



Salem United Methodist Church—Wolfsville

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**Salem is planning to attend Creation 2012**  
 4 DAYS in MT. UNION, PA



More info at [www.creationfest.com/ne](http://www.creationfest.com/ne)

■ By Sue Ellen Stottlemyer

CREATION 2012 is just around the corner. As of this writing, 13 youth and adults are planning 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 who 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.

There is something for everybody to enjoy, all while worshipping and praising our wonderful Lord and Savior.

**Main Stage Lineup**

- Switchfoot
- tobyMac
- David Crowder
- Chris Tomlin
- Tenth Avenue North
- Thousand Foot Krutch ... more
- Newsboys
- Kutless
- Red
- Family Force 5
- Bread of Stone

**Fringe Stage Lineup**

- Love and Death
- Disciple
- Supertones
- Project 86 ... more
- Sent By Ravens
- Shonlock
- An Epic No Less

**HM Stage Lineup**

- Demon Hunter
- Underoath ... more
- Sleeping Giant

**Speakers**

- Reggie Dabbs
- Harry Thomas
- Tony Nolan
- Reid Saunders
- Duffy Robbins ... more
- Nick Vujicic
- Austin Gutwein
- Jason Carson
- Jason Ostrander

**Salem will help pay toward each ticket**

## The Mountain Shepherd

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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

### SALEM WEB SITE

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### OUR PURPOSE

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide  
a means of communicating with our mem-  
bers, their families, and our many friends of  
the Wolfsville community and surrounding  
areas. We pray that this newsletter will in-  
spire 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-Apr	2012 Goal	% of Goal
<b>1</b>	<b>Frank &amp; Nancy Stottlemeyer</b> Retired Senegal Missionaries	\$204	\$816.00	\$2,448	33%
<b>2</b>	<b>Operation Christmas Child</b> Postage for Shoe Boxes - Samaritan's Purse - November	—	0	\$355	0%
<b>3</b>	<b>Salem Mission &amp; Outreach</b> Supports human needs as determined by Salem	—	\$245.83	\$1,180	21%
<b>4</b>	<b>Salem Food Pantry</b> Open every Monday 6:00-7:00 p.m.	—	\$506.86	\$1,180	43%
<b>5</b>	<b>Mary Elmore - Africa Inland Mission</b> Working in Tanzania, Africa	\$85	\$340.00	\$1,020	33%
<b>6</b>	<b>United Methodist Board of Child Care</b> Care of Homeless or Abused Children	—	0	\$1,360	0%
<b>7</b>	<b>Gideons International</b> Frederick County - West Camp - Distributing Bibles	\$110	\$440.00	\$1,320	33%
<b>8</b>	<b>Potato Project</b> Society of St. Andrew, Big Island, Virginia	\$60	\$240.00	\$720	33%
<b>9</b>	<b>Middletown High School</b> Fellowship of Christian Athletes	\$47	\$188.00	\$564	33%
<b>10</b>	<b>Mission Trip</b> Destination to be determined	—	0	\$2,295	0%
<b>11</b>	<b>Ronnie &amp; Angi Hopkins</b> The Mission Society - Mission Work in Nicaragua	\$64	\$256.00	\$768	33%
<b>12</b>	<b>Care Net Pregnancy Center</b> 707 N. Market Street, Frederick, MD	\$64	\$256.00	\$768	33%
<b>13</b>	<b>Compassion International</b> Sponsored children in Ecuador & India	\$76	\$319.00	\$972	33%
<b>14</b>	<b>Local Mission Projects</b> 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.

**Food Pantry**  
OPEN  
**MONDAYS**  
6:00-7:00 pm

### SALEM FOOD PANTRY

*Salem Mission Project No. 4*

At this time, Salem's Food Pantry is in need of donations:  
**Non-Perishable Food** — Canned fruit, canned meat, cereal, coffee, tea, etc. PLEASE NOTE: We do not need any green beans, spaghetti, rice or corn at this time.

**Household Items** — Toilet tissue, paper towels, tissues, dish detergent, etc.

**Personal Care Products** — Bath soap, shampoo, deodorant, hand soap and sanitizers, diapers, baby wipes, feminine sanitary, etc.

Donations may be placed in the box outside the sanctuary. Please check expiration dates. Our thanks to the Myersville Post Office who recently donated a small bag of food given by postal customers. A recent suggestion from a Salem member was for those who are planting gardens, perhaps plant an extra row or section to provide fresh produce for the food pantry.

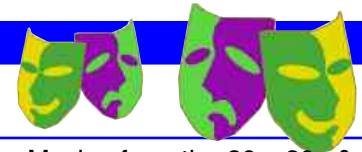
Thank you for your support of this ministry as we engage in our mission, with God's help, to SERVE those in need in our congregation and community.





APRIL 29, 2012

# Senior Appreciation Luncheon



By Donna Snyder

Salem's 3rd Annual Senior Appreciation Luncheon was a huge success! The theme this year was movies from the 20's, 30's and 40's!

All of the youth came out with very creative costumes. Many of the girls dressed as Cinderella, Snow White, Beauty, etc. They all looked beautiful in their long dresses! Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer and I helped with make-up. We also had the famous Dorothy and the munchkins from the Wizard of Oz; also Dracula, Shirley Temple, and Dr. Jekyll and

Mr. Hyde.

Our Seniors were honored with a luncheon served by our Faith Builders and WildFire youth groups. We had 30 guests and they were entertained with music, songs sung by the children, and Chris Leatherman played a wonderful piano solo. Salem's youth love this event because they enjoy creating a fun atmosphere for lunch, and they love getting to know our seniors! I suspect the seniors love getting to know them too.

Until next year . . . God Bless!

Theme: Movies from the 20s, 30s & 40s



Salem youth served the dinner. Front row from left Kate Young, George Hawkins, Bailey Blickenstaff, Leah Young; second row Joey Hawkins, Emily Hammond, Valentina Barkdoll; back row Chris Leatherman, Camilo Barkdoll, Maria Barkdoll, Joshua Koons, and Dottie Hager.

Photos by Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer



Doris Fogle & Marilyn Leatherman



Lorraine & Camilo Barkdoll



Olive Kline



Polly Doyle & Dick Kline



Petie Stup



Bob Stup



Donna Horn



Hilda Cartee & Grace Smith



Andrea Palmer



Howard & Betty Brandenburg



Mary Alice & Bill Shankle



Anita & Richard Harshman



Phyllis Green & Delores Myers



Caroline Buhrman



Bill Buhrman



Delphine Zimmerman



## Attendance & Offerings

APRIL 2012

		Worship*		Sunday School	
Apr	1	104	\$2,694.98	61	\$350.25
Apr	8	139	2,245.00	61	152.00
Apr	15	87	1,360.11	55	134.25
Apr	22	81	1,205.50	55	87.00
Apr	29	81	2,671.91	49	155.00

\*Worship attendance & offerings include both worship services.

- **Missions:** \$1,320.41
- **Building & Imp. Fund:** \$230.00
- **Pavilion Fund:** \$225.00
- **Cemetery Endowment:** \$40.00

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

	Average Attendance	
	Worship	Sunday School
Apr	98	56
Mar	100	57
Feb	93	58
Jan	94	59
Dec	105	57
Nov	94	61

**Average Attendance Jan-Apr 2012**  
 Sunday Worship: 96  
 Sunday School: 57

### Salem attends Board of Child Care Auxiliary meeting in Hancock



The spring meeting of the Board of Child Care Auxiliary for the Cumberland-Hagerstown District of the United Methodist Church was held on Thursday, May 10, 2012, at the Hancock United Methodist Church, in Hancock, Maryland. Those attending from Salem were Petie Stup, Olive Kline, and Betty and Howard Brandenburg.

Betty Brandenburg, Salem's coordinator for the Board of Child Care Auxiliary, said it was a lovely and very informative meeting. Salem was able to donate \$600 to the auxiliary's work (Salem Mission Project No. 6), and two beautiful afghans made and donated by Salem member Linda Hessong. The afghans will be given to graduating students who live at the Board of Child Care.

Guest speaker was Dale Griffin, Auxiliary Volunteer Coordinator, who gave a very informative talk about ongo-

ing and upcoming activities, and emphasized the need for donated items and volunteers to work at the Christmas Store in December, at the Falling Waters campus. This store allows the children, who live at the Board of Child Care, to purchase Christmas gifts for their friends and family at a nominal cost.

#### Membership Drive

In June, Salem members will have an opportunity to join the Board of Child Care Auxiliary. Membership envelopes will be available on the second and third Sundays in June. Annual membership dues are \$2 per person. Checks should be made payable to Salem United Methodist Church. Cash and checks will be run through the Salem treasury. Member information and dues will be consolidated and forwarded to the Board of Child Care.

### Ruritan members attended Salem on "Go to Church Sunday"

Sunday, May 20, was Ruritan "Go to Church Sunday." Ruritan members are encouraged to attend a community church together. This year, members of the Wolfsville Ruritan Club attended Salem's 9 a.m. worship service.

Ruritan members attending were Robert Lee Grossnickle, Donald Kuhn, David Fogle, Boyd Funk, Ken Frushour, and Joe Hawkins.

Our thanks to the Wolfsville Ruritan Club for their dedicated support of churches and other organizations in our community.

#### THANK YOU

Stanley Kline wishes to thank the Salem congregation for their kindness in sending to him so many birthday cards. Stanley said, "I think I got a card from every person in this congregation." Stanley celebrated his 91st birthday on April 23.

#### LOOKING AHEAD...

### Ice Cream Social Picnic & Balloon Launch

Sunday evening, July 22, 2012 at Salem

- 5:30 p.m. Picnic
- 7:00 p.m. Balloon Launch
- 7:15 p.m. Ice Cream
- 7:30 p.m. Music by:

"Works in Progress" Community Praise Band



**Works in Progress Community Praise Band** (l-r) Michael Burrier (drums/vocals), Jim Laky (synth/flute/clarinet/sax/vocals), Amanda Hawkins (vocals), Dawn Nelson (vocals), Donna Snyder (guitar/vocals), Susie Stottlemeyer (piano), Lori Williamson (vocals).



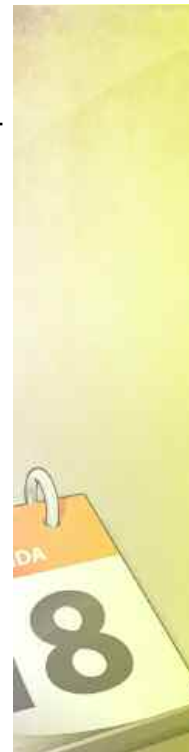


June

# Calendar of Events

- Sat 2 Adult Choir Picnic** - 5:30 p.m. at the home of Curt & Dawn Nelson
- Sun 3 New Members Received** - 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. worship  
**New Members Luncheon** - 12:30 p.m. at Salem
- Mon 4 Hero's Club** - Last day of spring semester
- Wed 6 Salem Ladies Christian Book Club** - 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Joy Young's home
- Thu 7 UMW Bee-lievers** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem  
**Board of Trustees** - 7:30 p.m. at Salem
- Sun 10 Youth Sunday**
- Thu 14 Administrative Council** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
- Sun 17 Father's Day**
- Mon 18 Wolfsville Ruritan Club Dinner** - 2 p.m. prepare, 7 p.m. serve, at Ruritan Park
- Tue 19 Youth End-of-Year Picnic**
- Wed-Sat 27-30 Creation Music Festival** - Mt. Union, PA

NOTE: 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.

## Thoughts on Fatherhood

When Jesus taught us to pray, He began, "Our Father in heaven" (Luke 11:2). It is one of many scriptures that refers to God as a father. It is fascinating and instructive that when God wanted us to know what He is like, He chose to emphasize His fatherhood. Take heart in the fact that if you have been redeemed through Jesus you have a perfect heavenly Father. He's the best father of all.

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## 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](mailto: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*

## Adult Choir Picnic

### Attention all Choir Members:

We will be celebrating the end of the music season on Saturday, June 2, with a picnic at 5:30 p.m. at the home of Curtis and Dawn Nelson, 12529 Loy Wolfe Road.

Please RSVP by May 31st by calling Dawn at 301-293-9988.

We will be recognizing Sandy Lewis for her time and dedication to our church choir. So don't miss out on the festivities.



## Hold the Date for a Desert Adventure

### ■ 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 details will be provided in next month's newsletter.

# Who's Doing What, When?

## JUNE

### 9:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

#### Lay Reader

- 3 - Phil Koons
- 10 - Youth
- 17 - Steve Leatherman
- 24 - Fonda Gormer

#### Ushers

- 3 - Dick Kline & Steve Leatherman
- 10 - Youth
- 17 - Donald Stottlemeyer & Meredith Harshman
- 24 - Philip Koons & Brandon Leatherman

#### Organist

- 3 - Susan Koons
- 10 - Krista Bussard
- 17 - Krista Bussard
- 24 - Susan Koons

#### Greeters

- 3 - Dennis & Ruth Draper
- 10 - Youth
- 17 - George, Barbie & Matt Stottlemeyer
- 24 - Bill & Darlene Burrier

#### Acolytes

- 3 - Ali Robinson
- 10 - Youth
- 17 - Jadie Buhrman
- 24 - 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!

### June Anniversaries

- 4 - Jamie & Amber Breneman
- 7 - Tim & Mary Brown
- 8 - Todd & Melanie Raynor
- 8 - Ken & Dianna Poling
- 17 - Maynard & Betty Gaver
- 19 - Brandon & Jessie Leatherman
- 22 - Jim & Kim Bullock
- 25 - Vernon & Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer
- 26 - Brent & Patty Blickenstaff

### June Birthdays

- 1 - Emily Burrier
- 2 - Doris Fogle
- 2 - Richard Freysz
- 2 - Bob Stup
- 3 - Barbara Palmer
- 3 - Andrea Palmer
- 6 - Jonathan Gormer
- 12 - Petie Stup
- 19 - George Harne
- 22 - Hunter Hebeisen
- 23 - Seth Hipkins
- 23 - Jeremiah Sowers
- 24 - Casey Weddle
- 25 - Brent Blickenstaff
- 26 - Justin Brown
- 26 - Christi Beall
- 27 - George Stottlemeyer



**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.



**Pavilion Picnic Tables** — Our pavilion project manager, Brandon Leatherman, in deciding on picnic tables for the pavilion, looked at various kits which could be purchased, but decided the best route was to purchase lumber, cut it to specifications, and build the tables on-site. The above photo shows a table being assembled. Once assembled, volunteers came to paint them.

## Holy Communion

JUNE 3, 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

**NEVER GIVE THE DEVIL A  
RIDE ... HE WILL ALWAYS  
WANT TO DRIVE.**

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman



## INSPIRATIONAL Reading

### A Message for Father

By Craig E. Sathoff

I am no more the little boy  
You bounced upon your knee  
And thrilled with songs and olden chants  
And tales of mystery.

But, Father, I am guided still,  
Much more than words can tell,  
By your desire to see tasks through  
And do what is done well.

Your caring smile, your love of life,  
Your kind and patient ways  
Are guideposts which I shall attempt  
To honor all my days.

The gifts you gave to your small son  
Were not found in a store,  
But, Father, now I use them still  
Each year, just more and more.



### Simple Things

By Ernest Jack Sharpe

These things of life I love to see:  
Sunlight filtered through a tree,  
A swallow flying in the sky,  
Wind-swept waves of growing rye.

These things of life I love to feel:  
The tug of trout against my reel,  
Rushing water over my feet,  
Breezes tempering summer's heat.

These things of life I love to hear:  
A singing thrush with notes so clear,  
The scrunch of leaves beneath my tread,  
Raindrops as I lie in bed.

These things of life I love to smell:  
The rich, moist earth of shady dell,  
Wood smoke, roses, new-mown hay,  
Sweet-scented breeze at close of day.

Simple things, but those I love,  
All furnished by the One above.

**The words that a father speaks**  
to his children in the privacy of home  
are not heard by the world,  
but, as in whispering galleries,  
they are clearly heard at the end,  
and by posterity.

—Jean Paul Richter



## RECIPE



### Cherry Cheese Pie

3/4 cup all-purpose flour	1 pkg (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
3 tablespoons sugar	1/3 cup sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt	1 egg
1/4 cup butter or margarine, softened	1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 can (21 ounces) cherry pie filling	

In a bowl, combine the flour, sugar and salt. Add butter; stir until combined. Press onto the bottom and up the sides of a 9-in. pie plate. Bake at 350 degrees for 10-12 minutes or until lightly browned. Pour pie filling into crust.

In a mixing bowl, beat cream cheese, sugar, egg and vanilla until smooth. Carefully spread around outside edges of pie, leaving a 3-in. circle of cherries exposed in the center. Bake for 30-35 minutes or until edges begin to brown. Cool on a wire rack. Refrigerate for several hours before serving.  
Yield: 8 servings.



### Summer Came

By Agnes Davenport Bond

Summer came on gentle winds  
With the fragrance she ensnares.  
Trees now spread their leafy arms,  
Bending with green she wears.

There is a hum of birds and bees,  
Now the air is filled with song.  
Bluest skies have foamy clouds  
Drifting lazily along.

Shadows fall at evening tide,  
Myriad stars are clear and bright,  
As silently the darkness spreads  
A dusky robe upon the night.

Linger summer, do not go.  
You are hastening away.  
All too soon these days will be  
Memories of yesterday.

**Happy is the family**  
whose members play together  
and work together and know one  
another's hearts. They think  
differently, but their thoughts meet  
with understanding. They follow  
different ways, but their actions have  
a common purpose. The unities of  
such a family are like silken threads,  
strong and true, and woven together  
harmoniously. —Author Unknown

### SNICKERS BAR DESSERT

Leftover  
Snickers bars  
make a delicious dessert. Simply  
chop them up with a food chopper.  
Peel and slice a few apples. Place  
them in a baking dish and sprinkle  
the candy bars over the apples. Bake  
at 350 for 15 minutes. Serve alone or  
with vanilla ice cream.

Submitted by Dennis Draper

*Hints and Tips*

### What is Summer Made Of?

By Patricia Mongeau

Summer is made of such  
wonderful things—  
Bright golden sunshine and  
butterfly wings,  
Fresh as the fragrance of newly  
mown hay,  
A beautiful sunset at closing of day.  
Soft fleecy clouds drifting high  
up above,  
Summer is happiness, laughter  
and love.  
Blossoms that nod to a warm,  
gentle breeze,  
Downy grass carpets and  
leafy green trees,  
Sweet as the song that a wee  
robin sings—  
Summer is made of such  
wonderful things!





■ By PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER

During the month of June, there will be baptisms, confirmation, and the receiving of new members into Christ's congregation at Salem.

After the second service on June 3rd, we'll have a meal together to celebrate these joy-filled events.

The following week, June 10th, is Youth Sunday. We'll have the opportunity to celebrate our children and youth as they lead us in worship.

Then on Sunday, June 17th, we'll begin a summer sermon series, "Fruit of the Spirit." During this series, we'll take a Sunday to look at each of the Fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

I am looking forward to growing and serving with you as we once again begin the season of summer. God Bless.

—Pastor Bob

### June 3 – Confirmation, Receiving New Members Inviting Our Neighbor John 4:39-41

Samaritans and Jews did not associate with one another. But Jesus had a habit of challenging unjust practices.

So, one day he and the disciples traveled directly through Samaria. At noon they stopped at a well. Jesus remained at the well while the others went off for food. There Jesus invited a Samaritan woman to believe in him. She did believe, and immediately ran back to her neighbors to tell them her story and to invite them to Christ. Then they believed too.

You also have invited others to Christ and as a result of your efforts, four of our youth are being confirmed today and, along with them, several adults are becoming members of our church family today.

### June 10 – Youth Sunday Working With God Luke 5:17-26

The paralyzed man in this story had no way of getting to Jesus without the help of his friends. The way his friends

## WORSHIP in JUNE

### Receiving New Members June 3



worked with God made the difference in this man's life.

He couldn't get to Jesus to be healed, so his friends put him on a mat and carried him to the house where Jesus was healing the sick.

When they arrived at the house, they still couldn't get their friend to Jesus because the house was packed with people. So they went up on the roof, made a hole, and lowered the man down through the roof to Jesus, who healed the man.

We are proud of our children and youth. They are here each Sunday learning how to work with God, and as they lead worship today, they share with us some of the things they have learned.

### June 17 – Father's Day Fruit of the Spirit Sermon Series "Love"

Today starts our Summer Sermon Series, "The Fruit of the Spirit." We begin the series where God begins. We take up the topic of love.

It is appropriate to be listed first among the fruit of the spirit — love is the greatest force in the universe.

God is love in its purest form. God calls us to love as God loves — unconditionally. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

Jesus reduces God's commandments

to these two: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind" and "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:37-39).

On the day we celebrate the love of our earthly fathers, we acknowledge that there is no love greater than the love of our heavenly Father.

### June 24 Fruit of the Spirit Sermon Series "Joy"

"Joy" follows right after "Love" in the list of the Fruit of the Spirit. God wants us to have joy.

Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full" (John 10:10).

A life centered on God's love brings joy into our personal lives and motivates us to spread that joy to others.

It doesn't mean that we will not encounter bad times in our lives; some may be terribly bad. It does mean that even amidst those bad times, our underlying joy will remain intact, perhaps more in the background for awhile, but intact.

Jesus dying on the cross secured eternal life for us. That gives us the hope in the future we need, and the joy that comes with it.

When we go about our daily tasks, and as we invite others to Christ, and as we help each other grow in faith and serve others, we do it joyfully. We are secure in our faith and our future.

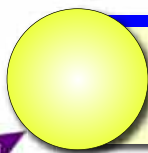
## Clergy Appointments of Local Interest

■ By Bill Burrier

More than 50 pastors in the Baltimore-Washington Conference are changing church appointments effective July 1, 2012. Some of local interest are:

- **Chris Bishop** to Pastor in Charge at FaithPoint UMC, Frederick
- **Beth Williams** to Associate Pastor at Middletown UMC, Middletown
- **Linda Warehime** to Pastor in Charge at Bethel UMC, Chewsville
- **William Warehime** to Pastor in Charge at John Wesley UMC, Hagerstown
- **Dana Werts** to Associate Pastor at Brook Hill UMC, Frederick
- **Tim Kromer** to Pastor in Charge at Tom's Creek UMC, Emmitsburg
- **Richard Baker** to Pastor in Charge at Walkersville UMC, Walkersville
- **Mark Smiley** to Baltimore-Washington Conference Staff—Western Region Guide





## Hero's Club Salem's After School Ministry

Hero's Club Service Project  
"Nothing But Nets"

Photos by Dawn Nelson

### Hero's Club Spring Dinner and Show a great success

By Amanda Hawkins

Over 40 Hero's Club children, parents and friends attended our spring dinner. We served fried chicken, mac and cheese, baked beans, veggies and dip, and cookies for dessert.

Each child chose a part, or several parts, in the variety show, which included singing a song, a Jonah and the Whale skit, playing band instruments, playing handbells, and presenting memory verses they had learned throughout the year. We concluded the evening with a slide show of Hero's Club scenes and activities over the past two years.

Thank you to everyone who helped and attended! We look forward to more activities like this! The last Hero's Club for this school year is Monday, June 4, when we will have an ice cream sundae party and water fun!

Look for 2012-2013 Hero's Club registration forms in August. Tell your friends and neighbors. Thank you for your support!



### Youth Groups "gear up" for June activities

By Jessie Leatherman

The Wildfire youth group has had a great year, and is gearing up (along with Faith Builders) for Youth Sunday (June 10) and the end of the year picnic (June 19)!

Our monthly meetings have had a variety of dinners, songs, skits, games, competitions, and last but not least – the TIN FOIL BALL AWARD! (Just ask someone in Wildfire if you are curious).

We have gotten to know each other more, and enjoyed events like snow tubing and Minute To Win It Night!

We are looking forward to a fun serv-

ice project next year, Second Sunday Club nights, and adding next year's third graders to our ranks!

To the parents of next year's third graders, as well as current members, contact me if you need a shirt. We can get that ball rolling over the summer to have them ready for the fall.

A huge thanks goes out to all who jumped in to help in any way – there are so many of you, and the year would not have been possible without everyone's help and involvement. Thanks again, and keep your eyes peeled for next year's schedule to come out over the summer!



**What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is your gift to God.**

At Hero's Club on May 21st, Pastor Bob joined the children in a circle discussion about a needlepoint picture recently given to him by his mother on his birthday. The picture's message was "What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is your gift to God."

Salem Mission Project No. 11

**RONNIE & ANGI HOPKINS IN NICARAGUA** — Ramon's grandchildren & Ronnie paint Ramon's new house. Ramon and Juanita live in El Crucero and lost their home in last year's rainy season. Their friends, Doug and Mary Jo from Mt. Bethel UMC in Smithsburg, MD, ensured that this elderly couple would have a new home to call their own.



### Lord's Acre Festival

Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012

Wolfsville Ruritan Park

Always the Second Saturday in September



**Brandon Leatherman, Project Manager**  
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May 10, 2012



May 12, 2012



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Frederick County Landmarks Foundation  
**TRADES FAIR**  
 Schifferstadt Architectural Museum  
 Frederick, MD



On Saturday, May 19, 2012, Salem's Be- lievers held a food stand and plant sale at the 3rd annual Trades Fair at the Schifferstadt Architectural Museum in Frederick. Our thanks to everyone who helped with this event.

**Ladies Night Out**

Photo by Dawn Nelson



According to organizer Fonda Gormer, 39 women and children enjoyed Ladies Night Out at Mountain Gate in Thurmont on May 2, 2012. A cross favor was given with the following poem.

I carry a cross in my pocket  
 A simple reminder to me  
 Of the fact that I am a Christian  
 No matter where I may be.

This little cross isn't magic  
 Nor is it a good luck charm.  
 It isn't meant to protect me  
 From every physical harm.

It's not for identification  
 For all the world to see.  
 It's simply an understanding  
 Between the Savior and me.

When I put my hand in my pocket  
 To bring out a coin or a key,

The cross is there to remind me  
 Of the price He paid for me.

It reminds me, too, to be thankful  
 For my blessings day by day  
 And to strive to serve Him better  
 In all that I do or say.

It's also a daily reminder  
 Of the peace and comfort I share  
 With all who know my Master  
 And give themselves to His care.

So I carry a cross in my pocket  
 Reminding no one but me  
 That Jesus Christ is Lord of my life  
 If only I'll let Him be.



**A Cross in my Pocket**

*Developing a New Generation of Disciples*



**2012 ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Pastor Bob Snyder and Lay Member Michael Burrier will be attending the **228th session of the Baltimore-Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church**, held at the Marriott Baltimore Waterfront in Baltimore. The conference runs Wednesday through Friday, May 30 through June 1, 2012.

Guest speakers are Bishop Gregory Palmer, J. Clif Christopher, Rev. Kenda Creasy Dean, and Rev. Zan W. Holmer, Jr.

Musical guests are Salvador, Bridges, and Jimmy Sherrod with the Crossroads Band.

A complete conference agenda and other information may be obtained at [bwcumc.org/events/annualconference](http://bwcumc.org/events/annualconference).

April 12 - May 4, 2012 Tampa, FL

**GENERAL CONFERENCE**

The General Conference, a quadrennial gathering which draws together a body of 1,000 United Methodists from around the world to set the policies and priorities of the denomination, was held April 12 through May 4, 2012, in Tampa, Fla.

Clergy Delegates from the Baltimore-Washington Conference were T. R. Chattin, Laura Easto, Conrad Link, Rodney Smothers, J. W. Park, Joe Daniels, and Joan Carter-Rimbach.

Laity Delegates from the Baltimore-Washington Conference were Tom Price, Sandy Ferguson, Darius Butler, Melissa Lauber, Edith Williams, Charlie Moore, and Jen Ihlo.

■ **By Rich Peck**  
United Methodist News Service

United Methodists from five continents addressed a wide range of challenging issues, including church structure and human sexuality, and engaged in an Act of Repentance toward indigenous people during their 10-day legislative gathering.

Meeting in the Tampa Convention Center, steps away from the waters of Tampa Bay, the 988 delegates recalled through worship, song and sermon the healing and transforming ministry of Jesus beside the Sea of Galilee.

As storms on the Sea of Galilee alarmed the disciples, so too, conflicting stands on structure and social justice

troubled the delegates and some 4,000 visitors and staff. Perhaps the most surprising lightning strike occurred at 4:30 p.m. on May 4, the final day of the assembly, when the delegates received word from the church's supreme court that a major piece of legislation regarding restructuring violated the denomination's constitution.

Afterward, Bishop Larry M. Goodpaster of the Charlotte (N.C.) Area, outgoing Council of Bishops president, sought to comfort a frustrated assembly at the start of the evening session. "God always provides a way," he said.

In addition to restructuring and the Act of Repentance, General Conference addressed a wide range of topics.

The delegates:

- Retained the church's position regarding homosexuality [i.e., "The United Methodist Church does not condone the practice of homosexuality and considers this practice incompatible with Christian teaching."]; deciding not to adopt language that would have said United Methodists are not of one mind on this issue;
- Did away with "guaranteed appointments" for clergy;
- Rejected a proposal for setting aside a bishop to serve as full-time president of



General Conference of the United Methodist Church meets every four years. 988 delegates world-wide attended this year's conference in Tampa, Florida.

the Council of Bishops;

- Entered into full communion with a number of historically black pan-Methodist denominations;
- Approved making the United Methodist Women an autonomous organization rather than operating it under the church's missions agency;
- Created a national ministry plan for Pacific Islanders;
- Adopted a \$603.1 million budget for the 2013-2016 period; and
- Decided not to divest from three companies whose products are used by the Israeli military in the occupied Palestinian territories.

The delegates, from more than 60 nations, processed some 1,200 petitions during the assembly. General Conference meets every four years and is the only body that speaks for the 13 million-member denomination.

## Salem Mission Project No. 5

**Mary Elmore reports on her work in Tanzania**

■ **By Mary Elmore**  
Africa Inland Mission, Tanzania

APRIL 2012 — Last month I went to a friend's wedding. As part of the preparation, I had my hands and feet painted with henna. My friends loved the design, and were thrilled that I was participating in this part of their culture.

But far beyond the cultural aspect of painting my hands, was the spiritual effect. For two weeks, every time I adjusted my glasses, touched my bangs or even just moved my hands in everyday activity, my eyes were inevitably drawn to the flowers on the palms of my hands. And as my eyes were drawn to my palms, Isaiah 49:16



Mary Elmore

"See, I have written your name on the palms of my hands." (Isaiah 49:16)

Just as my eyes were constantly

would come to mind, and I began to understand in a fresh way what God was saying to Israel – and what He says to us, His children, today. Israel was in trouble. They thought that God had forgotten and abandoned them. To show Israel He could never forget them, He said

drawn to the palms of my hands throughout the day, reminding me of my friend and her wedding... so also God remembers us and thinks of us.

God's character does not change. When I am lonely, discouraged, afraid, uncertain or just too tired to stand, I can rest assured that He holds me in the palm of His hands. Thankfully, God's inscriptions don't fade, and His presence is constant. May we daily put our trust in the One who treasures us so much that He has inscribed our names on the palms of His hands.

"See, I have written your name on the palm of my hands." — Isaiah 49:16



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**THE WISE MAN BUILDS HIS SAND CASTLE OUT OF ROCK.**

(See Matthew 7:24-27)

## Bible vs. Cell Phone



Ever wondered what would happen if we treated our Bible like we treat our cell phone?  
 What if we carried it around in our purses or pockets?  
 What if we flipped through it several times a day?  
 What if we turned back to go get it if we forgot it?  
 What if we used it to receive messages from the text?  
 What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?  
 What if we gave it to kids as gifts?  
 What if we used it when we traveled?  
 What if we used it in case of emergency?  
 Unlike our cell phones, we don't have to worry about our Bible being disconnected, because Jesus already paid the bill.  
 No dropped calls!



Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

### Some thoughts to ponder . . .

Temptations will knock at your door; don't ask them to stay for dinner.

If God controls you on the inside, you'll be genuine on the outside.

Believing Christ died—that's history; believing Christ died for me—that's salvation.

Let God's Word fill your memory, rule your heart, and guide your life.

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