal encounter with the God who can make you content. In this book, you will track this struggle for a new identity through various Biblical passages.



## BACK TO THE BIBLE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

By Kathy Alford

Continuing through June, we will be studying *Half Truths* by Adam Hamilton. Hamilton searches for the whole truth by comparing some common Christian sayings with the wisdom found in Scripture. They capture some element of truth, yet they miss the point in important ways.

Are you looking for a class from 9:30 to 10:30 on Sunday mornings? We would love to have you join us. We meet upstairs in room 210. Materials are provided.

### Lesson Schedule

*Half Truths* by Adam Hamilton

June 4 Lesson 2 "God Helps Those Who Help Themselves"

June 11 Lesson 3 "God Won't Give You More Than You Can Handle"

June 18 Lesson 4 "God Said It, I Believe It, That Settles It"

June 25 No class





P R A Y E R   C H A I N

Please keep in your prayers these people who have had prayer concerns in the last month:

Aaron (friend's son), Abby's family & school district, Linda Amstfield, Andre, Donna & Robert Armes, Mom mom & Pappy Armes, Barbara (Ginger Haines' sister), Judy, Tom, Samantha & Brittany Benton, Bev, Georgene Bingman, Scott Binns, John & Charlotte Brame, Brooks, Jake & Fay Brown, May Ellen Bundeshuk's family, Bill & Kelly Carlisle's mom, Charles & Vi (Barb Coulter's friends), family of Velma Coffman, College students, Ted & Doris Coomes (death of Ted's mother), Greg Condon, Crawford family (loss of mom & sister), Melanie Cunningham, George Czar, Danny & Marcus, Debbie Diller, Linda Dinsmore, Eugene Donnelly, Marcia & Terry Duncan (Marcia's mother), Linda Edmondson, Madison Fornerette (Karen Pepperman's granddaughter), Jacquie Francis & family (friend's of the Taylor family), Fred & Judy (Barb Coulter's neighbors), Addy Freeman, Carolyn & Wally Funk, Ginny, Michael Glass, Michael Graybill (Nancy & Dennis Graybill's son), Michael Gross, Grover, Bonnie Gruver & Shane, Mary Gustin, Aaron Hake (Sue Lucas' friend's son), Pastors Sharonn & John Halderman, Jim Haney, Dennis Haring's sister, Andrea Hartzell, Frances Heinitz (SalemCares Ministry & Marsha Uber's friend), Herk, Hosea, Scott Howell, Clair Husby, Carole Hutchison, Javon & Zach, Jennifer, Lynda Jones, Judy (Deb Oakley's mother-in-law), George Justus' son-in-law, Karen (Gloria Brunner's sister), Karen (Bonnie Gruver's friend), Wendy Kautz, Lisa Keck's mom, Family of Joe Keefer, Sandy Kline, Arlene Kowal (Paula Armes' mother), Shirley Krelis, Kylie (Nancy & Dennis Graybill's granddaughter), Linda, James Lookingbill (loss of mother), Loss of loved ones, Chase M., Karen Mansberger & family (death of her father), Mark, Harold Markley, Matthew & all service members, Elaine Miller, Steve & Wendy Miller, Donna & Dr. Sam Mowery, Scott Mowery, Family of Jack Murtaugh, Neighbors, Sally Nell, Deb, Jerry & Colton Nye (Deb's is Bonnie Moody's sisters sister-in-law), Deb & Bob Oakley & family, Deon Opitz, Alice Orlandi, Paulette (Lisa Keck's cousin), Payne Family (loss of Danny Payne), Jeannette Payne, Karen & Ryan Pepperman, Policemen, President & government leaders, Denny Price, Jessica Rader's baby boy, Rader family, Mike Rudy (Lou Rudy's son), Shawn Rupp & children, Rylee, Jessie Sanders, Seniors & families, Dave Shafer, Nevin Shaffer, John Shank, Mark Shank, Joann & Sam Smith & family (loss of Sam's sister, Linda), the Sosik family, Gina Stahlnecker, Elaine & Louis Steslow, Linda Stewart, JT (John Thomas), Aunt Terri (Deb Oakley's), Zach Tucker, Zachery Tusing, Wagner family, Spencer Welsh, Hudson Wolfe, Woon Family (loss of mom & sister), World Peace, Kyle Young, SalemCares Minsitry, Stephen Ministers, and Salem's Military.

Do you have a prayer concern? Please call the Prayer Chain Coordinator, Fay Brown at 938-1190 or call Salem's Church Office at 938-1928 or email at [www.office@fcsalem.org](mailto:www.office@fcsalem.org).

Dear Pastor,

On behalf of the Red Land Community Action Program, I would like to thank your congregation for their contribution in the amount of \$340.00. We appreciate your support of REDCAP which helps families in need in Northern York County.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Casner, Board President

MANY, MANY THANKS to Randy Wilkinson and Mike Moody for their help in construction of the new stage in Fellowship Hall. Both Randy and Mike were essential with their experience, skills, friendship and service without which this project would have been tremendously more difficult. We received many compliments for our work. Thank you my friends!

Michael Hayes

Dear Rev. Heisley-Cato, Rev. Overman & Members of FCSUMC,

Thank you so much for your 2 recent monetary donations. We appreciate your generosity and support of our mission. In April, we served 100 families that added up to 255 people. Thank you for helping us help our neighbors in need.

Nina Myers & Deb Trimmer  
Co Directors of the RL Food Ministry



**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS  
HAVE BEGUN**  
Memorial Day - Labor Day  
(Tuesday, May 30 - Friday, September 1st)  
*Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 12:00pm*



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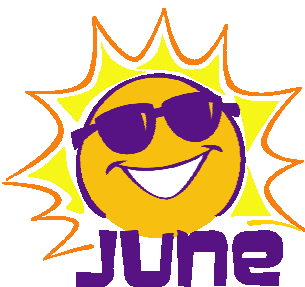
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Sunday Worship at 8:15, 9:30 and 11:00 AM  
Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 AM; Adult Class at 11:00 AM