



# THE MONARCH

## LENT AND HOLY WEEK AT SALEM

Lent is a time for life with God. While Jesus' suffering and death were quite public events in the Roman Empire, his prayers—echoing the psalms—evidence that his primary focus was on life with God. In Lent we may draw away from public life enough to give energy to this defining relationship with the God who hears and answers, who summons, forgives, and saves. -Walter Brueggemann

Wednesdays During Lent, beginning March 4

Soup Supper 6:30 p.m. (Please volunteer to bring soup, bread or beverages; there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.)

Worship 7:30 p.m.

### Theme for this Year: "The Body of Christ"

March 4 The Eyes of Christ

March 11 The Hands of Christ

March 18 The Voice of Christ

March 25 The Feet of Christ

April 1 The Body of Christ



### HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Holy Thursday, April 9— 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday April 10— 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday April 11— 8:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday April 12—8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

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## CONFIRMATION CLASS CHALICES

As you might have read in the last edition of the Monarch, this year our confirmation class spent time learning about the sacraments of baptism and holy communion. As we learned about and discussed the Lutheran theology of communion, each confirmand was encouraged to think about how they feel when they receive the gift of the Eucharist and what it means to them. In January, we took a field trip to The Pottery Cove on Frederick Road where they were able to channel their thoughts and feelings into artwork which they painted on 8 individual communion chalices.

During the season of Lent, we will be changing the way we take communion during our Sunday services so that we can incorporate the chalices that our confirmands worked so hard at painting. Instead of coming to the altar rail and using the small cups, we will have two stations where we will commune by intinction (dipping the bread into the cup of wine or juice). Our confirmands' chalices will be on a rotation and used for communion for the entire season of Lent, and the confirmands will be assisting with communion in the absence of their regular acolyte duties of picking up the small cups.

Our confirmands are very proud of their chalices and want to share the inspiration behind their designs. Enjoy these photos and the descriptions of their chalices in their own words!

"I chose to paint my chalice with clouds in the galaxy because the clouds represent the heavens and the clouds in the infinite stars and galaxies represent that God's love is infinite. Communion helps me remember that God's love is infinite; it makes me think of the heavens, God's love, and that this is God's table." - Abbie



"My reason why I put a music note, the word 'Shalom,' and the color blue is because the color blue makes me think of the angels in heaven. The reason why I put the music note on is that we have songs during communion. It is also peaceful during communion, so that's why I wrote 'Shalom,' which means 'peace.'" - Anna

"I painted my chalice purple because purple is a royal color. I added a cross because I think of a cross when I have communion. I painted the inside yellow because chalices are yellow." - Jacob



"My chalice shows the changing of the seasons. It shows winter changing to spring. I chose to do the seasons because they remind me of the part of communion where no matter what part of the year it is that God is always offering forgiveness." - Maggie

"I chose this design because we had a limited amount of time. It relates to communion because around the rim it says: 'The blood of Christ shed for you.'" - Matthew



“My chalice represents an abstract stained glass window. I drew and painted abstract shapes along the outside of the chalice. The yellow in the bowl of the chalice is to represent God’s light coming into the church during mass. I picked a stained glass design for my chalice because I think stained glass windows are interesting. They can depict a story from the Bible in the form of art.” - Noah



“On my chalice, I used my thumbprint to create animals. I did this because God created animals and they remind us that we are all different and unique in our own way. I also put ‘This is my blood shed for you’ because that is what Jesus said to his disciples at the last supper. Also, it reminds me that Jesus gave his blood to us and for us.” - Samantha

“My chalice looks like a sky full of clouds with a cross on it. I chose that design because when I think of Jesus, I think of the sky and how he was crucified. My chalice is related to communion because it’s about God and it has a cross.” - Trinity



### SOCIAL MINISTRY POTLUCK

March 8, 2020 —5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The Social Ministry Committee is sponsoring a Pot Luck Dinner to benefit the Helping Up Mission on **Sunday, March 8, at 5 p.m.** Besides a wonderful meal, you will be able to hear how we can lead the fight against homelessness and addiction in Baltimore and hear Helping Up Mission’s Men’s Choir.



### AMY PFLUG RETIREMENT

Amy Pflug has retired and will be moving to Michigan in early March. On February 23 many members of the multiple choirs of which she was a member and also the Technology Committee surprised her with a luncheon and some ‘tokens to remember us by’ in Bethany Hall.



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## CALL FOR MEMBERS TO SIGN UP TO BE USHERS

We have an ongoing need for members to sign up to serve as ushers. Our goal is to have a roster of at least 16 ushers for both the 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services so that an usher would be scheduled approximately once a month. This is a very manageable service commitment. We welcome husbands and wives, dads and sons, moms and daughters, etc. to usher together.

Ushering is a fairly easy way to serve the Lord and your Salem family at worship services. Ushering is also a great way to enhance your own worship experience. The responsibilities of ushering can be summed up as follows:

- helping all worshipers as they enter the church, especially visitors, to feel welcomed
- assuring that the service runs smoothly
- assisting those with special needs
- and assisting with emergencies

Ushers receive a Checklist that details all the things they are responsible for before being put on the schedule. New ushers are scheduled with veteran ushers to help them feel comfortable with their duties.

Some specific usher duties include distributing bulletins, counting the number of worshipers, ringing the church bell prior to the start of worship, receiving the offering, assisting with the distribution of communion, and cleaning and straightening up the pews after the service.

However, if for some reason you are unable to usher on a date you are scheduled, we ask that you try to switch assignments with another usher or let the church office know as soon as possible that a “Volunteer Usher” is needed for that date.

I hope that some of you will be moved to sign up for ushering in 2020. I will be glad to get you a copy of the Usher Checklist showing all the jobs that ushers do. Please give me a call on 410-627-2288 or email me at [pd422@comcast.net](mailto:pd422@comcast.net) if you are willing to serve as an usher.

Paul Krabitz, Usher Coordinator

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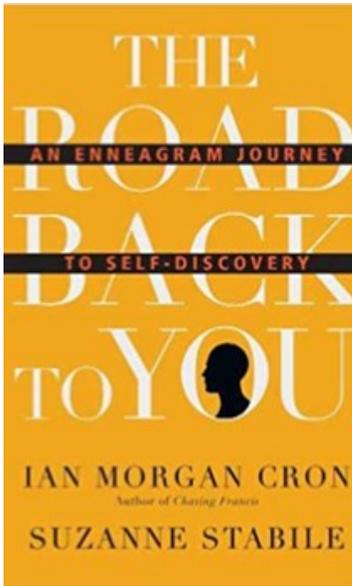
## SNOW POLICY

We do our best to keep to our regular schedule but it's not always possible. On Saturday or Sunday, if weather is difficult, check our Salem website — [www.salem-catonsville.org](http://www.salem-catonsville.org) — to see if services are canceled. We'll also do our best to have an announcement on the answering machine.

For other days, and other meetings and activities, please call the person in charge of your activity. Generally, if Baltimore County schools are closed, meetings that day and evening are canceled.



## BOOK GROUP



Salem's Book Group meets on the **second Monday** of each month (except December) at **7:30 p.m.** in the Upper Room. On March 9, we will discuss *The Road Back to You*, on April 13, we will discuss *The House Next Door*, while on May 11, we will discuss *The Radium Girls*.

Ignorance is bliss—except in self-awareness. What you don't know about yourself can hurt you and your relationships—and even keep you in the shallows with God. Do you want help figuring out who you are and why you're stuck in the same ruts? The Enneagram is an ancient personality typing system with an uncanny accuracy in describing how human beings are wired, both positively and negatively. In *The Road Back to You* Ian Morgan Cron and Suzanne Stabile forge a unique approach—a practical, comprehensive way of accessing Enneagram wisdom and exploring its connections with Christian spirituality for a deeper knowledge of ourselves, compassion for others, and love for God. Witty and filled with stories, this book allows you to peek inside each of the nine Enneagram types, keeping you turning the pages long after you have read the chapter about your own number. Not only will you learn more about yourself, but you will also start to see the world through other people's eyes, understanding how and why people think, feel, and act the way they do. Beginning with changes you can start making today, the wisdom of the Enneagram can help take you further along into who you really are—leading you into places of spiritual discovery you would never have found on your own, and paving the way to the wiser, more compassionate person you want to become.

In *The House Next Door* by James Patterson, an affair spirals out of control, a detective investigates four mysterious disappearances, and a mysterious message from space leads to a manhunt in these three electrifying thrillers from the world's #1 bestselling writer.

"The House Next Door" (with Susan DiLallo): Married mother of three, Laura Sherman was thrilled when her new neighbor invited her on some errands. But a few quick tasks became a long lunch—and now things could go too far with a man who isn't what he seems.

"The Killer's Wife" (with Max DiLallo): Four girls have gone missing. Detective McGrath knows the only way to find them is to get close to the suspect's wife . . . maybe too close.

"We. Are. Not. Alone." (with Tim Arnold): The first message from space will change the world. It's first contact: undeniable proof of alien life. Disgraced Air Force scientist Robert Barnett found it. Now he's the target of a desperate nationwide manhunt—and Earth's future hangs in the balance.

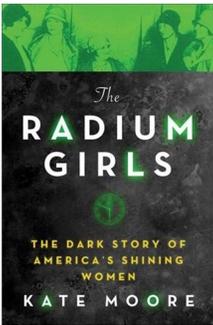


*The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Women* by Kate Moore is the incredible true story of the women who fought America's undark danger. The Curies' newly discovered element of radium makes gleaming headlines across the nation as the fresh face of beauty and wonder drug of the medical community. From body lotion to tonic water, the popular new element shines bright in the otherwise dark years of the First World War.

Meanwhile, hundreds of girls toil amidst the glowing dust of the radium-dial factories. The glittering chemical covers their bodies from head to toe; they light up the night like industrious fireflies. With such a coveted job, these "shining girls" are the luckiest alive — until they begin to fall mysteriously ill.

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## BOOK GROUP *(Continued)*



But the factories that once offered golden opportunities are now ignoring all claims of the gruesome side effects, and the women's cries of corruption. As the fatal poison of the radium takes hold, the brave shining girls find themselves embroiled in one of the biggest scandals of America's early 20<sup>th</sup> century, and in a groundbreaking battle for workers' rights that will echo for centuries to come.

Written with a sparkling voice and breakneck pace, *The Radium Girls* fully illuminates the inspiring young women exposed to the "wonder" substance of radium, and their awe-inspiring strength in the face of almost impossible circumstances. Their courage and tenacity led to life-changing regulations, research into nuclear bombing, and ultimately saved hundreds of thousands of lives.

## SALLY KOPP'S RETIREMENT RECEPTION

Sally wishes to thank everyone for the recent retirement reception, cards and best wishes. She especially appreciated the gift from church council. She has joined Salem's quilting group and now uses her free time helping to make quilts for Lutheran World Relief.



## AEUEIN MABIL



Valentine’s Day was particularly sweet this year, as Aeuein Mabil returned home to Catonsville for a three week leave from the U.S. Navy. Poised and self-confident, Aeuein was warmly received at Salem, particularly by those who remember her as a little girl not yet four years old.

Born in South Sudan, Aeuein and her family fled to Egypt to avoid political strife. They lived for several years in a refugee camp before arriving in the United States in September 2004. Aeuein has little memory of this time but said that in childhood photographs she “gives the ‘thumbs up’ and smiles a lot.” Speaking only Dinka and Arabic, she learned English and attended local schools; while a student at Catonsville High, she began to plan for her future. Aeuein realized that even with scholarship help, she would still leave college with “a lot of debt.” After meeting with a recruiting officer, she began to consider

enlisting in the armed services.

Several months after high school graduation, Aeuein made the decision to enlist in the U.S. Navy. “At first, I was scared to join and just kept putting it off. But I had to do something,” she explained. She committed to five years of service, passed an entrance test, and was sent to Naval Station Great Lakes, located near North Chicago. Here, Navy life at boot camp was by far the most difficult time for her. “They yell at you all day long for no reason,” she explained, “and every week you’re given the chance to go home.” But Aeuein was determined to succeed (“you just set your mind to finish”).

Next up was Navy A School at Naval Air Station Pensacola. Upon successful completion of her courses, she was assigned to the *USS Abraham Lincoln* and was deployed on April 1, 2019; what followed turned out to be the longest post-Cold War era deployment for a U.S. carrier (295 days).

While at sea, Aeuein is involved in monitoring the “launch and recovery” of aircraft. With some 5,000 people aboard the ship, it is a floating city. Her living arrangements are somewhat “awkward,” thanks to the tight quarters to which women members of the crew are assigned. She tries to awaken early every morning so she can pull her beautiful raven-colored curls into a bun, don army-green pants and a top, and lace up her boots. The “worst” is waiting in long lines for meals that can be “terrible.” Fortunately, she has overcome her initial bout with seasickness (“they say you can’t feel the rocking on a huge ship, but you can”).



Ports of call break up the monotony. Her face beams when she talks about Spain (“I loved the coffee”) and she said the locals love Americans. Bahrain and Hawaii also get high scores, but not so in the case Duqm, a town in Oman, situated on the Persian Gulf. “Nothing but dust,” she said, with a caged area (“the sandbox”) protected by armed guards. Here, women face an 8 p.m. curfew, hours earlier than their male counterparts.

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**AEUEIN MABIL (*continued*)**

Best of all, she concluded, are the friendships she has made.

Aeuein keeps in touch with folks back home via email, although, unlike her contemporaries, Facebook and internet surfing are forbidden. Although she has little personal space, she has a small compartment in which to keep her mail, "prayer letters," and Bibles. Looking ahead, she thinks she might well remain in the service for 20 years. "It gets better and easier as you go along." For now, just call her "Airman Mabil."

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## **ADULT FORUM FOR MARCH – THE LENTEN DISCIPLINE OF PRAYER**

### **Beginning March 1 "Prayer" - led by Pastor Asendorf**

"Image of God - Who are you praying to?" We often seek to know how prayer works. We want to understand prayer as a formula, as a mechanism, as something that we not only practice but master. Preacher David Lose points out that beneath the mechanical question of "how" pluses the relational question of "who." To whom are we praying? This first session will explore the many images of God that we encounter in Holy Scripture.

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| March 1  | Images of God<br>What does the Bible say?<br>What is your image of God?   |
| March 8  | What is Prayer?   |
| March 15 | You're invited to a rare opportunity to hear how your faithful support of LWR is making a huge difference in Tanzania. Dr. Bwire Chirangi of Shirati KMT Hospital will lead an Adult Forum on Sunday, March 15 in Reformation Hall. Your heart will be warmed by his stories of life-saving treatments and interventions. |
| March 22 | Why Do We Pray?   |
| March 29 | How Do We Pray?   |
| April 5  | How Do We Pray? Part Two<br>What are our obstacles to prayer?<br>What difference does prayer make?  |

All sessions will be held in the Katie Luther Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor with the exception of March 15 in Reformation Hall and April 5 in Wittenberg Room.

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**DR. BWIRE CHIRANGI OF SHIRATI HOSPITAL IN TANZANIA,  
GUEST SPEAKER AT THE ADULT FORUM  
IN REFORMATION HALL  
MARCH 15, 9:30-10:30 A.M.**

We have a rare opportunity to hear firsthand how Salem's love and support of Lutheran World Relief are providing life-saving medical care to women in one of the most remote regions of Tanzania. As the Medical Officer in Charge at Shirati KMT Hospital in Tanzania, Dr. Bwire Chirangi works tirelessly to stop rising cervical cancer in Tanzania through prevention, screening, and treatment for those diagnosed early. In the Mara region of TZ, the diagnosis of women who are HIV positive is surging, which increases their risk of developing cervical cancer by at least 50 percent and hastens onset of the disease by as much as 10 years. Dr. Chirangi and his team seek to conduct early-stage cervical cancer screenings and provide same-day treatment. Dr. Chirangi also volunteers as a clinical instructor in the Department of Reproductive Medicine at the University of California, San Diego. He has co-conducted a study on maternal health and coauthored an article on this study.

In January, LWR quilts and personal care kits were distributed to all cervical cancer patients receiving treatment at Bugando Medical Center in Mwanza, TZ, and another distribution is scheduled for March. Thanks to the devoted handiwork of groups like Salem's quilters, people are being wrapped in God's love around the world!

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**6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CAMPUS MINISTRY TRIVIA NIGHT AND SILENT AUCTION**

**Saturday, March 28, 2020 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

(Doors open at 5:30 p.m.)

Epiphany Lutheran Church

4301 Raspe Ave.

Baltimore, MD 21206

Teams of up to 8 people \$20/person

\$10 childcare - first child/\$2 each additional child

Taco Bar and Dessert included

Emcee WBAL newscaster Jason Newton

<https://www.baltimorelutherancampusministry.org/trivia-night>

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**YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

A few members of the Salem Young Adult group attended the annual Delaware-Maryland Young Adult retreat from February 21— 23 at Mar-Lu Ridge. During the weekend, the focus was on peace and conflict. Mar-Lu Ridge is a fitting place to talk about peace with the breathtaking scenery, where we as young adults were able to be our truest self and proclaim our love for God through songs, prayers, and conversation. If you are interested in joining the Salem Young Adults our next event is on **March 6** for a hymn sing at Emily and Dan D 'Avella's house **at 6 p.m.** If interested please email Pastor Sarah at [pastorsarah@salem-Catonsville.org](mailto:pastorsarah@salem-Catonsville.org) for the address. Hope to see you there!

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## STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS IN WORSHIP

Last month, Pastor Dave began our Stewardship Reflections with a few words on WHY we give. As Salem's Financial Secretary, I'm here today to talk briefly, about HOW we give. You may be surprised to know how many different options there are.

I'm sure everyone is familiar with the traditional forms of giving by putting cash or a check in the offering plate. You can drop it in loose, use a green pew envelope, or get a set of preprinted envelopes with your own individual number. The advantage of this method is that it feels more intentional by the physical act of giving, especially if you give weekly. The offering is a part of the church service and is certainly part of worship. Whether or not you put something into the offering plate, it's a good time for silent reflection on our blessings, enjoying the choir, and remembering why we give.

Electronic giving may not be the traditional method but it is definitely gaining in favor. Forty members of Salem are currently set up to make recurring contributions electronically. Last year 30% of all giving was done electronically, including those recurring contributions and people giving special, one-time gifts. The preferred and most common source for electronic giving is via a checking account because Salem pays less in fees, but there is also the option to use a credit card, if you prefer. I feel the advantage of electronic giving is that it lets us be intentional in a different way. We don't have to remember to bring cash or a check to church and our offering is still made if we can't make it to the service. This consistency benefits the church as well, especially during the summer months when attendance decreases. But what about missing the physical act of giving? You can always write a note on a green pew envelope that you are giving electronically and drop that in the plate.

If you are interested in electronic giving, you can email me for the signup form. Or, you can go online to the Salem website and use the "Donate Now" tab. In fact, you can get to the online form quickly using your mobile device to scan the QR code in the salmon insert to the bulletin.

Another trend that is not as common, but is worth mentioning because it's starting to catch on, is to make a contribution by donating stock. If that might be an option for you, talk to an accountant to see about the potential tax benefits.

Lastly, regardless of the method used, you have an option on how OFTEN you make your contributions. Weekly and monthly are the most common but we have several people who give quarterly and annually as well. It's great that Salem provides us all so many options, so that we're each able to find the one that works for us.

Beth Massey  
Financial Secretary

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## SALEM LEGACY CIRCLE

The Salem Legacy Circle is comprised of Salem folk who have remembered the Salem congregation in their estate planning. By leaving a lasting legacy to Salem they providing resources for future ministry. Our newest member is Mary Krebs . Thank you, Mary for remembering Salem in your estate planning.

## LAZARUS CAUCUS UPDATES



The popular **CRAB RAFFLE** is back! A kickoff will be held **Sunday, March 1, noon-3 p.m., OCA Mocha, 5410 East Drive, Arbutus**. Stop by to buy a latte, pick up a few crab raffle tickets, and enjoy American Roots music by **The Original Automatic Slim & Jim Harrell**. Crab raffle tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20. Winner will receive a \$200 gift card for Captain Dick's Crabs Galore and a \$100 Visa gift card. Drawing will be held **Saturday, May 16 at 6 p.m.** at Fish Head Cantina. Winner does not have to be present to win. Crab raffle tickets are available at all three worship services from Penne Giuliani, Leslie and Jim Kruger, or Pat Krenzke. Proceeds benefit Lazarus Caucus, bringing help and hope to Baltimore County's homeless.



**HOLD THE DATE** for the Kruger family's fifth annual fundraiser benefiting Lazarus Caucus, providing a "hand up not a hand out" to the homeless of Baltimore County. The concert, featuring beloved Maryland Music Icon **Rob Fahey and The Pieces**, will be held at Fish Head Cantina in Arbutus on **Saturday, May 16**. The band will be performing **2-6 p.m.** Everyone is welcome to stay for the Preakness Stakes at approximately 6:45 p.m.

Through these two fundraising efforts, the Kruger family is responsible for raising \$7,000, which represents 15 percent of the Lazarus Caucus budget. It's a lofty annual goal, but we know we can do it with your help.

On **Friday, May 29, 4-8 p.m.**, the Craft Beer and Wine Series will be held at The Breadery – presented by BricknFire Pizza Company-Mobile and The Breadery. Lazarus Caucus will be the nonprofit partner. All proceeds from the cash bar on this evening will be donated to Lazarus Caucus. Mark your calendar now for this fun community event.

**UNDIES SUNDAYS** will continue through Easter. Donations of briefs, undershirts, and long underwear tops and bottoms can be placed in the large bin in the hallway. All items should be new (still in the original packaging).

Lazarus Caucus unites community partners to provide supplemental assistance to the residents of the Westside Men's Shelter, the primary shelter for homeless men in Baltimore County, located on the campus of Spring Grove Hospital Center in Catonsville. Common requests from shelter guests include bus tokens/passes, clothing, and assistance obtaining personal identification. Requests to see Lazarus volunteers average 360 per month.

## AROUND THE PARISH

Amy Pflug has retired and will be moving to Michigan in early March. The congregation will say "Farewell and Godspeed" at our **March 1** worship services, giving thanks for Amy's rich legacy of service as the leader of our Salem Brass group, co-chair of the Salem Technology Committee, Salem Senior Choir member and member of the Salem Ringers. God bless, Amy!

Penne and Ray Giuliani celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on February 14. May God bless them with many more years of marriage.

Nick Grempler received the Eagle Scout Award at the Court of Honor ceremony held in Reformation Hall on Sunday, February 16. Congratulations Nick!

## EL SACRAMENTO DE EL BAUTISMO SANTO

Salem had a first on Sunday, February 16, 2020, -- El Sacramento de el Bautismo Santo, i.e., The Sacrament of Holy Baptism en Espanol. Pastor Paula Canby assisted Pastors Dave and Sarah as they baptized Ashlyn Jissel Oliva Palma and Darlyne Juliette Ganuza Oliva in Spanish. The girls are the daughters of Roger Maximiliano Ganuza and Dalila Judith Oliva Palma. The congregation followed and participated in the ceremony in both English and Spanish.

The baptism video can be viewed on Salem's website: <http://salem-catonville.org/salem-media/videos/>





Youth Sunday was held on February 9. Hallie Shepard, Lizzie Fitch, Marleigh Toscano, jointly gave the sermon that day on what they had learned when they attended the High School Road Trip January 24-26. The theme of their sermon was “Can I Ask That?” The girls spoke about some common questions that were brought up at the Road Trip and some of the answers they came away with.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL LENTEN KINDNESS CHALLENGE

Our Sunday School students will be participating in a Kindness Challenge throughout Lent (stay tuned for more details!). Families will work together to participate in 40 acts of kindness. We need the congregation’s help in two ways!

- The campaign is underway to donate supplies for personal care kits for Catonsville Emergency Assistance and will continue through the month of March. The children will be packing the kits to be donated to CEA. Specifically, we need travel sized mouthwash, deodorant, and wet wipes. We would also welcome men’s socks and bottles of water. A bin has been placed in the Narthex for your donations.
- Donate gently used children’s books! All donated books will be sent to local schools and other agencies and organizations that work with children in our area.

***It’s not too late to provide your donations to the above campaigns. Please know everyone is welcome to join the Sunday School throughout the month of March as we continue with our Kindness Challenge.***

We would love to have more volunteers to help out with the activities stations (guidelines/suggestions for activities are provided by contacting Eileen Merriman at [esavage109@yahoo.com](mailto:esavage109@yahoo.com)).

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## THE 2020 MARNI MCNICHOL SCHOLARSHIP

The Marni 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 Marni 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 the scholarship committee hopes to do so again this year!

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

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## GRADUATING IN 2020? YOU MIGHT BE ELIGIBLE FOR A SALEM SCHOLARSHIP!

Early in this new year, Salem's high school seniors—and their families—have many concerns about post-high school plans, not the least of which is the cost of higher education. Do keep in mind the ministry of Salem's Scholarship program, which for over 20 years has assisted Salem members as they undertake the next step in their academic preparation. Stipends of up to \$750 per year for a total of four years cover only a modest part of the total higher education bill, but they can make an important difference.

Salem scholarships recognize accomplishment in any of the following categories: academic achievement; Christian character, service, and citizenship; educational and career goals; and financial need. They also take into account the differing ways in which students have applied their talents and interests, and recognize the variety of post-high school educational experiences that may be the best fit for students.

The deadline for 2020 applications is **April 15**. Salem's high school seniors will receive a personal letter inviting them to consider applying for the program, but it's not too early to learn about the program. If you want to learn more, a print brochure and application form are available from the church office.

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## CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP NEWS

**MARCH FELLOWSHIP EVENT – March 14 and March 15** following each service

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

A very special “storytelling” program

## ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting was held on Sunday, February 9, 2020 in Bethany Hall and was called to order by Sharon Stanton, Church Council President, at 1:10 p.m. The meeting followed the usual format, which included opening prayer, litany provided by ELCA, a hymn, pastors' comments, council president's comments, treasurer's report, staff reports and committee reports. Highlights from the reports include:

### Pastor Dave

- ◆ 2019 saw an increase in overall attendance, with an average attendance of 239 people each weekend.
- ◆ We received 39 new members and are financially sound.
- ◆ Salem has three potential opportunities in 2020:
  - Living together in Christ despite political affiliations that may be different,
  - Hispanic outreach,
  - Reaching the unchurched – using our financial resources to support the development of a new church or partnership in collaboration with the Synod.

### Pastor Sarah

- Grateful for the gift of her first call to Salem.
- Working closely with the confirmands as they continue on their journey this year, and enjoying the growth and excitement that is building with the young adult group.
- Joining the Synodical Vitality Team whose mission is to support new mission starts and redevelopments.

### Treasurer's Report

- No questions were asked about the budget as reported in the annual report.
- The treasurer's report was unanimously accepted as presented by those in attendance. A motion to accept the report was made by Sharon Stanton and seconded by Eileen Merriman.

Attendance at the meeting included 75 adult voting members, 2 children, and 6 visitors (non-voting members).

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.



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## CHURCH COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Approved a proposal by AJ Michaels to make repairs to our heating system in Bethany Hall at the cost of \$5,375.

Approved a proposal by Lewis & Hitchcock to make minor repairs to our pipe organ in the nave and to do a thorough exploration of the organ chest. Cost is \$2,500, to be taken from the Memorial Fund.

Instead of an Easter Breakfast in Bethany Hall, there will be an Easter Fellowship Event in Reformation Hall between worship services on Easter Sunday this year. The event will be sponsored by the Salem Youth and the Salem Church Council.

The Church Council accepted an offer by the St. Vincent DePaul Society of St. Mark's to place a clothing donation bin on our property. It will be placed near the Newburg entrance to our parking lot on the grass and will not obscure the sight lines for automobiles coming in or out of the parking lot. There is no cost to Salem and we are not responsible for doing anything with the clothes. The bin will be 3.5' x 3.5' x 5'.

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## CHURCH ON THE SQUARE IS THRIVING

In 2013, our congregation began partnering with the Canton Mission, which later was named Church on the Square (COTS). The new mission began at the home of Messiah English Lutheran Church on the square in the Canton neighborhood of southeast Baltimore. For the next three years, Salem provided \$60,000 from our Mission Fund to help launch the new congregation, which was a joint venture of the DE-MD Synod and the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland. Father Jim Hamilton, an Episcopal priest from Detroit, was the first pastor and is still leading the congregation.

Today there are on average 75 folks in worship at the weekend services, one on late Saturday afternoon and one on Sunday morning. COTS is now financially sustainable and is a thriving congregation active in its surrounding community.

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## SHOWCASE

Thank you to Steve Kopp for a "look back" at some of favorite Valentines from years gone by. A wonderful walk back in time to remember when Valentines were not all superheroes and comic book characters. Zoe Dell will share her wonderful *Wizard of Oz* collection the middle of March. (Just a note: the BSO will be showing the *Wizard of Oz* movie on a regular theatre screen as the BSO musicians play the soundtrack along with the movie on **Sunday, April 19 at 3 p.m.**)

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## "SALEM WELCOMES YOU" VIDEO

A new version of the "Welcome to Salem" video has been posted on Salem's website [www.salem-catonville.org](http://www.salem-catonville.org) and to our YouTube channel. It includes interviews with our two pastors and some parishioners along with scenes from different services. Enjoy!

## NICHOLAS GREMPLER'S BOY SCOUT TROOP 307 EAGLE SCOUT COURT OF HONOR

Mary Krebs and Sharon Stanton attended Nicholas Grempler's Boy Scout Troop 307 Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony on Sunday, February 16 in Salem's Reformation Hall. It was a very special event culminating months of work by Nick Grempler whose project involved memorializing the 46 children in unmarked graves at Old Salem who died very young (most under 10 years of age) in the late 1800's/early 1900's. The memorial was dedicated in August 2019, with a ceremony that was reported in the September 2019 Monarch.



Nick has accomplished quite a lot as a Scout, earning 56 Merit Badges and 7 Eagle Palms – 3 Bronze, 2 Gold, and 2 Silver ones. He has also received the Arrow of Light and Español Interpreter Strip Awards. His leadership positions include the Junior Assistant Scoutmaster, the Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, Historian and Instructor.

Pastor Dave Asendorf shared the Invocation to start off the ceremony following the Scout Presentation of the Colors led by the Master of Ceremonies Benjamin Talley. Nick presented his mother, Kim Grempler; his uncle, Tom Weigand; and his grandfather, Don

Grempler with pins. It was a wonderful, moving ceremony, and the Old Salem Board thanks Nick for his project completed at Old Salem.



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## HISTORIC OLD SALEM NEWS AND TRIPS

We had a wonderful bus trip to see **WICKED** at the Hippodrome Theatre on 22<sup>nd</sup> of February – a trip enjoyed by everyone who attended. Next up . . .

### OUR ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR/FLEA MARKET

**Saturday, March 7 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Our annual Craft Fair/Flea Market will be held in Bethany Hall. Your support of this event is one of our major fundraisers with the proceeds going to support the preservation and maintenance of the Old Salem Church (Salem's original worship site) and cemetery . Vendors can set up either Friday evening from 6 to 8 p.m. or early Saturday morning starting at 7:30 a.m. We'll have food for a nominal cost; raffles; bake table; and all kinds of wonderful crafts and white elephants. This event is held at Salem Lutheran Church 905 Frederick Road in Catonsville.

### SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER – “QUEEN ESTHER”

**Wednesday, May 13, 2020 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.**

Bus Trip

Show at 11 a.m.

Lunch at 2 p.m. at Hershey Farms (family style)

Depart from the SW Park & Ride Lot on S. Rolling Road

Cost \$115 per person (**ONLY 40 TICKETS**)

Reservations/Money due by April 1, 2020

### ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY OPEN HOUSE AND PROGRAM

**Sunday, June 7, 2020 2-4 p.m.**

**Old Salem – 701 Ingleside Avenue**

Judy LeGath has arranged a presentation by Mr. Monty Phair, a retiree from the Catonsville Library who knows “everything” about Catonsville and has arranged the “Catonsville Walking Tours.” He will present wonderful information about the history and current facts about the Catonsville community. This event is open to the entire community so please plan to join us.

### ANNUAL CRAB FEAST AT THE KENTMORR RESTAURANT

**Thursday, July 23, 2020**

A trip to Stevensville (right across the Bay Bridge) is planned for **Thursday, July 23 (from about 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.)** for an outing to Kentmorr Restaurant. The cost of the crab feast, which includes bus, meal, taxes, and gratuities, is \$65 prepaid. Reservations and monies are due by **June 25**. Contact Sharon at 410-744-8724 or put your name/phone number/number of attendees in the Historic Old Salem mailbox (1<sup>st</sup> floor hallway outside office door). **Only 40 seats are available.**

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## COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE 2019 REPORT

The 2019 Annual Report of the Communications Committee was inadvertently left out of Salem's Annual Report. It is printed below.

### **Committee/Group Purpose**

The Communications Committee's purpose is to work with the pastors, church committees and activities, and the Synod to facilitate communications within Salem, to and from the Synod, and to the outside community. The committee is responsible for the content of the *Monarch* and Salem's website ([www.salem-catonsville.org](http://www.salem-catonsville.org)), for church photography and videography, and for Salem's social media outreach, including Facebook, YouTube, Linked-in, and FaithStreet.

### **Membership**

Guy Davis is the committee's chair. Other members include Karen Amy, Barbara Beem, Dan D'Avella, Peggy Dell, Mary Carroll Mason, Joey Morgan, Bethann Snyder, Ed Whetstone, Ken Wolfram, Steve Kopp, and the pastoral staff. Membership is open to all who wish to help with communications.

### **Highlights of Work in 2019**

The Committee published 12 issues of the *Monarch* and maintained Salem's website and social media presence. In addition, videos of sermons, some anthems, and special services, including two ordinations, Vivaldi's Gloria, and the Christmas Pageant, were video recorded thanks to Joey Morgan and posted to YouTube, Facebook, and Salem's website. In December 2019 alone, Salem had 837 views with Vivaldi's Gloria being viewed the most. The Committee also replaced the old Narthex photo frame with a flat-screen television to display photos of Salem.

### **Issues**

Ongoing issues the committee is experiencing include obtaining **timely** articles for the *Monarch* and obtaining input for the web site. The committee cannot communicate what it does not know.

### **Goals for the Coming Year**

The goals for 2020 are to continue timely production of the *Monarch*, continue video recording of sermons, music, and special services, and continual updates of the web site and social media. A new "Welcome to Salem" video is planned. Building a Twitter presence for the church is a goal if the right person is identified.

### **Final Comments**

A primary purpose of the Communications Committee is to facilitate written and electronic communications within Salem and to the outside community. The committee is here to help other committees and activities accomplish their goals, not to impinge on other's activities, but to work with people. In this regard, it is important that the committee be told of news and upcoming events so that they can be communicated within Salem and to the outside community.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy Davis

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## PRAYERS

Christ as a light, illumine and guide us;  
 Christ as a shield, overshadow us.  
 Christ under me, Christ over us,  
 Christ beside us, on our left and our right,  
 This day be within and without us.  
 Lowly and meek, yet all-powerful,  
 Be in the heart of each to whom we speak,  
 In the mouth of each who speaks to us,  
 This day be within and without us.  
 Lowly and meek, yet all-powerful,  
 Christ as a light, Christ as a shield,  
 Christ beside us, on our left and our right.  
 - Celtic blessing

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## 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."*

Ashlyn Jissel Oliva Palma      February 16, 2020

Darlyne Juliette Ganuza Oliva      February 16, 2020

### 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."*

*Johanne Banahan Keyes\*      February 10, 2020*

*Donald Dixon Jr.\*      February 20, 2020*

*Robert Carroll Tierney\*      February 25, 2020*

*Betty Jane Stephens      February 27, 2020*

*\*not a Salem member*

## SALEM ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 MARCH Worship-8:15/11 am 9:30am Sunday School All Ages! 9:30am Choir	2 4pm Yoga 7pm Prayer Stitches	3 5pm Chair Yoga 7pm Salem Ringers	4 7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting 6:30pm Soup Supper 7:30pm Worship	5 FLEA MARKET PREP 10am Stitchcrafters 6pm St. David's Choir 7pm Evangelism 7:30 Salem Choir	6 FLEA MARKET PREP	7 OLD SALEM FLEA MARKET 5pm Worship
8 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME—SPRING FORWARD!! Worship-8:15/11 am 9:30am Sunday School All Ages! 9:30am Choir 5pm Social Ministry Potluck	9 4pm Yoga 7pm Lazarus Caucus 7pm Salem Players 7:30pm Book Group	10 5pm Chair Yoga 7pm Salem Ringers	11 CHARLESTOWN 7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting 6pm CH Society 6:30pm Soup Supper 7:30pm Worship	12 10am Stitchcrafters 6pm St. David's Choir 7pm St. Dymas Council 7:30 Salem Choir 7:30 CEA	13 10am Catonsville Garden Club	14 9am Property Committee 10am 1st Communion 5pm Worship
15 Worship-8:15/11 am 9:30am Sunday School All Ages! (Adult Forum in Reformation Hall) 9:30am Choir	16 2pm Communications 4pm Yoga 7pm Prayer Stitches	17 5pm Chair Yoga 6:15pm Tech Committee 7pm Salem Council 7pm Salem Ringers	18 7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting 6:30pm Soup Supper 7:30pm Worship	19 10am Bent Twig Garden Club 10am Stitchcrafters 6pm St. David's Choir 7:30 Salem Choir	20	21 TRANSFORMERS (Youth) 5pm Worship
22 Worship-8:15/11 am 9:30am Sunday School All Ages! 9:30am Choir 9:45 New Disciples 5pm Confirmation	23 1pm Fourth Monday Bible Study 4pm Yoga 7pm Fourth Monday Bible Study	24 5pm Chair Yoga 7pm Salem Ringers	25 7am Men's Prayer Breakfast 1pm LWR Quilting 6:30pm Soup Supper 7:30pm Worship	26 10am Stitchcrafters 12n Stitches Lunch 6pm St. David's Choir 7:30 Salem Choir	27	28 5pm Worship
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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 FEBRUARY 2020

	Saturday Evening	Sunday Service		Other	Specify	Weekly* Total
		First	Second			
February 1/2	26	89	140			255
February 8/9	44	86	123			253
February 15/16	15	103	110			238
February 22/23	31	100	145	7	Young Adult Retreat	239
February 26				45	Ash Wednesday 2p.m.	45
				117	Ash Wednesday 7:30p.m.	117
<b>Totals</b>	110	378	518	169		1175

\*Week reflects Saturday through Friday

### TREASURER REPORT FOR JANUARY 2020

<b>GENERAL FUND</b>	
Budget to Date	\$ 45,753.83
Beginning Balance	\$ 66,595.43
Expenses to Date	(\$ 40,553.07)
Receipts to Date	\$ 48,848.58
<b>Ending Balance</b>	\$ 74,890.94
<b>R.S.V.P.</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$ 77,226.69
Receipts to Date	\$ 4,765.87
Disbursements to Date	(\$ 1,510.00)
<b>Balance in Fund</b>	\$ 80,482.56

### 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 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 [Salemtech@Salem-Catomsville.org](mailto:Salemtech@Salem-Catomsville.org)

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE****March 2020**

February 29 Saturday Evening Worship

March 1 First Sunday in Lent

8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Holy  
Communion

9:30 a.m. Sunday School All Ages

March 4 Soup Supper 6:30p.m.

Midweek Lenten Worship 7:30p.m.

March 7 Saturday Evening Worship

March 8 Second Sunday in Lent

8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Holy  
Communion

9:30 a.m. Sunday School All Ages

March 11 Soup Supper 6:30p.m.

Midweek Lenten Worship 7:30p.m.

March 14 Saturday Evening Worship

March 15 Third Sunday in Lent

8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Holy  
Communion

9:30 a.m. Sunday School All Ages

March 18 Soup Supper 6:30p.m.

Midweek Lenten Worship 7:30p.m.

March 21 Saturday Evening Worship

March 22 Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Holy  
Communion

9:30 a.m. Sunday School All Ages

March 25 Soup Supper 6:30p.m.

Midweek Lenten Worship 7:30p.m.

March 28 Saturday Evening Worship

March 29 Fifth Sunday in Lent

8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Holy  
Communion

9:30 a.m. Sunday School All Ages

April 1 Soup Supper 6:30p.m.

Midweek Lenten Worship 7:30p.m.

April 4 Saturday Evening Worship

April 5 Palm/Passion Sunday

8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., Holy  
Communion

9:30 a.m. Sunday School All Ages

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE - CHARLESTOWN COMMUNITY****March 11, 2020****Monthly Worship—Brookside Classroom**

11:30 a.m., Holy Communion — Pastor David Asendorf

**April 8, 2020****Monthly Worship—Brookside Classroom**

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

**May 13, 2020****Monthly Worship—Brookside Classroom**

11:30 a.m., Holy Communion — Deacon John Deason



The nicest  
Valentine's Day  
can bring.

AND MY MANY THANKS FOR  
YOUR KINDNESS IN THINKING  
OF ME ON THIS SPECIAL  
DAY IN FRIENDSHIP IN LOVE  
WITH GOD'S BLESSINGS IN  
MY LIFE PLAN WITH GOD

Richard  
William



Dear Pastor Dave and Salem Friends,  
Many thanks for all your prayers, cards,  
and support during my recovery from back  
surgery.  
I am slowly improving and look forward  
to scheduled PT in mid February.  
I bless the Lord for my progress.  
God's Peace,  
Jim Kepler

Dear Pastor Dave,  
My grateful thanks to you and Sharon and  
everyone involved in the beautiful arrangement  
of flowers I received today. As you can see, they  
are lovely. I have not received flowers since John  
died and these lifted my heart. Thank you so  
much.  
Kind regards,  
Phyllis.

Feb. 6, 2020

Dear Pastor <sup>Dave</sup> and congregation:

Thank you so much  
for the lovely altar  
flowers from February 4.  
Carolyn Vasold brought  
them to see me  
enjoyed a nice visit.  
The flowers continue to  
brighten my home during  
this dreary winter weather.  
Thanks again!

Rozzy Hinkelman

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December 31, 2019

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Attn: Pastor David K. Asendorf  
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Catonsville, MD 21228

*Beyond grateful  
to you and your  
church for your  
support of Jump  
Start.*

Dear People of Salem Church, Catonsville,

On behalf of the Job Opportunities Task Force (JOTF), I want to thank you for your generous gift of \$3,206.45. Your gift will help to support our advocacy work, public education programs, and partnership efforts to improve the skills, employment opportunities, and incomes of low-skill, low-income workers and job seekers.

Sincerely,

Caryn York  
Chief Executive Officer



*Thank You!*



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January 21, 2020

Dear Friends,

We recently received your gift of \$3,887.65 to Lutheran World Relief. Thank you! I'd like to share a story of the great work your gift will support.

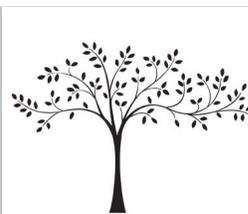
On behalf of LWR, our partners and those we serve, please accept my thanks for your generous support and partnership. May God bless you!

Warm Regards,

Ambassador Daniel V. Speckhard (ret.)  
President and CEO

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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](mailto:prayertree@salem-catonsville.org)

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**NEXT MONARCH PUBLICATION**

**March 29, 2020**  
(Article submission deadline is  
**Friday, March 23, 2020**)

If you are interested in participating on the Communications Committee, or contributing as a *ad-hoc* writer or photographer, please contact our committee chairperson.



*Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church strives to be a Christ-centered, caring community experiencing God's grace and sharing God's goodness with all people.*

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