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Salem United Methodist Church — Wolfsville

# Mountain Shepherd

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## Celebrate Holy Week & Easter at Salem



March 28, 2013  
Last year's portrayal, from left, Denny Leatherman, Richard Harshman, Vernon Stottlemeyer, Patrick Boyton, Bill Buhman, George Harne, Michael Burrier, George Stottlemeyer, Gary Barkdoll, Donald Stottlemeyer, Bobby Fogle, Jim Laky, and Brandon Leatherman.

### Salem to portray "The Last Supper" on Holy Thursday, April 17

The Salem United Methodist Church, Wolfsville, will present a living dramatization of Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper," on Holy Thursday, April 17, at 7:00 p.m.

Church members will attempt to duplicate the look and feel of da Vinci's famous painting, where 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 disbelief.

At the beginning of the service, the apostles will move up the main aisle, take their places at the table, and casually mingle. Jesus will then proceed up the aisle and take His place at the table. Once Jesus takes his place, Jesus and the apostles will go into a



Leonardo da Vinci (Italian, 1452-1519)  
Last Supper (1495-98)

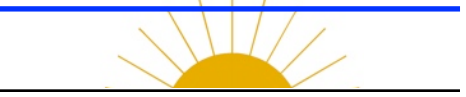
motionless pose like the ones in the painting. Each will come out of their pose only to speak.

In turn, 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." Each end their dialog with the dramatic words "Is it I?"

Holy Communion will be served, first to the apostles, then to the congregation. Everyone is invited to attend.

### Community Sunrise Service at Garfield United Methodist

This year, the Community Easter Sunrise Service will be held at the Garfield United Methodist Church, 13628 Stottlemeyer Road, at 6:30 a.m. The Wolfsville Ruritan Club serves refreshments following the service. This service is rotated among 6 area churches.



- 2014 - Garfield United Methodist
- 2015 - St. John's Lutheran
- 2016 - Salem United Methodist
- 2017 - St. Mark's Lutheran
- 2018 - Grossnickle Church of the Brethren
- 2019 - Pleasant Walk United Methodist



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**Salem Membership Statistics:**  
Current Membership: 233  
2014 New Members: 0

**Salem Physical Facilities:**  
Church built 1847  
Educational Building built 1967  
Parsonage built 1974-75

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[www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org](http://www.SalemChurchWolfsville.org)

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**Purpose of Newsletter:**  
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.

**Salem Mission Statement:**  
At Salem, with God's help, we pledge to INVITE others to Christ, HELP each other grow in faith, and SERVE those in need in our congregation, the community, and the world.

**Salem Vision Statement:**  
We will direct our efforts out into the community to serve people's needs and bring them to Christ.

Go 		2014 MISSION PROJECTS	
		MONTHLY MINIMUM	PAID Jan-Feb
1	Frank & Nancy Stottlemyer (Retired New Tribes Mission)	\$204	\$408.00
2	Operation Christmas Child (Postage paid in November)	-----	\$0.00
3	Salem Mission & Outreach (Local needs)	-----	\$343.80
4	Salem Food Pantry (Open Tuesdays 6:00-7:00 p.m.)	-----	\$530.22
5	Mary E. (Africa Inland Mission)	\$85	\$200.00
6	United Methodist Board of Child Care (Auxiliary & Direct Support)	-----	\$0.00
7	Gideons (Frederick West Camp - Distributing Bibles)	\$110	\$220.00
8	Potato Project (Society of St. Andrew, Big Island, VA)	\$60	\$120.00
9	Middletown High School (Fellowship of Christian Athletes)	\$47	\$94.00
10	Mission Trip (Destination to be determined)	-----	\$0.00
11	Ronnie & Angi Hopkins (Nicaragua)	\$64	\$128.00
12	Care Net Pregnancy Center (Frederick, MD)	\$64	\$128.00
13	Compassion International (Sponsored child in India)	\$38	\$76.00
14	Local Mission Projects (Local repair or renovation needs)	-----	\$0.00
15	Hero's Club After School Ministry (Pre-K through Grade 5)	-----	\$119.29
16	World Vision (Sponsored child in Colombia)	\$35	\$70.00

2014 Mission Goal: **\$16,164** • 2014 Mission Offering To Date: **\$2,345.50** • % of Goal: **15%**

**Here's how you can give . . .**

1. Make checks payable to Salem United Methodist Church, or place cash 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 or mail to Salem.

If you do not designate a project, your contribution will be distributed to the project or projects needing funds to meet the monthly minimum payout goals.

**SALEM MISSION PROJECT NO. 8**

**SOCIETY OF ST. ANDREW**  
Potato Project • Big Island, VA

*Gleaning America's Fields • Feeding America's Hungry*

We salvage tractor-trailer loads of potatoes that would be rejected by commercial markets or potato chip factories due to slight imperfections in size, shape, sugar content, or surface blemishes. Usually, these rejected loads end up at local landfills.

Through the Potato Project, the Society of St. Andrew is able to redirect these 43,000-pound loads of fresh, nutritious produce to food banks, soup kitchens, food pantries, low income housing areas, local churches, and other hunger agencies for distribution to the poor.

Thank you, Salem, for your financial support which is used to put healthy, nourishing food on the tables of individuals and families who are struggling to get by. Together we are gleaning America's fields and feeding America's hungry.

— Society of St. Andrew

[Salem sends a minimum of \$60 each month to the Society of St. Andrew, Potato Project.]



Potato Gleaning

## JOIN US FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER SUNDAY

### HOLY WEEK

#### Palm Sunday, April 13

9:00 & 11:15 a.m. Worship  
Works In Progress Praise Band (11:15 a.m.)  
Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus  
Sermon: "The Final Week" Video: Jerusalem

#### Holy Thursday, April 17

7:00 p.m.  
Holy Communion  
"The Last Supper" by Salem members

#### Good Friday, April 18

7:00 p.m.  
Adult Choir  
Program: "He Died for Me"

#### Holy Saturday, April 19

12 Noon to 12 Midnight  
Prayer Vigil in Salem sanctuary

#### Community Easter Egg Hunt

**Saturday April 19**  
2:00 p.m. at Salem

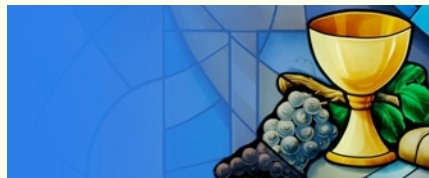
### EASTER SUNDAY

#### Sunday, April 20

**Community Sunrise Service**  
6:30 a.m.  
Garfield United Methodist Church  
13628 Stottlemeyer Road  
Refreshments by Wolfsville Ruritan Club

#### Sunday, April 20

9:00 & 11:15 a.m. Worship  
Holy Communion  
Sermon: "We Are Resurrection People"  
10:15 a.m. Sunday School (No Classes)  
Children's Choir/Program in sanctuary  
"I've Been Redeemed"



*Salem Mission Project No. 3*

## Lenten Offering for Fruit Baskets & Flowers

Once again we will be collecting Lenten offerings each Sunday leading up to Palm Sunday. The special donations are used toward purchasing items to be placed in fruit baskets, and to purchase flowers that we give each year to persons within our church and community.

The offering envelopes are located in a basket in the back of the sanctuary. You may place your donation in the offering plate during our Sunday church services.

Watch your Sunday bulletin for a date and time when we will be gathering in the church social hall to pack the fruit baskets. We would appreciate your help to pack the baskets and also with delivery of them.

Contact: Barbie Stottlemeyer

## "Works in Progress" Community Praise Band making music for the Lord!

### ■ By Susie Stottlemeyer

I began taking piano lessons at the age of seven, when I was in second grade at Broadway Elementary School in Hagerstown. Every week, I met with Miss Jean France, choir director and moonlighting piano teacher at Trinity Lutheran Church, to practice scales and learn techniques on the grand piano in the Choir Room. Several years later, Miss France married and left town, so I continued lessons with another teacher in her home.

Every spring, the students performed at the Museum of Fine Arts in City Park in Hagerstown. We played pieces that we performed from memory, with no music on the piano in front of us. I had such stage fright that each year became more and more difficult for me to perform alone in front of an audience. By the time I reached my sophomore year in high school, I had progressed to a six-page classical piece for my recital by Chopin, his Nocturne in E Flat Major. On the night of the recital, I played three bars of the piece and promptly drew a blank. I flew off the stage and never performed in front of an audience again.

About two and a half years ago, Donna Snyder approached me and said that she heard that I played the piano. I responded, "Who said THAT?" She then asked me if I would consider playing

piano for the praise band, as their pianist had quit to return to school. My immediate response was, "Not in this lifetime." I proceeded to tell her that I did not play in public; that I played only for my own enjoyment and stress relief; that I became quite nauseous if I had to perform for anyone. She encouraged me to stretch beyond my comfort zone, to use my talents to praise my God and Savior, to remember what I had just heard at the recent Women of Faith conference that we had both attended. I very grudgingly agreed to "try it" for a few months and see what happened.

I am so very grateful to Donna for encouraging me to stretch my wings, face my fears, and use my talents to serve God and my church. I have been playing with "Works In Progress" for nearly three years now, and I am astounded by my spiritual growth and the benefits I have received in those years. I cherish the time I spend with the members of the band. They have become like a second family to me.

We not only make music together, we pray together and hold each other up continually. I listen to praise music in my car on the way to work every morning, and it has brought me even closer to God in a way I never dreamed possible. I no longer keep a trash can on the piano bench beside me in case of overwhelming



Jim, Michael, Dawn, Lori, Susie, Donna, Jessie

nausea from fear of performing. Yes, I am still nervous when we play, but I am no longer paralyzed by that fear. Often, when we are practicing or performing, I can feel God's love and presence with me, helping me to play and guiding my fingers over the keyboard.

I encourage those of you at Salem with special talents to use them for God's glory. When we give of ourselves and use the gifts that God has given us, we are blessed in a very special way, even as our gifts bless others, sometimes in ways we never know.

I treasure my friendships with my fellow band members, and I admire each one of them for their own special contributions to the band and my life. I look forward to many more opportunities to meet new brothers and sisters in Christ as "Works In Progress" brings God's word in music to the community.

# Attendance Offerings

February 2014

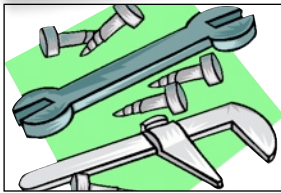
		Worship*		Sunday School	
Feb	2	80	\$1,619.00	32	\$241.00
Feb	9	141	2,101.50	61	132.87
Feb	16	92	1,995.00	60	151.50
Feb	23	89	1,849.25	55	108.50

\*Worship attendance & offerings include both worship services.

- Missions: \$1,310.00
  - Pavilion Fund: \$80.00
  - Building Fund: \$230.00
  - Cemetery Endowment Fund: \$20.00
- (Missions, Building Fund offerings, etc. are not included in Worship & Sunday School offerings above.)*

Average Attendance		
	Worship	Sunday School
Feb	101	52
Jan	87	51
Dec	85	52
Nov	85	52
Oct	86	51

**Average Attendance Jan-Feb 2014**  
 Sunday Worship: 94  
 Sunday School: 52



## Board of Trustees

### FACILITY MANAGEMENT

- |                     |                     |              |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Donald Stottlemeyer | Brandon Leatherman  | Robin Haupt  |
| Gary Barkdoll       | Todd Raynor         | Bobby Fogle  |
| Richard Harshman    | George Stottlemeyer | George Harne |

■ **By Donald Stottlemeyer**  
**Chair, Board of Trustees**

The Trustees have done numerous repairs/replacements recently, none of which has been costly to the church. I again want to thank each and every one for their continued support in the work around the church and parsonage.

Recently, Brandon Leatherman made repairs to the rear wall of the sanctuary. He spackled, sanded, and repainted the lower portion of the wall. Bobby Fogle changed the thermostat in the upstairs Sunday School area and has replaced bulbs and ballasts as needed. George Harne has worked and continues to work

with issues dealing with the Frederick County Permit Department and Triad Engineering. The light in the sanctuary has been repaired thanks to assistance from George Stottlemeyer and Vernon Stottlemeyer. The list goes on because all Trustees and many other church members are very dedicated in helping out doing miscellaneous work to help our church.

We will be setting a date sometime in April for our annual cleanup and maintenance of our cemetery. We always have a good turnout from our members to help with this large job, for which we are very thankful.



## Remember our Memorial and Endowment Programs

**Outright Gifts:** Financial gifts may be given to Salem at any time in memory or honor of a loved one.

**Planned (deferred) Gifts:**

As you do your estate planning, you may consider including your church in your plans?

Many of us have deep roots in our community and feel a deep sense of dedication toward our church and its ministry in the Wolfsville area.

As we think of the future, beyond our lifetime, it is comforting to imagine our church continuing to be a robust ministry, active in leading people to Christ, changing lives, and reaching out and supporting the local community.

One way to assure a fruitful future is to continue your financial support of your church after your death, through a memorial or endowment. It also gives you an opportunity to leave a permanent legacy at Salem Church.

All gifts are tax deductible. Names of those memorialized will be displayed on a plaque in the church building.

*For more information contact:  
 Bill Burrier, Chair, Finance Committee  
 or Pastor Bob Snyder*

## “Battin’ for Brent” Community Fundraisers

■ **By Dawn Nelson**

“Battin’ for Brent” Coach Bingo will be held on Sunday, May 4th, at the Myersville Fire Hall— doors open at 3:30, dinner at 4:30, and bingo at 5:30 p.m. \$30 per ticket, includes dinner and 20 games. For tickets and more information contact me at 301-293-9988 or www.ppfinc.org.

On Saturday, June 14th, at 6:00 p.m., at Harry Grove Stadium, the Frederick Keys will be playing the Myrtle Beach Pelicans. We are selling tickets for \$10 each, with all proceeds going to “Battin’

for Brent.”

Our church currently has 25 tickets available for sale, but it would be nice to sell all those and even more for Brent. This would be a nice outing for our church and at the same time supporting the Blickenstaffs! The ticket is only good for one regular admission into the ballpark and for the date listed (June 14).

If you would like tickets, contact me at 301-293-9988 or e-mail at nelsondawn@comcast.net.





# April

## Calendar of Events



- Tue 1 Adult Choir Practice** - 7:30 p.m. at Salem (continues each Tuesday)  
**Thu 3 UMW "Bee-lievers" Meeting** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem  
**Thu 3 Board of Trustees Meeting** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem  
**Sun 6 Holy Communion** - 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. worship services  
**Sun 6 Seniors Appreciation Luncheon** - 1:00 p.m. at Salem (65 or older)  
**Thu 10 Administrative Council** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem  
**Sun 13 Palm Sunday Community Hymn Sing** - 7:00 p.m. at Garfield UMC  
**Thu 17 Holy Thursday "The Last Supper"** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem  
**Fri 18 Good Friday Program** - 7:00 p.m. at Salem  
**Sat 19 Prayer Vigil** - 12 noon to 12 midnight  
**Sat 19 Easter Egg Hunt** - 2:00 p.m. at Salem  
**Sun 20 Community Sunrise Service** - 6:30 a.m. at Garfield UMC  
**Sun 20 Easter Sunday Worship - Holy Communion** - 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.  
**Sun 20 Children's Program** - 10:15 a.m. at Salem  
**Sun 20 Community Cantata "The Risen Christ"** - 7:00 p.m. at Garfield UMC  
**Mon 21 Wolfsville Ruritan Dinner** - at Salem - 2 p.m. prepare, 7 p.m. serve  
**Thu 24 Worship Committee Meeting** - 7:00 p.m. at Shankle home  
**Sat 26 Youth Trip to Hershey Park**  
**Sun 27 Salem Hiking Group Hike** - 2:00 p.m. at Greenbrier State Park

Recurring Events: Hero's Club After School Ministry meets every Monday when school is open 3:30-6:00 pm

Food Pantry is open every Tuesday 6:00-7:00 p.m. at Salem

Adult Choir practices every Tuesday 7:30 p.m. in Salem sanctuary

Praise Band practices every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. at Salem

Faith Builders Youth Group meets every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at Salem

### Newsletter Distribution

- E-Mail** — We are currently sending this newsletter to 196 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 49 cents First Class postage rate.

### Hike planned at Greenbrier

#### By Joy Young

A group hike is currently scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 27th at Greenbrier State Park. The group will meet at the Greenbrier State Park Visitor Center for a Family Friendly Group Hike.

The Salem Hiking Group will meet the last Sunday of the month at 10 a.m. to plan for hiking the trails of surrounding state parks.

Please call me at 301-293-1317 or email joy.salvatoreyoung@yahoo.com to RSVP, or for more information.

Photos by Dawn Nelson

### HERO'S CLUB After School Ministry

Meets every Monday 3:30-6:00 p.m.  
when school is open



(Left) Jadie Buhman is a big help to Dawn Nelson who prepares snack for Hero's Club.

(Right) We were so blessed to have these snacks for Hero's Club given to us from the Maryland Food Bank at no cost.

### "Works in Progress" Praise Band upcoming appearances

#### By Lori Williamson

The "Works in Progress" Community Praise Band has scheduled appearances for April and May as follows:

April 13 - Salem 11:15 a.m. contemporary worship

April 13 - Garfield UMC Hymn Sing at 7 p.m.

April 27 - Salem 9:00 a.m. traditional worship & 11:15 a.m. contemporary worship

May 4 - Board of Child Care chapel service in Martinsburg, WV at 6:00 p.m.

May 11 - Salem 9:00 a.m. traditional worship & 11:15 a.m. contemporary worship

May 25 - Salem 11:15 a.m. contemporary worship

# Who's Doing What, When?

9:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		APRIL	
<b>Lay Readers</b> 6 - Mary Cline 13 - Dennis Leatherman 20 - Robin Haupt 27 - Brenda Freysz	<b>Ushers</b> 6 - Dick Kline & Steve Leatherman 13 - Vernon Stottlemeyer & Robin Haupt 20 - Donald Stottlemeyer & Meredith Harshman 27 - Philip Koons & Brandon Leatherman	<b>Organist</b> 6 - Krista Peake 13 - Krista Peake 20 - Krista Peake 27 - Susan Koons	
<b>Greeters</b> 6 - Bob & Petie Stup 13 - Andrea Palmer 20 - George, Barbie, & Matt Stottlemeyer 27 - Steve & Joann Leatherman	<b>Acolytes</b> 6 - Jadie Buhrman 13 - Kenslie Buhrman 20 - Joshua Koons 27 - Jerod Lenhart		
<b>11:15 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP</b> 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!

### April Anniversaries

- 2 - Jennifer & Clay Waite
- 2 - Bill & Darlene Burrier
- 10 - Michael & Jennifer Burrier
- 23 - George & Judith Harne
- 25 - Robert & Mary Cline

### April Birthdays

- 1 - Travis Keller
- 4 - Joey Hawkins
- 4 - Paula Main
- 8 - Connie Crunkleton
- 9 - Melanie Adams
- 9 - Sophie Wagaman
- 10 - Emily Stottlemeyer
- 11 - Philip Koons
- 11 - Annabelle Martin
- 11 - Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer
- 12 - Charlotte Wisner
- 13 - Mason Crutchley
- 16 - Adam Stottlemeyer
- 17 - Delphine Zimmerman
- 17 - Judy Hamilton
- 18 - Dennis Leatherman
- 19 - Camden Raynor
- 20 - Ali Robinson
- 21 - Amy Ellis
- 22 - Richard Kline
- 23 - Craig Brown
- 24 - Jennifer Gormer
- 24 - Vernon 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 the activity bags to their place in the hallway at the end of the service.

**THIS YEAR'S FEATURED QUILT** for the Lord's Acre Festival is ready for quilting and has been given to the Zion Quilters at the Zion Lutheran Church in Middletown. The quilt will be sold at auction at Salem's upcoming **LORD'S ACRE FESTIVAL**, Saturday, September 13, 2014.

### April Birthdays (continued)

- 24 - Barbara Stottlemeyer
- 29 - Karen DeLauter
- 30 - Payton Robinson

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

### Holy Communion

Sunday, April 6, 2014  
 Holy Thursday, April 17, 2014  
 Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014



### Sticky Buns For Sale

As a fundraiser for Salem's United Methodist Women "Bee-lievers", Anita Harshman is making Pecan Cinnamon Sticky Buns.

The buns can be purchased directly from Anita for \$12 per dozen. To place an order, call Anita at 301-293-2080. Orders can be placed at any time; and can be picked up after services on Sunday mornings.

The family of Donna Horn has decided to place the Donna Horn Memorial Funds into Salem's Building & Improvement Fund. Donna's name will be engraved on the Building Fund Memorial Plaque.



Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

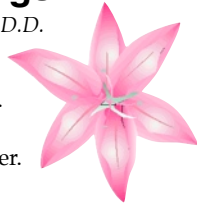


**INSPIRATIONAL  
Reading**

**Easter Tidings**

*By J. Harold Gwynne, D.D.*

Easter is a miracle . . .  
 the miracle of newness of life.  
 Easter is a glory . . .  
 the glory of resurrection power.  
 Easter is a triumph . . .  
 the triumph of love and hate.  
 Easter is a promise . . .  
 the promise of unending fellowship.  
 Easter is a consolation . . .  
 the consolation of a living companion.  
 Easter is a victory . . .  
 the victory of life and death.  
 Easter is a hope . . .  
 the hope of eternal life.



**Springtime**

*By Bonnie Knapp*

Springtime is a special time  
 To share God's wondrous love.  
 To thank Him for each blessing  
 That He sends from Heaven above.

He gives us so much beauty  
 In showing us He cares,  
 And springtime seems so special,  
 We can see Him everywhere.

With sunshine from the heavens  
 And flowers reaching t'ward the sky,  
 We can feel His presence near us  
 As the clouds go floating by.

As the raindrops fall upon us,  
 We can feel His special touch,  
 It seems that He is saying,  
 "I love you very much."

Yes, springtime seems so special  
 With God's presence everywhere.  
 He covers each and every thing  
 To show us that He cares.



At Eastertime new hope awakes  
 Within our hearts as morning breaks.  
 Sunshine and lilies breathe a prayer  
 Of thanks that God is everywhere.

*—Isla Paschal Richardson*



**RECIPE**



**DROP COOKIES**

- |                                     |                           |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 cup shortening                    | 1 teaspoon baking powder  |
| 1 1/2 cups sugar                    | 1/2 teaspoon baking soda  |
| 2 eggs                              | 1/2 teaspoon salt         |
| 1 teaspoon vanilla                  | 3 1/2 oz. package coconut |
| 2 1/4 cups sifted all-purpose flour |                           |

Cream shortening and sugar well. Add eggs and vanilla. Stir in sifted dry ingredients. Add coconut. Drop cookies on cookie sheet. Bake at 375 degrees for 12 minutes.

*Mary Alice Shankle made these cookies for the Bee-keepers' cookie exchange.*

**Daffodils in the Rain**

*By William Arnette Wofford*

Nothing I have ever seen  
 Is lovelier than silver rain  
 Falling on gold daffodils  
 In bloom along my garden lane.

Overnight they have appeared,  
 As if by magic, from the ground.  
 Grateful for their first rain bath,  
 They revel in its friendly sound.

Golden beauty blinding me  
 Along the path and garden wall,  
 Winter's bondage now has ceased  
 With spring's enchanting  
 first sweet call.

**Easter**

*By Hattie Pope*

There's a glow on Easter morning  
 In rose-tinted eastern sky.  
 There is dew upon the lilies;  
 Church bells ring from belfries high,  
 Ringing clear in perfect rhythm  
 In the cool, fresh morning air,  
 Calling all to join and worship  
 In a resurrection prayer.

There is joy on Easter morning  
 When we hear the gospel read,  
 Telling Jesus Christ, our Savior,  
 Has arisen from the dead.  
 Oh, with prayerful hearts uplifted,  
 We should all join in to sing,  
 "Christ is risen, Hallelujah,  
 And He lives, our Lord and King."

**Birth Announcement**

Congratulations to Brandon and Jessie Leatherman, 10908 Harp Hill Road, on the birth of their second child, a daughter, Shelby Lynn Leatherman. Shelby was born March 28, 2014, at 3:05 p.m. at Meritus Medical Center, Hagerstown. She weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Proud sister is Cheyenne, age 21 months; Paternal grandparents are Steve and Joann Leatherman, Harp Hill Road. Maternal grandmother is Janet Goetzke, Baltimore.

**In Sympathy**

**Stanley C. Kline**

April 23, 1921 - March 25, 2014

Stanley C. Kline, 92, Myersville, passed away on Tuesday, March 25, 2014, at Fahrney-Keedy Memorial Home.

Stanley will be fondly remembered for the many fine wood pieces he made for area churches, from pulpits to lecterns to crosses; in the homes where his fine cabinetry was installed; and for smaller pieces such as rolling pins to bird houses. Stanley's work is visible throughout Salem's sanctuary.

He was also known for the support of community activities, including Salem's Lord's Acre Festival, where he often donated special pieces to be auctioned.

The Salem congregation extends sincere sympathy to Stanley's family.



■ By **PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER**

**OUR THEME FOR LENT** has been “Following in the Footsteps of Jesus.” Each Sunday during Lent we have been using Rev. Adam Hamilton’s book and video, *The Way*. The way Jesus carried out his life and ministry provides the model for our own discipleship. For the remaining weeks of Lent, we’ll continue to explore a different part of Jesus’ ministry and its meaning for our lives. Video presentations will take us to the places where Jesus walked and ministered.

Palm Sunday, April 13, begins Holy Week, a time to remember the important events of the final week of Jesus’ life. We will gather to worship on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and at the Community Easter Sunrise Service at Garfield on Easter morning.

Our Prayer Vigil will be held from noon until midnight on Holy Saturday. Also on Holy Saturday is our annual Easter Egg Hunt, always a great time for children and their families.

This year, two community musical performances will also be held. The Community Hymn Sing on Palm Sunday in the evening and “The Risen Christ” Cantata on Easter Sunday in the evening. Both of these events will be held at Garfield United Methodist Church.

For centuries Christians have seen Lent and Easter as a special time to draw close to God. This deliberate effort honors God and sustains us. As you draw close this year, prepare to receive God’s blessings! Peace and Joy, –*Pastor Bob*

**April 6 – Holy Communion**  
**Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus**  
**“Sinners, Outcasts, and the Poor”**  
**John 4:1-26**

Jesus is drawn to those on the fringes of society – widows, orphans, the poor, the sick, sinners, and more. Sinners that we are, we consider ourselves fortunate that Jesus is drawn to us.

## Pastor’s Notes... Worship in April



One day, Jesus came upon a woman at a well. He saw the sin in her heart and offered her salvation. She was amazed that Jesus knew her inside and out, yet cared for her in the way he did. His promise was more wonderful than she could imagine. His love won her heart. This woman at the well accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior and then shared his promise with the people of her town.

**April 13 – Palm Sunday**  
**Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus**  
**“The Final Week”**  
**Mark 11:1-11**

On Palm Sunday, Jesus entered Jerusalem as king. A large crowd gathered on either side of the road. They had carpeted the road with their cloaks and palm branches, an ancient way of “rolling out the red carpet.” They were yelling and cheering, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!”

Their long-awaited savior had arrived, they were ready to follow him into battle to overthrow the Romans and restore the kingdom of David. Jesus was their new David. They were so sure. Seeing this, Jesus must have been taken aback. The people still didn’t understand how he was to rule in the Kingdom of God, and he knew that he only had one week remaining to show them.

**April 17 – Holy Thursday**  
**“The Last Supper”**

**April 18 – Good Friday**  
**“Jesus Died for Me”**  
**Mark 15:21-32**

We know that a man named Simon travelled with his two sons, Alexander and Rufus, to Jerusalem for the annual Passover celebration. Matthew, Mark, and Luke tell us that Roman soldiers forced

Simon to carry Jesus’ cross when Jesus could no longer carry it himself.

Being in Jerusalem that week, this probably wasn’t Simon’s first encounter with Jesus. He may well have witnessed Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem on Sunday, seen Jesus expel moneychangers from the temple on Monday, and heard Jesus teach in the Temple on Tuesday and Wednesday. Maybe on Thursday he saw Jesus and the twelve on their way to the house where they would eat the Passover meal. We do know this. On Friday, Simon shared the experience of carrying the cross with Jesus and that must have changed his life. When Jesus expelled his final breath, we can hear Simon confessing, “Jesus died for me.”

**April 19 – Prayer Vigil**  
**Noon until midnight**

For all that Jesus has done for us, what can we do for him? A good start is prayer. In prayer we acknowledge God as our creator and ruler over all, we give thanks for His blessings, we confess our sins and ask for forgiveness, we pray for the church, we pray for others, and we pray for our own needs.

Be a link in the chain of people who will pray from noon until midnight on the day before Easter. Sign up for a half-hour block of time. Pray in Salem’s sanctuary or in your home.

**April 20 – Easter Sunday**  
**Community Easter Sunrise Service**  
**Garfield UMC, 6:30 a.m.**

Come and join in prayer, singing, scripture readings, and this year’s meditation, “Easter... The Mystery and the Promise.”

**April 20 – Easter Sunday**  
**“We are Resurrection People”**  
**John 20:1-18**

We are not just any people, we are resurrection people. Because we believe Jesus died and was raised from the dead, we are saved and have the promise of eternal life. Free from the fear of death, we can focus our energy on growing in faith, pointing others to Christ, and serving those in need.

**April 20 – Easter Sunday**  
**“The Risen Christ” Cantata**  
**Garfield UMC, 7 p.m.**

The cantata will be performed by a combined choir from Wolfsville area churches.



## Salem's YOUTH EVENTS

■ By Wanda Barkdoll

**FAITH  
BUILDERS  
YOUTH GROUP**

### Seniors Appreciation Luncheon

On **SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2014**, the Faith Builders Youth Group is sponsoring their 4th Annual Seniors Appreciation Luncheon at Salem.

We would like to recognize our seniors, 65 years and older; and we have invited them to come to the church and enjoy a luncheon with us.

We are going back to the 1950s as the theme for the event. We hope to see you there. Please contact Donna Snyder by Sunday, March 30, to make reservations.

Theme: 

### Trip to Hershey Park

On **SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2014**, the Faith Builders Youth Group will go back to Hershey Park! Youth and adults alike are invited to go. On this day the park is reserved for Griffith Energy Services' customers, employees, and their families and friends. As a customer, we are inviting our friends.

The cost is \$29 per person, with free parking. (Usually the admission is \$59.80 plus \$12 parking fee.) Gates open at 9:30 a.m., rides begin at 10:00 a.m. and the park closes at 6:00 p.m. To get your tickets, please contact me at 301-416-0882 no later than April 15, 2014.



### Progressive Dinner

On **FRIDAY-SATURDAY, MAY 9-10, 2014**, there will be a Progressive Dinner and sleep over for the Faith Builders.

We will start with an appetizer at 6:00 p.m., then the dinner, movies, and the evening will end at the church to spend the night. Parents need to pick up their youth on Saturday morning no later than 9:00 a.m.

You may contact me at 301-416-0882 for accountability. Even if your youth has not been able to attend the Thursday meetings, this is a great opportunity to get together and socialize. Hope to see you there.



Salem Mission Project No. 4

## Salem FOOD PANTRY News

## Food Pantry

### A Testimony from a Food Pantry family

"When I got out of high school, I was just going to get a job and work, cause that's what my mom did. So I did that.

"I've worked all my life until I had my daughter. Then I was able to stay home because my husband was making enough money.

"Then my husband became disabled. We had to move, downsize and make things simpler. We had too many bills.

"I was planning to go back to work and that's when I found out I had breast cancer and everything just changed.

"We took a loss but we were able to sell the house before we lost it, but things were getting worse and worse. We were really struggling week to week, day-to-day. I called the American Cancer Society and they suggested that I go into the Department of Social Services to find out about the resources and programs there.

"It was very traumatic for me to go in and put myself out there like that; I was crying, but the ladies there were really nice, they understood. Still it was hard.

"At first it was hard with the little card; you use it and you feel like people are looking at you. But you know what? I've given a lot over the years and I deserve to ask for a little bit of help.

"I don't mind it now. I think if you need the help you should be able to ask

for it. I never thought I would be in a place that I thought I would have to ask for help. I had to do what I had to do to feed my family.

"One thing that's hard is fresh fruits and vegetables. They are very expensive. I was told while going to chemo to eat a lot of fruits and vegetables. That's the hardest part to find decent ones that don't cost a lot of money.

"When you're trying to save money, things that aren't good for you are the cheapest things to buy, and that's really what you shouldn't be eating, but you have to eat some of that stuff sometimes. I wish produce was a lot cheaper.

"This year we're going to start a garden. I know a lot of people look down on people with food stamps or they have a certain idea of what kind of people are on food stamps, so I wanted to share my story.

"A lot of people in America have to get food stamps. I see children out there that are hungry. Don't look at them with pity or look down on these people; they need help. It's a matter of life and death for some people.

"Once you're in those shoes you realize what people are going through and what they need, to get through everyday life."

[Submitted by Dawn Nelson]

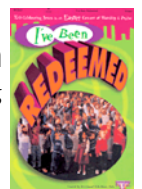
Photo by Dawn Nelson



Thank you Dennis Draper for putting up our new shelving to help organize our food pantry supplies. Due to the increase in families coming to the food pantry, we have purchased shelving and allocated additional space on the lower level of our educational building to store food pantry supplies.

### Easter Sunday Children's Program

On Easter Sunday morning at 10:15, the children will present a program of recitations and music.



The children's music program titled "I've Been Redeemed" is being directed by Melanie Raynor.

[No Sunday School classes on Easter Sunday.]



Photo by Bill Burrier

### THANK YOU from the BEE-LIEVERS

Many thanks to everyone who supported our recent soup and sandwich sale. Salem members and friends purchased 171 quarts of soup (Beef Vegetable, Bean with Rivelis, Turkey Noodle, and Turkey Corn) and 304 turkey salad and country ham sandwiches. The profit from the sale will become part of the Bee-lievers' donation to the Lord's Acre program. In the above photo, Wanda Barkdoll (left) and Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer are busy stirring soup. —Fonda Gormer

### United Methodist Pastor Appointments of Local Interest

The Baltimore-Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church has begun making pastoral appointments for 2014.

Pastoral changes include filling positions vacated by retirements and pastoral transfers from one church to another. Appointments through March 24 are listed below and will continue to be announced weekly.

- ❖ Rev. Robert Hunter, III, from Centre UMC in Forest Hill, to Thurmont UMC in Thurmont.
- ❖ Rev. Ken Walker, from Brook Hill UMC in Frederick, to Trinity UMC in Martinsburg, W.Va.
- ❖ Rev. Wade Martin, from Montgomery UMC in Damascus, to Brook Hill UMC in Frederick.

- ❖ Rev. Sarah Schlieckert, from Calvary/Centennial Memorial Cooperative Parish in Frederick, to Arden UMC in Martinsburg, W.Va.
- ❖ Rev. Michael Beiber, from Cheltenham UMC in Cheltenham, to Mt. Zion UMC in Myersville.
- ❖ Rev. Robert Brennan, from Garfield/Salem(Keedysville) Cooperative Parish, to Calvary UMC in Martinsburg, W.Va.
- ❖ Rev. Paul Papp, from the Jefferson (Jefferson-Doubs) Charge in Frederick, to Texas Charge in Timonium.

All appointments are effective July 1, and are listed at the Baltimore-Washington Conference website: [www.bwccumc.org/content/2014\\_appointments](http://www.bwccumc.org/content/2014_appointments)

### Music and the Easter Season

■ By Sandy Lewis  
Adult Choir Director

There will be many opportunities during the Easter season to participate in and enjoy praising God through music.

❖ **SALEM'S ADULT CHOIR** will be presenting special music for Good Friday, Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday worship services at Salem.

❖ **PALM SUNDAY HYMN SING** — On Palm Sunday evening, April 13, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., a Hymn Sing will be held at Garfield United Methodist Church. Special music will be provided by Works In Progress Praise Band, a Flute Ensemble, and several local church choirs. There will also be a time for favorites requested by the congregation. Refreshments will be served after the service. All are welcome to attend.

❖ **COMMUNITY EASTER CANTATA**— Easter Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m., a community Easter cantata entitled "The Risen Christ" will be presented at Garfield United Methodist Church. This will be directed by Lois Kuhn and performed by a combined choir of singers from the local churches and community. All are invited to come out to this glorious evening of worship and praise, which will conclude with the singing of Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus."



United Methodist Women "Bee-lievers"

### Heirloom Recipes Wanted for New Salem Cookbook

■ By Fonda Gormer

Salem's United Methodist Women "Bee-lievers" group is collecting heirloom recipes for a planned cookbook to be published in 2019 for Salem's bicentennial anniversary.

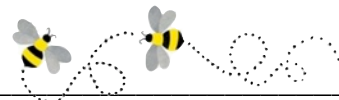
While 2019 seems a long way off, we want to collect recipes that were favorites of grandmothers, aunts, etc., who were a

part of Salem through the years. Please share your favorites before they are lost!

Recipes for any food category will be accepted at this point. We do request that accurate measurements be given, i.e. no "handfuls" or "pinches". Include the source of the recipe and a bit of its history. For example, "Great-grandma Smith always made this cake for tent meetings."

We know there are great recipes that have been handed down. We may later request more current recipes to fill the cookbook, but for now we are looking for older ones.

Please submit your recipes and your name to me. They may also be put in the "G" mailbox in the church hallway, marked with my name.



## LADIES NIGHT OUT planned for May 14

■ By Fonda Gormer

The annual Ladies Night Out has been scheduled for Wednesday, May 14, at 6:30 p.m. at Mountain Gate Family Restaurant in Thurmont.

This event is for all Salem ladies and their female family members and friends. Sorry guys! (In years past, some of the men have joined for their own meal at the restaurant, but the ladies do not plan that!) There will be a buffet meal and a short program, as well as lots of fellowship.

Reservations must be made by May 4 on the sign-up sheet on the hallway bulletin board at the church, or by calling

Prices include buffet meal, beverage, tax and tip:

Adults .....	\$12.99
Ages 5-12 .....	6.59
Ages 3-4 .....	1.81
Ages 2 & under .....	Free*

\*A small cup fee may be charged if a beverage is purchased.

me at 301-293-2436.

Please join the ladies for this evening — it's a great opportunity for those who attend different services on Sunday morning to get to know one another!

Posted on [caringbridge.org](http://caringbridge.org)

## Update on Brent Blickenstaff

MARCH 2, 2014

We have returned home to Maryland. Brent is in Hagerstown at Western Maryland Hospital Center. We anticipate him being there for 2-3 months as the house is renovated for his needs.

Departure from Colorado was bitter-sweet. All of us met some wonderful loving people and leaving them was hard. We are so pleased with Brent being able to talk and eat now. His appetite is huge. He wants lots of everything! I guess when you don't eat for five months and feel like you may never be able to eat again, food tastes mighty good! He has to re-learn sharing though. Don't even think about taking a bite of his pie.

My sister Binsey was an essential part of us getting back home. She did errands, sold our furniture, canceled utilities, worked with the greedy Lessor, shipped boxes, filled in with Bailey when I wasn't there and still had time to assist Brent with his needs. Also thank you Rea and Russ for absorbing the cost of those shipments.

The air ambulance flight from Denver to Hagerstown was very smooth. The pilot, co-pilot, nurse and respiratory therapist were competent, helpful and pleasant. The 3 hour flight was quick and uneventful. Brent was positioned so he could see out a window for a time and then he slept. We were greeted in Hagerstown by a ton of wind and Amy, Matt, Cody and Jeremy! Brent was happy to be back with his kids and on his native ground. The \$21,000 cost of the flight was

paid 1/2 by Craig Hospital and the other half by you wonderful people who have graciously donated to help my family. I don't know what we would have done without you all. Thank you! Also, thank you Robert Wilson and PPF for getting the funds to the ambulance company. It was a huge load off of me.

Brent is doing okay here at his new hospital. There are some fabulous staff here and we are working together to make him as comfortable and well fed as possible. Amy has made him his favorite peanut butter icing cake — he will share but only small pieces. Amy, Cody and I have taken turns spending the night with him. He very much appreciates this. We are awaiting shipment from Craig Hospital of the "nurses call light" they made for him. He can summon assistance by puffing into a straw. Unfortunately this has to remain in his mouth whenever he is alone in order for it to be of help. He has not regained any movement from the chin down but we still pray that the Lord has that miracle in his future. The blood pressure continues to be a daily struggle for him. Maybe at this facility, his third hospital, they will be able to find some happy ground.

I will begin to make decisions on the home modifications this week under the expert advice of George Hame, Architect and guidance of Elvin Stottlemeyer his assistant. George has already given many, many hours of his time to fixing things for us and we are eternally grateful George. There is a lot to be done and not



Vacation Bible School

## Weird Animals coming to VBS at Salem

■ By Fonda Gormer  
**SAVE THE DATE!**

"Weird Animals – Where Jesus' Love is 1-of-a Kind" Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be held at Salem July 14-18, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. each evening. Children ages 3-12 are invited to attend.

Your help is needed! Please save any wrapping paper tubes for our decorations. We also need 8 empty clear 2-liter soda bottles and used bubble wrap.

These items may be placed in the social room in the area next to the elevator, marked for VBS. Also consider volunteering to help with VBS.

For more info, contact me at 301-293-2436. More information about VBS will be available in future newsletters.

that much time to do it. The insurance company is itching to move Brent out of the hospital.

Bailey will resume school in Middletown this week and is very eager to see her friends and her pets. She very much enjoyed Littleton Colorado— the teachers, students, even the classes. She got along well with the staff at the hospital and shed some tears upon leaving. She is excited to be back with her friends here though!

Well that's all the news. Thank you for your love, your prayers, your help with finances, your kind thoughts and gifts! We are moved by everyone's kindness! God Bless you each richly!

Love, *Patty and Brent*

MARCH 21, 2014

Please pray for Brent Blickenstaff who was transferred to Meritus yesterday. Brent is being treated for pneumonia, a bladder infection, and dehydration. As of late yesterday afternoon, Brent was able to communicate once again and seemed to be responding to treatment.

—Pastor Bob Snyder

### Sunday School Classes

Every Sunday 10:15 - 11:00 a.m.



**Children 0 to 3 years**

Teacher: Caroline Buhrman

**Children 4 years to Grade 2**

Teachers: Michael & Jennifer Burrier

**Children Grades 3 to 5**

Teachers: Joy Young, Melissa Thornton, Patrick Boyton, Kathy Laky

**Middle School & High School Youth**

Teacher: Fonda Gormer

**Adult Discussion Group - Couples & Singles**

Teacher: Bill Burrier

**Men's Class**

Teachers: George Harne, Bobby Fogle, Meredith Harshman, and Dennis Leatherman

**Women's Class**

Teachers: Mary Cline & Darlene Burrier

Jesus said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. —Mark 16:15 New International Version (NIV)



**THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD**

A Sunday School teacher decided to have her young class memorize one of the most quoted passages in the Bible—Psalm 23. She gave the youngsters a month to learn the chapter. Little Rick was excited about the task, but he just couldn't remember the Psalm. After much practice, he could barely get past the first line. On the day that the kids were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the congregation, Rick was so nervous, when it was his turn, he stepped up to the microphone and said proudly, "The Lord is my Shepherd, and that's all I need to know."

**BEING THANKFUL**

A pastor said to a precocious six-year-old boy, "So your mother says your prayers for you each night? That's very commendable. What does she say?" The little boy replied, "Thank God he's in bed!"

**SILENT PRAYER**

Lord, keep your arm around my shoulder and your hand over my mouth.

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

*Some thoughts to ponder . . .*

The lowly carpenter of Nazareth was the mighty architect of the universe.

Jesus' sacrifice was what God desired and our sin required.

The resurrection of Christ is God's answer of hope to our cry of despair.

Christ's empty tomb guarantees our victory over death.

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9:00 a.m. Traditional  
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April 2014

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