



Salem United Methodist Church—Wolfsville

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## 53rd annual Lord's Acre Festival successful at Ruritan Park

■ By Bill Burrier

Photo by Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer

The Lord's Acre Festival is an event that has been blessed by God for 53 years. Our sincere thanks to the Wolfsville community for once again supporting our annual event. Despite some touch-and-go weather, we were blessed with a successful evening. Thank you!

The Lord's Acre has become one of Wolfsville's community events, and a good crowd came to the festival to eat, talk, and buy something to take home.

### Lord's Acre History

The Lord's Acre program began as an interdenominational movement among country churches in western North Carolina in 1930, as a means of raising funds in small congregations with limited financial resources. A portion or "acre" of a church member's land was set aside to raise crops to be sold to benefit the church. Livestock was also dedicated for this purpose. Those without land could set aside a portion of their needlework, craft items, or any other saleable talent they possessed. The Lord's Acre Festival is a sale of those donations.

Over the years, Salem's Lord's Acre has followed that "concept" — church members and friends donate items to sell, and the profits go to the church.

### Wolfsville's "First" Lord's Acre

Some of you will remember our first Lord's Acre Festival held 53 years ago, on October 8, 1960, during the pastorate of Rev. John W. Schildt. It all started with a letter to the congregation in the spring of that year, which included suggested projects. As you read the following parts of the letter, written in 1960, think of the Lord's Acre today— how it has changed and how it has stayed the same.

"For those who are using vegetable produce, eggs, a portion of milk, or other

*This beautiful cloud appeared on Lord's Acre evening, reminding us of the presence of God.*



perishable products as their projects, we suggest that it might be well to bring in your proceeds each week to the program treasurer. This is also suggested for those on the Lord's Hour, that you bring in the first hour's wage, each week.

"For those who will be raising calves, rabbits or pigs; and for those who will be doing needlework through the year, these will be saved until our Lord's Acre Festival in the fall, with soup, sandwiches, soft drinks— perhaps the Middletown High School Band to play; display stands for the needlework, and then the day will be highlighted by an auction of the animals, bulk farm produce, etc.

"This program has been a lifesaver for the rural church. New churches have been built, those in a bad shape or repair have been repaired, new educational units and materials have been added, and the rural church has been strengthened. This has been made possible because the people have worked together, children and adults alike, having their individual projects and work-

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### SALEM MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

Current Membership: 232  
Sunday School Enrollment: 92  
2012 New Members: 12

### SALEM PHYSICAL FACILITIES

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

### SALEM WEB SITE

www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org

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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-Aug	2012 Goal	% of Goal
<b>1</b>	<b>Frank &amp; Nancy Stottlemeyer</b> Retired Senegal Missionaries	\$204	\$1,632.00	\$2,448	67%
<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	—	\$308.11	\$1,180	26%
<b>4</b>	<b>Salem Food Pantry</b> Open every Monday 6:00-7:00 p.m.	—	\$849.13	\$1,180	72%
<b>5</b>	<b>Mary E. - Africa Inland Mission</b> Working in Tanzania, Africa	\$85	\$694.00	\$1,020	68%
<b>6</b>	<b>United Methodist Board of Child Care</b> Care of Homeless or Abused Children	—	600.00	\$1,360	44%
<b>7</b>	<b>Gideons International</b> Frederick County - West Camp - Distributing Bibles	\$110	\$880.00	\$1,320	67%
<b>8</b>	<b>Potato Project</b> Society of St. Andrew, Big Island, Virginia	\$60	\$480.00	\$720	67%
<b>9</b>	<b>Middletown High School</b> Fellowship of Christian Athletes	\$47	\$376.00	\$564	67%
<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	\$512.00	\$768	67%
<b>12</b>	<b>Care Net Pregnancy Center</b> 707 N. Market Street, Frederick, MD	\$64	\$523.00	\$768	68%
<b>13</b>	<b>Compassion International</b> Sponsored children in Ecuador & India	\$76	\$623.00	\$972	64%
<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.



### CARE NET PREGNANCY CENTER

707 N. Market St., Frederick, MD  
Salem Mission Project No. 12

Care Net is a resource for women and men in the greater Frederick area who are facing issues regarding unplanned pregnancies. They exist for YOU, and consider it an honor and a privilege to be a part of your life at this time.

The Care Net Pregnancy Center of Frederick is a medical pregnancy resource center. They offer a variety of support services that are provided by trained staff and volunteers in an atmosphere that is safe, compassionate, and non-judgmental. All of their services are confidential and provided free of charge.

You will receive accurate information about pregnancy, fetal development, life-style issues, and related concerns. The pregnancy center does not provide abortion or referrals for abortion, but they are committed to offering accurate information about abortion procedures and risks.

[Salem provides a minimum of \$64 each month to Care Net Pregnancy Center.]

## 2012 LORD'S ACRE FESTIVAL roundup



September 8, 2012

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ing for the Lord, and for the improvement of their church.

"The pastor will work with the official board on this project. We hope to come around, especially to those of you who have agricultural projects, to have prayers of dedication and to ask the Lord's blessing on your project. This may, and will be done gladly whether the project is located in the field, barn, garden, etc."

That first year, the Salem congregation was enthusiastic about Lord's Acre, and profits from Salem's first festival in 1960, totaled \$742.34.

At that time, Salem's goal was to build the educational building which was estimated to cost around \$20,000, and the building fund had only \$1,500 at that point.

### Use of Lord's Acre Profits at Salem

Over the years, profits from the Lord's Acre have made possible the educational building (1967), the parsonage (1974-75), the parking lot and its many improvements and additions (1968, 1993, 1998, and 2007), and many smaller maintenance and improvement projects to our existing buildings and grounds.

At the present time, Lord's Acre profits are very important for improvements and maintenance of our existing facilities.

For example, during the last 12 years, air conditioning was installed in the sanctuary; an elevator, handicap restroom, storage rooms, and new flooring were installed; the church steeple was restored; interior and exterior painting was completed; repaired sanctuary floor under-structure; repaired and waterproofed classroom walls; renovated the parsonage; purchased new refrigerator and freezer for the kitchen; replaced stucco on sanctuary exterior walls; constructed new concrete floor under the sanctuary; replaced windows in educational building and parsonage; and replaced spouting on parsonage.

As of this writing, this year's income totaled \$20,112.76. With some expenses yet to be paid, a full report, indicating the amount of profit, will be published in next month's newsletter. Profits will be placed in Salem's Building and Improvement Fund.

The success of this event is a testament to the ties between this church and the Wolfsville community. It's a time of praise to our Lord and a time when we experience warm fellowship among friends and neighbors.

### 2012 LORD'S ACRE INCOME

Produce: \$480.10  
 Needlework/Crafts: \$1,981.76  
 Flea Tables & Plants: \$330.80  
 Youth Sales/Games/Activities: \$99.75  
 Silent Auction: \$1,265.00  
 Live Auction: \$3,409.95  
 Soup/Sandwiches/Drinks: \$3,535.40  
 Baked Goods: \$1,136.50  
 Ice Cream: \$255.00  
 Contribution from Bee-keepers: \$6,000.00  
 Contributions from Individuals: \$1,618.50  
**Total Income: \$20,112.76**

As of 09/28/12

**"At the present time, LORD'S ACRE PROFITS are VERY IMPORTANT for improvements and maintenance of our existing facilities."**

—Bill Burrier, Finance Chair

### SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

List submitted by Brenda Freysz

1996 Father's Day Longaberger: \$30  
 McCutcheon's Salad Mix Basket: \$20  
 2012 White House Ornament: \$19  
 Hex Keys & Screw Drivers: \$17  
 Psalms Bracelet & Earrings: \$30  
 Middletown Sweatshirt, chair, etc.: \$51  
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 Lenox Platter: \$25  
 Flag Wall Art: \$25  
 Dipping & Serving Bowls: \$8  
 Scarecrow & Mum: \$40  
 2004 Gift Longaberger: \$45  
 Wolfsville Throw & Salem Church: \$45  
 Duck Stamp: \$10  
 Hawken Rifle with Case: \$75  
 Horse Comforter: \$50  
 Estée Lauder Basket: \$90  
 Wildlife Crock Pot & Cookbook: \$40  
 Cross Pendant & Scarf: \$12

Pearl Necklace & Earrings: \$20  
 Yankee Pumpkins & Candles: \$26  
 Scenes of Frederick: \$40  
 Fresh Water Pearl Necklace: \$16  
 Thermos Bags & Freezer Packs: \$21  
 Moose Throw with Moose: \$35  
 Napier Pin & Scarf: \$15  
 Kitchen Aid Mixer: \$125  
 McCutcheon's Tortilla Basket: \$25  
 Camo Power Poppers: \$15  
 Pumpkin Decorations: \$15  
 Musket Ridge Golf Passes: \$80  
 Barry Richardson Paintings: \$45  
 Cake Server & Plate: \$7  
 1992 Mother's Day Longaberger: \$25  
 Glass Cutting Board & Knives: \$30  
 Orioles Freezer Cups & Cards: \$12  
 Crock Pot & Cookbook: \$16  
 McCutcheon's Basket: \$26

### MAJOR ITEMS SOLD AT THE 8:00 P.M. AUCTION

Bob Grable, Auctioneer

Featured Quilt: \$420  
 Rosa Kline Comforter: \$130  
 Paper Towel Holder: \$27.50  
 Flag Display: \$15  
 Mill Picture: \$55  
 Picture Frame: \$40  
 School Chair: \$11  
 Cabin Lamp: \$45  
 Potato Bin: \$42.50  
 Dropleaf Table: \$165  
 Corner Cabinet: \$85  
 Bench: \$125  
 Cradle: \$10  
 Rolling Pin: \$35  
 Oak End Table: \$42.50  
 Night Stand: \$50  
 Walnut Table: \$160  
 Storage Bench: \$410  
 Jelly Cabinet: \$50  
 Rocking Horse: \$310  
 Wall Hanging: \$50

Photo by Marilyn Leatherman



Vernon Stottlemeyer & Phyllis Beall serve ice cream from the South Mountain Creamery.

Photo by Bill Burrier



Holly Brashears & Charlotte Wisner look at the homemade aprons on sale.



## Attendance & Offerings

AUGUST 2012

	Worship*		Sunday School	
Aug 5 -	76	\$1,974.25	52	\$301.76
Aug 12 -	87	2,169.75	61	167.45
Aug 19 -	87	1,754.00	48	181.00
Aug 26 -	86	1,195.00	50	123.15

\*Worship attendance & offerings include both worship services.

- Missions: \$998.56
- Pavilion Fund: \$140.00
- Building & Imp. Fund: \$158.00
- Cemetery Endowment: \$30.00

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

	Average Attendance	
	Worship	Sunday School
Aug	84	53
Jul	80	58
Jun	100	55
May	92	48
Apr	98	56
Mar	100	57

**Average Attendance Jan-Aug 2012**  
 Sunday Worship: 92  
 Sunday School: 56

## It was a beautiful day for a CROP WALK

■ By Fonda Gormer

September 23 was a gorgeous fall day. Fifty-four walkers took the opportunity to walk five miles along the roads around Wolfsville, and raise money to fight hunger while doing it.

Five more walkers walked at a different time, to make the total number of 59 walkers in this year's CROP Hunger Walk. (There were also 4 canine walkers.)

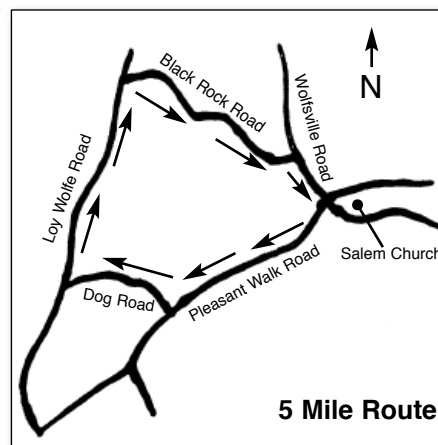
So far, \$4,007 has been pledged, with more funds expected, as walkers collect from their sponsors. A final report will be published when all monies have been turned in.

Walkers from Salem included: Petie Stup; Dennis, Chris and Rebecca Leatherman; Bob, Donna, Laura and Loralli Snyder; Dick Kline; Gary, Camilo, Valentina and Maria Barkdoll; Jim and Diana Laky; Joy Young; Joe, Joey and George Hawkins; Vicki, Ali, Payton and Adam Robinson; Joann and Steve Leatherman; Cathie and Madison Elsbach; Brandon and Jessie Leatherman; and Emily Hammond.

Thank God for his blessings! And a big "thank you" to every walker, sponsor and other volunteer who helped make the walk a success. Funds raised will be used by Church World Service to fight hunger locally and worldwide.



**59 walkers**  
**\$4,007 pledged so far**



**5 Mile Route**

On YouTube

### LORD'S ACRE VIDEO 2012

A 5-minute video of this year's Lord's Acre Festival can be viewed on YouTube at:

<http://www.youtube.com/SalemChurchWolfsvill>



## New Member



**DENNIS LEATHERMAN**, Millers Church Road, Hagerstown, was received into membership at Salem on Sunday, September 23, 2012. God's blessings from the Salem congregation.

## SALEM ADULT CHOIR NOTES

■ By Sandy Lewis

Salem Adult Choir practice will



be starting up for the Fall-Winter season on Tuesday, October 9, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

We will practice each Tuesday evening through December unless otherwise announced. We will be preparing songs for morning worship services, as well as special selections for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

As always, everyone is invited to join this group. We welcome new singers and also thank our faithful members for their continued dedication and support.

"Sing to Him, sing praise to Him; tell of all His wonderful acts." 1 Chronicles 16:9



# October

## Calendar of Events

- Tue 2 Nominating Committee** - 7:00-8:00 p.m. at Salem
- Wed 3 Ladies Christian Book Club** - 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Joy Young's home
- Thu 4 Faith Builders Youth Group** - 6:30-8:00 p.m. (Will meet every Thursday evening)  
**UMW Bee-lievers** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem  
**Board of Trustees** - 7:30 p.m. at Salem
- Tue 9 Adult Choir Rehearsal** - 7:30 p.m. at Salem (Will meet every Tuesday evening)
- Thu 11 Administrative Council** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
- Sun 14 Hike to Black Rock** - 1:00 p.m.
- Mon 15 Wolfsville Ruritan Club Dinner** - 2 p.m. prepare, 7 p.m. serve
- Sun 21 Charge Conference** - 5:30-7:00 p.m. at Washington Square UMC, Hagerstown

NOTES: Food Pantry is open every Monday 6:00-7:00 p.m. at Salem  
 Walking Group meets every Tuesday & Thursday evening at Doub's Park.  
 Praise Band practices every Wednesday evening at Salem  
 Ladies Exercise Group meets every Wednesday evening at Salem



### Newsletter Distribution

- E-Mail** — We are currently sending this newsletter to 178 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.

### A Letter from our Sponsored Child

Dear Salem:

How are you? I and my family members are fine. I pray for you always. I am attending spoken English class. I learn new songs in Sunday School. Here, it is the rainy season. This month I will celebrate Independence Day with my friends. On this day, all of the children of the center take part in a procession. Many people from the area join us. After coming from the procession, the chief guest hoists the flag. After hoisting the flag, sweets are distributed and a cultural program begins. I like to participate in the cultural event. Do you participate in cultural programs? Please pray that I do my program well. I and my family members are thankful for your love and support. Please keep praying for all of us. Thank you.



— Santanu Sing, East India

### NEWS & NOTES

#### Thank You

Our thanks to Randy Sowers and Works In Progress Community Praise Band for donating their time and talent, and providing the music at our recent Lord's Acre Festival. Also, thanks to Bob Grable who donated his time to be our auctioneer.

#### Community Praise Band

The Works In Progress Community Praise Band recently announced they will be providing special music at Salem's traditional 9 a.m. worship service on the second Sunday of each month. In addition, the band will be leading the worship music at Salem's 11:15 a.m. contemporary worship service on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

#### Walking Group

The Walking Group meets every Tuesday and Thursday evening at Doubs Park in Myersville. The time will be adjusted so as to get the walk in before dark. The contact is Cathie Elsbach.

#### Ladies Exercise Group

The Ladies Exercise Group meets every Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m. at Salem. The contact is Joy Young, 301-293-1317.

#### Ping-Pong Tournament

The "Salem Slam" Ping-Pong Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, November 3, at 6:00 p.m. at Salem. The contact is Joe Hawkins.



### BALLOON LAUNCH

**200 Balloons were launched on July 22, 2012**

**BREAKING NEWS** — Two months after the launch, another balloon card has been returned. It was Kenna Raynor's balloon and it was found near Woodsboro, MD.

#### Balloons Found and Returned So Far

Name on Card	Where Found	Miles Traveled
1. Rick & Barbie Harshman	8139 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, MD	74
2. Jennifer Burrier	5204 Talbots Landing, Ellicott City, MD	57
3. Beverly Stottlemeyer	3085 Ballesteras Court, Mt. Airy, MD	37
4. Karen DeLauter	11425 Woodsboro Pike, Keymar, MD	21
5. Kenna Raynor	9930 Woodsboro Road, Woodsboro, MD	21

# Who's Doing What, When?

## OCTOBER

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

#### Lay Reader

7 - Brenda Freysz  
14 - Mary Alice Shankle  
21 - Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer  
28 - Dawn Nelson

#### Ushers

7 - Dick Kline & Steve Leatherman  
14 - Vernon Stottlemeyer & Robin Haupt  
21 - Donald Stottlemeyer & Meredith Harshman  
28 - Philip Koons & Brandon Leatherman

#### Organist

7 - Susan Koons  
14 - Susan Koons  
21 - Joann Leatherman  
28 - Susan Koons

#### Greeters

7 - Steve & Joann Leatherman  
14 - Bill & Darlene Burrier  
21 - George, Barbie, & Matt Stottlemeyer  
28 - Vernon & Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer

#### Acolytes

7 - Ali Robinson  
14 - Jadie Buhrman  
21 - Ali Robinson  
28 - 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!

### October Anniversaries

8 - Bill & Mary Alice Shankle  
9 - Joshua & Trista Wright  
9 - Erick & Meagan Wagaman  
11 - Keith & Joy Young  
14 - George & Barbie Stottlemeyer  
30 - Donald & Charlotte Wisner

### October Birthdays

1 - Mary Brown  
4 - Justin Fogle  
4 - Charlie Beall  
5 - Tim Brown  
6 - Ron Ellis Jr.  
9 - Brandon Ferris  
13 - George Hawkins  
18 - Adam Robinson  
18 - Tyler Ferris  
19 - Tracy Huffman  
22 - Olvey Myers  
25 - Laura Snyder  
26 - Bailey Blickenstaff  
31 - Jason Buhrman

NOTE: To have your anniversary or birthday added, contact Bill 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.

### DID YOU KNOW . . .

Maryland has a hotline to obtain emergency health and human services? Dial 211 and be connected to local resources. [www.211md.org](http://www.211md.org)



### World Communion Sunday

OCTOBER 7, 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

**ADAM BLAMED EVE.  
EVE BLAMED THE SNAKE.  
AND THE SNAKE DIDN'T  
HAVE A LEG TO STAND ON.**



Read the **OUR DAILY BREAD**  
Daily Devotional  
at [www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org](http://www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org)

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman



## INSPIRATIONAL Reading

### October

By Horace A. Roberts



The frosts of October are white on the grass,  
The meadows and fields turning brown;  
The leaves of the maples, in showers of gold,  
Drift silently, steadily down.

Against the gray wall the pale asters are massed  
Like clusters of stars, blue and white;  
Over all is a shimmering, glimmering haze  
Pierced through with gold arrows of light.

Afar on the hill burn the sumac's deep fires,  
And goldenrod waves far and near;  
For golden October's abroad in the land—  
Most beautiful month of the year.

### If I Could Keep Autumn

By Mildred L. Jarrell

If I could keep autumn . . .  
October's splendored days,  
The haze across the meadows,  
The hills of brilliant shades.

If I could keep autumn,  
The gold that fall has spun,  
The spice smell of late flowers,  
The hues of setting sun.

If I could keep autumn,  
The wild ducks' passing cry,  
The wind song as it hastens  
To kiss the leaves good-bye.

If I could keep autumn,  
Fall's panoramic view,  
I'd take it out in winter  
And share it all with you.



### Know My Heart

By Tom Kolb, Frederick, MD

Know my heart dear Lord I pray  
And know me, that lives inside,  
That I can hear you call each day  
And in your love abide.

Know my dreams that linger there,  
So fragile and so true,  
And listen to each whispered prayer  
That I send out to you.

So know my heart and keep it true  
To the things I know are right.  
And help me see each problem through  
By filling me with light.

Submitted by Olive Kline



## RECIPE



### Meat Loaf — Barbecue Style

1 1/2 pounds ground chuck	Salt
Chopped onion	Pepper
1/2 cup bread crumbs	1/2 can tomato sauce (small 8-oz. size)

Mix thoroughly and form into loaf. Place in shallow pan and cover with sauce. Bake in oven 400 degrees for 1 1/4 hours.

Sauce:

Mix together —	
1 1/2 cans tomato sauce (8-oz. size)	3 tablespoons brown sugar
1/2 cup water	2 tablespoons prepared mustard
3 tablespoons vinegar	2 tablespoons Worcestershire Sauce

Pour all over and around meat. Baste occasionally while baking.



### Autumn

By Carice Williams

Autumn days are very peaceful  
As they linger soft and slow,  
Bringing glorious days to cherish  
For soon falls the winter snow.

Autumn days are very restful  
Now that summer's heat is gone;  
It's so peaceful on a hillside  
Listening to October's song.

Autumn days are very mellow,  
Nights are bathed in golden light  
From a harvest moon above us  
Winking in the autumn night.

After stirring of the springtime,  
After summer's song of cheer  
Quiet beauty of the autumn  
Is the best time of the year.

### REOPENING AN ENVELOPE

If you seal an envelope and then realize you forgot to include something inside, just place your sealed envelope in the freezer for an hour or two. Voilà! it unseals.

Submitted by Dennis Draper



### Hope

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brethren, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve, as do the rest who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus.

## In Sympathy



### Margaretta A. (Margie) Kline

Margie Kline, 88, of Hagerstown, passed away Monday, September 24, 2012, at Julia Manor Health Care Center, Hagerstown. She was preceded in death by her husband, Lawrence S. Kline, April 24, 1999. She is survived by a daughter, Connie Crunkleton, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Lorraine Barkdoll; and a brother-in-law, Marvin Kline. She was a member of Salem United Methodist Church, Wolfsville, where funeral services were held on Thursday, September 27. Pastors Bob Snyder and Randy Reid officiated. Burial was in Salem United Methodist Church Cemetery. Memorial donations may be given in memory of Margie to Salem United Methodist Church. The Salem congregation expresses sincere sympathy to the family.



## Pastor's Notes — ...Worship in October

By PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER

Thank you very much to the community for supporting our Lord's Acre festival this year. Even with less than favorable weather, you made the effort to come out and support us and we really appreciate it!

This month, I want to call your attention to two growing ministries at Salem.

First, beginning in October, the Works in Progress community praise band will be playing the second and fourth Sundays each month at Salem during our 11:15 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service. If contemporary-style worship is meaningful to you, I believe you will really enjoy worshipping and praising God at this service.

Second, our Faith Builders Youth Group for middle school and high school youth will start meeting every Thursday evening from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Salem. Events about once a month are also planned, beginning with a church-wide hike to Black Rock on Sunday, October 14th at 1 p.m.

Also, our Wildfire Youth Group for third through fifth graders will be meeting the second Sunday of each month at Salem. Their first event will be the hike to Black Rock mentioned above.

We pursue a fresh movement of the Spirit in both our contemporary worship service and in our youth groups, and pray you will experience Christ in them in meaningful ways.

Last, congratulations to Amy McCormick who became our new Church Custodian on September 23rd!

### Worship in October

During October, we will be continuing our sermon series "Healthy Families." Here are the upcoming topics:

#### October 7 – Holy Communion

##### World Communion Sunday

##### Healthy Families: Loving My Parents

##### Proverbs 23:22-25 and Ephesians 6:1-3

In his letter to the church in Ephesus, Paul instructs, "Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother – this is the first



commandment with a promise: so that it may be well with you and you may live long on earth" (Ephesians 6:1-3).

Just as parents are instructed to love and care for their children, children are instructed to love and honor their parents. It is both right and natural for loving children to return the love and care first given to them by their parents. Paul encourages us that peace comes to us as we love and care for our parents. Paul says, "It is well with us."

#### October 14

##### Healthy Families:

##### Loving My Church Family

##### 1 Corinthians 12:12-26,

##### Colossians 1:17-20

In 1 Corinthians 12, Paul compares the church to the human body (1 Corinthians 12:12-26). Christ is the head of the body (Colossians 1:17-20). None of us is the whole body. Each of us is only one part of the body – a foot, a hand, an eye, an ear. This comparison of the church to a human body makes the truth of the church very clear – each of us has something important to offer and we need each other if the church is to be healthy.

When we value the gifts in ourselves and others, and when we offer our gifts in service and encourage others to share their gifts, we are building up the health of the church.

#### October 21

##### Healthy Families: Loving My Neighbor

##### Matthew 22:34-40, Luke 10:25-37

We started our Healthy Families sermon series with the topic "Loving God." We end our series with the topic "Loving

My Neighbor." Both are commanded by God and necessary for a life of genuine faith.

One day Jesus was asked the question, "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus was a Jew. Jews believed that their neighbor was another Jew only. In answering the question that day, Jesus changed the definition of neighbor to include all human beings – those like us and those unlike us.

To truly practice this in our lives today is just as radical as it was then. If we're going to follow God's commandment, "Love thy Neighbor," we need to include all human beings, not just those like us.

#### October 28 – Reformation Sunday

##### Bold Faith – "The story of Blind Bartimaeus"

##### Mark 10:46-52

Today is Reformation Sunday. Martin Luther (1483-1546) led with bold faith to reform the church of his day.

In Jesus' day, there were also people who had bold faith. When Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, was sternly ordered by others to be quiet, he continued to shout, "Jesus, have mercy on me!" Because of his boldness, Jesus noticed Bartimaeus and restored his sight.

Does anyone notice our faith? When we die, will anyone miss the faith we shared? The world is hungry for people with bold faith. Jesus is counting on us to be those people.

In Christ's service, *Pastor Bob*

### Charge Conference set for Sunday, October 21, 5:30 p.m.

The annual Charge Conference will be held Sunday, October 21, 2012 – for certain United Methodist churches in Washington County & Frederick County.

This year's host church is Washington Square United Methodist Church, 538 Washington Square, Hagerstown, Maryland.

Conferences are scheduled all afternoon, beginning at 2 p.m., 3:45 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Salem is scheduled for the 5:30 p.m. time slot, along with St Paul's: Smithsburg, Pleasant Walk, Garfield, Mt. Zion: Myersville, Rohrer'sville Charge, Mt. Bethel: Foxville, and Mt. Lena: Boonsboro.

Beginning at 5:30 p.m., there will be worship, and a time to share one success from our Call to Action Goals. After that, the individual Charge Conferences are held. Numerous forms must be completed and submitted one week prior.





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

Fall semester began  
September 10, 2012

### HERO'S CLUB 2012-2013 — Off to a Great Start

■ By Amanda Hawkins

At this writing, Hero's Club has met a couple of times and welcomed many returning students, including several first-time Hero's Clubbers, for a total of 15-18 kids so far!

God has provided some fabulous helpers. Three of them are former Hero's Clubbers who have come back to us as student assistants! They are Alexa Kehlbeck, Bailey Blickenstaff, and Camden Raynor.

Dawn Nelson and Marci Whyte continue as awesome adult volunteers, alongside Pastor Bob and me. And Fonda Gormer provided some great lesson and craft resources for our use! Thanks, all!

#### Service Project

We have kicked off our service project this year— collecting pop tabs for Maryland's only Ronald McDonald

Hero's Club Service Project



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House, a temporary "home away from home" for the families of seriously ill children being treated in nearby hospitals. We invite you to help us! Collect tabs from soda cans, soup cans, etc., and place them in the jar in the fellowship hall.

#### Bible Lesson

We began the year with a lesson on seeds, and how God uses tiny seeds, which look nothing like the plants they

**APPLICATIONS** for student enrollment are available online at [www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org](http://www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org).  
• Students may join at any time.

grow, using little things to grow great big things. We planted marigold seeds and took them home to watch them sprout.

We also discussed the service project and why we do things like service projects and mission trips— to display the helpful and loving characteristics of the God we serve, and to "be" His hands and feet. We have also enjoyed a lot of outdoor play with the beautiful fall weather.

#### Grant Request

Our grant request has been submitted to the Baltimore-Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church! Please pray for approval of the grant, that God would help us reach these kids and their families, and that we'd all stay healthy! God bless!

## NOTE *these* UPCOMING EVENTS

### Family Ministries

The following church-wide events are planned for the near future. All are invited.

October 14 - Hike to Black Rock, 1 p.m.

November 3 - "Salem Slam" Ping Pong Tournament, 6 p.m.

December 8 - Christmas Party, 5 p.m.

Family Ministry Co-Leaders are Joe Hawkins and Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer

### WildFire Youth Group

#### Grades 3-5

#### 2012-2013 Calendar

October 14th – Black Rock Hike (Family Ministry Event)

November 11th - meeting

January 13th - meeting

February 10th - meeting

April 14th - meeting

May 12th - meeting

June 2nd – End of Year Celebration

Leader: Jessie Leatherman



### Faith Builders Youth Group

(Middle School and High School)

Starting Oct 4 ...

Weekly Get-Togethers: Every Thursday, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Salem

#### 2012:

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Nov 3 - "Salem Slam" Ping Pong

Tournament, 6 p.m.

Dec 8 - Christmas Party, 5 p.m.

#### 2013:

Jan 21-23 - ROCK Youth Retreat

Feb 17 - Roller Skating Party

More to come ...

Leaders: Pastor Bob Snyder - 301-293-1616, 240-994-0825

Donna Snyder & Wanda Barkdoll

### Outreach Notes

■ By Barbie Stottlemeyer

#### Funeral Luncheons

I want to thank everyone who were able to contribute desserts, casseroles, and side dishes, and helped setup, serve, and cleanup for the luncheons following Ray Kline's funeral (August 28, 2012), and Margie Kline's funeral (September 27, 2012). The families all expressed their appreciation for providing a meal for them.

#### Christmas Projects

Just a reminder that our annual Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes, Salvation Army Christmas stockings, and gifts given to the Reeders Nursing Home in Boonsboro, are quickly approaching.

More information for all these outreach programs will be available during the month of October.

God's plans are best for our lives.  
Why then is trusting Him  
for wisdom and direction  
so difficult?

# Heavenly Humor

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## When I say... "I am a Christian"



- When I say...**"I am a Christian," I'm not shouting "I am saved" I'm whispering "I get lost!" "That is why I chose this way."
- When I say...**"I am a Christian," I don't speak of this with pride. I'm confessing that I stumble and need Christ to be my guide.
- When I say...**"I am a Christian," I'm not trying to be strong. I'm professing that I'm weak and need His strength to carry on.
- When I say...**"I am a Christian," I'm not bragging of success. I'm admitting I have failed and need God to clean my mess.
- When I say...**"I am a Christian," I'm not claiming to be perfect. My flaws are far too visible, but God believes I'm worth it.
- When I say...**"I am a Christian," I still feel the sting of pain. I have my share of heartaches, so I call upon His name.
- When I say...**"I am a Christian," I'm not holier than thou. I'm just a simple sinner who received God's grace.

—By Carol Wimmer

—Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

### Some thoughts to ponder . . .

Contentment is not always present in today's society, even for many Christians. But seeking godliness as #1 can help us feel God's joy even in difficult times.

Remember feeling a glorious peace when God first touched your heart and forever changed your life. Seeking Him daily helps us to continue to enjoy the Holy Spirit's peace.

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