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The Salem Light

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Pastor's Ponderings

John 14:16-17

Jesus said, "And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with



you forever. This is the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive; because it nether sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

Glenn shared with me a story he had just watched from a Wolf Tracker. Yes, there is such a pastime with growing numbers of individuals who spend time tracking, photographing and documenting the life patterns of wolves in the wild. (If you want to know

more check out this link):

https://www.outdoorproject.com/articles/wolf-trackingyellowstone-national-park

But back to the story... While the Wolf Tracker was videoing a lone grey wolf into his camera screen he saw two hikers walking in the direction of and passing within 20 feet of the wolf. Forget that the hikers were

obscuring the video of the wolf, the Wolf Tracker could not believe that the two hikers were so involved in their conversation and looking down at the



ground that they did not see the wolf. The Wolf Tracker would have given anything to be that close and here two people were missing an experience of a lifetime.

November is one of those months that becomes increasingly busy. November also reminds us about family and friends. Within the activities of the church, Salem observes All Saints Sunday (Sunday November 7th), the Annual Congregational meeting (Sunday November 14th), Gather Together (Sunday November 21st), and the beginning of Advent (Sunday November 28th).

In our homes, preparations begin for Thanksgiving, Black Friday, Cyber Monday and the Christmas Day countdown, (By the way we are less than 58 days away from Christmas, Oh My!!)

As I mention these things I wonder how we can be intentional with our relationships, with family and friends, and with each other? It is easy to be deeply engrossed in one thing and, like the hikers in the video above, totally miss an opportunity for some thing we regret later.

How can we keep alert on what's going on around us? Perhaps take note of what and who are missing? Might we check in with folks and see how things are going and what is needed - a ride, a conversation, meal or a lunch date?

I get it; we get busy trying to fit everything in the next 9 weeks. What if we hold in our hearts the words of Jesus and abide in our relationship as God's spirit abides with us? The Spirit stirs us to know we are not alone, we are cared for, and we are loved.

We are in this journey together; let's not miss the opportunity of a lifetime.

In Christ's abiding love,

Pastor Betty Lou+

Our President's Perspective

From Lynn Cox (and Linda Brannan)

What can I say but a big thank you to all who helped with the craft fair!

The day was beautiful with the sun shining bright and God's blessings were with us in all ways. It makes me think of the song from the movie Song of the South: Zip-a-dee-doo-dah Zip-a-dee-a, my oh my what a wonderful day! Plenty of sunshine heading our way Zip-a-dee-doo-dah Zip-a-dee-a!!!

That is how the whole craft fair day was. Plenty of children playing games, riding the hay wagon, having their faces painted, and jumping around in the bounce house. Thank you to Mike Whitaker for renting the bounce house for our fair, plus corralling his band of merry men to play music throughout the day.

The bake table totally sold out within the first couple of hours and the apple butter flew out the door!! Special thanks to all the helpers in the kitchen – they had it running like a well-oiled machine.

And a special call out to all the Stitchers!!! WOW – the items sold quickly and there is already a lot of work to do for next year's fair! And a Big thanks to all the people who worked the day of the event and the week leading up to the event especially pricing all the items. Setting up and taking down is always a lot of work.

Our needs are great for next year because we did so well – which is great! We made and sold 149 jars of apple butter -- which means we have no pint size jars left. Please keep your eyes peeled for sales on jars – we will need them.

Everyone pitched in and the day was a success! It truly was a FUN DAY~ Our 2021 NET PROFIT=\$3,400.33. Thank you all!

Worship Assistants

Here is the schedule for worship assistants for the remainder of 2021. We are constantly looking for people to assist in worship. If anyone would like to assist in the Sunday service, as an usher, lector, or Communion assistant, please contact Sharon Lukens. The next schedule for early 2022 will be developed in late December.

DATE	USHER/CONTA	C	T TRACING LIST	ACOLYTE	LECTOR	
OCTOBER						
Sunday, October 31, 2021	Glenn Deuchler	-	Mike Whitacre	Usher	Glenn Deuchler	
NOVEMBER						
Sunday, November 7, 2021	Dennis Lukens	-	Timothy Lukens	Usher	Carol Temple	
Sunday, November 14, 2021	Glenn Deuchler	-	Mike Whitacre	Usher	Mike Whitacre	
Sunday, November 21, 2021	Dennis Lukens	-	Timothy Lukens	Usher	Ruth Phoebus	
Sunday, November 28, 2021	Glenn Deuchler	-	Mike Whitacre	Usher	Mark Hoefler	
DECEMBER						
Sunday, December 5, 2021	Dennis Lukens	-	Timothy Lukens	Usher	Diane Grove	
Sunday, December 12, 2021	Glenn Deuchler	-	Mike Whitacre	Usher	Glenn Deuchler	
Sunday, December 19, 2021	Dennis Lukens	-	Timothy Lukens	Usher	Carol Temple	
Friday, December 24, 2021	Glenn Deuchler	-	Mike Whitacre	Usher	Mike Whitacre	
Sunday, December 26, 2021	Dennis Lukens	-	Timothy Lukens	Usher	Ruth Phoebus	
	COMMUNIO	Ν	ASSISTANTS	SPECIAL SERVICES		
	OCTOBE	R				
Sunday, October 31, 2021				Reformation Day		
	NOVEMBE	R				
Sunday, November 7, 2021	Doris Karoll	-	Ruth Phoebus	24th Sunday After Pentecost		
Sunday, November 14, 2021				25th Sunday After Pentecost		
Sunday, November 21, 2021	Carol Temple	-	Jean Weimer	Christ the King Sunday		
Sunday, November 28, 2021				1st Sunday of Advent		
	DECEMBE	R				
Sunday, December 5, 2021	Doris Karoll	-	Ruth Phoebus	2nd Sunday of Advent		
Sunday, December 12, 2021				3rd Sunday of Advent		
Sunday, December 19, 2021	Carol Temple	-	Jean Weimer	4th Sunday of Advent		
Friday, December 24, 2021	Doris Karoll	-	Ruth Phoebus	Christmas Eve		
Sunday, December 26, 2021				1st Sunday of Christmas		
IF THERE IS A WEEK YOU HAVE A SCI	HEDULING CONF	LI	CT,			
PLEASE TRY TO SWITCH WITH ANOTHER MEMBER AND MARK UP CORK BOARD COPY.						
THANK YOU.	SHARON LUKE	N	S			

Teller Schedule

Here is the schedule for Tellers for the remainder of 2021:

Oct: 31: Stearns, Bortmes Nov. 7: Stearns, Bortmes 14: Wilson, Regan 21: Whitacre, Phoebus 28: Saffran, Garner Dec. 5: Stearns, Bortmes 12: Wilson, Regan 19: Whitacre, Phoebus 26: Saffran, Garner

Craft Fair

A lot of work went into the preparation for the fair.





The fair offered food and live entertainment.







And activities for everyone.





All photos provided courtesy of Ruth Phoebus.

From Doris Karoll:

Wow, what a great flea market. Even though we did not get the normal amount of items, we did very well. We brought in close to \$850. I truly thank each of you for the hours and dedication you gave and the fun and fellowship. This would not have been the success it was without you. I heard quite a few comments from those who came to shop that they loved our setup. Next year we will have pricing the week of September 26, 2022 so mark your calendars. I do so look forward to working with all of you again.

University of MD Upper Chesapeake Medical Center Needs Volunteers

Pastor Betty Lou has received a request for volunteer assistants from Steve Anderson, Director of Volunteer Services and Community Partnerships, at Greater Chesapeake Medical Center. Following is a synopsis of the letter that Pastor received.

The Coronavirus Pandemic has severely stretched and challenged the caregivers at Greater Chesapeake Medical Center, just as health care centers throughout the country have been impacted. Volunteers can assist the healthcare heroes of the Medical Center; volunteers need only be at least 16 years old, and fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

Anyone interested in volunteering can pick up one of the applications provided [Pastor has placed them in the Narthax] or apply on line at http://www.umms.org/uch/giving/volunteer.

If you volunteer, placement specialists will work with you to find positions that best match your interests and talents. Over 30 different hospital departments can use your expertise, including administrative areas, surgical waiting areas, gift shops, in the cafeteria, and at information desks

If you would like more information, or want one of the applications, a complete copy of the letter and application forms are available in the Narthax. In addition, you can reach Steve Anderson at 443-643-1725 or 443-843-5355.

Sunflower Festival

Salem was wellrepresented at the annual Sunflower festival. Pastor Betty Lou led a



sunrise service at the sunflower fields on Sunday, October 4, and Mike Whitacre provided the accompaniment, as well as this photo.

Lion's Club Fruit Sale

From Ned Cockey

The Jarrettsville Lions Club is having its annual fruit sale this fall. It is one of their fundraisers. A copy of the official flier appears below:

Jarrettsville Lions Club Fruit Sale

Last day to order – Nov 20. 2021 Call - 410-343-0921 or order from a Lions member Pickup – Dec 11th 8 AM to 1 PM at Blackhorse Fire Station Prices are the same as 2019! Fruit not picked up may be resold



NAVEL ORANGES lb. Carton 14-20 Oranges \$20.00 20 lb. Carton 28-40 Oranges \$30.00 40 lb. Carton 48-80 Oranges \$42.00

RUBY RED GRAPFERUIT 10 lb. Carton 8-10 Grapefruit \$20.00 20 lb. Carton 16-24 Grapefruit \$30.00

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MIXED ORANGES AND RU RED GRAPEFRUIT 20 lb. Carton 14-20 Navel 8-10 Grapefruit \$32.(40 lb. Carton 36-48 Grapefruit *2.00 higher than 2019

To Order - Ned Cockey 410-459-9650

What's Happening at SLCC...

SLCC is off to a great start this school year! Our preschool and daycare classes have been busy learning. For the month of November, children are

learning about being thankful and helping others, making healthy food choices. hibernating, Native Americans, and



diversity. Each class will end the month with their own Thanksgiving feast.

We are looking forward to beginning our Bible Stories with Pastor this month. The children have missed seeing her in person and are excited to be able to spend time with her again every week.

We are always looking for substitute teachers and aides for our classrooms. If you have a love of children and would like to work at SLCC on a flexible basis, please contact the office for details.

Cherie Johnson SLCC Director

From the Editor

There are so many ways that you can apply your time and talents to contribute to the Salem community and make it a better, more diverse place to worship and share fellowship; contributing an article to the newsletter is one easy way that can bring information and/or joy to many people in the congregation. Please give prayerful consideration to being a more active part of Salem, be it through the newsletter or some other way to share your special gifts for the benefit of others.

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