



The Salem Light

Newsletter of the Congregation of Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church

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From Pastor's Desk,

In some wacky way September is a time of beginnings in our culture. School classes resume, shops take a more holiday look as the winter selling season begins, and many organizations pick up speed after the summer break.

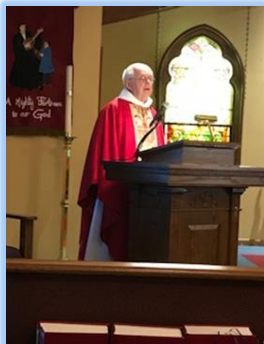
Activities resume in the church as well. Last evening I briefly was with the first choir rehearsal of the season; they will enrich community Word and Sacrament worship in the coming months! Bible Study will resume on Monday mornings September 10; we need to decide on a portion of scripture for our focus this autumn. Final plans and preparations are underway for our 50th anniversary celebration on November 10 and 11 with Saturday a time of reunion and remembering and Sunday festive worship led by our Bishop, Bill Gohl. And there are hints beginning to appear of the annual Craft Fair in October too.

At Salem God is particularly breaking in with new life with a Baptism the very first Sunday in September and the reception of new members the following week as well!

Conversely, this summer here has been a little concerning at times. Typing those figures for attendance and "offering toward budget" in the bulletin each week have been cause for concern. Let there be a new beginning as we all become more intentional about this.

And, somehow in all of this, to God alone be the glory!

Barry+



Sunday Worship Assistants

September – October (TBD) 2018

September 2, 2018 15th Sunday After Pentecost

Ushers: Scott McAllister - Mike Whitacre
Acolyte: Skylar Dishon
Lector: Mark Hoefler
Communion Assistants: TBD - Ruth Phoebus
Tellers: Stearns, Whitacre

September 9, 2018 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Ushers: Sharon Lukens - Dennis Lukens
Acolyte: Ellie Maddox
Lector: Jennifer Maddox
Tellers: Wilson, Regan

September 16, 2018 17th Sunday After Pentecost

Ushers: Ned Cockey - Dennis Lukens
Acolyte: Thomas Maddox
Lector: Carol Temple
Communion Assistants: Ned Cockey - Sandra Bail
Tellers: McAllister, Lukens

September 23, 2018 Healing Service

Ushers: Scott McAllister - Mike Whitacre
Acolyte: Tessa Grove
Lector: TBD

September 30, 2018

Ushers: Sharon Lukens - Dennis Lukens
Acolyte: Skylar Dishon
Lector: Sandra Bail
Tellers: Stearns, Bortmus

October Worship Assistants Schedule will be posted in the Narthex as soon as it becomes available.

Note: Confirmation Classes will begin soon. Please contact Lynn Cox to register your child.



Worship and Event Schedule September – October 2018

Sunday, September 2 15th Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship with Communion

Thursday, September 6

- 9:00 AM stitchers
- Choir 7:00 PM (no rehearsal)
- Current and new members - Come join us for music & fun! We hear your beautiful voices hiding in the congregation!

Sunday, September 9 16th Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship

Monday, September 10th

- 10:00 AM Bible Study Resumes
- 9:00 AM Daily Bread Casserole Pick-up

Tuesday, September 11th

- 7:00 PM Congregation Council Meeting

Thursday, September 13th

- 9:00 AM stitchers
- 7:00 PM - Choir

Sunday, September 16 17th Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship with Communion
- 9:20 AM Sunday School resumes


Monday, September 19

- 10:00 AM Bible Study

Thursday, September 20

- 9:00 AM stitchers
- 7:00 PM Choir

Sunday, September 23 18th Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship
- 9:20 AM Sunday School
- **Pie Sunday!** 

Thursday, August 27

- 9:00 AM stitchers
- 7:00 PM Choir

Sunday, September 30

- 9:00 AM Traditional Worship **Healing Service**
- 9:20 AM Sunday School

Our Regular weekly activities will be as normally scheduled for the month of October.

Our Big Annual Craft Fair, Bake Sale and Flea Market will take place October 6th.

Sign up in the Narthex and Invite your friends and neighbors!

HELP WANTED:

We need Acolytes, Ushers, Communion Assistants and Tellers. Prayerfully consider, and please speak to Dennis and Sharon Lukens, and Shirley Bortmes if you can share some of these duties!

Salem Church Council

Executive Committee:

Lynn Cox, President
Ned Cockey, Vice President
Ruth Phoebus, Treasurer
Larry Dreyer, Secretary

Committees:

Ned Cockey, Trustees
Lynn Cox, Elders
Carol Temple, SLCC Liaison

Members at Large:

Sam Keller
Mike Whitacre
George Woods
Darla Lynch
Jen Everett



SALEM OUTREACH

Mason- Dixon Community Services

Salem members have always responded to the needs of the Mason-Dixon Community services clients in a big way. Please remember to bring in items, and place them in the box in the narthex. Items will be delivered to Mason-Dixon every two weeks. Don't forget to donate soaps and bath products you received when staying at hotels and resorts!

Casseroles for Daily Bread

Please continue to bring casseroles, each of which serves 8 needy people. We donated 17 casseroles August 6th. Now that vacation is over, let's keep up the good work! Make them when convenient for you, and bring them to the freezer in the accounting/mail room.

Our Call Committee and Council

Mike Whitacre reports that the Synod has recommended a promising new candidate. Keep the call committee's efforts in your prayers.

Help:

I am currently working on revising our directory. If you want your cell phone and/or email address listed in our church directory, please contact me asap. Thanks,
Ruth Phoebus.

SEPTEMBER 23!

Pie Sunday -A Salem Tradition –Sign up and bring your favorite pie to share!



COMING OCTOBER 6th!



The time has come again to gather all your items and clothing for our **Flea Market, October 6th**. The pricing will start Monday October 1st. You can start dropping off your items after Church September 30th thru Wednesday, October 3rd. Here's hoping for another successful year!

Thank you, Doris Karoll

Our Annual Craft Fair, Flea Market, & Homemade Baked Goods and Apple Butter Sale
Please start planning to volunteer or donate items from our

W I S H L I S T



NEEDED: Helpers for Set-Up, Taking Down and working at the Craft Fair (Funnel Cakes, Scarecrow Stuffing, Games, Bake Table, Filling Apple Butter Jars & Labeling)

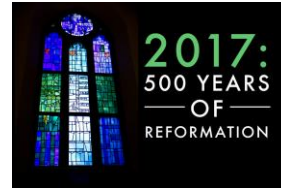
Also: Apple Butter Stirring.

1 can of BAKING POWDER
5 lb. of FLOUR
5 lb. of SUGAR
½ Gal of WHOLE MILK
1 dozen EGGS
1 Small Bottle of VANILLA
1 Large Jug of COOKING OIL
2 Gallon Jugs of APPLE CIDER
Lots of PINT SIZE JARS
PINT SIZE JAR RINGS & SEALS
CASH DONATIONS
3 9 oz. Large UNCOOKED PIZZAS
BAKED GOODS for the Day of the Fair:
1 Extra Large PUMPKIN *for Guessing Contest*
1 Large Jar of CANDY CORN *for Guessing Contest*

Thanks, Lynn Cox

OCTOBER 28, 2018 – REFORMATION SUNDAY

Last Year we celebrated 500 Years since the Reformation!



This Year we celebrate Salem's 50th Anniversary!

News from the Anniversary Committee

We are only about nine weeks away from our 50th Anniversary Celebration! If you have not marked your calendar yet, **please reserve Saturday, November 10th, and Sunday, November 11th, to celebrate Salem's big milestone.**

We are excited to also be inviting about 65 additional families who have been important to Salem's history. Word is getting out, and people are getting excited.

You should receive your invitation about September 20th. Please read the letter attached to it carefully for specific details, and **remember to RSVP by October 15th!** You can mail your response, email your response, or place your response in the designated box in the narthex.

Enclosed in your invitation will be a post it note or two. Please **jot down your favorite memory on the post it** and drop it in the response box in the narthex. Or email your favorite memory to salemjarr50@gmail.com.

If you have any questions after receiving the invitation, please see one of us on the committee. Let's get ready to CELEBRATE!



Thanks, Kathy Hoefler



Worship Notes from Pastor Dick:

The After-Communion Service

Having completed the sharing of the bread and wine, the body and blood of our Lord – the worship service moves quickly towards the conclusion.

As always, a prayer is appropriate as we ponder the wonder of Christ coming among us to touch us and assure us of his living presence in our lives. This prayer always declares the wonders of God's love made manifest for us in the bread and wine. But more – as we have touched and tasted the goodness of the Lord we now are empowered to live a life more and more in harmony with the good and gracious will of God.

The Benediction calls down God's blessings on us as the gathered people of God. Here we are comforted by the sure and certain confidence that not only has God declared to us in both Word and Sacrament, but he also assures us of his promise to be with us always.

The very last thing is the declaration that we are to go and serve the Lord. To which the congregation responds "Thanks be to God." God is the source of our hope, love, and joy. The cause for our faith and conviction that we are the people of God can and will make a difference in our world as we leave Salem's house of prayer to go and live our lives in the world.



SLCC Corner



It was a summer of "Fun and Games" at Salem Lutheran Children's Center with some 140 children spending some or all of an eleven-week summer camp program with us. From June 18 through August 31, we were host to a variety of field trips that took participating campers on train rides and pirate ships, bowling and golf excursions, and many sunny, splashy mornings at Shanberger's Pool. We were entertained by visiting balloon specialists, kid's science shows, and wildlife enthusiast Jungle Jim, who stopped by with a menagerie of scaled friends, including a very large dinosaur and very real alligator. And what would a Salem Summer Camp be without the perennial favorites of Pizza Mondays, Kona Ice Wednesdays, and many happy hours of dodge ball, dance parties, creative crafting and simply just being kids together?

As we now turn our attention to fall, we are back to school on September 4 with before and after care for school-aged Jarrettsville Elementary School students and extended day pre-K and day care programming for three and four year-olds. We are also opening our doors to five new preschool classes: two-day AM and PM classes for three year-olds; three-day AM and PM classes for four year-olds, and a five-day AM class for four year-olds. We will also be welcoming a new group of two year-olds into our parent-child ***Two and You*** fall program. ***Two and You*** class begins September 13, 2018 and runs eight consecutive weeks to November 1, 2018. The class meets Thursdays from 9:30-10:30 AM and costs \$75.00 for the full eight-week session. Enrollment is ongoing for the ***Two and You*** program, which also includes gingerbread house building in a two week "Holiday Fun" program in December and a guided tour of the Huber family farm as part of the four week "Down on the Farm" program in spring.

Some spots are still available and enrollment is ongoing in these daycare and preschool programs, and we maintain a waitlist for anyone interested in current and future preschool classes and daycare services. So should you know someone interested in attending SLCC for daycare, preschool or summer camp, encourage them to contact us!

noahsrainbow@verizon.net , or call us at 410-557-6612.

Chris Potts, Director



Thanks to all who provided a joyful noise to the Lord with special music this Summer!

Our own Mark and Kathy Sang for us



Ivory and Brass played for us

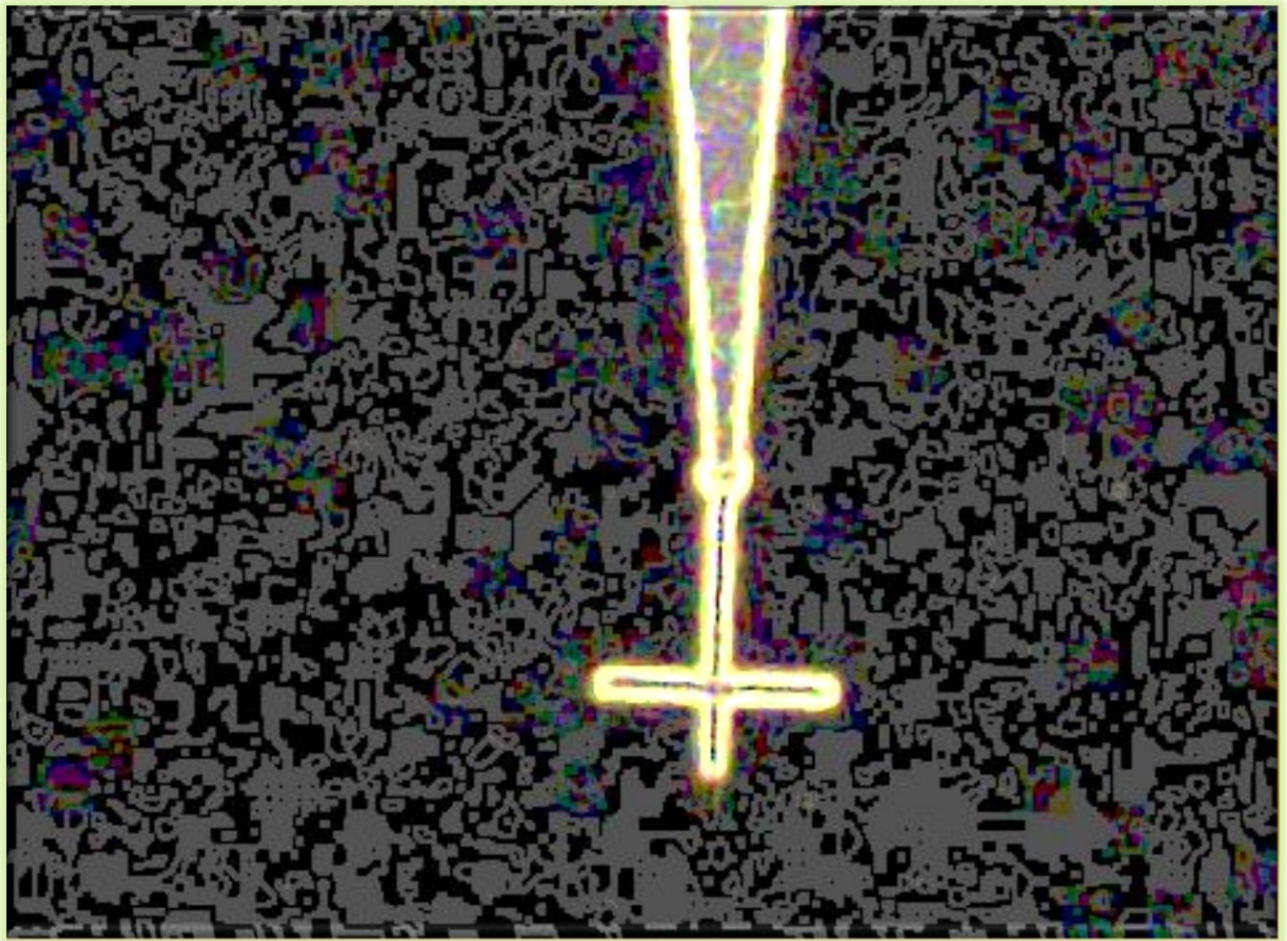


Pastor Barry blessed backpacks and Kids who will take them to school this year



We welcomed Chase Patrick Ross, baptized on Sept. 2

Our own Mike and Ace 2.0 Pal played and sang for us



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