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WHILE at the CREATION MUSIC FESTIVAL ...

Salem Youth selected a new sponsored child in Tanzania: Barnaba Ezekiel Haule

Compassion International Salem Mission Project No. 12

Compassion Tanzania is reaching out to a growing number of children living in poverty

During their five days at the Creation Music Festival in Mt. Union, PA, June 27 through July 1, Salem's youth thoughtfully selected a new sponsored child.

Our previously sponsored child through Compassion was in India; however after 48 years of helping children there, Compassion was forced to close their centers. The government of India has chosen to restrict nongovernmental charitable organizations' reception of foreign funds into the country, whose purpose differs from India's political ideology. Salem had sponsored an Indian child, Santanu Sing, for nearly 13 years.

Barnaba Ezekiel Haule

Salem has now entered a new era of sponsorship in Tanzania, East Africa; and has selected a 4-year-old boy, Barnaba Ezekiel Haule. \$38 a month will be sent to Compassion for his support.

Barnaba lives with his grandmother. He helps his grandmother by working in the kitchen and running errands.

Barnaba's favorite activities are playing with dolls, group games and walking. In kindergarten, his performance is average and his favorite subject is art.

His Christian activities include attending Sunday School and church. His favorite activities at the Compassion project are learning about God, listening to Bible stories, playing games and getting to eat snacks. Our love and support will help him to receive the assistance he needs to grow and develop.

Barnaba's Community

Our sponsored child lives on the plains of DCT Chang'ombe, home approximately 500,000 residents. Typical houses are constructed of dirt floors, clay walls and corrugated iron roofs. The primary ethnic group is Gogo and the most commonly spoken language is Swahili.



Barnaba, Age 4

The regional diet consists of

maize and beans. Common health problems in this area include malaria, diarrhea and trachoma (eye disease).

Most adults in DCT Chang'ombe are unemployed, but some work as laborers and earn the equivalent of \$5 per month. This community needs schools and employment opportunities.

Salem's sponsorship allows the staff of Anglican Chang'ombe Student Center to provide our sponsored child with Bible teaching, medical checkups, hygiene education, recreational activities, field trips, school supplies and uniforms.

The center staff will also provide opportunities for project involvement for the parents or guardians of our sponsored child.

SALEM also SPONSORS a CHILD through WORLD VISION
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Current Membership: 243 2017 New Members: 4

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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.

G	2017 MISSION PR	OJEC	CTS			
		MONTHLY MINIMUM	PAID Jan-June			
1	Frank & Nancy Stottlemyer (Ethnos360, formerly New Tribes)	\$205	\$1,230.00			
2	Operation Christmas Child (Postage paid in November) \$0.00					
3a	Salem Mission & Outreach (Local needs) \$1,045.95					
3b	Wolfsville School PTA (All Pro Families Breakfast) Pay Jan & Sept \$450.00					
4	Salem Food Pantry (Open Tuesdays 6:30-7:30 p.m.) \$975.81					
5	Mary E. (Africa Inland Mission) \$85 \$628					
6	United Methodist Board of Child Care (Auxiliary & Direct Support) \$279.0					
7	Gideons (Frederick West Camp - Distributing Bibles) \$50 \$300.00					
8	Potato Project (Society of St. Andrew, Big Island, VA) \$50 \$300.00					
9	Middletown High School (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) \$50					
10	Ronnie & Angi Hopkins (TMS-Global, Nicaragua)	\$65	\$390.00			
11	Care Net Pregnancy Center (Frederick, MD)	\$65	\$390.00			
12	Compassion International (Sponsored child in Tanzania) \$38 \$76.0					
13	Hero's Club After School Ministry (Pre-K through Grade 5) \$1,966.6					
14	World Vision (Sponsored child in Colombia) \$35 \$2					

2017 Goal: \$17,186 • Total Mission Offering for 2017: \$8,702.00 • % of Goal: 51%

Here's how you can give . . .

- 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.

Food Pantry at Salem is participating in Summer Food Backpack Program

This summer, the Salem Food Pantry will be a distribution point for the monthly food backpack program. During the summer, instead of sending the bags home from school each week with the students— parents or other designated adults will pickup the bags each month at church locations. **Upcoming pick up dates at Salem will be Tuesdays, August 15 and September 5, when Salem's food pantry is open.** Dawn Nelson is the contact at Salem. Other participating churches are Middletown United Methodist, Grossnickle Church of the Brethren, Mt. Zion United Methodist, and Faith Baptist Church.

OFFICE HOURS for PASTOR BOB

Sunday_ 7am - 1 pm Prep, worship, Sunday

School (at church)
6 - 7 pm Bible Study (at church)

Monday (day off)

6-7 am Devotions (at home)
9-11 am Planning Time (at home)
5-6 pm Hero's Club (at church)

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

6-7 am Devotions (at home) 9 am - Noon Parsonage Office

Noon - 1 pm Lunch

1-5 pm Visitation, meetings, or parsonage office

Saturday

7-9 am Final touches on Sunday's sermon (at home)

Also, Pastor Bob will be at church or in homes to attend meetings or check-in on evening activities at the church. He will make hospital visits and other visits as situations arrive. He will be working at home in Myersville, at the parsonage office, or elsewhere, as needed.

At St. Mark's Lutheran Church

Alpacas visit Wolfsville Vacation Bible School

By Fonda Gormer

On Wednesday, July 12, the Wolfsville Community Vacation Bible School had a visit with two alpacas. The children and adults heard about alpacas, how they differ from llamas, and petted the animals. They learned that alpacas are native of Peru and are raised for their fiber, while llamas are also used as pack animals.

The visit tied in with the Peruvian theme of VBS, held July 10-14. The students learned about Psalm 23, Simeon and Anna, Jesus calming the storm, Christ's resurrection, and Paul and Silas praising God while in prison. They made maracas, parrot bookmarks and furry llamas. There were songs, snacks, games, videos about Peru, and most importantly Bible stories.

The kids had a great time, though attendance at VBS was low. This is a concern. Those who attend really look forward to it, but we really need to consider whether the cost and time is worth it, for just 12 children.

Vacation Bible School has been held in Wolfsville, with support from the Wolfsville Ruritan Club, for about 60 years and we would really like to continue the program. If you have children ages 4-12 who do not attend VBS, what can we do to make it possible for them to attend? If you have suggestions as to what we can do to encourage more children to participate, please contact me at 301-293-2436, or at fonda.gormer@comcast.net.







Photo by Bill Burrier



Honoring Salem's Graduates

Dottie Hager, Pastor Bob Snyder, & Chris Leatherman

Audrey Tolland and Hannah Truitt were unable to attend.

Salem Honors Graduates June 25, 2017

Audrey Tolland

Daughter of Kim and Dennis Tolland Granddaughter of Pat Wolfe

Graduated December 21, 2016, from Towson University with a Major in Electronic Media and Film with a minor in Marketing.

Audrey is still job searching while currently working at Bob Evans.

Dottie Hager

Daughter of Della Hager

Graduated from Middletown High School on May 31, 2017 Dottie plans to attend McDaniel College and major in Social Work

Christopher Chang Leatherman

Son of Dennis and Diana Leatherman

Grandson of Marilyn Leatherman

Graduated May 31, 2017, from Washington County Technical High School

Christopher will be attending Hagerstown Community College with plans to transfer to Frostburg University

Hannah Truitt

Daughter of Thomas and Anne Truitt Granddaughter of Richard and Anita Harshman Graduated May 31, 2017, from Middletown High School Hannah will be attending the University of Tennessee and she has a Pre-Professional Major in Veterinary Medicine



		Worship*		Sunda	y School
June 4	_	79	\$2,453.75	43	\$280.04
June 11	-	107	2,250.75	44	64.00
June 18	-	100	2,038.25	54	236.00
June 25	-	108	2,365.50	50	73.50

*Worship attendance & offerings include both worship services.

• Missions: \$1,720.00

• Building Fund: \$290.00

• Cemetery Endowment: \$180.00

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

June 2017

	Average Attendance			
	Worship	Sunday School		
June	99	48		
May	86	50		
Apr	101	58		
Mar	98	56		
Feb	98	53		

Average Attendance Jan-June 2017

Sunday Worship: 95 Sunday School: 53

Dig out your walking shoes

■ By Fonda Gormer

It's hard to believe it's time for the CROP Hunger Walk! On Sunday, September 24, we will be walking 5 miles to raise funds to fight hunger in our community and throughout the world under the auspices of Church World Service.



The walk starts and ends at Salem, with

registration at 1 p.m. and the walk getting under way at 1:30 p.m. Sponsor records will be available about mid-August.

If you want to register sponsors or donate online, go to "cwsglobal.org", search "Wolfsville/Myersville CROP Hunger Walk", and follow the instructions.

Mark your calendars now, and break in your walking shoes!

Upcoming local concerts by contemporary Christian artists

By Sara Weitzel

Casting Crowns

Casting Crowns on Friday, Sept. 22nd, 7:30 p.m., at The Great Frederick Fair, Frederick,

MD. Ticket prices are: \$40 for Reserved

Grandstand; \$45 for Reserved Track Seats. These ticket prices do not include parking. Tickets purchased in advance include admission to the fair.



Chris Tomlin with Matt Maher on Saturday, Oct. 21st, 7:00 p.m., at Royal Farms Arena, Baltimore, MD. Thinking that this concert may quickly sell out, I went ahead and purchased 8 standard tickets (the limit for this event), and I have 3 left. The price of each ticket is \$39.50, which includes the additional processing and service fees.

Steven Curtis Chapman

Steven Curtis Chapman on Sunday, Oct. 29th, 7:00 p.m., at the Weinberg Center, Frederick, MD. Ticket prices are: \$15 for Balcony; \$30 for Rear Orchestra; \$50 for Orchestra and Mezzanine; \$75 for VIP Orchestra.

If you would like to go to any or all of these concerts as a group, please contact me via email: srweitzel@hotmail.com or cell phone: 240-409-1241). Thank you!

Worship Through Giving — Tithes & Offerings

By Bill Burrier, Church Treasurer

The scriptures tell us we will be blessed by our giving ministry and God will be pleased (Deuteronomy 15:10).

Giving tithes and offerings is a part of our spiritual worship. We don't give in order to get. We give to make an impact; we give to make a difference in people's lives; we give to further the ministry of Christ (2 Corinthians 9:7).

..... WAYS TO GIVE

♦ Worship Services Plate Offering

Give by cash or check during any of our worship services. If you give cash and would like it to be reflected on your year-end giving statement, please use an offering envelope.

♦ By Mail

You may mail your tithes and offerings to Church Treasurer, Salem United Methodist Church, P. O. Box 94, Myersville, MD 21773. Make checks payable to Salem United Methodist Church.

◆ Electronically Online (Safe & Secure)

Salem is now offering the convenience of online giving. Go to our church website and select GIVE. Sign into your account on the secure server at Vanco Payment Solutions, a United Methodist endorsed service. You may set up recurring giving, e.g., weekly, monthly, or give one time. Funds will be automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account. No more checks to write and you may change your giving amount at any time. This is a personal choice. Salem members who have already signed up for electronic giving are pleased with the service.



Calendar of Events



Board of Trustees meeting - 7:00 p.m. at Salem Church Council meeting - 7:00 p.m. at Salem

Fri 18 Salem Youth Group Pool Party - 5:30 p.m. at the Mueller's home

Thu 31 UMW Bee-lievers meeting - 7:00 p.m. at Salem (last minute Lord's Acre issues)

Recurring Events: Food Pantry is open every TUESDAY 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Salem

Praise Band practices 1st WEDNESDAY & 2nd, 3rd & 4th THURSDAYS at 7:00 p.m. at Salem

The church is cleaned FRIDAY or SATURDAY every week

Newsletter Distribution

- 1. E-Mail We are currently sending this newsletter to 202 of our readers via email. Our desire is to obtain as many email addresses as possible.
- 2. 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.
- 3. First Class Mail We are mailing about 30 copies, using the 49 cents First Class postage rate.

United Methodist Women



"Bee-lievers" to meet twice in August

By Fonda Gormer

1st Meeting August 3

The Bee-lievers will meet on Thursday, August 3, at 7 p.m. in the church social area for their regular monthly business meeting.

At this meeting, we will be finalizing plans for the Lord's Acre Festival.

We will be setting food prices and deciding on food amounts.

Any craft items that need to be priced should be brought to this meeting.

2nd Meeting August 31

Due to the regular September meeting, falling on the Thursday just before the Lord's Acre Festival (when we will be making soup), the business meeting will be held on August 31, at 7 p.m. at the church.

We will address any last minute Lord's Acre issues. We will also be working on crafts for the Wolfsville Elementary School Christmas Store. Please bring scissors and glue guns.

Salem's Building Committee to explore the possibility of a building project



The Building Committee held its first meeting on July 20th and discussed a list of needs that could be met through a building project.

A List of Needs

The starting point for this discussion was a facility "need list" generated at the Church Council Retreat in January 2017. Those items discussed were:

- · Larger kitchen, approved to serve meals to the public.
- Larger all purpose room to be potentially used for meals, events, Hero's Club activities, contemporary worship, etc. The seating capacity in the church's current Social Room is 179 with chairs and only 83 with tables and chairs, per the Fire Marshall. It was noted that need has exceed capacity on numerous occasions over the years.
- Storage space for tables, chairs, ping pong tables, and general storage.
- Dedicated meeting space for the Faith Builders Youth Group.
- · Larger entrance area to the church with a welcome area and adequate

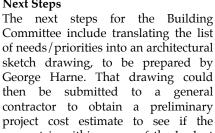
space to provide information.

• Meeting room – to be potentially used by the Bee-lievers, committee meetings, Church Council, Adult Discussion Group, etc.

Next Steps

concept is within range of the budget currently being contemplated.

The Building Committee asks for your prayers as we embark on this exciting adventure. We strive to be guided by the Holy Spirit in order to advance Christ's ministry in Wolfsville, and to be good stewards of the resources God has provided. We look forward to sharing how Salem and the community would benefit from a building project as plans begin to unfold.





Lord's Acre Festival Featured Quilt

At left is a "preview" swatch of this year's Lord's Acre Festival featured quilt. The quilt was designed by Judith Harne, the embroidery was done by Salem members and the beautiful hand quilting by the Zion Quilters of Middletown.

The quilt will be on display at the Lord's Acre, Sept. 9, beginning at 2 p.m. and will be sold at auction at 6 p.m. to the highest bidder.

Who's Doing What, When?

9:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Lay Readers

- 6 Wanda Barkdoll
- 13 Dennis Leatherman
- 20 Robin Haupt
- 27 Donald Stottlemyer

Ushers

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

AUGUST

Music

- 6 Sara Weitzel
- 13 Praise Band
- 20 Susan Koons
- 27 Susan Koons

Greeters

- 6 Vernon & Sue Ellen Stottlemyer
- 13 Bill & Caroline Buhrman
- 20 George, Barbie & Matt Stottlemyer
- 27 Dennis Leatherman & Family

Acolytes

- 6 Paul McCormick
- 13 Noah Taveras
- 20 Kenslie Buhrman
- 27 Joshua Koons

11:15 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

An informal FAMILY FRIENDLY service with contemporary Christian music, pastor's message, children's time, sharing of joys and concerns, and prayer.

Music

Aug 13 - Works in Progress Praise Band

Aug 27 - Works in Progress Praise Band

It's Your Day!

August Anniversaries

- 6 Adam & Rachel Stottlemyer
- 7 Corey & Colleen Carter
- 22 Lee & Lora McGraw
- 29 Kent & Polly Miller
- 29 Andrew & Sarah Haddock
- 29 Richard & Anita Harshman

August Birthdays

- 3 Susan Koons
- 6 Jeff Harshman
- 9 Sara Burwell
- 11 Cathie Elsbach
- 12 Matt Tolland
- 13 Joey Lynch Jr.
- 15 Danny Zimmerman
- 16 Bill Weaver
- 17 Timothy Doyle
- 17 Colleen Carter
- 18 Amy Burwell
- 18 Jerry Draper
- 19 Meagan Wagaman
- 21 Valentina Barkdoll
- 24 Rhea Poling
- 26 Kenslie Buhrman
- 28 Curtis Nelson
- 29 Sandy Miller
- 30 Camilo Barkdoll

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



Food

Homemade soups, sandwiches, french fries, baked goods, hand-dipped ice cream, soft drinks, iced tea, coffee, & water. Crafts & Fancy Needlework

Live Auction: 6:00 p.m.

A wide variety of handmade fancy

needlework and craft items will be on sale. **Produce**

Fresh produce, fruits and vegetables. Flea Market Tables & Plants

Household items and books in good condition. Potted plants.

Music Entertainment

Works in Progress Community Praise Band (Contemporary Christian)

Randy Sowers (Southern Gospel)

Children & Youth Activities

Silent Auction 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Amy McCormick, Coordinator **Live Auction** 6:00 p.m.

Robert A. Wilson, Auctioneer

Holy Communion

Sunday, August 6 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.



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

- Pecan Cinnamon Sticky Buns: \$12 a dozen
- Apple Pie (9-inch): \$10 each

You may purchase these items directly from Anita. To place an order, call Anita at 240-818-0126. Orders can be placed at any time and can be picked up after services on Sunday.

The first to apologize is the bravest. The first to forgive is the strongest. The first to forget is the happiest.





Everywhere Across the Land You See God's Face and Touch His Hand

By Helen Steiner Rice

Each time you look up in the sky
Or watch the fluffy clouds drift by,
Or feel the sunshine warm and bright,
Or watch the dark night turn to light,
Or hear a bluebird gayly sing,
Or see the winter turn to spring,
Or stop to pick a daffodil,
Or gather violets on some hill....
Or touch a leaf or see a tree,
It's all God whispering, "This Is Me...
And I am Faith and I am Light
And in Me there shall be no night."

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

At the Seashore

By Gloria Swan Kennedy

Take me to the seashore. Let me walk upon the sand. Help me feel the bonding That comes with God and man. Let me hear the roar of water In the sea shells that I find, As I shiver from the cold With my feet planted in the brine. I marvel at the sunset, As I stand in the water's foam, And I feel the spray upon me While I'm standing here alone. There is a peace within me, As I watch each wave roll in. I know that God is with me . . . He is my Protector and my Friend.

Hope

By James Joseph Huesgen

Hope is the eternal spring
That lives within the hearts,
It yearns and pines and wishes—
A thing that never parts.

Hope is that with which we live, Eternal is the dream Of life of love and happiness And all that it may bring.



RECIPE



Classic Double-Chocolate Chip Cookies

1/2 cup butter, softened 1/2 cup shortening

- 1 1/2 cups packed brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla

- 4 ounces semisweet chocolate, melted and cooled
- 2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 12 ounces bittersweet and/or semisweet chocolate, coarsely chopped
- 1 cup chopped pecans, toasted

Directions

- 1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large mixing bowl combine butter and shortening. Beat with an electric mixer on medium to high for 30 seconds. Add brown sugar, baking soda, salt, and cinnamon. Beat until combined, scraping sides of bowl occasionally. Beat in eggs, melted chocolate, and vanilla until combined. Beat in as much of the flour as you can with the mixer. Using a wooden spoon, stir in any remaining flour, the chopped bittersweet and/or semisweet chocolate, and pecans.
- Drop dough by heaping teaspoons 2 inches apart onto an ungreased cookie sheet. Bake for 9 to 11 minutes or just until edges are firm. Cool on cookie sheet for 2 minutes. Transfer cookies to a wire rack; cool.
 Makes 72 cookies.

Caroline Buhrman made this cookie for the Bee-lievers cookie exchange.



In Sympathy

FLOYD RAY KLINE

February 14, 1935 - June 25, 2017

The Salem congregation expresses deepest sympathy to the family of Floyd Kline, 82, of Big Pool, MD, who passed away on June 25, 2017.

Floyd was a member of Salem United Methodist Church; and was a farmer and owner of Floyd R. Kline Roofing and Siding.

Funeral services were held June 30th, in Hagerstown. Burial was in Salem United Methodist Cemetery.

What God Has Made

By Michael Dubina

What God has made is meant to be For all the world to hear and see And grace each span of land and sea With life and love and majesty, But we must do—

what must be done To keep His treasures, everyone, And save of those—

who are to come

The wonders He has built and done.

ELEANOR MAE KLINE

May 16, 1928 - July 23, 2017

The Salem congregation expresses deepest sympathy to the Kline family on the passing of Eleanor Mae Kline, 89, of Hagerstown, formerly of Wolfsville, on July 23, 2017, at Fahrney-Keedy Memorial Home, Boonsboro.

She was preceded in death by her husband of almost 65 years, Thomas Kline, who passed away in February 2009.

Eleanor is survived by daughters Bonnie Cline and husband Floyd, Mary Cline and husband Robert, and Karen Crummitt; sons Tom Kline and wife Sue, and Steve Kline and wife Bonnie; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Eleanor was a member of Salem United Methodist Church.

Funeral services were held Thursday, July 27, 2017, at Grossnickle Church of the Brethren. Burial was in the Grossnickle Church of the Brethren Cemetery.



Message from the Pastor and Worship in August

By PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER

ore than any other month of the year, August is the time of transition for me. Activities will start anew that have taken a break for the summer, plans need to be put into place, and the pace of life will pick up speed. It's an exciting time with new opportunities to be a disciple for Jesus Christ and it can also be a challenging time trying to "cover all the bases."

I have come to believe that one of our greatest opportunities during August is evaluating our lives and reestablishing our priorities: what will we spend our time on, as we consider family, church, work, and play?

As I review my priorities and make adjustments that need to be made, I invite you to do the same. As your pastor, I encourage you to keep God at the top of your list and to keep active participation in your church family an important part of your lives.

As I've grown a bit more "senior," I've come to realize more than ever that I need God and my church family to make it through this life with integrity. I love each of you and appreciate all you do for me. I consider my life rich because of God, because of my family, and because of you. Have a great rest of the summer! God Bless. —Pastor Bob

August 6 – Holy Communion "52" Sermon Series Week 37 – "Worship God in All We

Week 37 – "Worship God in All We Do"

Psalm 29 – "Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness."

We come and worship God each Sunday. It is right and good that we give God thanks and praise to God this way, and we come away from weekly worship spiritually fed and strengthened for the coming week.

Worshipping God each week with



our church family works! What if we looked upon everything we did during the week as an act of worship, giving thanks and praise to God in all of our thoughts, words, and actions? What difference would that make in our lives?

August 13 "52" Sermon Series Week 38 – "Love One Another"

John 13:34 – "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."

Through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God instituted a new covenant with humankind. This new covenant was based on two simple laws: love God and love your neighbor.

Jesus' life and ministry gives us a model for how to love our neighbor. Church tradition provides a way to make love of neighbor real in our lives by guiding us to do no harm and to do all the good we can. We have all the guidance we need to love our neighbor, we just need to keep putting it into practice.



August 20 "52" Sermon Series Week 39 – "Care for Our Brother and Sister"

Matthew 10:42 – "But if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward."

Isn't it true that one of the best indicators of the effectiveness of a church family is how well its members care for those in need within their congregation and the larger community: that we make space in our lives to provide caregiving, that the good life includes providing for our own needs and the needs of others, that we see ourselves not only as an individual but as a member of a where we community are responsible for one another.

August 27 "52" Sermon Series Week 40 – "Be Kind"

Psalm 86:15 – "But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness."

I was taught as a youth in Boy Scouts, "Do a good turn daily."

The scouts understand the value of simple kindness. In the time in which we live, isn't it the church that is well positioned to model kindness to the larger society.

Several years ago at Salem, we developed a "Covenant of Christian Conduct." It's a framework we use to help us model healthy, appropriate, Christ-like relationships.

The nine items listed in the covenant could be summarized in two words, "Be Kind."

God's kindness to us is pretty amazing. Some pretty amazing things can happen when we're kind to each other.

Gracious words are always the right words.

Scenes from the

Creation Music Festival

June 27 through July 1, 2017

My First Time at Creation

My experience at Creation was awesome! It was my first time camping. Although I had never heard of most of the bands, I loved them. I spent time with wonderful people and I want to thank you for your welcome. I felt as at home. Thanks for your attention. I am grateful. I hope to go to Creation next year! The groups and bands were awesome. I loved their worship, lyrics and instrumental music. Definitely, it was a different moment in my life. —Stefanny Ramirez

I loved my first time at Creation. I was a bit scared at first, but then I got the feel for it. I had a wonderful time hanging out with the new friends that I made and the concerts were amazing. It was really cool to have front row seats at the "For King and Country" concert. I even got a high five from Luke and Joel! Liz only got us lost once, and Chef Gary was great. The lookout view was incredible. My experience at Creation was AMAZING and I can't wait for next year! —Emma Waite















Scenes from the

Ice Cream Social

July 16, 2017





Cornhole Champs 2017
Meredith Harshman (Champ) & Camilo Barkdoll (Champ)
Denny Leatherman (2nd Place) & Vernon Stottlemyer (2nd Place)













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Sunday School Classes

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

Children, Infant to 4 years

Teacher: Caroline Buhrman

Children, Grades K to 2

Teachers: Michael & Jennifer Burrier

Children, Grades 3 to 5

Teachers: Kathy Laky, Melissa Thornton, Patrick Boyton

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Youth, Grades 6 to 12

Teacher: Fonda Gormer

Young Adult Class

Teacher: Denny Leatherman

Adult Discussion Group - Couples & Singles

Teacher: Bill Burrier

Men's Class

Teachers: George Harne, Bobby Fogle, Meredith Harshman

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)





Once you get your permit, learn to ride, and prove yourself responsible, we can discuss moving up to a camel . . . Happy 16th, Bud.

Some thoughts to ponder . . .

A good friend is like a wonderful book . . . the inside is even better than the cover.

Kind words and good deeds are eternal. You never know where their influence will end. It's just as important to forget a wrong as it is to remember a kindness.

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

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— Every Sunday —
9:00 a.m. Traditional
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
11:15 a.m. Contemporary

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