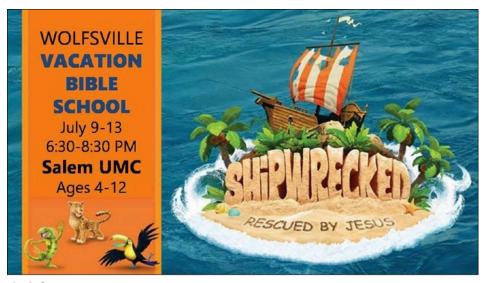
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At Salem

Wolfsville Vacation Bible School set for July 9-13, 2018

■ By Fonda Gormer

"Shipwrecked-Rescued by Jesus" is the theme for this year's Wolfsville Community Vacation Bible School, to be held at Salem Church, Monday through Friday, July 9 to 13.

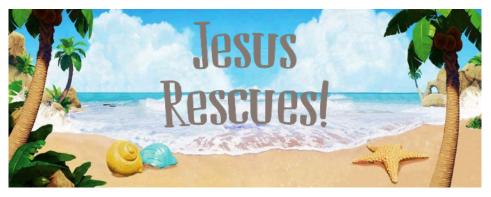
Meeting from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. each evening, the event will feature music, Bible stories and activities, crafts, games and refreshments.

We will be studying parables about lost things, Jesus' answer to Martha's worries, events in the garden of Gethsemane, Jesus' words to the criminal on the cross, and the disciples' healing of a lame man.

The Vacation Bible School (VBS) is co-sponsored by Salem United Methodist Church, St. Mark's Lutheran Church and the Wolfsville Ruritan Club. It has been a continuing summer activity for area children since at least 1957.

Please pray for VBS, that parents continue to bring their children to learn of God. All children ages 4-12 are invited to attend. Preregistration is not required. Please bring your child and invite a friend.

Volunteers are needed! This is a good opportunity for youth to obtain service learning hours. To volunteer or for more information, contact me by phone at 301-293-2436 or by email at fonda.gormer@comcast.net.





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Salem Membership Statistics:

Current Membership: 240 2018 New Members: 8

Salem Physical Facilities:

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

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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.



2018 MISSION PROJECTS

2018 Goal

Frank & Nancy Stottlemyer, Retired, New Tribes Mission
3a. Salem Mission & Outreach (local needs)
3b. Wolfsville Elementary School PTA - "All Pro Families Breakfast" 900
4. Food Pantry at Salem
5. Mary E. (AIM - France)
6. United Methodist Board of Child Care
7. Gideons (Frederick County, West)600
8. Potato Project (Society of St. Andrew)
9. Middletown High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes
10. Ronnie & Angi Hopkins (TMS-Global, Nicaragua)
11. Care Net Pregnancy Center of Frederick
12. Compassion International (Sponsored Child in Tanzania)
13. Hero's Club after school ministry
14. World Vision (Sponsored Child in Colombia)
TOTAL GOAL for 2018\$17,186

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.

MISSION PROJECTS - NEWS & UPDATES

Salem Mission Project No. 5

Mary focuses on France

I am currently in France and will return to the United States for August and September to get my long-stay visa and to finish raising the rest of my monthly support. At the moment, the consulate doesn't have any visa appointment days open, so please join me in praying for an appointment opening in August, and for all the paperwork to go through smoothly. Pray also for God's provision.

Pray also for God's provision.

Thank you for your partnership in this
ministry through your prayers, your financial support, and your encouragement. I appreciate you more than I can express!

With joy in Jesus, Mary



OFFICE HOURS for PASTOR BOB SNYDER

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.

Sunday evening, July 15, 2018

You are invited to Salem's annual Community Ice Cream Social

5:30 p.m. – Picnic 7:00 p.m. – Ice Cream Music by: Works in Progress Praise Band Cornhole Tournament

Family Fun Games
Location: Salem's Pavilion
12479 Wolfsville Road

Salem's Ice Cream Social is held once each year in July, and includes food, music, family fun, and, of course, ice cream.

There is no charge. The ice cream is made locally and is donated by South Mountain Creamery, Middletown, MD.

Fried chicken and hot dogs will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert to share.

History

Salem began holding ice cream socials back in the 1980s on the parsonage front lawn.

A balloon launch was added in 2004, and discontinued in 2015, in an effort to be more environmentally responsible.

The event was moved to Salem's new pavilion in 2012.













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▲ Attendance Offerings

May	6	-	
May	13	-	
May	20	-	
May	27	-	

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*Worship attendance & offerings include both worship services. **Services canceled on Nov 19 due to power outage.

- Missions: \$1,460.25
- Building Fund: \$395.00
- Cemetery Endowment: \$180.00
- Building Addition: \$100.00

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

May 2018

	Average Attendance		
	Worship	Sunday School	
May	89	58	
Apr	98	55	
Mar	92	58	
Feb	80	51	
Jan	79	48	

Average Attendance Jan-May 2018

Sunday Worship: 88 Sunday School: 54

Melissa Thornton (Chair) Michael Burrier (Secretary) Gary Barkdoll George Harne

Fonda Gormer Kathy Laky Anita Harshman Bob Snyder

Sue Ellen Stottlemyer Vernon Stottlemyer (Ex Officio) Denny Leatherman (Ex Officio) Bill Burrier (Ex Officio)

The building committee meeting for June was canceled due to vacations and committee members attending Creation Music Festival. At the next meeting on July 18, the committee will continue to research the possibility of building an addition to Salem Church in order to enhance our ministries.

Our next steps, as a committee, are to: (1) Get some cost estimates for a building expansion that meets the current and future needs as identified in the survey; and, (2) Develop plans, budgets, and funding options and present these to the full congregation for a vote.

We also will continue to pray for God's direction. Please feel free to contact Melissa Thornton bv phone 301-508-7165, or by email at mrthornton79@gmail.com with anv questions or concerns about the potential building project.

Men's Ministry

Salem Iron Men to meet in July

By Bill Weaver

The Salem Iron Men will be meeting on Sunday evenings, July 8th and 22nd, at the Salem Pavilion from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

We will start each session by watching John Eldredge's "Band of Brothers" video series, based on his book, Wild at Heart.

"You are sons of a kind, strong and engaged Father, a Father wise enough to guide you in the Way, generous enough to provide for your journey, offering to walk with you every step . . . this is perhaps the hardest thing for each of us as men to really believe, deep down in our hearts, so that it changes us forever." - John Eldredge

Calling all men to come on out, bring a friend and live out the adventure God has called each of us to live.

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.

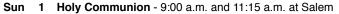
◆ Electronically Online (Safe & Secure)

Salem is now offering the convenience of online giving. Go to our church website and select GIVE. Create an 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





Thu 5 Board of Trustees meeting - 7:00 p.m. at Salem

Thu 5 UMW "Bee-lievers" - 7:00 p.m. at Salem

Sun 8 Salem Iron Men - 7:00—8:30 p.m. at the Salem pavilion

Mon-Fri 9-13 Vacation Bible School - 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Salem

Sun 15 Ice Cream Social - 5:30 p.m. at Salem pavilion

Wed 18 Building Committee meeting - 7:00 p.m. at Salem

Sun 22 Salem Iron Men - 7:00 — 8:30 p.m. at the Salem pavilion

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

Women's Bible Study every WEDNESDAY 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Salem Praise Band practices every THURSDAY at 7:00 p.m. at Salem The church is cleaned FRIDAY or SATURDAY every week

NOTE: Church Council will not meet in July.



- 1. E-Mail We are currently notifying 207 of our readers via e-mail when our newsletter is posted online. Our desire is to obtain as many e-mail 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 up to 30 copies, using the 50 cents First Class postage rate.



Hero's Club children signed the above "Thank You"



Hero's Club Student Helpers

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It's like "Sunday School" on "Monday"

Liz Waite, Hero's Club Director

The Hero's Club Carnival was . . . "Awesome"

By Liz Waite, Director of Hero's Club

To send off our awesome Hero's Club kids for the summer, we had a carnival on Monday, May 21, from 3:30 until 6:00 p.m. at Salem.

We engaged Hub City Inflatables of

Hagerstown, to bring a Bounce House, an Inflated Obstacle Course, and a Dunk Tank. There were games, prizes, music, and, of course, food! Everything was free for the Hero's Club families.

















Who's Doing What, When?

9:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Lay Readers

- 1 Dennis Draper
- 8 Fonda Gormer
- 15 Steve Leatherman
- 22 Wanda Barkdoll
- 29 Melissa Thornton

- 1 Dick Kline & Steve Leatherman
- 8 Vernon Stottlemyer & Robin Haupt
- 15 Donald Stottlemyer & Meredith Harshman
- 22 Philip Koons & Brandon Leatherman
- 29 Robin Haupt & Donald Stottlemyer

Music

1 - Sara Weitzel

JULY

- 8 Praise Band
- 15 Sara Weitzel
- 22 Sara Weitzel
- 29 Susan Koons

Greeters

- 1 Mary Cline
- 8 Bill & Caroline Buhrman
- 15 George, Barbie & Matt Stottlemyer
- 22 Dennis Draper
- 29 Gary & Wanda Barkdoll & Family

Acolytes

- 1 Loralli Snyder
- 8 Noah Taveras
- 15 Kenslie Buhrman
- 22 Josh Koons
- 29 Loralli Snyder

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

July 8 - Works in Progress Praise Band July 22 - Works in Progress Praise Band

It's Your Day!

July Anniversaries

- 4 Michael & Mandy Mellott
- 10 Robin & Theresa Haupt
- 18 Pastor Bob & Donna Snyder
- 20 Randy & Karen Sowers
- 29 Gary & Wanda Barkdoll

The Lay Reader does three things during the service: (1) Opening Prayer, (2) Lord's Prayer, and (3) Scripture Reading.

along with 13 other volunteers who are currently in the rotation.

During the week, prior to the Sunday you are reading, Pastor Bob will advise you of the scripture so you can do some advance preparation before reading on

Lay Reader rotation, please advise Pastor Bob or Bill Burrier.

Holy Communion Sunday, July 1

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



July Birthdays

- 2 Phyllis Beall
- 4 Marlene Young
- 5 Brett Haupt
- 10 Randy Sowers
- 11 Alyssa Fogle
- 13 Patty Blickenstaff
- 14 Tyler Zimmerman
- 18 Amanda Hawkins 21 - Donald Stottlemyer
- 24 Pat Eccard
- 27 Cyndy Weddle
- 28 Kim Tolland
- 28 Jennifer Burrier
- 28 Austin Hebeisen
- 29 Matthew Stottlemyer
- 29 Katy Hornbecker

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

Lay Readers Needed

We are seeking volunteers to be Lay Readers during the 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service.

You will read on a rotating basis

If you would like to be added to the

Annual Financial Audit completed

Our thanks to Meredith Harshman, CPA, for conducting the audit of Salem's 2017 financial

The church's financial records were found in proper order and the audit report has been sent to the Baltimore-Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Local churches are required to have their financial records audited every year, with the resulting audit report due on June 30th of each year.

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.

Mark your calendar

59TH ANNUAL LORD'S ACRE FESTIVAL Sat Sept 8 • 2:00-7:00 p.m.





Happy 4th of July

The 4th of July

By Marilyn Ferguson

We gather 'round to celebrate On Independence Day Pay homage to our country As the children run and play.



With barbecues and picnics And fireworks in the air The flag we own is proudly flown To show how much we care.

The stars and stripes spell freedom She waves upon the breeze While bursts of colors can be seen Above the towering trees.

This is all quite wonderful We revel in delight But God above in divine love Has brought this day to light.

With just a stroke of liberty A touch of His great hand He gave democracy to us And helped this country stand.

The stripes upon our stately flag Were touched by His sweet grace Each star of white that shines so bright Reflects His loving face.

So as you turn to face the flag
For battles that were fought
Be filled with pride for those who died
And freedoms that were bought.

But don't forget to thank the One That gives the bright display The reason why we paint the sky On Independence Day

Pastor David Howell retiring June 30

Congratulations to Pastor David Howell who is retiring after 34 years of ministry to three local Lutheran churches: St. Paul's, Myersville; St. Mark's, Wolfsville; and St. John's, Church Hill. Dave and Pearle are moving to a new residence in Grantsville, Maryland. We were blessed to have you here and wish you God's blessing on your retirement.



RECIPE



Pine Bark Candy

1 cup brown sugar 2 sticks real butter 12 oz. chocolate chips Saltine crackers

Directions:

- 1. Line a large jelly roll pan (one with sides) with foil.
- 2. Cover with soda crackers.
- 3. Boil brown sugar and butter together for 3 minutes (start timing when it starts boiling).
- 4. Pour over crackers.
- 5. Bake 6 to 7 minutes at 375 degrees.
- 6. While hot, pour chocolate chips on top. Smooth over.
- 7. Let cool, then freeze for several hours. Break into pieces.

Sue Ellen Stottlemyer made this for the Bee-lievers recipe exchange.



A New Day

By Patience Allison Hartbauer

A whole new day confronts me now With challenges to meet. I will go forth with confidence, Without delusion or defeat.

My Lord is here beside me As I strive to forge ahead With utmost optimism On the pathways where I tread.

I will not let adversity Allow my faith to quell; I'll lean upon my Lord this day Trusting . . . all goes well.

This whole new day holds promises I will conquer and achieve. I cannot fail nor foster fear When I continue to believe.

I know that yesterday is gone— Not to dwell on failures past, I'll make the most of every hour Long as this day will last.

I will take pride in all I do, My values redefined, This day will be exemplified, For God controls my heart and mind.

A whole new day He gives to me, Fresh and new and free from sins. My life restored . . . God's love prevails . . . I smile and rejoice as this new day

begins.

Fathers honored on Father's Day

On Father's Day, the "Salem Iron Men" served as greeters, dressed in their new forest green tee-shirts with the Iron Men logo on the front and on the back the scripture verse from Proverbs 27:17 "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." They presented the men of the church with their new ball-point pens inscribed with Salem Iron Men, Proverbs 27:17 "As Iron Sharpens Iron."

As fathers entered worship, their name was written on a slip of paper and placed in a basket to receive an additional gift. During the children's message, Pastor Bob asked one of the children to draw two names from the basket. At the 9:00 a.m. traditional service, the winners were Donald Stottlemyer and Phil Koons. At the 11:15 a.m. contemporary service, the winning fathers were Pastor Bob Snyder and Patrick Boyton.



Message from the Pastor and Worship in July

By PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER

ummer is here! I've really been enjoying the warmer weather and longer days. I hope you're able to get in a bit of rest and relaxation this summer.

As you see them, please encourage our group just returning from the Creation Music Festival.

Also, please plan to invite a person to the upcoming Ice Cream Social on July 15th.

Ask a person who might be seeking a closer relationship with God and might benefit from having the love, care, and help of a church family.

We have a relationship with God and we belong to a church family because someone else encouraged and helped us. Be that person to one who is seeking God.

Hope you have a great start to summer! God Bless. $-Pastor\ Bob$

July 1 Holy Communion "Don't be Afraid, Just Believe" Mark 5:21-43

Mark 5:36 – "Ignoring what they said, Jesus told the synagogue ruler, 'don't be afraid; just believe.'"

Is it better to believe in Jesus or not? A woman who could not be cured by doctors for twelve years believed Jesus could cure her. He did.

A leader of the synagogue believed Jesus could heal his dying daughter. Jesus did.

But there are scores of times when people believe and a cure does not come, and times when our loved one does not survive.

This is especially heartbreaking when the one sick or dying is a child.

While learning to live with our heartbreak, it's important to continue to believe.



July 8 Guest Speaker Denny Leatherman

Denny will lead worship using a patriotic theme.

July 15 Guest Speaker Bill Burrier Children's Message

At the Children's Message, Bill will bring his puppet friends, Barney and Stella. Barney needed to fix his bike and borrowed his dad's favorite wrench. After fixing the bike and taking it for a test run, the wrench is suddenly missing. Barney knows he is in trouble and so he and Stella decide how they will tell their father that his favorite wrench is lost.

Sermon What Do People See in Us?

1 Peter 2:12a – "Be careful how you live among your unbelieving neighbors."

The apostle Peter, in his first letter to the Jewish Christians who had been driven out of Jerusalem and scattered throughout Asia Minor, said that people are watching our every move to see what kind of difference our faith makes in our lives.

People who are not believers are living all around us. People are making

mental notes on us. People are watching us whether we like it or not, especially if we claim to be a believer. Does our behavior match our belief? Do we have Christian integrity?

July 22 "He Had Compassion on Them" Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Mark 6:34 – "When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he begin teaching them many things."

Jesus was dealing with a lot. He had sent out his disciples to minister to the people, and they had returned and were sharing with him their experiences. Jesus and the disciples had been busy doing ministry.

Then, Jesus' cousin, John the Baptist, was executed in a terrible act of injustice. The crowds of Jesus' followers had been pressing on them and Jesus decided he and the disciples needed to get away for some rest. But the crowds continued to press upon them.

Jesus could have avoided them, instead he had compassion on them. How has Jesus had compassion on us? What happens when we are more compassionate to one another?

July 29 "It Is I; Don't be afraid." John 6:1-21

John 6:20 – "But Jesus said to them, 'it is I; don't be afraid.""

Earlier that day, the disciples had witnessed Jesus perform a great miracle – feeding 5,000 people with only five small loaves of barley bread and two small fish.

Perhaps the number of people was more like fifteen to twenty thousand people when women and children are included. Whatever the exact number, the crowd was huge and Jesus had clearly performed a miracle.

Now, the disciples were on the sea in a raging storm and whatever faith Jesus' recent miracle had given them, they lost it in the storm.

But Jesus did not leave them stranded. He came to them and helped them.

How are we afraid today? Jesus is saying to you right now, "It is I, don't be afraid."

Salem welcomes eight new members

New Members at Salem • 2018



Photos by Bill Burrie



Heather O'Connor - 01/07/18



Loralli's confirmation - 05/27/18



Bill & Joyce Weaver - 05/27/18



Tom & Linda Marenic - 06/03/18



Mike & Debbie Irons - 06/10/18



Current Salem Membership: 240

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)





This is the seventieth times seventh time I've forgiven your baseball through my window . . . this is the last time!

Some thoughts to ponder . . .

May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right. —Peter Marshall

Simplicity is about subtracting the obvious and adding the meaningful.

What the caterpillar calls the end of the world, the master calls a butterfly. $-Richard\ Bach$

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

The Mountain Shepherd

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

Place Stamp Here