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“Salem Slam”
Ping-Pong Tournament
 at Salem
Saturday, November 10, 2018
6:00 p.m.
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Salem Mission Project No. 2

Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN’S PURSE

Turning “shoe boxes” into Christmas gifts for children

Share the love of Jesus, through the power of a simple gift, with children around the world.

By Barbie Stottlemeyer

We will once again be participating in **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**, in which we fill shoe boxes to be distributed to needy children around the world. This is a project of Samaritan’s Purse, a Franklin Graham ministry in Boone, North Carolina.

HOW TO PACK YOUR BOX

We are asking anyone wishing to participate in this program to fill their shoe boxes at home and bring them to the church on or before Sunday, November 18th.

Your shoe boxes should be packed for children ranging in ages from 2-4 years old, 5-9 years old, or 10-14 years old.

Numerous shoe boxes have already been wrapped and are available outside the sanctuary, or you can wrap your own shoe box. Labels are available at church to place in the box, identifying if the items inside are for a boy or girl, and the appropriate age group.

Boxes are due by Sunday, November 18, 2018

Once we have filled our boxes, we will take them to a local distribution center where they will then be sent to another distribution center in North Carolina, and then will be sent out to the children.

POSTAGE is \$9.00

There is a \$9.00 postage charge for each box. Place the postage amount in the donation envelope and place the envelope on top of the gift items inside the box so it is clearly visible.

Checks should be made payable to Samaritan’s Purse, with a note on the memo line that the gift is for Operation Christmas Child.

If you are unable to pay the postage, Salem will pick up this cost from our Mission Project No. 2.

SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS

Filled Stockings are due by Sunday, November 11, 2018

SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS are available at church again this year. As in the past, the stockings will be available for boys or girls of various age groups.

Each stocking contains a list of suggested items to purchase for the appropriate age group.

Please return your filled stockings by Sunday, November 11th. The stockings will be taken to the Salvation Army in Frederick for distribution to less fortunate children within Frederick County.





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Salem Membership Statistics:
Current Membership: 240
2018 New Members: 9

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.

Go 2018 MISSION PROJECTS

2018 Goal

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| 1. Frank & Nancy Stottlemeyer, Retired, New Tribes Mission | \$2,460 |
| 2. Operation Christmas Child (shipping for shoe boxes) | 350 |
| 3a. Salem Mission & Outreach (local needs) | 1,180 |
| 3b. Wolfsville Elementary School PTA - “All Pro Families Breakfast” | 900 |
| 4. Food Pantry at Salem | 1,180 |
| 5. Mary E. (AIM - France) | 1,020 |
| 6. United Methodist Board of Child Care | 1,360 |
| 7. Gideons (Frederick County, West) | 600 |
| 8. Potato Project (Society of St. Andrew) | 600 |
| 9. Middletown High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes | 600 |
| 10. Ronnie & Angi Hopkins (TMS-Global, Nicaragua) | 780 |
| 11. Care Net Pregnancy Center of Frederick | 780 |
| 12. Compassion International (Sponsored Child in Tanzania) | 456 |
| 13. Hero’s Club after school ministry | 4,500 |
| 14. World Vision (Sponsored Child in Colombia) | 420 |
| TOTAL GOAL for 2018 | \$17,186 |

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.

MISSION PROJECTS - NEWS & UPDATES

Salem Mission Project No. 5

Mary begins new ministry in France

After being in the States for a while, confirming support for her ministry and speaking in churches, trusting in God to provide, Mary has met her support goal and obtained her visa.

She left for France in early October and will be ministering to immigrants there.

Mary writes in an email to Salem, saying, “Thank you for partnering with me in this journey through your prayers, support, and encouragement.”



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.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Wednesday, November 21, 7 p.m., at Pleasant Walk

The annual Wolfsville Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Thanksgiving eve, Wednesday, November 21, at 7:00 p.m. This year's service will be hosted by Pleasant Walk United Methodist Church, 11240 Pleasant Walk Road.

This is a Wolfsville community event which is hosted on a rotating basis among five local churches. Everyone is invited to attend to "Give Thanks to the Lord."

GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD.
In Everything Give Thanks!

Rotating Schedule for the Wolfsville Community Thanksgiving Service

2018 – Pleasant Walk United Methodist
2019 – Garfield United Methodist Church
2020 – St. Mark's Lutheran Church
2021 – Salem United Methodist Church
2022 – Grossnickle Church of the Brethren

"SALEM SLAM" PING-PONG TOURNAMENT set for Saturday, November 10, 2018, 6:00 p.m.

■ By Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer

Get your paddles ready! It's time again for the annual "Salem Slam" Ping-Pong Tournament.

Come and join us for a light meal and an evening of fun and fellowship. All ages are invited from youth to adults.

We will begin the meal around 6:00 p.m. and start tournament play around 7:00 p.m. Please bring a dessert or snack to share.

Invite your friends for a meal, great fun and just some time to enjoy each other's company and have a little fun while doing so. Hope to see you there!



Photo by Michael Burrier



If you have driven past Salem Church recently, you may have noticed the banner in the front yard. The banner is a reminder to attend worship on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. to hear messages on our current sermon series called, "God's Help in Time of Need." Pastor Bob told the Salem congregation that he was inspired, when reading a Gideon Bible, to preach a series on these subjects. The Gideons print on the first page of the Bibles they distribute, a list of human needs: loneliness, sorrow, suffering, decision, danger, fear, turmoil, weariness, temptation, indifference, conviction, and need for salvation, with scripture references about each one. Subjects being covered in the month of November are listed on page 8.

Choir Notes

■ By Sandy Lewis

Salem's Choir will be practicing each Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary through December, preparing music for worship services, and for a special music presentation on Christmas Eve.

We will start practicing the Christmas musical "He's Still The King of Kings" on October 30.

If you are not able to sing with the choir at other times, but would like to join us for Christmas, please come to practice.

We welcome everyone who would like to sing with us.

Children's Choir Notes

■ By Sara Weitzel

The Children's Choir will start rehearsing for the Christmas Eve Service, beginning Sunday, December 2nd.

Need for Children's Choir Adult Volunteer Assistant

The Children's Choir Director, Sara Weitzel, is in need of an adult volunteer assistant to primarily help with the children during rehearsals and, if possible, their performances.


The Children's Choir performs two times per year, at Easter and Christmas. So, you would need to be present during rehearsals on Sunday mornings, 4 to 6 weeks leading up to Easter morning and Christmas Eve.

The rehearsals are during the last 10 to 15 minutes of the Sunday School hour, starting at 10:50 a.m. No prep work or musical ability is required.

If you are interested, please contact Sara Weitzel, 240-409-1241, or Pastor Bob, 240-385-6833.



NEW MEMBER — On Sunday, October 14, 2018, Lori Williamson became a member of the Salem congregation. Lori lives on Wolfsville Road with her husband, Andy, and daughter Maggie.



Attendance Offerings

September 2018

| | | Worship* | | Sunday School | | Average Attendance | |
|---------|---|----------|------------|---------------|----------|--------------------|---------------|
| | | | | | | Worship | Sunday School |
| Sept 2 | - | 82 | \$2,554.75 | 52 | \$336.00 | 80 | 49 |
| Sept 9 | - | 85 | 2,345.00 | 54 | 147.00 | 77 | 45 |
| Sept 16 | - | 89 | 2,169.00 | 47 | 69.00 | 80 | 53 |
| Sept 23 | - | 73 | 2,627.00 | 40 | 85.00 | 85 | 54 |
| Sept 30 | - | 72 | 2,426.00 | 52 | 45.28 | 89 | 58 |

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

- Missions: \$890.00
- Cemetery Endowment: \$180.00

- Building Fund: \$530.00
- Building Addition: \$125.00

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

Average Attendance Jan-Sept 2018
 Sunday Worship: 85
 Sunday School: 52

Final Report

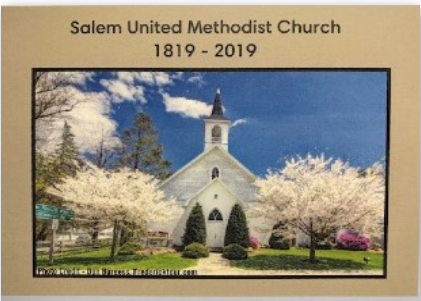
2018
Lord's Acre Festival
 September 8, 2018

----- *Financial Report* -----

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| Sales: | |
| Produce | 635.00 |
| Needlework & Crafts | 134.50 |
| Flea Table & Plants | 176.00 |
| Youth Activities & Games | 51.00 |
| Silent Auction | 992.00 |
| Auction | 2,268.00 |
| Soup, Sandwiches, etc. | 3,242.50 |
| Baked Goods | 972.00 |
| Ice Cream | 425.00 |
| Total Sales | 8,630.05 |
| Contributions: | |
| UMW Bee-lievers | 6,000.00 |
| Individuals | 3,310.00 |
| Total Contributions | 9,310.00 |
| Total Income | 17,940.05 |
| Total Expenses | 2,090.45 |
| Net Profit | 15,849.60 |

Net profit placed in Salem's Building & Improvement Fund, to be used for maintenance of our buildings and grounds; equipment purchases, repairs, and equipment maintenance.

Our sincere thanks to the Wolfsville community for once again supporting this annual event.



United Methodist Women

Salem Bee-lievers selling Anniversary Calendars

■ By Fonda Gormer

The Salem congregation will be 200 years old in 2019. As part of our celebration, the Bee-lievers have designed a 2019 calendar, with pictures of events and people from years past. These would make nice Christmas gifts, as well as keepsakes.

The cost of each calendar is \$15. Checks should be made payable to "Salem Bee-lievers." Calendars may be obtained from Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer or me, any Sunday, or call me at 301-293-2436 to arrange delivery.

Salem Iron Men

■ By Bill Weaver

The November schedule will complete the "Wild at Heart" Video series.

Sun Nov 11 - Chapter 7 - A Beauty to Rescue
 Sun Nov 25 - Chapter 8 - A Band of Brothers

Men, come out and join the adventure! Great fellowship and food to kick off the week.

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.



November

Calendar of Events



- Thu 1 UMW Bee-lievers - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
- Thu 1 Board of Trustees - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
- Sun 4 Daylight Saving Time Ends
- Sun 4 Holy Communion - 9:00 & 11:15 a.m. worship
- Thu 8 Church Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
- Sat 10 "Salem Slam" Ping-Pong Tournament - 6:00 p.m. at Salem
- Sun 11 Salvation Army Stockings Due
- Sun 11 Salem Iron Men - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
- Mon 12 Staff-Parish Relations Committee - 7:00 p.m. at Salem
- Sun 18 "Operation Christmas Child" Shoe Boxes Due
- Wed 21 Community Thanksgiving Service - 7:00 p.m. at Pleasant Walk United Methodist
- Sun 25 Salem Iron Men - 7:00 p.m. at Salem

Recurring Events: Hero's Club After School Ministry - MONDAYS at 3:45-5:30 p.m. at Salem
 Food Pantry is open every TUESDAY 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Salem
 Adult Choir Practice every TUESDAY at 7:30 p.m. at Salem
 Women's Bible Study every WEDNESDAY at 7:00 p.m. at Salem
 Praise Band practices every THURSDAY at 7:00 p.m. at Salem
 Youth Group meets every THURSDAY at 6:30 p.m. at Salem
 The church is cleaned FRIDAY or SATURDAY every week
 Salem Iron Men 2nd & 4th SUNDAYS at 7:00 p.m. at Salem

Newsletter Distribution

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.

Sunday School Move Up (Update)

■ By Kathy Laky

Congratulations to all those who moved up to the next highest Sunday School Class on September 4th. Moving up this year were: **Cheyenne Leatherman** and **Jase Haddock** (moved up from Carolyn Buhman's class to Mike and Jennifer Burrier's class).

Sophie Wagaman (moved up from Mike and Jennifer Burrier's class to Kathy Laky and Melissa Thornton's class).

Nadia Lebowitz, **George Hawkins**, and **Loralli Snyder** (moved up from Kathy Laky and Melissa Thornton's class to Fonda Gormer's class).

Looking Ahead...

Mark your calendars now for the **Salem Christmas Party** set for Saturday, December 8, 2018, in the social room.

Photo by Bill Burrier



Praise Band presents inspirational music at Myersville Festival

The *Works In Progress* Community Praise Band was one of the featured musical groups at the Myersville Harvest & Music Festival held at Doub's Meadow Park on Saturday, October 20th. *Works In Progress* performed three sets of music from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m.

The Festival was hosted by Myersville Parks & Recreation, which also included BBQ for sale by Mt. Zion United Methodist, horse rides by Thunderhill Horses, a petting zoo, pumpkin painting, hay rides, scarecrow making, games and vendors, and more.

The members of *Works In Progress* were excited to participate in this event, which was the largest non-church audience for which the group has played.

Band members are Lori Williamson (lead vocals), Michael Burrier (percussion & vocals), Donna Snyder (guitar & vocals), Susie Stottlemeyer (keyboard & vocals), Jim Laky (keyboard & vocals), and Josh Koons (guitar & keyboard).

The band provides the music the second and fourth Sundays of each month at Salem's 11:15 a.m. contemporary service.

Who's Doing What, When?

NOVEMBER

9:00 A.M. TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

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| Lay Readers 4 - Robin Haupt 11 - Dennis Leatherman 18 - Gary Barkdoll 25 - Donald Stottlemeyer | Ushers 4 - Dick Kline & Steve Leatherman 11 - Vernon Stottlemeyer & Robin Haupt 18 - Donald Stottlemeyer & Meredith Harshman 25 - Philip Koons & Brandon Leatherman | Music 4 - Sara Weitzel 11 - Praise Band 18 - Sara Weitzel 25 - Sara Weitzel |
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| Greeters 4 - Mike & Debbie Irons 11 - Vernon & Sue Ellen Stottlemeyer 18 - George, Barbie & Matt Stottlemeyer 25 - Mary Cline | Acolytes 4 - Loralli Snyder 11 - Noah Taveras 18 - Josh Koons 25 - Valentina Barkdoll |
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11:15 A.M. CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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| An informal FAMILY FRIENDLY service with contemporary Christian music, pastor's message, children's time, sharing of joys and concerns, and prayer. | Music Nov 11 - Works in Progress Praise Band Nov 25 - Works in Progress Praise Band |
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It's Your Day!

November Anniversaries

- 2 - Philip & Susan Koons
- 10 - Harry & Karen DeLauter
- 24 - Ronnie & Sue Kinna

November Birthdays

- 3 - Caroline Buhrman
- 4 - Darcy Gorner
- 9 - Bill Shankle
- 13 - Leah Tolland
- 13 - Fonda Gorner
- 13 - Betty Brandenburg
- 14 - Karen Sowers
- 16 - Polly Doyle
- 17 - Christopher Haupt
- 17 - Beth Snead
- 17 - Darlene Burrier
- 18 - Ben Swope
- 25 - Jadie Buhrman
- 26 - Mary Fogle
- 28 - Susie Stottlemeyer

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

Adult Discussion Group to Study the "Life of Paul"

The Life of David (Completed)

Congratulations to the Adult Discussion Group Sunday School Class for completing a detailed study of the Life of David. The class of 25 members, led by Bill Burrier, examined David's life in great detail, verse by verse, from 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, and Chronicles.

Although the study took 3 years, class members were excited to delve into David's interesting and dramatic life.

Several class members said, before this study, they were aware of the well-known stories of "David and Goliath" and "David and Bathsheba" but now know there was much more to David's colorful life, ranging from a young shepherd boy, to a great military leader, to one of the greatest kings of Israel.

The Life of Paul (Begins in November)

The group's next study, which will begin in November, will be the Life of the Apostle Paul. The study begins with Paul's early life (when he was known as "Saul of Tarsus"); and continues with Paul's conversion to Christianity and his many missionary journeys and the founding of many new churches.

The class meets every Sunday at 10:15 to 11:00 in the Salem social room. The Bible is our text book.

Holy Communion

**Sunday
November 4, 2018**

**9:00 a.m. and
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.





Thanksgiving Grace

This is a day for thanks,
A day in which we see or hear
or feel the wonders of
the other moments of the year.



This is a day for time,
a day in which we think of pasts
that make our present rich
and future bountiful.

This is a day for joy,
a day in which we share a gift of
laughter, warm and gentle as a smile.
Above all, this is a day for peace.

So, let us touch each other
and know that we are one.
For these and other blessings,
we give thanks. Amen.

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

A Prayer for the Church

By Mary Lou Redding

Dear Lord, thank you for my church
and for the people who are a part of it.
I'm grateful to be reminded each Sunday of
who I want to be,
who you want me to be, and
who you want us to be together.

Continue to guide the pastor, other leaders,
and each church family member.
Keep us faithful to you and
to the mission you have given us.
Help our lives better reflect your love,
both as individuals and as a community.

I pray for courage and encouragement
for those who are starting new churches.
Let their lives show your love and caring
so that many people who need you will find you.

Help my living always be a credit to my church
and a sign of my faith in you. Amen.

Submitted by Marilyn Leatherman

May the warm winds of heaven
blow softly upon your spirit.

Submitted by Dennis Draper (Found in a Fortune Cookie)



RECIPE



Slow-Cooker Apple Crisp

FOR THE TOPPING:

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|------------------------------|--|
| 1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour | 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt |
| 3/4 cup rolled oats | 8 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted |
| 1/2 cup packed brown sugar | |
| 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon | |

FOR THE FILLING:

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|--|---------------------------------|
| Butter or cooking spray, for coating the slow cooker | 1/3 cup granulated sugar |
| 6 medium apples (about 3 pounds), peeled, cored, and cut into 1- inch chunks | 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour |
| | 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon |
| | 1 tablespoon lemon juice |

DIRECTIONS:

- Place the flour, oats, sugar, cinnamon, and salt in a medium bowl and stir to combine. Pour in the melted butter and stir until the butter is completely incorporated into the dry ingredients and the mixture is wet and crumbly; set aside.
- Generously coat the insert of a 6-quart or larger slow cooker with cooking spray or butter.
- Add the apples, sugar, flour, cinnamon, and lemon juice to the slow cooker, stir to combine, and spread into an even layer. Sprinkle the oat topping evenly over the apples.
- Place a large sheet of paper towels over the slow cooker, making sure it completely covers the top of the slow cooker, but does not sag down onto the crisp. Cover with the slow-cooker lid. Set the slow cooker to HIGH and cook for 1 1/2 hours, or cook on LOW for 2 1/2 to 3 hours.
- Remove the lid and paper towels and cook, uncovered, until the topping is browned and crisp and the fruit is tender, about 1 more hour. Let the crisp cool at least 15 minutes uncovered before serving.

RECIPE NOTES:

Storage: Store the crisp in a covered container in the refrigerator for up to 5 days. Serve cold, room temperature, or rewarmed in a 300°F oven for 20 minutes. Serves 6.

Submitted by Sue Ellen Stottlemyer who served this to the Adult Discussion Group Sunday School Class



The Burden

By Dona M. Maroney

The burden that's upon me
is too heavy, Lord, to bear.
I know that You are with me
And You love me and You care.

You fill me with Your strength
And I know You're always there,
There to lift my heavy load
And give me joy to spare.

Is it any wonder
That I love You so?
I know that You are with me
No matter where I go.

In Sympathy

Nathan Lee Frushour

The Salem congregation expresses deepest sympathy to the family of Nathan Frushour.

Nathan, who lived on Brandenburg Hollow Road, Wolfsville, died on Friday, October 19, 2018.

He was a long time member of Salem United Methodist Church, Wolfsville.

According to the obituary, a celebration of Nathan's life will be held at a future date.



Message from the Pastor and Worship in November

■ By PASTOR ROBERT E. SNYDER

As I write this, there are about four weeks until Thanksgiving and just over eight weeks until Christmas. The holidays are approaching once again.

Our current sermon series, God's Help in Time of Need, continues through about half of the holiday season, then we'll shift to the theme of Christ's birth.

These weeks are a good opportunity for us to give thanks for God's blessings, come into closer relationship with God, and watch for the ways Christ is present and at work for us in our daily lives.

It's also an opportunity to share with another person the difference Christ and church have made in our lives and an opportunity to invite them to attend worship or an event in one of the churches in our community.

Our Lord is encouraging us, "If not you, who?" "If not now, when?"

God Bless.

—Pastor Bob

November 4
All Saints Sunday
Holy Communion
"Courage in Time of Fear"
Ephesians 6:10-18

Ephesians 6:10-11 – "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes."

We may feel weak and even shudder in the face of fear. But God tells us that with his mighty power, we are strong to stand against fear.

Working with our Lord, we are armed against our fears with our Lord's truth, righteousness, gospel of peace, faith, and salvation of the spirit.



November 11
Veterans Day,
Organ and Tissue Donor Sunday
"Peace in Time of Turmoil"
Philippians 4:4-9

Philippians 4:6-7 – "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Turmoil of one sort or another seems to frequently come into our lives. The cause for our turmoil may be serious or it may be just a minor annoyance of everyday life. Whatever the cause, turmoil can leave us feeling anxious.

Our Lord reminds us today that through him we can remain at peace even in our times of turmoil.

November 18
Thanksgiving Sunday
"Rest in Time of Weariness"
Matthew 11:25-30

Matthew 11:28-29 – "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

In the entranceway to one of the older buildings at Johns Hopkins Hospital a large statue of Jesus stands, arms



outstretched, with the words inscribed, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

Passersby write out prayers for hospitalized loved ones and lay them at Jesus' feet. For their loved ones and perhaps for themselves they are seeking God's rest in their time of weariness.

November 21
Community Thanksgiving Service

7:00 p.m.

Pleasant Walk United Methodist Church
11240 Pleasant Walk Road

Giving thanks together at the start of our holiday weekend.

November 25
Christ the King Sunday
"Strength in Time of Temptation"
1 Corinthians 10:1-13

1 Corinthians 10:13 – "No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand under it."

Satan loves to tempt us, and when we sin, to tempt us even more. But the Evil One flees when faced by our Lord.

There is that critical decision point for us when we give in to temptation or call out to God for his strength to resist.

Our Lord wants us to call out to him. God offers us his strength.

The Way

By Hope C. Oberhelman

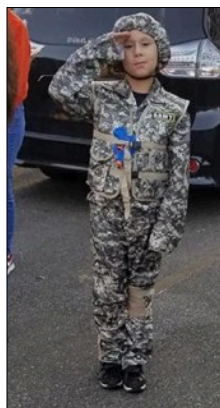
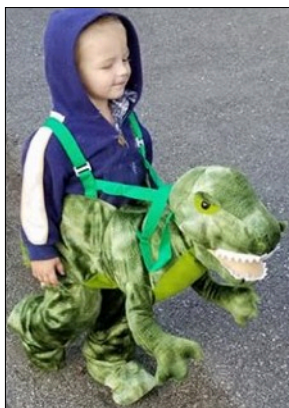
I looked for hope and did not find it;
I looked for faith and could not pray;
I looked for joy and just felt sadness;
I looked for God and found the way!

October 20, 2018

Scenes from Salem Harvest Festival



Photos by Wanda Barkdoll & Jim Laky



■ By Kathy Laky

This year's Harvest Festival was a big success. We had a nice turn out of festival goers and many creative trunks for the Trunk or Treat, as well as some fun games and great costumes.

Thank you to all who helped out with donations of snacks and drinks and for all those who did trunks, and Bill Weaver and his fantastic friends with their cool motorcycles.

A special thank you to Mike Burrier as our Master of Ceremonies; Mandy Mellott and Meadows Farms for the pumpkins; and Dawn Nelson and Dennis Draper for the snacks.

Also, a big thank you to all who helped with clean up especially Wanda, Valentina, and Maria Barkdoll and Diana Leatherman.

The Harvest Festival Committee had lots of fun

planning this year's event and we look forward to planning for next year.

Thank you to the committee members: Denny Leatherman, Cathie Elsbach, Madison Elsbach, Patrick Boyton, Melissa Thornton, and Kathy Laky.

A HUGE thanks to all the families who attended this year's festival. We hope to see everyone at the festival next year.



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

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)

Heavenly Humor



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"On second thought, Mr. Smith, the King James Version may be just right for you."

Some thoughts to ponder . . .

A wise man will make haste to forgive because he knows the true value of time.

Man says, "Show me, and I'll trust you." God says, "Trust me and I'll show you."

Prayer: Don't bother to give God instructions, just report for duty.

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

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November 2018