

## THE MONARCH

## **Reformation Weekend**

October 27-28, 2018

It's tempting to use the occasion of the celebration of the Reformation to replay all the old grievances of the past, such as the scandal of indulgences and the persecution of the early reformers by the Roman Church. But it is much more edifying for us today to focus on Martin Luther's exciting rediscovery of God's grace. Through his study of Scripture and the movement of the Holy Spirit, Luther encouraged the Church to proclaim the very source of our salvation – God's freely given grace, that is, God's overflowing love and mercy, in Jesus Christ. Not through works, not through ritual, not through doctrine but instead through faith in Christ we are brought into a loving relationship with God. This radical reorientation points us to Jesus. Five hundred and one years later we, with God's help, continue to hear the call of the Gospel to follow Jesus, the Source of God's transforming grace for all humanity.

We will gather together in worship on Saturday October 28 at 5 pm and on Sunday at 8:15 am and 11 am. Hope to see you there!



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### **SAVE THE DATE:**

## THE AMERICAN MELTING-POT-(Luck)

## October 28, 2018

It seems almost every night there's an advertisement for "23 and Me," the website that uses DNA to reveal your origins.

Some of us know (or think we know) our ancestry: Sweden or South Sudan, Germany or Peru, Kosovo, and even Syria.

Even if we never visited those places, chances are good we know them through their cuisine. Gravlax or Ful medames; Rouladen or Ceviche; Sarma; or Hummus and Tabbouleh.

The tastes and smells of your grandmother's kitchen.

How delicious!

So consider yourself invited to the Great American Melting Pot-(Luck): Sunday, October 28th, starting at 4:00 p.m. This is an all-congregation event, featuring the foods your family (may have) brought from the home country.

As a special treat, Salem's refugee task force has asked Wedyan al Fahad (home-maker for the Syrian family we've been getting to know) to contribute some dishes to the "melting pot."

There's nothing else you need to do just now except to save the date and to find that favorite recipe from the Old Country.

Questions? Recipe to suggest and contribute? Please contact Ann Dentry or Barbara Beem.



## **CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

Elected new officers for the year: Philip Isaiah, President; Sharon Stanton, Vice-President; Eileen Merriman, Secretary; Sally Kopp, Treasurer; Financial Secretary, Beth Massey. In accordance with Salem's by-laws to tithe bequests, the Council moved to tithe \$16,000 from Dottie Phillip's bequest to Salem Church, South Baltimore which is working to transform its ministry to the people of South Baltimore. (see article below)

Voted to send \$5,000 from the Mission Fund to the Lutheran World Federation for the work of the August Victoria Hospital in Jerusalem. (see article in this issue)

## CHURCH COUNCIL DIRECTS BEQUEST TITHE TO SALEM SOUTH BALTIMORE

For many years Salem has tithed all bequests received as a way to express our gratitude and to support other ministries of the larger Church and other charities. In recent years we have sent tithes to Lutheran Immigration Service, Mar Lu Ridge Camp and Conference Center and Catonsville Emergency Assistance.

In regards to tithing Dottie Phillip's generous bequest of almost \$160,000, the Church Council decided to direct our tithe to a Synod congregation that is transforming itself. In light of the fact that our DE-MD Synod has closed over 20 congregations in the past 20 years, we thought it would be helpful to support a congregation that is working hard to reconnect with its community and reinvigorate its ministry. We found just such a congregation in Salem South Baltimore located across from Battery Park. The congregation had declined last year to a mere 15 members at worship. With the call of a new pastor, Rev. Lauren Muratore, the congregation has begun a dramatic turnaround but is still very hard pressed for financial resources. Under Pastor Muratore's leadership the worship attendance has more than doubled and there have been 11 baptisms just since Easter. A new young adults group has sprung up and the congregation is planning to turn the 7-bedroom parsonage into transitional housing for women released from prison. It is exciting to see God's spirit at work! Our gift of \$16,000 will help our sister Salem on their journey of transformation to a strong and vibrant congregation once again.





## MISSION FUND GIFT TO AUGUST VICTORIA HOSPITAL

At the September meeting the Church Council directed \$5,000 from our Mission Fund to help support the August Victoria Hospital in east Jerusalem. The hospital, owned and operated by the Lutheran World Federation, serves the very poorest Palistinians. Recently there has been a funding crisis. We have supported the hospital in the past with a Marketplace contribution and in 2015 we raised over \$4,000 that was personally delivered by our 23 of our Salem members who were part of Holy Land pilgrimage led by our pastors. Below is some information about the hospital from the website.

Augusta Victoria Hospital (AVH) is a program of the Lutheran World Federated Department for World Service in Jerusalem. It started in partnership with the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) as a major medical facility in Jerusalem after the 1948 war to care for Palestinian refugees. Today, most of the patients served by AVH continue to be in social need and seeking life-saving specialized care.

After serving for many years as a secondary care hospital, AVH is now moving towards becoming a specialized center of medical excellence. In addition, AVH is building complementary community programs that support these specialties by promoting screening, early detection, and health education.

Specialty departments that account for the majority of work at the hospital are: The Cancer Care Center, the Hematology and Bone Marrow Transplantation Care Center, the Artificial Kidney Unit (dialysis), the Surgical Care and Ear, Nose, Throat Center, the Diabetes Care Center, the Specialized Center for Child Care, and the Skilled Nursing and Long-Term (Sub-Acute) Care Facility. These care centers provide specialized treatments that are not available in the majority of hospitals in Palestine.

The hospital is now focusing much of its strategic efforts on establishing a palliative care facility as well as a care center for the elderly. This approach is in line with the hospital's overall strategy to establish health services otherwise unavailable to the Palestinian community and complements the existing services at the hospital.

AVH is the first and only hospital to provide radiation therapy for cancer patients in the Palestinian territories and is the only medical facility in the West Bank offering pediatric kidney dialysis. On a daily basis, these and other specialty services touch countless lives, both young and old, from communities

across the Palestinian territories.



Save the Date

## Salem Supper Club

December 8

## Christmas in Killarney

Host Homes Needed



## **GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS**

Bethany Hall was a-buzz on Saturday, September 8, as 100 hands (and four paws) participated in "God's Work. Our Hand," an annual day of service.

Putting Salem's new kitchen to the test, 10 chefs prepared breakfast casseroles, which were served the following day at the Westside Emergency Men's Shelter. With both meat and meatless dishes on the menu, a hot meal on Sunday morning was a real treat. Meanwhile, all others in the hall agreed that what was cooking smelled great.

Eight people, including one with a broken limb using a scooter, put pen to paper and wrote cheery notes of encouragement to Salem's homebound, college students, and members of the armed services.

And 25 people, armed with knitting needles and crochet hooks, worked on hats and scarves for the Seafarers' "Christmas at Sea" project. For the first time, a group of Salem crafters was joined by a service dog, who, as far as anyone knows, completed no project but provided comfort and encouragement and welcomed many pats on the head.

Meanwhile, seven singers traversed the Baltimore beltway to Augsburg Village, where residents at four different locations were treated to Salem's vocal talents. On the program: hymns, as well as hopeful songs for better weather, including "Wait 'til Sun Shines, Nellie" and "You Are My Sunshine."

A great day, all around.



## **NEW DISCIPLES**

Salem received new disciples in membership on September 22 and 23. Interviews with Kim Welch and her family and Dorothy Wirth will appear in next month's issue

## **Meghan McNichol-Tress**

Meghan and her husband, Michael, moved to Catonsville in May of 2018. Raised as a Lutheran, she stopped by Salem "looking for a Lutheran church in the area". She works as the Regional Director of Innovation for The Wine Group, whose main supplier is in California. While Meghan and Michael are expecting their new baby in February, they are also the parents of two dogs. They enjoy hiking, working out, and outdoor activities. Here at Salem, Meghan hopes to become involved with the Youth, and with local outreach activities.



## **Phyllis King**

Phyllis was born in South Africa, the oldest of nine children. She came to the United States about three years ago to be closer to her son and daughter-in-law, leaving all her friends and extended family behind. She met Pastor Dave through a mutual acquaintance and began attending Salem services, mostly on Saturday evenings. Almost immediately, she felt welcome and accepted by the congregation. Phyllis is a retired management-training consultant where she worked with companies for leadership training skills. During that time, she also volunteered for the 'South African Depression and Anxiety Group' for about 15 years, and worked with high school and college students in mental health issues and teenage depression.

Phyllis is an experienced seamstress and does all types of work. She loves music and enjoys cooking. She volunteers writing letters of encouragement

to our men and women in the Armed Forces stationed in the Middle East. We hope you have the opportunity to meet and talk with Phyllis!

#### **Tim Toscano**

Tim is a familiar face around Salem. His wife (Sara Toscano) and daughter (Marley Toscano) have been members for quite a while. He has participated in many functions at Salem, most recently the production "Annie" by the Salem Players.

He describes his spiritual legacy as that of a "mutt". His father was a Catholic and his mother a Baptist and bounced around between the two. He then decided to attend a Lutheran college in North Carolina called Loraine-Rhyne. It was there he met his future wife Sara. After looking



around for awhile he decided that Salem met his faith needs and decided to "make it official". We welcome him to the fold.

#### The Parton's

In May of 2017, the Parton's – Sara, Craig, and daughter Olivia – had just moved from Anne Arundel County to Catonsville. And it was becoming clear that commuting to St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Glen Burnie for church and Sunday School was too much for this otherwise very busy family. The hunt was on for a new church home.

While at St. Paul's, Sara had become good friends with Edie Hahn, and she remembered that Edie had transferred to Salem; the Parton's decided they would begin their search there (yea, Edie!).

As it happened, the first people the Parton's saw on their first visit were the Merriman's – including Eileen (Olivia's "Girls on the Run" coach) and her daughter Veronica (a school chum of Olivia's). "We were sold and have been coming ever since," Sara said. (Yea, Merriman's!)



Sara reported that Craig is from Tualatin, Oregon, but has lived here since 2002. He is a paramedic/firefighter for Montgomery County and is a member of the Maryland Task Force One, Urban Search and Rescue Team, which was recently deployed to the Carolinas for Hurricane Florence.

Nine-year-old Olivia, once a student at St. Paul's Lutheran School, is now a fourth grader at Catonsville Elementary. She is a year-round swimmer, plays softball, and loves to run and ride her bike. She received her First Holy Communion this past spring at Salem and sings in the St. David's Choir (she loves it). The family worships at the 11 AM service, except when the choir sings.

As for herself, Sara shared that she hails from Johnsonburg, a "very small town" in northwestern Pennsylvania. She has lived in the Baltimore region for the past 11 years and currently works as a human subjects protection scientist at Ft. Detrick in Frederick. She and Craig will celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary in December and look forward to welcoming their second child in March. Sara's main hobby is serving as chauffeur and schedule keeper.

#### Jim Milton

Most of us have never seen James Milton at worship. For that matter, many of us did not see him stand at the rail when he joined Salem. And most of us didn't eat juice and cookies with him to celebrate his becoming a new member. Because James (or "Jim") is a Saturday evening kind of guy.

Jim literally saw the sign – the sign in front of the church announcing Saturday worship here. About a year ago, he decided to see what was happening at Frederick and Newburg. "Salem was very welcoming," he said, "and Pastor Dave came and talked to me." Jim loved "the sermons, the format," and he knew he had found what he was seeking. "I couldn't not do it," he said, of his decision to become a member.

Jim is not exactly a "cradle Lutheran." A member of a longtime Catonsville family, he did not worship as a child because his parents were not churched. But, at the age of 18, his brother and sister-in-law talked with him, and he decided to attend Emmanuel Lutheran in Westview Park. After talking with then-Pastor Robert Mordhorst, he decided, at age 18, to be baptized.

Over time, he said that Emmanuel did not suit his needs, and hence the fateful drive down Frederick Road. Jim said he would have joined earlier this year, but the timing of the class, for a number of reasons, was not right for him. Now, he's all-in.

Jim is a Ravens fan. He loves music ("rock, of course") and movies. He lives in Catonsville, is married, and has three children, ages 24, 18, and 10. His family worships at St. Mark's, but Jim has found his church home.

### **Dorothy Wirth**

Congratulations to new member Dorothy Wirth, who just turned 98 on Thursday September 27<sup>th</sup>! Her daughter, longtime member Penne Guiliani, says, "my mom is shooting for 100!"

Dorothy lives in Caton Woods, the Assisted Living neighborhood at Charlestown. After raising four children in Mattoon, Illinois, Dorothy worked as a kindergarten teacher, then ran an Antique Shop, and then got her license as a Real Estate Agent! A lifelong Lutheran, she retired to Florida. Nine years ago, she moved to Charlestown to be near her daughter Penne (her three remaining children live in Illinois and Colorado). Dorothy also has TEN grandchildren!

"Mom was a great Bridge player—she enjoyed most games, reading, and has always loved parties," Penne remembers.

She notes that her mom loved to travel when the children were young, especially to Wisconsin for the fishing and to Florida for the beautiful weather. Dorothy has macular degeneration so she now lives in assisted living and is homebound.

"She met Pastor Dave at the Charlestown services and fell in love with his sermons," notes Penne. Dorothy loves the cards she receives from Salem members, especially the Sunday School children. "Salem has been so good to my mom, and we are so grateful!" remarks Penne!

## **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**

What a wonderful summer we had downstairs!

Re-new Summer Events couldn't have happened without the help and support of Sharon Schueler, Linda Fleischer, Becky Bass, Eileen Merriman, Robin Schaefer, Sharon Stanton, Norma Hensler-Davis, Rachel Smith, and many parents.



This fall our classes follow stories of the Old Testament. Along with those lessons we will be searching for the meaning of the Lord's Prayer in our daily lives.

Come join us, age 3 through Grade Six, Bethany Hall from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., (sometimes 10:45 a.m. when we are having a great time!).

HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!!!!!

## **ALTAR GUILD**

The Altar guild is looking for some new members: both Saturday Set-up and after-care after both services on Sunday services. Training is available. Please consider serving your church on this fulfilling way. Questions? Please contact Mary Krebs.



## REFUGEE TASK FORCE NEWS

## Requested for the al Fahads' Apartment

The al Fahad family –Mahmoud, Wedyan, and their 4 children—moved into a new apartment in Arbutus in late August. They have requested the following items for their new home.

1 queen-sized mattress (theirs was in poor shape)

2 baby gates

1 rubber mat for the front steps

gently used towels and sheets (queen and twin)

Place towels and sheets in the marked box in the narthex.

Please contact Carl Kreps regarding other items.

## **Help Needed: Transportation**

We are forming a list of drivers (women preferred) to drive Wedyan and the children to medical and other appointments while Mahmoud is at work. If you are willing to help, please contact Pastor Whetstone to be added to the list.

## **Tutoring Volunteers Needed**

The Task Force is looking to continue English tutoring for the al Fahad family this fall. Currently, tutors are scheduled for Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at the al Fahad family home. More tutors are always welcome. If you are interested in helping tutor the family, please call Pastor Whetstone with your availability.

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A covered dish should feed 6-8 people. Please see the sign up sheet in the narthex starting September 30.

Questions? Recipe to suggest and contribute? Please contact Ann Dentry or Barbara Beem.

## **Coming this Winter: Syrian Cooking Lesson**

In January 2019, Wedyan al Fahad will hold a cooking lesson involving Syrian cuisine. This small gathering is separate from the potluck and has a capacity of 8. The cost for this intimate event will be \$50/ticket and the exact date is TBD. Tickets will be available starting at the Melting Pot(luck) on October 28. Please note there will only be 8 tickets to this event on a first-come, first-served basis. If you have any questions about the Syrian Cooking Lesson, please contact Marge Diss.



## ART COMMITTEE

A new picture hanging system has now been installed in the Upper Room to allow for rotating pictures without damaging the walls. Along with a new rug, purchased with the help of the Benevolent Fund, the Upper Room is gradually taking on a more contemporary look.

Please visit the Agape Gallery (2nd floor hallway) for our current show "Sarahdippity"; paintings, drawings and mixed media by two young teachers who create original visions of contemporary and historical subjects. The show will be on display until November 4.

This month the Martin and Katie Luther 4th of July giant puppets will be on display at the Lutheran Center Atrium to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. The Luther Center is in downtown Baltimore on Light Street near the Science Center.

## FOURTH MONDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Fourth Monday Bible Study will begin a study of the Book of Acts on October 22 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

#### ADULT FORUM

Adult Forum continues a 8-week discussion led by Nick Mason on the book *Reading Romans with Luther*. Amazon.com describes the book in the following way:

Step into Luther's commentary on Romans without intimidation. Even though Martin Luther taught about the Book of Romans half a millennium ago, his writings have everything to do with your life today. The grace God shows you is a gift, not something you need to earn, and Luther shows us this again and again.

Organized by significant themes in Romans, Reading Romans with Luther offers highlights from Luther's commentary and further explains how these themes are relevant to our lives today. We aved throughout is beautiful full-color artwork that helps you pause and reflect on key Luther guotes.

Luther was a teacher who revolutionized the way we approach God's Word. Come be his student.

Books are available from Jim Kempton.



## SALEM'S DISCIPLES IN DIAPERS

Starting Sunday, September 30, 2018 we are rebooting Salem's Disciples in Diapers for 2018-2019 with our Sunday School hour for parents and their children in the Nursery from 9:30-10:30 am. Please note that this is not a drop off Sunday School class; parents must stay in the Nursery with their children.

Salem's Disciples in Diapers is open to Salem families with children ages newborn to 3 years old (i.e. those still in diapers, but the newly potty trained are welcome too!). Among other things, we hope to provide fellowship, babysitting sharing, and general parental/family support to Salem families with young children. If this describes your family, we hope you'll join us on Sunday mornings so our children can play while we chat. This group can be whatever we want it to be – so please join us and help shape Salem's youngest disciples! Questions? Please reach out to us via the Salem Facebook page and we'll add you to our private group.

## **NEW PLANTS**

The Guardian of Eden (GOE) has, with the funds from the spring plant sale and other monies, planted ten azaleas on church grounds. Several are planted by the parking lot and there are four around the bike rack. There are others, planted in the small garden as you enter the back entrance of the church. There is one between the bird bath and the trees. Eight are pink and two of the azaleas are white.. Many thanks to the congregation for supporting our efforts with the plant sale. A special thanks to Lowell Rau, Guy Davis, and Robin Schaefer, all who have planted the new azaleas.

## COME START YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING AT SALEM MARKETPLACE!!

Another great Marketplace is shaping up for Saturday, November 3, 2018. The Marketplace opens at 10 a.m. and ends at 2 p.m. All of the proceeds will be given to these non-profit organizations:

The Thread of Baltimore: Freshman students are identified who are at risk of failing to graduate (in the bottom 25% of their class and have challenges outside the classroom). Each Thread student is matched with a group of up to five volunteers, an extended family that does whatever it takes to provide their student and family with completely customized support. Thread supports its students for nearly ten years, the remainder of high school and six years thereafter.

Chesapeake Bay Foundation

The Caribbean Synod of the ELCA for Puerto Rico Recovery efforts.

You can start bringing in your donation items on October 14. Please place them along the wall of Reformation Hall. Please mark book boxes clearly!

We can always use some new volunteers especially assisting Judy LeGath set up the book table on Friday (box moving required!) and with the White Elephant sale, led by Edie Hahn. If you are interested in helping with other activities, please contact Julia Graham.

You will have the opportunity to enjoy a great lunch prepared by our Salem cooks. There will be used books and jewelry. Find new treasures at our big White Elephant Sale in Reformation Hall! We hope to see some of Pastor Whetstone's wonderful stone Santa Claus. You won't want to miss beautiful handmade items from our Salem Stitchcrafters. There will be Fair Trade chocolates, coffee and gifts for sale from around the world. Oh, and don't forget to get there early to buy some of the delicious baked good items. Get into a spirited bidding battle over the many baskets, gift certificates, and other great deals in our Silent Auction. There will be other crafts for purchase, too. Please come and bring your friends and neighbors for a great day of fellowship and to help support some very worthy charities.

Julia Graham, Marketplace Chair

## **SALEM SECURITY SYSTEM REMINDERS**

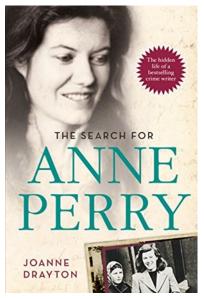
If your committee members change, remember to let the Security Team know so their Access Cards can be updated to allow the new members to access the church for the committee meetings, committee events, etc. Please send an email message with the changes required to <a href="mailto:SalemSecurity@salem-catonsville.org">SalemSecurity@salem-catonsville.org</a>

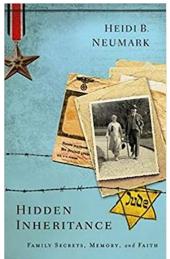
If you are holding an event at church and need the doors unlocked, please email <u>SalemSecurity@salem</u> <u>-catonsville.org</u> at least 4 days prior to the event. Remember that you must have someone watching the doors while the doors are unlocked.

As always, all questions and requests should be sent to SalemSecurity@salem-catonsville.org

## **BOOK GROUP**

The book group meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Upper Room. On October 8<sup>th</sup> the group will discuss *The Search for Anne Perry* by Joanne Drayton. In 1994, director Peter Jackson released the movie Heavenly Creatures, based on a famous 1950's matricide committed in New Zealand by two teenage girls embroiled in an obsessive relationship. The movie launched Jackson's international career. It also forever changed the life of Anne Perry, an award-winning, bestselling crime writer, who at the time of the movie's release was publicly outed by Juliet Hulme, one of the murderers. A new light was now cast, not only on Anne's life but also on her novels, which feature gruesome and violent deaths and confront dark issues, including infanticide and incest.





On November 12<sup>th</sup> – *Hidden Inheritance: Family* 

Secrets, Memory, and Faith by Heidi Neumark. Heidi Neumark's life changed forever when her daughter's late-night online searching exposed a generation of family secrets. From a few computer keystrokes, Neumark discovered her hidden Jewish heritage—and uncovered hundreds of questions: Did her grandfather really die in a concentration camp? How did she never know her grandmother was a death-camp survivor? Why had the family history and faith been rejected and hidden? (Editor's Note: Heidi Neumark is the mentor pastor of Sarah Garrett during her vicarship.)

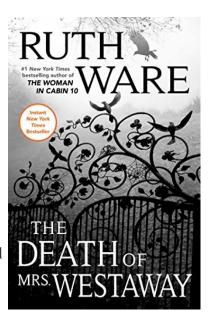
## JANUARY 7th...just announced!...

From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of In a Dark, Dark Wood, The Woman in Cabin 10, and The Lying Game comes Ruth Ware's highly anticipated fourth novel.

On a day that begins like any other, Hal receives a mysterious letter bequeathing her a substantial inheritance. She realizes very quickly that the letter was sent to the wrong person—but also that the cold-reading skills she's honed as a tarot card reader might help her claim the money.

Soon, Hal finds herself at the funeral of the deceased...where it dawns on her that there is something very, very wrong about this strange situation and the inheritance at the center of it.

Full of spellbinding menace and told in Ruth Ware's signature suspenseful style, this is an 'unputdownable' thriller from the Agatha Christie of our time.



# SALEM ACTIVITY CALENDAR October 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 SEPTEMBER	SEPTEMBER 1 OCTOBER 2		3	4	5	6
Worship-8:15/11 am 9:30am Sunday School All Ages! All Committees 7pm	4pm Yoga 7pm Prayer Shawl	7pm Salem Ringers	7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting 6:30pm Patapsco Greenway	10am Stitchcrafters 6 pm St. David's Choir 7:30-9 pm Salem Choir	0,	9:30 Wedding 5pm Worship
		Fa	ll Art Show			
7	8	9	10 CHARLESTOWN	11	12	13
Worship-8:15/11 am 7-pm Lazarus 9:30am Sunday Caucus School All Ages!		5pm Chair Yoga 6pm Technology Committee 7pm Salem Ringers 7pm St Dysmas	7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1 pm LWR Quilting	10am Stitchcrafters 6 pm St. David's Choir 7:30-9 pm Salem Choir 7:30pm CEA	7pm DROP IN (grades6-8)	5pm Worship
		-	Art Show	-		
14	15 4pm Yoga	16	17	18	19	20
Worship-8:15/11 am 7pm Communica- 9:30am Sunday tion Comm. 5pm Chai School All Ages! 7pm High Jinx 7pm Sale		5pm Chair Yoga 6:30 Synod Planning 7pm Salem Ringers	7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 10am Stitchcrafters 11am Bent Twig 6 pm St. David's Choir 7:30-9 pm Salem 7pm Worship Life		Free I	5pm Worship Ride (6-8)
		Fall	Art Show			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
School All Ages!	1 pm Fourth Monday Bible Study 4pm Yoga 7pm Fourth Monday Bible Study	7pm Salem Ringers	7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting	10am Stitchcrafters 6 pm St. David's Choir 7:30-9 pm Salem Choir		5pm Worship
		Fal	l Art Show			
28	29	30	31	1 NOVEMBER	2	3
	4pm Yoga		7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting	10am Stitchcrafters 6 pm St. David's Choir 7:30-9 pm Salem Choir		Marketplace 5pm Worship

We have a number of community support groups and scout troops who use our church facilities. In order to accommodate all groups, please contact the church office at (410) 747-0720, **before** planning

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE October 2018

October 6 Saturday Evening Worship 5p.m., Holy Communion

October 7 20<sup>h</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 a.m. and 11a.m., Holy Communion

October 13 Saturday Evening Worship 5p.m., Holy Communion

October 14 21st Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 a.m. and 11a.m., Holy Communion

October 20 Saturday Evening Worship 5p.m., Holy Communion

October 21 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 a.m. and 11a.m., Holy Communion

October 27 Saturday Evening Worship 5p.m., Holy Communion

October 28 Reformation Sunday 8:15 a.m. and 11a.m., Holy Communion

## **PRAYERS**

In sleep may we be made new this night.
In sleep may we let go of today
and release the worries of tomorrow.
In sleep may we know you
as Soul within our soul
as Guide within our dreams
as Lover within our longings.
In sleep may we be one with you
one with earth's darkness
one with heaven's shining
one with each creature dying
one with each newborn breath.
In sleep may we be one with you
and one with all.
- John Philip Newell, 'Praying with the Earth'

Loving God,
Be the Everlasting Father to refugees
Who have lost home and loved ones.
Lead, protect and provide for them
Lord in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.



#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE - CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY - 2018**

October 10 Monthly Worship—Brookside Classroom

 $11{:}30 \ a.m., Holy \ Communion \ -- \ Pastor \ Bob \ Schmitt$ 

November 14 Monthly Worship—Brookside Classroom

11:30 a.m., Holy Communion — Seminarian Sarah Garrett

December 12 Monthly Worship—Brookside Classroom

11:30 a.m., Holy Communion — Pastor Davud

### ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2018

	Saturday Evening	Sunday Service				Weekly*
		First	Second	Other	Specify	Total
Sept 1/2	33	63	104			200
Sept 8/9	31	82	91			204
Sept 15/16	30	81	131			242
Sept 22/23	22	100	127			249
Sept Subtotal	116	326	453			895

<sup>\*</sup>Week reflects Saturday through Friday

## TREASURER REPORT FOR AUGUST 2018

GENERAL FUND			
Budget to Date	\$342,093.00		
Beginning Balance	\$23,036.22		
Expenses to Date	(\$322,669.48)		
Receipts to Date	\$354,973.21		
Ending Balance	\$55,339.95		
R.S.V.P.			
Beginning Balance	\$66,682.74		
Receipts to Date	\$25,053.00		
<u>Disbursements to Date</u>	(\$30,358.38		
Balance in Fund	\$61,377.36		

## SMART PHONE QR CODE AVAILABLE FOR GIVING



Salem allows offerings via your smart phone. Image Salem's QR code and you will be taken to the mobile-friendly version of Salem's giving page where you can make your gift via your bank account or credit card.

## WIFI AT SALEM

The Technology Committee has installed WiFi access throughout the church. This free internet access is available to members and guests. Users may access either of our three networks connections:



SalemBethanyHall SalemReformationHall SalemUpperRoom

The password for all connections is **SalemChurch**. If you have any questions about our network please contact Technology Committee Chairperson, Amy Pflug at <a href="mailto:amy.pflug@verizon.net">amy.pflug@verizon.net</a>.



Dear Senior Pastor, Pastor, staff, and congregants,

Lighthouse, Inc. thanks you for your generous donation of one-thousand dollars (\$1,000.00.) Your continuing support re-energizes us for the work ahead. Thank you so much.

Thank you for remembering us and for you and your congregation's longstanding neighborliness. We wish you a blessed and productive season and we thank you for this meaningful gift.



Drew Carberry Executive Director

Amount received: \$1,000.00 (Delaware-Maryland Synod Check #105617) Gift purpose: United Lutheran Seminary Fund

"A Christian is never in a state of completion but always in the process of becoming."

Martin Luther

Dear Friends:

Becoming the person that God created us to be can be a daunting task at times. Luther was no stranger to this struggle. Throughout his life, he was plagued by bouts of depression, insomnia, and crippling self-doubt. Nevertheless, he discovered grace in the midst of these challenges, changing our understanding of God's love forever.

Rev. Dr. Angela Zimmann Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Rev. Dr. Martin Otto Zimmann Director of Church Relations and Major Gift Officer

#### OFFICIAL ACTS



### AT THE FONT

"We pray you...keep our children in the covenant of their baptism and enable their parents to rear them in a life of faith and godliness."

Allison Joanna Coons

September 16, 2018

#### AT THE GRAVE

"For the assurance and hope of our faith and for the saints whom you have received into your eternal joy, we thank you heavenly Father."

Steven Chaconas\*

September 1, 2018

\* Non-member

## **PARISH LEADERS**

Altar Guild: Mary Krebs

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## SALEM PRAYER TREE

"Intercessory prayer can penetrate the hearts of those we cannot open and shield those we cannot guard and

teach where we cannot speak and comfort where our hearts have no power to soothe. Prayer with its unseen hand, can enter where we may not." If you would like to join the Salem Prayer Tree, please contact Barbara Beem or Karen Amy via telephone at 410 382-4379 [Barbara] or 410 215-4279 [Karen] or via email at prayertree@salem-catonsville.org

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