



THE MONARCH

ALL SAINTS DAY

"Who and what he was future ages will know without a stone."

~Inscription on the tomb of Henry Melchior Muhlenberg (translated from Latin)

Any study of the early Lutheran church in America encounters the towering presence of Henry Melchior Muhlenberg. Born in 1711 in the German Electorate of Hanover, ordained in 1739, Muhlenberg emigrated to America in 1742. He was called by German-speaking Lutherans in Pennsylvania. Muhlenberg discovered a church that was scattered, desolate and leaderless. His tireless work, infectious spirit and capable leadership led to the creation of a Lutheran church in America that lives on today in the 9,000 congregations of the ELCA and in thousands of life-sustaining Lutheran schools and ministries in the United States, and around the world. Indeed, no memorial stone is needed to commemorate Muhlenberg's life and work.

And, for many of us, we too can look to the saints who have gone before us and left blessing upon blessing on us during their lifetimes. Saints who passed on the gift of faith, who have selflessly sacrificed on our behalf, who have modeled kindness and love. Saints who need no stones for us to cherish their enduring presence in our lives.

This All Saints Day we give thanks to God for all the saints who from their labors rest, and who have left us a rich legacy of faithfulness.

Pastor Dave

SERMONS ARE NOW VIDEO RECORDED

Thanks to Joey Morgan, who is video recording the sermons from our pastors; the sermons are now available on Salem's YouTube channel, website (www.salem-catonville), and Facebook page. They are usually posted on Sunday afternoon. If you want to hear a sermon again or if you can't make the worship service and want to be inspired, now you have the opportunity. Each sermon will remain available for repeated viewing.

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FAIR TRADE

Your fair trade purchases make a significant difference in the lives of children in developing countries. When the farmers are receiving a fair price, the villages are able to provide the children the opportunity to pursue education for a stronger future. Better schools are possible, and children can attend as child labor and forced labor policies laws are followed.

Not only that, but you have the benefit of quality products besides! Look for the Fair Trade cart in the narthex.

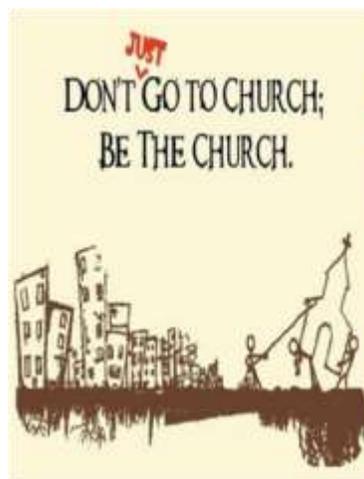
And remember that most weekends, from the Marketplace on November 3rd through Christmas, along with the Fair Trade Cart, we will also have a table of handcrafts by artisans in developing countries!

FEEDING THE HOMELESS

One of Salem's most rewarding ministries is providing a Sunday dinner for the Men's Shelter on the grounds of Spring Grove. You may have noticed the sign up sheet in the foyer. We provide a meal the **first Sunday** of each month from **October through June**, and we need your help.

Please sign up to bring a menu item or two and deliver it before noon on the designated Sunday. People are also needed to deliver the food after the second church service. We are fortunate to have a very dedicated group who have supported this cause for many years, but we need your help as well. Please check out the sheet in the foyer! If you have questions, please call Sue O'Connor, 410-302-2140.

Thank you!



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ADULT FORUM!

November finds us launching into a five-part series entitled "Transformed Community: God's Agent of CHANGE led by Jim Kempton; this is part of the Lutheran Outdoor Ministry for 2019. The theme verse for the five sessions is Romans 12:2, "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect."

The kind of transformation Paul is talking about, change that requires the "renewing" of minds, is not easily come by. It demands that we not conform to this world but rather live counter-culturally. This kind of faithfulness requires a group effort! We will focus on the nature and character of Christian community—what kind of change it makes in the world and also how it challenges its individual members, even as it sustains them, in the work of living with radical generosity, inclusion, compassion, justice, and forgiveness.

November 3: Generosity Transforms Community (Acts 2:41-47, the early Christian community)

November 10: Compassion Transforms Community (Luke 14:7-14, the parable of the wedding banquet)

November 24: Inclusion Transforms Community (Luke 10:25-37, the parable of the good Samaritan)

(Please note that each session is self-contained, but they are tied together by the theme verse; in other words, one can miss one session and still get something out of the other three.)

Justice Transforms Community (Matthew 20:1-16, the parable of the laborers in the vineyard) and

Forgiveness Transforms Community (Mark 2:1-12, Jesus heals the paralyzed man) will be topics for two Sundays in early 2020. (Think of it as your favorite television series taking a holiday break.)

November 17: History of Salem, led by Sharon Stanton and Ed Orser

See you in November!

SALEM'S MUSIC PROGRAM

Choir practices have begun but it's still not too late to join if you are interested. The St. David's Choir for 2nd through 8th graders meets **Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.** Following them, the Salem Adult Choir meets at **7:30 p.m.** Both choirs meet in the Choir Room on the 2nd floor.

Contact Mary if you are interested in joining the choirs. You can reach Mary by email at marymiller359@gmail.com or see her on Sundays at church.



FIRE DRILL AT SALEM

A fire drill was held on October 13th during the Sunday School hour. A safe time was had by all participants.



CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

The Council worked on the salary recommendations for the upcoming year.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

A new replacement door was installed in the basement near the Youth Room.

SALEM REFUGEE TASK FORCE NEWS

Our dedicated team of homework helpers/tutors for our Syrian refugee family are looking for some assistance. In order to ensure care for the children (ages 2 through 11, 2 boys and 2 girls) while the mother is at her English classes on Mondays and Wednesdays, we are looking for some additional volunteers. Typical hours would be for Monday or Wednesday from 5:30pm -8:30pm (times would be variable according to the father's work schedule). Help is needed both in watching and entertaining the little ones as well as helping the elementary school children with their homework.

If you are interested, please contact Char Brooks at charsart@gmail.com or Beth Rodgers at betharb@yahoo.com. Thank you to our current team of dedicated homework helpers and to our entire Salem family for their support of our refugee ministry.

Thanks to everyone for making **SOCKTOBER** a warm success!



During the month of October the Lazarus Caucus collected new socks, briefs, undershirts and long underwear tops and bottoms for the residents of the Westside Men's Shelter. Thanks for helping these gentlemen get back on their feet!

THE "SEW BE IT" SEWERS FOR THE COMMUNITY

The Sew Be It Sewers For the Community is a group of creative people who gather together to work on individual sewing projects, sharing sewing skills, work on charity projects and share some good fun and fellowship among sewers. It is open to everyone with all skills levels from novice to expert as we can all share our sewing skills and have fun. The group will meet on the **second and fourth Thursdays** of the month starting on September 19th from **6:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m.** Contact Patty Scott for more information at: patty.scott@jhu.edu or 410-746-8683.

WANT TO MEET NEW PEOPLE? WANT TO MAKE NEW FRIENDS? WANT TO RENEW PAST ACQUAINTANCES?

Well, do we have the **perfect** opening for you. Plan to volunteer as a greeter on Sunday mornings at either the early or late service (8:15 a.m./11:00 a.m.). It really is a simple task; a task that you will only have to commit to once about every three (3) months. Your job includes smiling and shaking hands as you greet at the entrance to the nave - that's pretty easy. You will ask visitors to sign the guest register (which is on the podium right at the entrance doors) if that applies; and if we have visitors or newcomers, you will help them find their way in the building should the need arise. Wouldn't you like to participate? Please contact Sharon Stanton or leave a note of "Yes I'd love to volunteer" with your preference of service time (early or late service) in the Old Salem mailbox. Oh, and don't forget to put your name on the note too!

Greeters' schedule is always published on the Worship Servant Board located near the Nurses' Office.

Thank you
Sharon Stanton

VIVALDI'S *GLORIA* TO BE PRESENTED ON DECEMBER 15th

Salem's many talented musicians, accompanied by several guest artists, will perform Antonio Vivaldi's *Gloria* at both services on December 15th. Each year Director of Music Mary Miller selects a cantata written for either the Lenten or the Advent season and directs its performance as a sermon-in-music during worship. The words of *Gloria* are especially appropriate for this Third Sunday in Advent since they include the message of the angels to the shepherds, announcing the birth of the Christ child, "Glory to God in the highest" (Luke 2:14).



Vivaldi (1678-1741) composed the cantata in about 1715, as part of his duties as a violin instructor and composer at the Ospedale della Pietà, an orphanage-conservatory for homeless girls in Venice. Like his father before him he was an accomplished violinist, a skill that brought him to the faculty of the school in 1703, a few months after being ordained as a priest. His decision to enter the priesthood seems to have been based on the financial support it could offer while he pursued a career in music. He was a prolific composer, writing probably more than a thousand pieces of music during his lifetime. Scholars believe his works were known to Johann Sebastian Bach and influenced his composing.

Although successful and popular during his life, Vivaldi did not manage his wealth well and was buried in a pauper's grave in Vienna. It was not until the 20th century that the manuscript of *Gloria* was rediscovered among his writings. It was first performed in modern times in Siena in 1939. It was not until 1957 that the most authentic original version was first performed at the First Festival of Baroque Music at Brooklyn College, New York.

Salem is very blessed to be able to experience this inspiring work as we prepare for the celebration of Christmas.

SALEM YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Calendar 2019-2020

Proposed calendar. Things can change.

November 10th —Souper Sunday

November 17th —Sandwich making for Shelter

November 24th —Confirmation Class

December 8th Souper Sunday

December 22nd —Confirmation Class



Looking forward to a productive year with our youth.

Blessings and Peace

Miss Anita

ADVENT VESPERS



The traditional Advent Vesper Service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, December 8, 2019. Prior to the service at 6 pm there will be a potluck supper. The Advent Service consists of music and readings of Old Testament prophecy of the coming of the Messiah.. This service provides an opportunity for us to understand the longings of ancient Jews for a savior.

Please sign up in the narthex for the potluck. There will also be a signup sheet for volunteers to help set up or clean up. Thank you.

For more information, please call Roberta McNamara at 410-654-4466.

MOUNTAINTOPICS AT MAR-LU-RIDGE

Our Mountain Topics sessions continue to offer a variety of learning opportunities for all interested people - pastors, deacons, lay leaders and anyone desiring to spend a day in fellowship and discussion. The cost of \$30 includes a delicious lunch served by Chef Tim.

September 24th: Rev. Dr. Bruce Barth "Holding on by Letting Go"

~~**October 22th:** Jennifer Rundlett "Seeking God Through the Arts"~~

November 19th: Paulette Harvey "Wheat and Yeast Morning"

Meeting time goes from **9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.** in Potomac Lodge - All are Welcome!

TOUR OF ST. TIMOTHY'S RESCHEDULED

We are delighted to announce that the 170th Anniversary Tour of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, originally set for July 20, has been rescheduled as follows:

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church
200 Ingleside Avenue
Catonsville, MD 21228

Saturday, November 16th at 11:00 a.m.

Before Salem's founding German immigrant farmers formed their own church, they worshiped at St. Timothy's. Our tour acknowledges this early bond and allows us to discover the interesting interior of Catonsville's oldest church structure, built in 1844.

Plan to arrive at St. Timothy's by 11:00 a.m. There is ample parking at the church. The tour is free of charge and open to all. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

SHOWCASE

Norma Hensler-Davis, Christy Davis, and the Guardians of Eden are showing us what wonderful plants to cultivate and plant during these cooler autumn months. Thank you GOE and Christy Hensler-Davis. Guy Davis is next up in November with pictures and memorabilia from one of their recent vacations. Many thanks to you both for your wonderful showcases.

GUARDIANS OF EDEN COAT DRIVE

The Winter Coat Drive to benefit the Southwest Emergency Service Center has ended. Thank you for your donations and your continued support.



THE 2020 MARNI McNichol SCHOLARSHIP

The Marnie McNichol Scholarship is awarded to Maryland high school seniors who will be attending college in the fall and who have lost a loved one or have had a parent affected by breast cancer. This scholarship is a partnership between the McNichol family and the Amystrong Foundation in honor of Marnie McNichol.

Submission deadline is April 13, 2020. Recipient(s) will be notified in late April. Full submissions include official transcripts from schools and must be received before prizes are awarded.

Last year 5 graduating seniors were awarded a total of \$20,000 and they hope to do so again this year!

For more information about the lovely Marnie McNichol, the scholarship fund to honor her and the link to the application, check out their website <http://www.amystrong.org/scholarship.html>

GIFTS FOR SEAFARERS



Left: The Stitchcrafters use an assembly line method to prepare 150 Christmas gifts as part of the Seafarer's International "Christmas at Sea" project. The gifts include hand knitted hats and scarves, a hand written Christmas Card, a New Testament, and various personal items.

Right: The gifts were blessed at the worship services on October 19th



Starting October 1, 2019
pick a person and pray for them
through January 1, 2020.
Pray for their faith, their health,
their family, their finances,
their every single need.
Don't tell them you're
praying for them, just cover
them with prayer and
watch God work.
I Love Myself Do You?
-Shelby Condo

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Salem recently received 11 new members: Mike D'Annunzio; Beverly Eckert; Megan Kelbaugh; John, Dawn, Aiden, and Andrew Pfluger; Gene and Mary Lois Dadin; Alexander Vaeth and Marjorie Wright. Be sure to introduce yourself when you meet them.

Michael D'Annunzio

Michael is a long time Marylander. He was born in Severna Park and lived in Glen Burnie until 1987. He works at Jiffy Lube in Catonsville, although he is currently recovering from a broken ankle which has made working more difficult.

He enjoys watching football and going bowling which he loves doing when he visits family in Florida. Most of his family lives in Florida and he tries to visit as often as every six months.

His religious background is Roman Catholic. He grew up attending Saint John Roman Catholic Church. He comes to Salem through a relationship with Pastor Gerry Rickel and the St. Dysmas Community. He mostly attends Saturday evening services because his work often requires him to work on Sundays.

Megan Kelbaugh



John, Dawn (not shown), Andrew and Aiden Pfluger

John, Dawn, Andrew, and Aidan Pfluger are very pleased by the warm welcome received at Salem Lutheran. Salem's hospitality has been most grateful and they look forward to worshipping with us. John is handyman by trade but spends the majority of his time homeschooling Aidan. Dawn is a R.N. at Kennedy Kreiger Hospital in downtown Baltimore. She is currently going back to school to further her education. Andrew is also currently being homeschooled but most of his classes are online or on the CCBC campus. Andrew's hobbies are drama and the performing arts. Aidan is a rambunctious child with a love of life. He is involved in karate and in cub scouts. John has been overwhelmed and moved by being welcomed into Salem. One thing you should know about him is that John is a proud MAGA



(Make America Great Again) supporter. His reception at Salem is a blessing considering past experiences of being ridiculed and derided for showing support for the President - experiences which include vulgar and uncouth behavior in restaurants, in stores and on the street. You see, wearing a MAGA hat induces rude and obnoxious name-calling, let alone other bad behavior. So it was nice to see and a credit to a church community that accepts him as part of its family, instead of showing partisanship and intolerance unbecoming of Christians. Case in point, some church members even hired him to do odd jobs for them, supporting his family during financial hard times. Salem has truly brought warmth and love to him and his family. And he is thankful for that.

Beverly Eckert

Beverly stated she became interested in Salem when Pastor Dave did a beautiful job performing her mother's funeral in April. The following Sunday, she attended Salem to experience one of his services. Between the friendly congregation, the music from the bell ringers and chorus, the lovely church and inspirational sermon, she knew in her heart and soul she wanted to become a member. Also, as many of us can relate to Pastor Dave, it really touched her heart when he said her name when she took Communion. It made her feel closer to God and just what she needed after losing her mom.

Beverly had a 42 year career at Social Security Administration. She started her career in a typing pool and after several computer classes and a variety of SSA program classes, worked her way up to becoming a Social Insurance Analyst in the Office of Program and Quality Assurance. This job entailed discovering fraud among recipients under the SSI system which resulted in saving SSA millions of dollars.

At this time Beverly has not joined any groups at Salem, but hopes to find some way to help others. Her wish is to fulfill her mom's legacy which is "Looking out for others is what love is all about." She feels that by being a member of Salem, she can accomplish this mission

Beverly recently moved into a 55-over community and joined a Quilling (not quilting) club. She plays Rummikub every Tuesday and enjoys reading all kinds of books from the Library in the Club House. She also loves to attend reenactments of historical characters portrayed by the most amazing actors. Lastly, she gets to "sprain her brain" at Trivia Game nights.

In the past, she was a USO hostess for the servicemen during the Vietnam War and was a ballroom dancer at the Fred Astaire Dance Studio. Also, she was a Championship Bowler for the SSA Bowling League. As Beverly says, " they were the good old days."

Please look for Beverly at the 11 o'clock service and give her a warm welcome if you haven't already met her.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS (cont'd.)**Alexander Vaeth**

Gene and Mary Lois Dadin

Unfortunately Gene and Mary Lois missed the formal reception into membership because of Gene's hospitalization at St. Agnes. He is currently undergoing rehabilitation at Lorien in Elkridge, and hopes to be home by the end of October.

They have recently moved to Charlestown after having lived in the Severna Park area. Gene and Mary Lois were members of Our Shepherd in Severna Park. They were invited to Salem by Lynda and Paul Bell. Both Gene and Mary Lois are life-long Lutherans. Epiphany Lutheran Church, in northeast Baltimore City, was where Mary Lois was raised. Her father, the Rev. Augustus Hackmann, served at Epiphany from 1937 to 1955. Gene grew up in Charleston, South Carolina and says as a kid he thought everyone was Lutheran because there were so many Lutherans in his neighborhood.

Gene and Mary Lois have three children, their son lives nearby and their two daughters live out of state. Mary Lois worked for years as a school teacher and Gene worked as an electrical engineer for the Federal government.

They are looking to getting back to worship soon and making new friends.

NEWEST MEMBER OF SALEM'S LEGACY CIRCLE

The Salem Legacy Circle are members of Salem who have remembered Salem in their estate planning. Such gifts have provided needed funds for major capital projects over the years. Projects like providing a new roof and repointing our stone masonry. Our newest member who remembered Salem in their wills is:

Sue O'Connor

We give thanks for all of Legacy member's foresight and their generosity. If you have remembered Salem in your estate planning and would like to be recognized as an encouragement to us all please notify Pastor Asendorf.

AROUND THE PARISH

The congregation at Christ Lutheran Church on Edmondson Ave voted to close their congregation. December 1 will be their last regular Sunday worship service. On the Sunday after Easter in 2020 they will have a celebratory closing service. We keep the congregation in our prayers.

Congrats to Melanie Gibbons who is now the Associate Director of LWR's Outreach and Engagement Team.

FROM OUR SEMINARIAN

Greetings Salem Family in Christ,

Time has flown by since the last time I wrote for you all here in *The Monarch*. Quite a few things have changed for the better in my life. The latest publication saw me as a cosmopolitan young bachelor at our seminary in Chicago, Illinois, coming back East to do hospital chaplaincy in Gettysburg, PA. Well, over this summer, your seminarian ministered to over one thousand five-hundred patients, visitors, and staff at WellSpan Gettysburg Hospital and WellSpan Surgical Center. My work primarily focused in the Emergency Department, where I learned very much about pastoral care in times of crisis.



I lived at United Lutheran Seminary-Gettysburg Campus during chaplaincy, and just happened to be placed across the hall from a lovely young woman named Amelia, also a seminarian and a chaplain at WellSpan York Hospital. Well, to make a long story short, we've been dating for five months now, and for *some* reason I decided to transfer my seminary education entirely to ULS-Gettysburg. This semester is quite exciting, and I've been taking many pastoral care classes in particular, with Rural and Small Church Ministry as a highlight. I sing in two choirs with Amelia (who is an operatic mezzo-soprano), one of which is Gettysburg's prestigious *Schola Cantorum*, which primarily performs Renaissance and Baroque polyphonic pieces. *Schola's* director is none other than Steve Folkemer, who, with his wife Beth, composed one of Salem's favorite liturgical settings: *Of the Land and Seasons*.

Your emotional and financial support has sustained me in incredible ways and makes my ministry possible. Pending a procedural vote, I have been endorsed for ministerial internship next year, bringing me one step closer to becoming a pastor. I have reflected often on my home congregation as I have been working in a similar kind congregation. I serve as the designated seminarian at Trindle Spring Lutheran Church in Mechanicsburg, PA, just a few miles from Messiah College, my alma mater. There I preach and assist at services under the supervision of the wonderful Rev. Aaron Erdley. The love and charity shown by my congregation there is second only to yours, beloved Salemites. I send my sincere congratulations to Philip Isaiah on the completion of a most flourishing term as council president and place my full confidence in the new president's abilities. Keep our dynamic and responsible pastors Sarah and Dave in prayer. If there's one thing that I've learned in all these church administration classes, it's that there are few pastors as eminently capable as our Salem Clergy. May God bless you all in these coming weeks.

Christ conquers, Christ reigns, Christ commands,

Daniel

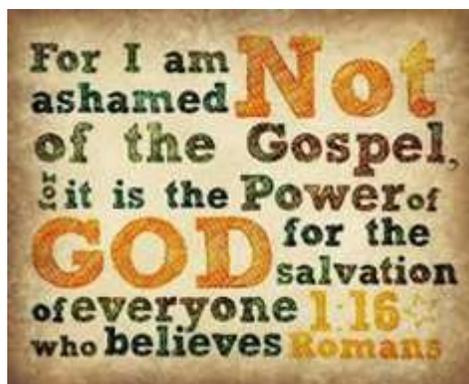
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CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

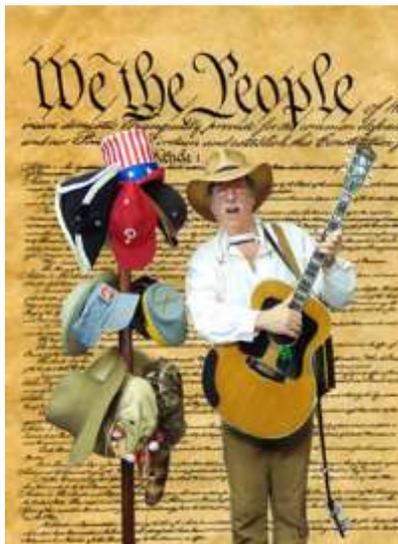
On Sunday, October 13th, we had a fire drill, asking not only our Sunday School children and parents, but also any adults in the building at that time to participate in this very important event. It was felt that this was a necessary event, especially for our children while here in Sunday school, to know how to exit our building should the need ever arise. The Catonsville Fire Department Engine Company #4 participated with a fire engine and in sharing firemen hats with all the children, as we gathered in the parking lot.

On another note, our new "rotation program" in Sunday school is off to a great start. We've been studying all about Noah and now are learning about Moses – as a baby growing into an adult with all his story throughout the exodus from Egypt, through the Red Sea and wandering in the wilderness. ***There are plenty of opportunities for anyone in the congregation wishing to help out "one Sunday or many" with the new program in Bethany Hall every Sunday morning at 9:30.*** Come join us! It's wonderful to see all the children learning through different medians.

Reminder to all teachers and volunteers: We are meeting at 12:30 p.m. for a light lunch and discussion regarding the new program and its continuation into 2020, on Sunday, November 17th in Bethany Hall. Please plan to attend. RSVP to Sharon Stanton if you are planning to attend. Thanks!

Salem Supper Club

Ray Owen is a Grammy nominated Singer/Songwriter and National Recording Artist. He has performed all across the country and toured throughout Europe. He has performed or toured with Garth Brooks, Willie Nelson, Judy Collins, Arlo Guthrie, Bob Hope, Alabama and many other major acts. Ray's repertoire includes some 900 songs and includes a large range of traditional, original, and comedy songs.



Don't miss this!
All adults are invited
to attend.

Saturday

December 7, 2019

The FOP Lodge

2832 Nine Mile Circle

Catonsville, MD 21228

For more information contact

Lynda Bell 410-314-1706

Jane Stolte 410-747-6312

HISTORIC OLD SALEM NEWS

Our bus trip to the Harriet Tubman Visitor Center/Museum on Friday, October 18th was very successful and a good time was enjoyed by everyone. We began our day at the Tubman Visitor Center learning about Harriet and her life and legacy. We then enjoyed a wonderful seafood buffet lunch at the Old Salty's Restaurant on Hooper's' Island (Ida Smith's birthplace), returning our tour guide to the Sailwinds Center in Cambridge and then heading home.

Sunday, November 3rd at 2 p.m. – Pastor Dave and Pastor Sarah will lead our All Saints Service at Old Salem. Everyone is invited to attend the service (701 Ingleside Avenue-between Edmondson Avenue and Route 40).

Even though it's several months away, it will be here soon.....Come on Saturday, December 14th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to a Christmas Open House at Old Salem, with Christmas music from Salem Brass and Louise Rau on the 1860 hand pumped bellows organ. Refreshments of course and a special guest visitor for the children.....SANTA himself! This event is open to everyone and we hope you will stop by and enjoy seeing our original worship site decorated for the holidays and hear some beautiful music!

UPCOMING BUS TRIPS: Plan now to join us on Saturday, February 22nd to see ***WICKED*** at the Hippodrome Theatre. It's a Matinee at 2 p.m. {doors open at 12:30 p.m.}...we'll plan to depart from the SW Park and Ride lot around noon. Thirty balcony seats are reserved.....aisle seats close to the center balcony area.....more details to follow but seriously consider seeing this with us. No worries about driving to downtown Baltimore on your own and trying to find parking. **Cost which includes ticket and bus transportation is \$120 per person. Reservations (30 TICKETS ONLY) and money is due December 28th.**

FINALLY—SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER —“QUEEN ESTHER”

Wednesday, May 13th 2020

7:30 am -5:30 pm

Lunch at Hershey Farms (family style). Meet at SW Park & Ride Lot

Show at 11 a.m.

Lunch at 2 p.m.

Cost \$115 per person (**ONLY 40 TICKETS**) Reservations/Money due by April 1, 2020

For both bus trips, contact Sharon Stanton 410-744-8724 for reservations.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS

FALL HAS ARRIVED—JOIN US FOR A HARVEST GATHERING

Thanks to the the Christian Fellowship Committee for a delightful and delicious ***Harvest Gathering*** following each service on Saturday, October 12th and Sunday, October 13th. The cider and treats encouraged us to stop by and meet/greet each other.

Mark your calendars now for:

JINGLE AND MINGLE following each service on Saturday, December 28th and Sunday December 29th

MOTHER, DAUGHTER, FRIENDS LUNCHEON – SATURDAY, MAY 2nd

MARCH FELLOWSHIP EVENT following each service

Tentative Date: March 14th and March 15th

SALEM BOOK GROUP

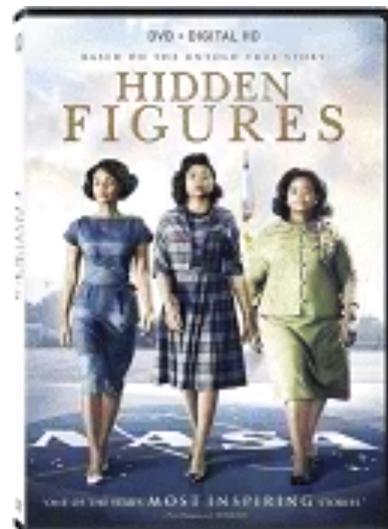
Salem's Book Group meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Upper room. On October 14th we discussed our own experiences and vignettes from *Accidental Saints: Finding God in All the Wrong People*. We'll explore flight and race relations with *Hidden Figures* on November 11th (snow date of January 8th). *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again* is planned for January 13th and *The Pioneers: The Heroic Story of the Settlers Who Brought the American Ideal West* is scheduled for February 10th.

Before John Glenn orbited the earth, or Neil Armstrong walked on the moon, a group of dedicated female mathematicians known as "human computers" used pencils, slide rules and adding machines to calculate the numbers that would launch rockets, and astronauts, into space.

Among these problem-solvers were a group of exceptionally talented African American women, some of the brightest minds of their generation. Originally relegated to teaching math in the South's segregated public schools, they were called into service during the labor shortages of World War II, when America's aeronautics industry was in dire need of anyone who had the right stuff. Suddenly, these overlooked math whizzes had a shot at jobs worthy of their skills, and they answered Uncle Sam's call, moving to Hampton, Virginia and the fascinating, high-energy world of the Langley Memorial Aeronautical Laboratory.

Even as Virginia's Jim Crow laws required them to be segregated from their white counterparts, the women of Langley's all-black "West Computing" group helped America achieve one of the things it desired most - a decisive victory over the Soviet Union in the Cold War, and complete domination of the heavens.

Starting in World War II and moving through to the Cold War, the Civil Rights Movement, and the Space Race, *Hidden Figures* follows the interwoven accounts of Dorothy Vaughan, Mary Jackson, Katherine Johnson, and Christine Darden, four African American women who participated in some of NASA's greatest successes. It chronicles their careers over the nearly three decades they faced challenges, forged alliances, and used their intellect to change their own lives, and their country's future.



SCENES FROM THE HARVEST CELEBRATION

A Harvest Gathering was held after each service on October 12th and 13th.

Inviting Men of the Congregation to a SPECIAL MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

**November 9, 9-11:00 a.m.
St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
4711 Edmondson Avenue, 21229**

“That they may all be one” (John 17: 21)

Twice men of St. Bartholomew's have come to a Saturday breakfast hosted by Salem's Men's Prayer Breakfast Group. This time they are inviting men of our congregation to come there. Four of the regular attendees at our Wednesday breakfast are members of St. B's (as they affectionately refer to it).

We will enjoy a full catered breakfast. That means we'll need a rough count of attendance to prepare plenty of food, so it would be helpful to us know that you'll be able to attend. There will be no charge as it is sponsored by our Breakfast Group. For questions or to indicate your plans to come, speak to Tim Medicus, Guy Davis, Pr. Dave or Pr. Ed. We can car pool.

Our speaker will be the Rev. Timothy H. Grayson, Rector, Church of the Messiah in northeast Baltimore. In his presentation and discussion Rev. Tim will bring insights from his sabbatical travels to Holy Cross Monastery in West Park, New York; the Holy Land; and New Zealand--his home country. He has remarked that his most powerful experiences included *“Taking the time to talk with others along the way, to understand where they have come from, where they are going and what their hopes and dreams are, similarly can lead to an encounter with Christ in our midst.”*



His theme will focus on the passage above. *“Jesus spoke of his desire that all people might be united in their love for one another as he and his Father were of one mind and Spirit. In this time of increasing divisiveness in our country, where bigotry, intolerance and the impulse to attack rather than listen respectfully to the views of others has become the norm, what might it mean for us to live into Jesus' dream for his followers?”*

We'd be pleased to have you join us.

The Men's Prayer Breakfast normally meets every **Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.** at the Café on the Grove on the campus of Spring Grove. All men are welcomed and we commonly have members of Lutheran, Episcopal, and Methodist churches.



Dearest Salem Family,

Thank you all SO MUCH for the cards, flowers, food, well-wishes and especially prayers following my wrist injury! They lifted my spirit and reminded me how much these things mean to those who are going through a difficult time. I am grateful to be a part of such a loving and service-minded congregation. Thank you!
Love and blessings,
Nancy Asendorf

P.S. Dave and I thank you also for the cards and wishes on the birth of our first grandchild, Nora. She continues to grow and prosper and is a delight to us!
With God's Love,
Pastor Dave and Nancy



Dear Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you very much for all that you have done to nurture Daniel Collins in faith and to foster their vocation. Your financial support for Daniel has never been more vital. Please continue to support theological education of those called to lead this church through financial support for United Lutheran Seminary.

God's peace be with you.

Rev. Dr. Angela Zimmann, CFRE
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Dear Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$2,908.00 to Lutheran Disaster Response.

In Christ,

The Rev. Robin Brown
Mission Funding Director, Congregation

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Dear Pastor Asendorf and Salem Congregation Members,

Thank you for your gift of \$5,000 as a donation to Baltimore Outreach Services. Thank you for such a generous response to our Lutheran church letter requesting help. Your commitment helps us to continue to provide housing and services to homeless women and their children in Baltimore City. The donation is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Karen Adkins Ph.D.
Executive Director

SALEM ACTIVITY CALENDAR

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--|--|---|---|---------------------|--|
| 3 NOVEMBER DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS Worship-8:15/11 am 9:30am: Sunday School all ages Salem Choir 2 pm All Saints at Old Salem | 4 4pm Yoga 6:30pm Guardians of Eden 7pm Prayer Stitches | 5 5pm Chair Yoga 7pm Salem Ringers | 6 7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting | 7 10am Stitchcrafters 6pm St. David's Choir 7pm Evangelism 7:30pm Salem Choir | 8 | 9 9am Property 5pm Worship |
| 10 Worship-8:15/11 am 9:30am: Sunday School all ages Salem Choir 12noon Fall Art Show "2" opens 7pm Salem Brass | 11 VETERANS DAY 4pm Yoga 7pm Lazarus Caucus 7:30pm Book Group | 12 5pm Chair Yoga 6:15 Technology 7pm Salem Ringers | 13 CHARLESTOWN 7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting | 14 10am Stitchcrafters 6pm St. David's Choir 7pm CEA 7:30pm Salem Choir | 15 | 16 10am Salem Choir 11am St. Timothy Tour 5pm Worship |
| Fall Art Show 2 | | | | | | |
| 17 Worship-8:15/11 am 9:30am: Sunday School all ages Salem Choir 12:30pm Sunday School Meeting 2pm St Dymas Annual Meeting 7pm Salem Brass | 18 4pm Yoga 7pm Communications Prayer Stitches Arts Committee | 19 5pm Chair Yoga 7pm Salem Council 7pm Salem Ringers | 20 7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting 7pm Old Salem Board 7pm Christian Fellowship | 21 10am Stitchcrafters Bent Twig Garden 6pm St. David's Choir 7:30pm Salem Choir | 22 | 23 9am Council Retreat 10am Salem Choir 5pm Worship |
| Fall Art Show 2 | | | | | | |
| 24 Worship-8:15/11 am 9:30am: Sunday School all ages Salem Choir 5pm Confirmation 7pm Salem Brass | 25 1pm Fourth Monday Bible Study 4pm Yoga 7pm Fourth Monday Bible Study | 26 5pm Chair Yoga 7pm Social Ministry Salem Ringers | 27 7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting 7:30pm Thanksgiving Eve Worship | 28 THANKSGIVING OFFICE CLOSED | 29 OFFICE CLOSED | 30 5pm Worship |
| Fall Art Show 2 | | | | | | |
| 1 DECEMBER Worship-8:15/11 am 9:30am: Sunday School all ages Salem Choir | 2 4pm Yoga 6:30pm Guardians of Eden 7pm Prayer Stitches | 3 5pm Chair Yoga 7pm Salem Ringers | 4 7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting 7:30pm Midweek Advent Worship | 5 10am Stitchcrafters 6pm St. David's Choir 7pm Evangelism 7:30pm Salem Choir | 6 | 7 10am Salem Choir 5pm Worship |
| Fall Art Show I | | | | | | |

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 any events or meetings at the church.

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2019

| | Saturday Evening | Sunday Service | | Other | Specify | Weekly* Total |
|---------------|------------------|----------------|--------|-------|-----------|---------------|
| | | First | Second | | | |
| October 5/6 | 41 | 73 | 117 | | | 231 |
| October 12/13 | 20 | 71 | 127 | | | 218 |
| October 19/20 | 22 | 81 | 122 | 9 | Free Ride | 234 |
| October 26/27 | 24 | 75 | 136 | | | 235 |
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| Total | 107 | 300 | 502 | 9 | | 918 |

*Week reflects Saturday through Friday

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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 any of our four networks connections:

- SalemBethanyHall
- SalemReformationHall
- SalemUpperRoom
- SalemYouthRoom



The password for all connections is **SalemChurch**. If you have any questions about our network please contact Technology Committee Chairperson, Amy Pflug at amy.pflug@verizon.net.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE**November 2019**

| | |
|-------------|---|
| November 2 | Saturday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m., Holy Communion |
| November 3 | All Saints Sunday 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Holy Communion OLD SALEM WORSHIP 2p.m. |
| November 9 | Saturday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m., Holy Communion |
| November 10 | 22nd Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Holy Communion |
| November 16 | Saturday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m., Holy Communion |
| November 17 | 23rd Sunday after Pentecost 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Holy Communion |
| November 23 | Saturday Evening Worship 5:00 p.m., Holy Communion |
| November 24 | Christ the King 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Holy Communion |
| November 27 | Thanksgiving Eve Worship 7:30p.m. |

PRAYER

By your hand you feed your people,
food of angels, heaven's bread.
For there gifts we did not labor,
by your grace we have been fed:
Christ's own body, blessed and broken,
Cup overflowing, life outpoured,
given as a living token of your world
redeemed, restored.

In this meal we taste your sweetness,
bread for hunger, wine of peace.
Holy word and holy wisdom
satisfy our deepest needs.
Christ's own body, blessed and broken,
Cup overflowing, life outpoured,
given as a living token of your world
redeemed, restored.

Send us now with faith and courage
to the hungry, lost, bereaved.
In our living and or dying,
we become what we receive:
Christ's own body, blessed and broken,
Cup overflowing, life outpoured,
given as a living token of your world
redeemed, restored.

Susan R. Briebl

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE - CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| November 13, 2019 | Monthly Worship—Brookside Classroom 11:30 a.m., Holy Communion — Pastor Sarah Garrett Krey |
| December 11, 2019 | Monthly Worship—Brookside Classroom 11:30 a.m., Holy Communion — Pastor David Asendorf |
| January 8, 2019 | Monthly Worship—Brookside Classroom 11:30 a.m., Holy Communion — Pastor Bob Schmitt |

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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 prayer-tree@salem-catonsville.org

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“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.”

Ewald Carl Horst

October 16, 2019

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