



Salem United Methodist Church – Wolfsville

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Salem breaks ground for new pavilion in memory of Linda M. Kline

■ By Bill Burrier

The family of Linda Kline, Salem Church officials, and the Salem congregation participated in a pavilion groundbreaking service on Sunday, March 25, 2012, at 10:15 a.m.

The pavilion is a gift from family and friends of the community in memory of Linda M. Kline, April 22, 1948-December 15, 2002.

Pastor Bob Snyder led the groundbreaking service with a greeting, prayer, and responsive readings about the pavilion which will be a place of gathering for the people of God and a place devoted to the glory of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Linda's husband, Dick Kline, along with their granddaughter Ali, were the first to turn a spadeful of dirt; followed by Linda and Dick's daughter, Vicki Robinson and her family, Adam, Ali, and Payton. Next were Linda's sisters, Joann Leatherman and husband Steve, and Marlene Young and husband Mike. George Stottlemeyer and Salem's Board of Trustees were next, followed by Brandon Leatherman, Linda's nephew and Project Manager for construction of the pavilion.

Vicki Robinson shared a scripture from 1 Chronicles 29:14-17, about willingly giving gifts to the Lord, and building structures to honor Him. Joann and Marlene shared in a responsive reading from Psalm 122, and George Stottlemeyer shared God's word from Matthew 7:24-27, about the wise man who built his house upon a rock, a solid foundation which will withstand the storms of life.

Then, George Stottlemeyer, on behalf of Salem's Board of Trustees, gave some background about the memorial contributions given to the church in memory of Linda, and the family's desire to use those funds to build a pavilion on church property. George also thanked everyone



Dick Kline and granddaughter Ali Robinson turn the first spadeful of dirt for Salem's new pavilion.

who worked so diligently to obtain site plan approval, architectural drawings, and permit approval.

George Harne, architect for the pavilion project, said, "Linda was the most 'can do' person I have ever known," and George expressed his pleasure in being a part of this project in Linda's honor. During his remarks, George recounted the complicated and, many times, frustrating procedures for getting a site plan approved by the Frederick County government.

George told a story from many years ago, when building was much simpler. He said, "A few years back, I was involved in a project in one of our neighboring communities to the north and west, and the guy that we were working for, didn't have a site plan and we said, 'where do you want to build it?'. He indicated where and that's where it was built."

Circumstances are vastly different

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SALEM MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

Current Membership: 222
Sunday School Enrollment: 92
2012 New Members: 0

SALEM PHYSICAL FACILITIES

Church built 1847
Educational Building built 1967
Parsonage built 1974-75

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OUR PURPOSE

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide a means of communicating with our members, their families, and our many friends of the Wolfsville community and surrounding areas. We pray that this newsletter will inspire you, our readers, to regularly attend worship services, Sunday School, and all other activities of the church. For those who are unable to attend, this newsletter is a means of bringing part of the church to you.



2012 MISSION PROJECTS

		Monthly Minimum	Paid Jan-Mar	2012 Goal	% of Goal
1	Frank & Nancy Stottlemeyer Retired Senegal Missionaries	\$204	\$612.00	\$2,448	25%
2	Operation Christmas Child Postage for Shoe Boxes - Samaritan's Purse - November	—	0	\$355	0%
3	Salem Mission & Outreach Supports human needs as determined by Salem	—	0	\$1,180	0%
4	Salem Food Pantry Open every Monday 6:00-7:00 p.m.	—	\$370.29	\$1,180	31%
5	Mary Elmore - Africa Inland Mission Working in Tanzania, Africa	\$85	\$255.00	\$1,020	25%
6	United Methodist Board of Child Care Care of Homeless or Abused Children	—	0	\$1,360	0%
7	Gideons International Frederick County - West Camp - Distributing Bibles	\$110	\$330.00	\$1,320	25%
8	Potato Project Society of St. Andrew, Big Island, Virginia	\$60	\$180.00	\$720	25%
9	Middletown High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes	\$47	\$141.00	\$564	25%
10	Mission Trip Destination to be determined	—	0	\$2,295	0%
11	Ronnie & Angi Hopkins The Mission Society - Mission Work in Nicaragua	\$64	\$192.00	\$768	25%
12	Care Net Pregnancy Center 707 N. Market Street, Frederick, MD	\$64	\$192.00	\$768	25%
13	Compassion International Sponsored children in Ecuador & India	\$76	\$243.00	\$972	25%
14	Local Mission Projects Supporting local repair or renovation needs	—	0	\$1,250	0%

Total 2012 Mission Goal: **\$16,170**

Here's how you can give...

- 1 Make checks payable to Salem United Methodist Church, or place cash contributions in an envelope marked "Missions."
- 2 Tell us which mission project(s) you wish to support by making a note on your check or envelope.

- 3 Place your contributions in the offering plate at Sunday worship. If you do not designate a specific project, your contribution will be distributed to the project or projects needing funds to meet the monthly minimum payout goals listed above.



Angi, Ronnie, & Peanut

RONNIE & ANGI HOPKINS

Mission Work in Nicaragua

Salem Mission Project No. 11

People in Nicaragua often need help with medical care. Assistance provided can range from buying medications that have been prescribed to major surgery. The needs are both out in the communities (often as we follow up on work done by medical teams) as well as in local barrios. Patients who have been helped via this fund include a young woman who had a 19 pound benign tumor removed that she had for her entire adult life, a young girl who had surgery done to correct a hip defect and is now walking without a walker, and a 2 month old baby who spent 2 weeks in intensive care with severe malnutrition and multiple infections and is now a healthy 4 year old. Current patients include two toddlers, one born without bones in his lower leg and one who is awaiting surgery to correct a heart defect.

[Salem sends a minimum of \$64 monthly to The Mission Society for the Hopkins' ministry in Nicaragua.]



LINDA KLINE MEMORIAL PAVILION

Groundbreaking Service



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now. Salem worked long and hard for more than two years to get approval from the Frederick County government, and it wasn't until Frederick County instituted new streamlined procedures, that approval was obtained.

Some are wondering why the pavilion is being located on a portion of our parking lot, when right next to the lot is a nice flat grassy area. The answer is... that's where Frederick County made us put it. We don't have an explanation, but at this point, we are pleased the project is moving forward.

At the conclusion of the service, Pastor Bob Snyder pointed out Linda's favorite flower. He said, "Linda's

favorite flower is the yellow rose and you can see a yellow rose there on your bulletin. What a fitting way to end. We began with Linda, this whole project is dedicated to her and the glory of God, and we end with a flower that was special to her, something from God's beautiful nature."

Linda's husband, Dick, expresses his thanks to everyone, and felt the groundbreaking service was well done and a wonderful tribute to Linda. The Kline Family wishes to thank all who helped fund, plan, and design the pavilion; and to all who are helping build the pavilion. Thanks be to God. To God be the Glory!



Linda Kline's family poses for a group photo following the groundbreaking service on March 25, 2012.



The Robinson Family — Adam, Vicki, Ali and Payton



Steve and Joann Leatherman



Mike and Marlene Young



Brandon Leatherman
Project Manager



Salem's Board of Trustees — George Stottlemeyer (front), from left, Brandon Leatherman, Robin Haupt, Donald Stottlemeyer, Bobby Fogle, George Harne, Randy Freysz, and Richard Harshman



George C. Harne
Architect



Attendance & Offerings

MARCH 2012

		Worship*		Sunday School	
Mar	4	98	\$1,776.25	60	\$250.00
Mar	11	100	1,534.75	51	139.25
Mar	18	84	1,620.50	59	194.00
Mar	25	116	1,626.00	57	135.00

*Worship attendance & offerings include both worship services.

- **Missions:** \$1,008.00
- **Building & Imp. Fund:** \$284.50
- **Pavilion Fund:** \$155.00
- **Cemetery Endowment:** \$40.00

(Missions, Building Fund offerings, etc. are not included in Worship & Sunday School offerings above.)

	Average Attendance	
	Worship	Sunday School
Mar	100	57
Feb	93	58
Jan	94	59
Dec	105	57
Nov	94	61
Oct	92	53

Average Attendance Jan-Mar 2012
 Sunday Worship: 96
 Sunday School: 58

Salem is planning to attend CREATION 2012

■ By Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer

CREATION 2012 is just around the corner; so now is the time to make your plans to attend. Creation, a Christian music festival held at the Agape Farm, Mt. Union, Pennsylvania, starts on Wednesday, June 27, and runs through Saturday evening, June 30, 2012.

Everyone that has attended in the past has had a great time. Creation 2012 promises to be everything as in the past; good fellowship, excellent worship services, good food, and most of all, good Christian music — so don't miss out on a good time to praise and worship our Creator.

Salem will be there for the Entire Event

Plans are being made to attend the entire event with arrangements being made for staggering departures based on the schedule needs of the group. I will be leading the group for the duration, and we are in need of a few adult chaperones to go along and help.

Although this is primarily a "youth" group activity, our youth, as well as adults, are highly encouraged to attend, if even for just one day. We have had as many adults as youth attend in past years. This is a wonderful opportunity to gather with our Christian friends and listen to some great LOUD Christian music. If LOUD Christian music is not something you particularly care for, there are many excellent speakers and seminars available each day. There is something for everybody to enjoy, all while worship-

ping and praising our wonderful Lord and Savior.

I have been following an extremely positive individual, Nick Vujicic, who is scheduled to appear at Creation on Friday evening, June 29th. His testament to God and his "anything is possible" attitude is very inspiring. I look forward to hearing his message. Here is a link to Nick's FaceBook page:

www.facebook.com/NickVujicicFans

How to Get Tickets to Creation 2012

It is not a necessity, but we do pre-order as many tickets as we can at the reduced rate, so if you know for sure you will be attending any or all of the days, please let me know no later than May 30. Tickets can also be purchased the day of arrival.

Additional details will be provided very soon. Please mark your calendar now. Information and the program for the festival can be found at www.creationfest.com/ne/.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 301-293-1470 or by email at ses1313@comcast.net.



Nick Vujicic to appear at Creation 2012
LifeWithoutLimbs.org

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

34th ANNUAL
CREATION
2012

NORTHEAST
 AGAPE FARM - MT. UNION, PA
JUNE 27TH - 30TH
 A TRIBUTE TO OUR CREATOR

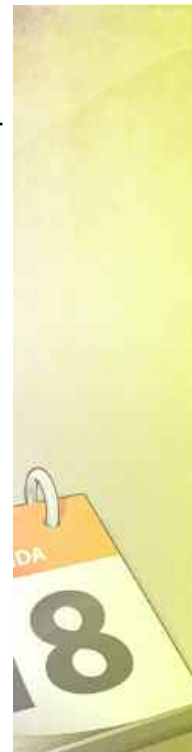


May

Calendar of Events

- Wed 2 **Ladies Night Out** - 6:30 p.m. at Mountain Gate Family Restaurant, Thurmont
Salem Ladies Christian Book Club - 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Joy Young's home
- Thu 3 **UMW Bee-lievers** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
Board of Trustees - 7:30 p.m. at Salem
- Thu 10 **Administrative Council** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
- Sat 12 **Community Yard, Bake, & Plant Sale** - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Salem
- Sun 13 **Mother's Day**
- Wed 16 **Third Wednesday Worship** - 6:00 p.m. fellowship meal, 7:00 p.m. worship
- Sat 19 **Food Stand at Historic Homes Trades Fair** - at Schifferstadt, Frederick
- Sun 20 **Youth Groups meet** - 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Salem
- Wed-Fri 30-1 **Baltimore-Washington Annual Conference** - Baltimore

NOTES: Hero's Club meets every Monday 3:30-6:00 p.m. when school is open.
 Food Pantry is open every Monday 6:00-7:00 p.m.



Newsletter Distribution

- E-Mail** — We are currently sending this newsletter to 169 of our readers via e-mail. Our desire is to obtain as many e-mail addresses as possible.
- Pick Up Paper Copy at Church** — We are printing 85 copies for members who do not have e-mail and can pick up their copies at church.
- First Class Mail** — We are mailing about 30 copies, using the 45 cents First Class postage rate.

Hold the Date for a Desert Adventure

VBS

■ By Fonda Gormer

The Wolfsville Community Vacation Bible School will be held on July 9-13 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Salem.

All children, from age 3 through grade 6, of the area are invited to attend.

More information will be provided in future newsletters.

View our website on your mobile devices, e.g., iPad, iPhone, iPod Touch at

www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org



Seeking Volunteers for Salem's Caregiving Ministry

■ By Dawn Nelson

The mission of the Caregiving Ministry is to minister to those in the Salem congregation needing attention and care. The ministry's goal is to let the light of Christ shine through us as we provide the care. We would like to train volunteers to provide support to church members when a need arises — a visit during hospitalization, meals while recuperating, rides to doctor appointments, home communion for shut-ins, or just a talk with a Christian brother or sister.

Caregivers do not replace our pastor, but work with our pastor in order to provide appropriate care in times of need. We all face difficult times in our lives and our caregiving ministry seeks to be a helpful and compassionate presence for those who request support. We ask that you answer this call to the Lord, pray about it and let me know if you're interested in serving in this ministry. You may contact me at 301-293-9988 or e-mail at nelsondawn@comcast.net.

For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. . . I was sick, and you cared for me. And the King will tell them, "I assure you, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!" —Matthew 25:35-36, 40

Salem Adult Choir Notes

■ By Sandy Lewis

Adult Choir will be taking a break over the summer. Their final practice for the season was April 24.

Many thanks to everyone who participated. Your music has been a blessing and encouragement to all who have heard it. Even more importantly, you have blessed the Lord by singing His praises. Have a very pleasant and safe summer and see you back at practice in the fall.

"I will sing of the Lord's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known to all generations." Psalm 89:1 (NIV)



THANK YOU

■ By Barbie Stottlemeyer

Thank you to everyone who contributed food, those who helped arrange the tables and chairs, and those who helped serve the luncheon for the family of Gaither Kline.

Everyone's effort was greatly appreciated in organizing and providing this meal for the family on short notice.

REST IN THE LORD.

—Psalm 37:7

Who's Doing What, When?

MAY

9:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Lay Reader

6 - Dawn Nelson
13 - Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer
20 - Mary Alice Shankle
27 - Randy Freysz

Ushers

6 - Dick Kline & Steve Leatherman
13 - Vernon Stottlemeyer & Robin Haupt
20 - Donald Stottlemeyer & Meredith Harshman
27 - Philip Koons & Brandon Leatherman

Organist

6 - Krista Bussard
13 - Krista Bussard
20 - Krista Bussard
27 - Susan Koons

Greeters

6 - Richard & Anita Harshman
13 - Bill & Caroline Buhrman
20 - George, Barbie, & Matt Stottlemeyer
27 - Steve & Joann Leatherman

Acolytes

6 - Ali Robinson
13 - Jadie Buhrman
20 - Jadie Buhrman
27 - Joshua Koons

11:15 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

An informal **FAMILY FRIENDLY** service with contemporary Christian music, pastor's sermon, children's time, sharing of joys and concerns, prayer, and multimedia to enhance the worship experience.

It's Your Day!

May Anniversaries

19 - Ronald & Kathy Holter
19 - Joshua & Tracey Gormer
20 - Deane & Patty Weagley
21 - Robert & Mary Fogle
30 - James & Linda Reed

May Birthdays

2 - Ronald Holter
2 - Leann Eccard-Crutchley
5 - Lori Schifffhauer
6 - Mark Burrier
7 - Austin Main
8 - Anita Harshman
11 - Steven Leatherman
16 - Eleanor Kline
17 - Deane Weagley
17 - Elijah Sowers
18 - Howard Brandenburg
18 - Cindy Draper
19 - Brandon Leatherman
20 - Abigail Weagley
24 - Nelson Hipkins
25 - Sam Zimmerman
25 - Kathleen Bullock
26 - Sharon Hipkins
27 - Lillian Hill
30 - Bobby Fogle Jr.
31 - Hallie Burrier



CHILDREN are welcome to stay with their parents during the worship services. Children activity bags are available in the hallway just outside the sanctuary. The small tote bags contain Bible story books, small games, activity books, crayons, activity cards, etc. Please return it to its place at the end of the service.

Photo by Dawn Nelson



Fonda Gormer stirs large pots of Lord's Acre style soup, which was sold in March, by the quart, along with Lord's Acre style sandwiches, as a fund-raiser for Salem's United Methodist Women Bee-liers.

Holy Communion

MAY 6, 2012

9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Worship



NEW CEMETERY Now Open



To purchase a burial lot, contact
George Stottlemeyer at 301-293-2372

BULLETIN BOARD
with a message

NOTHING ELSE
RUINS THE TRUTH
LIKE STRETCHING IT.

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman



**INSPIRATIONAL
Reading**

Mother's Care

By Penny McGinnis

A time would come around each year
When warmth would fill the air.
I'd run out to the flower bed,
So free, without a care.

There I would find my mother,
Bent down to tend the plants
That grew in this bright garden
Where the orange poppies danced.

The poppies were my favorite,
Though they did not last for long.
Their swaying in the breeze
Was like a gentle song.

Mother nurtured the young flowers
Each year with loving care,
The way that she would care for us—
Patiently, and with prayer.

The poppy blooms have faded;
The garden's turned to grass.
But Mother's love has lasted
Through all the years that've passed.



May Is Here

By Gertrude Bryson Holman

The skies are silvery gray and low;
The soft wind sweeps the gentle rain;
And tulips burst in clouds of red,
For May, sweet May, is here again.

The showers are quickly o'er,
And as the sun comes shining through,
I walk along the garden path
When everything is fresh and new.

I see the squirrel nimbly leap
From limb to limb in a tree;
The birds drop down upon the lawn
To grab a bug I cannot see.

Out near the birdbath by the wall,
The air is filled with sunshine pure;
The mourning dove coos to its mate—
No other month's like May, I'm sure.

We are not tuned for noise and such;
Our country life is quiet here.
We listen to the music of the birds
And know that God is near.



God's timing is always right.



RECIPE



BROCCOLI & CAULIFLOWER SALAD

- 4 cups of chopped broccoli
- 4 cups of cauliflower
- 1/3 cup chopped red onion
- 8 slices of bacon, fried and crumbled
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese

- Dressing
- 3/4 cup mayonnaise
 - 1/3 cup of sugar
 - 1 to 2 tablespoons of vinegar

Mix dressing and pour over first five ingredients

Submitted by Barbie Stottlemeyer
Barbie made this salad for the luncheon following the Gaither Kline funeral.



A Mother's Love

Author Unknown

Her love is like an island
In life's ocean vast and wide,
A peaceful quiet shelter
From the wind, and rain, and tide.

'Tis bound on the north by hope,
By patience on the west,
By tender counsel on the south,
And on the east by rest.

Above it like a beacon light
Shine faith, and truth, and prayer,
And through the changing scenes of life
I find a haven there.

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

**GOOD
BROWNIE
TREAT**

Hints and Tips

Make brownies as directed. Melt Andes Mints in double boiler and pour over warm brownies. Let set for a wonderful minty frosting.
Submitted by Dennis Draper

If I can bring a ray of sunshine
Into someone's life today;
If I can, in some small way,
Help chase all their blues away;
If I can say a simple prayer
That will encourage an aching heart,
Then I will feel in some small way
That I have done my part.

—Helen Ruth Ashton

In Sympathy



Gaither William Kline

Gaither W. Kline, 86, of Hagerstown, passed away Saturday, April 14, 2012, at Meritus Medical Center, Hagerstown. He was preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Betty Jane Kline, October 12, 2011. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was a member of Salem United Methodist Church, Wolfsville, where funeral services were held on Wednesday, April 18. Pastor Bob Snyder officiated. Burial was in Salem United Methodist Church Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made in memory of Gaither to Salem United Methodist Church.

The Salem congregation expresses sincere sympathy to the family.

*From the
Pastor*



By PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER

Pentecost is May 27th this year. On Pentecost, we remember that Christ formed the church and sent the Holy Spirit to dwell in it, to empower it.

We, the church, are empowered through God the Holy Spirit to carry on Christ's ministry; to be Christ in the world.

In the weeks leading up to Pentecost this year, we will participate in the "Answering the Call" sermon series. As God calls us individually and as a congregation, God sustains us in taking up our cross and following Christ.

In this season of spring when newness and growth abound, what new things does God have to teach us about discipleship, and how is God asking us to grow? Please join us beginning May 6th. I believe it's going to be a great series, and I'm anxious to learn and grow with you! God Bless, *Pastor Bob*

May 6 – Holy Communion Will We Answer?

Exodus 3:9-14, 4:1-5, 4:10-17

God calls each of us to discipleship. Will we answer? God called Moses. The story is told in Exodus 3 and 4. Moses responded to God's call with fear and excuses. "Who am I that I should go?" (3:11). "Suppose I go ... what shall I tell them [the Israelites]?" (3:13). What if they don't believe me or listen to me?" (4:1). "O Lord please send someone else to do it." (4:13).

Moses, held up as the great leader of the Exodus, was initially full of fear and excuses. With God's help, Moses was able to put aside his fear and answer God's call. Like Moses, God calls each one of us to discipleship. Will we answer?

May 13 – Mother's Day God's Time

Ruth 1: 1-18

One day, we'll be face to face with our Lord. Christ will ask, "What did you do with the time I gave to you?" And we'll need to provide an answer. We are all given 24 hours in a day. What do we do with that time?

Every moment of our day is an opportunity to live in holiness, using

WORSHIP in MAY

Receiving New Members June 3



Christ as our model. No matter how busy we are, there are moments God gives us every day to love and care for other human beings, inside and outside of our families. And each of us has a special opportunity to help someone that is in more need than we are – there is always that someone, every day.

How we respond will determine the answer to Christ's question, "What did you do with the time I gave you?"

May 17 - Third Wednesday Worship

6-7 p.m. – Fellowship Meal

7-8 p.m. – Worship and Bible Study. This month's topic: "Thomas – The Pessimist" Music will be led by Works in Progress

May 20 – Ascension Sunday God's Talents

Acts 1:1-11

One day, we'll be face to face with our Lord. Christ will ask, "What did you do with the talents I gave to you?" And we'll need to provide an answer. For my 60th birthday my mom gave me a needle-point work she had completed several years ago and displayed in her home. The inscription has always spoken to me. It reads, "What we are is God's gift to us. What we become is our gift to God."

Each of us has talents. Each of us has spiritual gifts. God has given them to us as a gift. They are gifts to be shared. When we discover what they are and share them with other human beings, especially those in need, "we become," – it is our gift back to God.

After Jesus ascended, the Holy Spirit was sent to us to empower us to share our God given gifts for the good of others.

How we respond will determine the answer to Christ's question, "What did you do with the talents I gave you?"

May 27 - Pentecost God's Financial Resources John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

One day, we'll be face to face with our Lord. Christ will ask, "What did you do with the financial resources I gave to you?" And we'll need to provide an answer.

Christ will be pleased to hear our answer, "I tithed, Lord. I gave 10% of what I earned." But how many will be able to say this? Not many. Why? Maybe we're asking the wrong question. We seem to continue to ask ourselves, "What should I give?" We already know the answer - 10% or more. Maybe a better question is, "When can I give 10%?"

It was when Donna and I began asking "when" instead of "what" that we began making progress toward tithing and eventually achieved it. Some people can't tithe – God knows who they are and will protect each one. How we respond will determine the answer to Christ's question, "What did you do with the financial resources I gave you?"

June 3 – Confirmation Receiving New Members Yes We Will! Isaiah 6

Like Moses, Isaiah feared God's call. And as with Moses, God gave Isaiah everything he needed to answer God's call. Verse 8 reads, "Then I [Isaiah] heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here I am. Send me!'"

On May 27th, we celebrated Pentecost, Christ sending the Holy Spirit empowering us to answer his call to be his disciples; empowering us to use the time, talents and financial resources God has given us for good.

God calls each one of us to discipleship. Will we answer? As we celebrate confirmation, receive new members, and recommit to our own discipleship, our answer is "Yes we will!"

Annual Conference May 30-June 1

More than 1,000 clergy and lay members of the Baltimore-Washington Conference will gather for the 228th annual conference session Wednesday through Friday, May 30-June 1, at the Waterfront Marriott in Baltimore.

Attending from Salem will be Pastor Bob and Lay Member Michael Burrier.



Wolfsville Community Celebrates Easter

Maundy Thursday • Good Friday
Egg Hunt • Sunrise Service
Easter Sunday Worship

Photo by Wanda Barkdoll



MAUNDY THURSDAY

On Maundy Thursday, Salem presented a living dramatization of Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper." Leonardo da Vinci was born in Italy in 1452. He was a sculptor, a scientist, an inventor and an engineer. But he is most remembered for his two wonderful paintings, the "Mona Lisa" and "The Last Supper." When he was 42 years old, he was commissioned to paint "The Last Supper" to decorate the dining room wall of the Church of Santa Maria in Milan, Italy. His painting of "The Last Supper" was not intended to reproduce the original scene, as it took place in first century Palestine, but rather as it might have taken place in 15th century Italy. He chose what he considered to be the most dramatic moment of The Last Supper, that moment just after Jesus said, "One of you will betray me." Instantly, the 12 apostles became men of 12 different moods. The only composed person was Jesus himself. In the excitement, Judas overturned the container of salt... and Peter drew his knife. Some of the apostles just stared at Jesus in amazement... some just looked at each other in unbelief. In the living drama, the 12 apostles speak their minds to themselves, to each other, and to Jesus... they are reflecting on the tragic words which they had just heard Jesus speak... those words being "One of you will betray me."

Those participating were Bill Burrier (Introduction), Michael Burrier (Jesus), Richard Harshman (Nathaniel), Denny Leatherman (James the Lesser), Robin Haupt (Andrew), Bill Buhrman (Peter), Joe Hawkins (Judas), Steve Leatherman (John), Gary Barkdoll (James), George Stottlemeyer (Thomas), Brandon Leatherman (Simon the Zealot), Jim Laky (Matthew), Donald Stottlemeyer (Thaddeus), and Bobby Fogle (Philip). Joann Leatherman sang "Humble Me" to conclude the service.

GOOD FRIDAY

On Good Friday, Salem's youth presented a program called "Born to Die." The youth participating were Camden Raynor, Owen Raynor, Bailey Blickenstaff, Sarah Burrier, Joey Hawkins, Diana Laky, Joshua Koons, Kaitlyn Laky, and Madison Elsbach.

Salem's Adult Choir presented special music. During the service, Salem's altar was stripped of all cloths and decorations, an ancient practice, signifying the sorrow of Jesus' abandonment and crucifixion. The sorrow of Jesus' death on Good Friday turns to the joy of Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday, when the sanctuary is beautifully decorated.

Photo courtesy Grossnickle Church of the Brethren



SUNRISE SERVICE

The Wolfsville Community Easter Sunrise Service was held in the memorial garden at the Grossnickle Church of the Brethren. It was a cold morning with frost on the grass. Following the service, the large crowd was warmed by refreshments served by the Wolfsville Ruritan Club.



Maria Barkdoll holds the prize she won for finding one of the lucky eggs at Salem's Community Easter Egg Hunt.



Diana and Kaitlin Laky enjoyed a visit from the Easter Bunny at Salem's Community Easter Egg Hunt.



On Easter Sunday morning, Salem's Children's Choir, directed by Karyn Snyder, sang an enthusiastic version of "My Savior Lives." Great job, children!



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■ By George Stottlemeyer
Chair, Board of Trustees

Thanks to the efforts of many in our congregation in completing a number of projects in the church, parsonage, and cemetery recently.

CEMETERY CLEANUP

We had a very good turnout for a general spring clean-up project at the cemetery. We got a lot of work completed in one evening, thanks to all that came out and helped on this annual project.

HOT WATER HEATER

Curtis Nelson recently replaced our old electric hot water heater with an energy efficient propane gas hot water heater. The old water heater apparently had a broken unit as we would run out of hot water at times. Due to the age of the water heater, we did not believe it was cost effective to have it repaired. The new water heater heats the water on demand rather than keeping water hot continuously. The cost of the heater and fittings was \$1,566.00. Our thanks to Curtis who donated his time installing it.

PARSONAGE BASEMENT SHELVES

Bob Stup recently built several storage shelves in the parsonage basement. These shelves are being used for the parsonage

air conditioners, and provide much needed storage space for Pastor Bob and his family.

ELEVATOR

We appreciate everyone's patience when we recently experienced a problem with our elevator. Unfortunately, this occurred during a time when we were working on getting a new elevator service contract. However, Bobby Fogle and two service elevator mechanics who Bobby knew, spent many hours working to identify the problem and fixed it. We thank them for all their time, and persistence in correcting this problem and getting the elevator back in service.

The Board of Trustees has awarded an elevator service contract to Elevator Solutions LLC, Hagerstown. Several members of the board have had positive experiences with this company. This is a small local company that has been in business with over 75 years combined experience. They will make themselves available with a quick response in emergency situations, on holidays, and weekends. They will provide mechanics that are licensed and certified through the National Elevator Industry Educational Program with a minimum of 5 years or more experience.

PAVILION CONSTRUCTION
PROGRESS

Brandon Leatherman, Project Manager



More photos of pavilion construction at www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org



In honor of MEMORIAL DAY, Salem Church recognizes our nation's veterans who are buried at Salem's Cemetery. The church will place flags at these grave sites.

Lloyd Bear
Robert Bear
Aaron Craver
Rodger Lee Eccard
Joseph R. Farsht
Elmer R. Finneyfrock
James Richard Frey
Harold G. Harne
Francis C. Harshman
Robert Woodrow Heefner
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Cemetery Points of Contact:

- Original Cemetery (Section 1)
Richard G. Kline
301-293-2956
- New Cemetery (Section 2)
George Stottlemeyer
301-293-2372

Cemetery Mowing:
Mountain Valley Lawn Service
Vernon Stottlemeyer
Myersville, MD

Bee-lievers to hold Community Yard, Plant and Bake Sale

■ By Fonda Gormer

The Salem Bee-lievers are planning a community yard sale for Saturday, May 12, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. in Salem's parking lot. Along with the yard sale, they will have a plant sale offering a variety of items for Mother's Day and spring planting.

Spaces will be offered free of charge, but donations would be appreciated. Each seller will be responsible for moving their tables from the social hall on the morning of the sale.

Donations for a "church" table will be accepted from anyone who does not want to have their own table. Please have these items at the church by Sunday, May 6, and put them in the downstairs "Middlers" classroom marked for the

yard sale.

At the time of this writing, it appears that we will have some good-condition used appliances to offer for sale. Bids will be taken on these items during the day, with the high bidder being announced at the end of the day.

The food stand menu includes sausage sandwiches, hot dogs, steamers, ham sandwiches and beverages. There will also be a bake sale. Donations of bake sale items are needed. These items need to be at the church by 7 a.m. the morning of the event.

There is no rain date. For more information, or to reserve a space, contact Fonda Gormer (301-293-2436) or Barbie Stottlemeyer (301-293-2372) by May 8.



Food Boxes, Fruit Baskets, & Flowers Given

■ By Barbie Stottlemeyer

I want to thank everyone who donated funds to help purchase items for food boxes, fruit baskets, and flowers, and to those that gathered on Saturday morning, March 31, 2012, to help pack the boxes and baskets, and then help to distribute them to persons in our church and community.

As she always does, Dianna Poling prepared a special little gift that we attached to the 14 fruit baskets, 11 flowers, and 5 food boxes. These gifts are given as a means of letting those receiving them know we care about them, are thinking about them, and to let them know they are an important part of our church and/or community, just as God shows His love and caring for each of us every day.

May is "Ruritan Awareness Month"

■ By Joe Hawkins

Salem Member & President,
Wolfsville Ruritan Club

People often ask what is Ruritan? It is a national organization dedicated to improving communities and building a better America through, "Fellowship, Goodwill, and Community." The name Ruritan is a combination of the Latin words for open country (ruri) and small town (tan), interpreted as pertaining to rural and small town life.

The first Ruritan Club was chartered on May 21st, 1928, in Holland, Virginia. The Wolfsville Club was chartered in May 1957, thus we are celebrating our 55th year of serving the Wolfsville community.

Five of the charter members of the Wolfsville Club were Salem members: J. Albert Baer, John M Baer Jr., J. Peter Frey, Gale Kline, and Donald Pryor. Bob Metzger was a 50 year member of Ruritan and Charles Martin was a Past-President of the Wolfsville Club. Other members of the Salem Church family, who have been Ruritan members, include: Francis Harshman, Pastor Randy Reid, and Steve Leatherman.

Salem's mission statement includes, "Serve those in need in our congregation, the community and in the world." Ruritan's mission is to unify the efforts of individuals, organizations, and institutions in a community toward making it an ideal place to live. Ruritan identifies and works with other organizations that

serve the community. Ruritan wants to foster the ideal of service as the basis of all worthy enterprise.

The Wolfsville Club has identified Salem as a partner in the community to help meet the needs in our community. For many years the club has supported Vacation Bible School, and the past few years has identified Salem's Food Pantry and Hero's Club as worthwhile community outreach endeavors.

We have 10-12 fundraising events each year. These events allow us to maintain the community park but also allowed us to donate over \$11,000 in 2011 to our partners in the community.

In addition to our work with Salem, we financially support Wolfsville Elementary School, Wolfsville Volunteer Fire Department, as well as the fire departments and EMT's in Myersville and Smithsburg, St. Paul's preschool, the Wolfsville-Myersville Athletic Association, Wolfsville Girl Scouts, Myersville Cub Scouts, local nursing homes, Middletown Valley People Helping People, among others. Finally we award 3 college scholarships each year.

Why would someone want to join Ruritan? Is it not obvious? The joy of serving others. There is something for everyone... For those who fondly remember their farm background or just like to learn new skills, we have two butcherings each year. Those who like kitchen work or just like to learn new skills, we have two pot

pie suppers and food preparation for the gas engine show. For the handy-man type, we always have park maintenance needs. For the social type it's the relationships you build with others in the community. For those who enjoy eating great food, come to a meeting... we are always well fed.

To celebrate "Ruritan Awareness Month," we will be conducting a food drive. The food we collect in May will be donated to the Salem Food Pantry.

May 20th is Ruritan "Go to Church Sunday." Members are encouraged to attend a community church together. This year, members are planning to attend Salem's 9 a.m. service.

The Ruritan is open to both men and women. High school students can even join. While the Wolfsville club does not have any youth members yet, we are open for some mature young people willing to serve their community. Please come and join Maynard Gaver, Pastor Bob, myself, and the 41 other members of our club in helping to make Wolfsville great.

Looking ahead...

Lord's Acre Festival

Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012

Wolfsville Ruritan Park

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Blessed in Aging

By Esther Mary Walker



Blessed are they who understand
 My faltering step and shaking hand.
 Blessed, who know my ears today
 Must strain to hear the things they say.
 Blessed are those who seem to know
 My eyes are dim and my mind is slow.
 Blessed are those who look away
 When I spilled tea that weary day.
 Blessed are they who, with cheery smile
 Stopped to chat for a little while.
 Blessed are they who know the way
 To bring back memories of yesterday.
 Blessed are those who never say
 "You've told that story twice today".
 Blessed are they who make it known
 That I am loved, respected and not alone.
 And blessed are they who will ease the days
 Of my journey home, in loving ways.

BLESSINGS

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

Some thoughts to ponder . . .

We become who God meant us to be by giving ourselves completely to Him.

It's impossible to wring our hands when they are folded before God in prayer.

Good mothers not only tell us how to live—they show us.

God is big enough to care for the smallest needs.

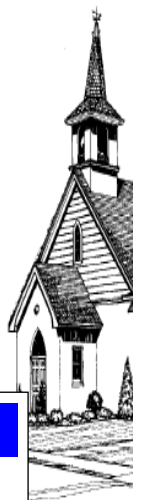
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