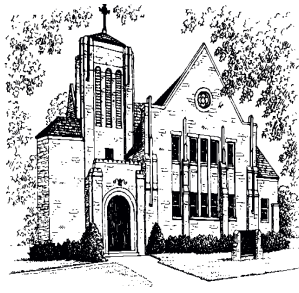


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Salem Spirit

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 4	6:00 PM	Family Fun Night
Aug. 6	12:00 PM	Church Council
Aug. 14	5:30 PM	Preschool Board Mtg.
Aug. 15	7:00 PM	Trustees Mtg.
Aug. 16	12:00 PM	Senior Luncheon
Aug. 17	6:30 PM	Greencastle Packing
Aug. 19	9:00 AM	Greencastle Delivery
Aug. 27	9:00 AM	Outdoor Worship/Picnic
	11:45 AM	Mission Team Mtg.

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday	10:15 AM	Pre Service Prayer Group
	10:30 AM	Worship
Friday	6:00 PM	IGNITE! - Children
	7:00 PM	IGNITE! - Youth
(Call Church Office for Exact Dates)		

Deadline for Salem Spirit article submission is the **THIRD Wednesday** of the month. The next deadline is **Wednesday, August 16** for the September 2017 Edition.

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A Word from Our Pastor

August is “back to school” month. Whatever happened to public schools starting after Labor Day? O.K., I am dating myself a little bit here. Shopping for School Supplies was not done at a Walmart back then. For those of you wondering, no, they did not have Walmarts back then. Growing up, school started after Labor Day, but no longer is this the case. Now, schools start in August, potentially very hot August.

Having four children, I know how the start date for school has been getting earlier and earlier. My family used to take their vacation in August, but no longer. Soon, the crossing guards will return and children will be on school playgrounds just before classes begin.

But what if this year, we offered the school across the street, Hough Street School, some help? What if we could make a difference in the lives of students, teachers, and staff alike?

United Methodist Communications has helped with this. What would happen if we scheduled a time with the principal across the street and asked the question, “What is it that you need?” No real agenda, just a question. What do you think his answer might be?

Or maybe we could minister to the teachers. What do you think the reaction would be if we, after the school year begins, cater a nice come and go lunch for the teachers to enjoy during their planning period or we could order a giant carafe of coffee to place in the workroom before school begins (Dunkin’ Doughnuts coffee?).

We could invite Chris’ daughter (Ink 180) to come and teach us about online security and invite the teachers and/or families from Hough Street School. We could pick up the tab and invite others to come and join us. No admission, but refreshments would be served.

Or we could have a time to discuss “NO More Bullying”. The idea would be that we would be there for the school throughout the school year. Children walk past the church. Parents park in the church parking lot to drop kids off.

School will be beginning soon. Soon the buses will be parked again on Lincoln Avenue. Children will be walking to school carrying their lunches. We can just watch all this happen, or we can make a difference in the lives of our neighbors. After all, August is back to school month.

So what should we do to help our neighbors across the street? I am open for discussion.

Doug

August 2017 Prayer Calendar

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Please pray for our President	2 Please pray for our Bishop Dyck	3 Please pray for the United Methodist Women	4 Pray for a renewed heart	5 Take a walk today
6 Come to church today and share in the Sacrament of Communion	7 Please pray for the Teachers who will be teaching again this month	8 Please pray for our Governor	9 Please pray for our District Superintendent Darneather Murph-Heath	10 Please pray for the Choir and special music people this summer	11 Pray for a new sense of direction in your life	12 Enjoy a great breakfast with someone else
13 Please pray for Pastor Doug as he provides Special Music this morning	14 Please pray for the Principals who will be leading and dealing with problems.	15 Please pray for our respective City Council	16 Please pray for our Church Council	17 Please pray for the cleaning staff who keep the church nice and clean for us	18 Pray for a confident spirit that will help you do whatever God asks of us	19 Try to do something you have never done before
20 Come to church and meet people whom you have not seen for awhile.	21 Please pray for the students who are returning to school	22 Please pray for our First Responders	23 Please pray for our pastor's family	24 Please pray for those who will be returning someday for the Community Dinners	25 Pray for a new place to give your time and gifts	26 Enjoy today by doing something fun
27 Come to the park today and help Pastor Doug and Lisa celebrate their anniversary.	28 Please pray for the other staff of our schools to give them wisdom and guidance	29 Please pray for those who keep our streets clean and plowed	30 Please pray for the music ministry of Salem UMC	31 Please pray for the Toy Making Ministry of Salem		

Church News and Upcoming Events

All Salem Members, Families and Friends are Invited to Join us on Sunday, August 27, 2017, for our Annual Outdoor Worship Service and Church Picnic at South Shelter at Citizens Park in Barrington!

HIGHLIGHTS

9:00 am - Continental Breakfast

9:45 am - Family Worship & Music

10:45 am - Games and prizes for kids of all ages!

11:45 am - Picnic Lunch - Hot dogs & all the fixins!

*Hot dogs and beverages will be provided -
Please bring a side dish or dessert to share*

Bring a folding chair and/or blanket for relaxing. Please RSVP to the Salem Office at (847) 381-0524 to let us know how many people to plan for.

Activities begin at 9:00 am, but come when you can.

Games and prizes for all the kids - bring a camera and your happy face!

See you there!



Change in Manna Card Program

The Manna Gift Card (Scrip) program has been acquired by the Great Lakes Scrip Center in Kentwood, Michigan. It is now known as ShopWithScrip. There are many more vendors available than previously. If you would like to place an order, the system works just as the Manna program did - on an order sheet, indicate the number of cards per vendor you are ordering and the total amount due for that vendor; totals go at the bottom of page 2. Our next regular monthly order will be on Sunday, August 6, the perfect time to get ready for back to school shopping. Please throw away any order forms you may still have for the Manna Program as they can no longer be used. Call Edi in the office at (847) 381-0524 with any questions.

Children and Youth News

Preschool News

The preschool will be closed for the first two weeks in August as the building is prepared for the upcoming school year. Classrooms are being painted and cleaned, carpets cleaned, floors are being waxed and our handyman is taking care of needed repairs.

Extended care will resume on August 14th along with camps later in the month. Teachers will be setting up their classrooms beginning mid-August and our staff orientation is scheduled for August 24th. Parent Orientation night will be held on Tuesday, August 29th from 7-9 pm in the Sanctuary, and in preschool classrooms. Preschool classes begin the week of September 4th following Labor Day.

We still have openings for the fall. Please leave a message or send an email (salemmethodistpreschool115@gmail.com). Everything is checked on a regular basis. Contact Cindy (847) 381-0536 if you need more information.



**Friday Night Family Fun Night!
Open to all Friends of Salem Church!**

Friday August 4th 6:00-7:30 pm at Langendorf Park – Splashpad!

Splashpad fun! The new splashpad is a water fun adventure, designed for little people, but the youth are encouraged to come help and interact with the younger kids. Bathing suits or clothes that can get wet are encouraged.



Meet at Langendorf Park- Back Parking lot (Behind the pool)

Linda will find an empty table to congregate and provide snacks for all from 6:00 pm until 7:30pm.

Afterwards the youth will go for a walk around town – reconnecting with each other and stopping for a treat before returning to the church parking lot for parents to pick them up at 9:00 pm.

Please let me know if your family will be joining us for this Family fun event (to plan on enough snacks).

Email lballard@pmidpi.com or salemyouth115@hotmail.com

Or text Linda at 630-715-5682.



Member Celebrations

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

August 6	Sarah Pfau	August 11	Kyle Baum
August 8	McKinleigh Ballard	August 16	Tammy Edwards
	Jonah Hartley	August 21	Joyce Franzese
	Patty Johnsen	August 26	Tyler Toronyi
August 10	Dam Pomeroy		
	John Rohrbach		
	Heather Baum		

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

August 1	Paul & Barb Hamm	August 19	Helmut Gerlach & Pat Enders
August 3	Justin & Anne Bucy	August 22	Scott & Lorna Warman
	Pete & Nicole Haas		Don & Sue Whitney
August 17	Jim & Laurel Skomer	August 23	Craig & Betty Jean Warman

Prayer Concerns

Those With Health Issues	Denise Patterson, Loraine Carlson, Patty Johnsen, Elaine Cox, Laurel & Jim Skomer, Amy Strong, Dan Pomeroy, Lois Larson, Dave Allison, Biz Allen's granddaughter, Cliff Sulak
Those With Long-Term Health Issues	Arthur & Brian Burgeson, Hannah, Michaela, Debbie Donner, Chuck Patterson, Loren Schrenk, Karen Griffith, Bic Simmons, Maureen Schuneman, Jon Mortensen-Perlin, Maja Bayerlein, Leo Schulz, Rev. Tommie Johnson, Tim Keating
Those With Special Needs	Ben Sadorf, Olivia, Pamela, McKinleigh, Craig, Allison Hansen, Lori, Darlene
Those in the Armed Forces	Dustan Taylor, Bruce Johnson, Shad Mead, Jeff Walden, Curt Higdon, Hsienjan Huang, Freddie Aguilera

Do you have a specific prayer concern? Let the Salem family share your burden and your assurance of God's providence. Submit a prayer request using the pink sheet in the pew rack on Sundays or contact the church office.