



THE MONARCH

INSTALLATION OF CAROLYN LAWRENCE SALEM'S ASSOCIATE PASTOR

September 10, 2023 3:00 p.m.

Bishop Bill Gohl, presiding

Pr. Amy Asendorf Berger and Pr. Mathew Berger, preaching



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GUARDIANS OF EDEN NEWS

April marked the celebration of Earth Day. GOE had a showcase which displayed titles of books related to the care of our earth and its creatures. We are continuing to build a lending library with books and magazines in the upstairs UPPER ROOM. Titles include *Animals in Danger* (children), *Happy Earth Day!* (children) Nature Conservancy magazines, and EOS Science News. If interested, please sign out the item that you wish to read, with your name and date.

We are also planning a trip in the fall, possibly in October to Hart-Miller Island. Hart-Miller Island is comprised of over 1,100 acres and includes 5 miles of trails as well as camping sites. It is an important habitat for wildlife.

We need a minimum of 10 people to go, with a maximum of 20 people. The cost is \$15. We would leave the church around 8 a.m. People who plan to go would be boarding a 20-foot boat, with an indoor cabin. Lunch should be packed and the return time to church would be around 1:30 or 2:00 in the afternoon. Unfortunately, those with mobility issues would find it difficult because of the need to climb up and down into the boat. If interested, please contact Norma Hensler-Davis at 410-747-0744 and leave a message. In addition, we are providing some apps for those who have a smart phone. The following apps would help in the identification of birds, plants and insects. For plants use 'PICTURETHIS'. For bird identification, use 'MERLIN'. For birds and bugs and bunnies, try 'iNATURALIST'.

In August, we are again sponsoring a showcase with give aways. People will be asked at Saturday and Sunday church services throughout the month of August to fill out their names and phone numbers on a slip of paper. At the end of the month, there will be a drawing with items such as birdhouses, an insect house and garden tools to be given away! We hope that many people participate. We really hope a great number of people join in to learn more about our beautiful earth.

ADULT FORUM

Coming up this fall in Adult Forum is a study of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Bonhoeffer was a German born Lutheran pastor who spoke out during WWII against Adolf Hitler and Nazism. Bonhoeffer has a biography that reads like a WWII novel or Hollywood movie. There are two titles of books written about him '*Bonhoeffer: Pastor, Martyr, Prophet, Spy*', and '*The Faithful Spy: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Plot to Kill Hitler*'. From Wikipedia: "His writings on Christianity's role in the secular world have become widely influential; his 1937 book *The Cost of Discipleship* is described as a modern classic." Apart from his theological writings, Bonhoeffer was known for his staunch resistance to the Nazi dictatorship, including vocal opposition to Adolf Hitler's euthanasia program and genocidal persecution of the Jews." Bonhoeffer is a fascinating historical figure that we plan to cover this fall at Adult Forum.

July 29/30 LAST SESSION FOR DIRECTORY PHOTOS

This weekend is the last time for scheduled or walk-in photos for Salem's Photo Directory. Saturday July 29 3-7 p.m., Sunday July 30 9:30-10:45 a.m. and 12:15-1:30 p.m., and Monday July 31 2-4:15 p.m. If you cannot make these times and you wish your photo in the directory contact Guy Davis guyddavisphd@gmail.com to schedule a makeup appointment. There is ZERO pressure to buy a photo, but if you want an electronic copy to print, they are available for \$25.

BONNIE HARRY BIGGEST HEART AWARD CREATED

The Student Sharing Coalition, a Catonsville High School student club, has volunteered at Catonsville Emergency Assistance (CEA) for many years. This year, in memory of Bonnie Harry, CEA's recently deceased executive director, the club advisor Rebecca Mello has renamed the student scholarship the 'Bonnie Harry Biggest Heart Award'.

The scholarship goes to deserving seniors to help with future endeavors (usually college). According to Ms. Mello, the funds for the scholarship come from students' fundraising activities throughout the year. CEA is proud to be associated with the student group, grateful for their enthusiastic community service and very pleased that Bonnie will be remembered in this way.



Bonnie with members of the Student Sharing Coalition (left) and with community volunteers (right) in Spring 2022.

SCHOOL KITS FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

August is Back to School time for teachers and students and it's Back to School shopping for parents. It's also time for donations to create school kits for LWR to distribute worldwide where they are needed. A former LWR employee once described the arrival of the truck with the backpacks for the kids like 'Christmas', as the kids get so excited to receive the school supplies they need. Salem has long been a big contributor of the backpacks and so once again there will be a collection bin for the congregation to help with the supplies. Below you see the list and maybe the best place to get them. The items are listed by our greatest need. The actual drawstring bags have already been made. Last year we sent 138. This year maybe we can do 150!! The biggest item needed is one of the cheapest and it is the notebooks since 4 go in each kit. But they are also only 40 cents each. Supplies can be ordered on line and sent right to the church office, if you like. Deadline 9/3/23. Thanks for your generosity!

Items for each school kit include:

4- one subject-70-page spiral notebooks	We need 500.	We have 1
2 ½ inch eraser	We need 150.	We have 3
Wooden ruler with metric as well as inches	We need 150.	We have 22
5 blue or black ballpoint pens	We need 750.	We have 32
<u>BLUNT</u> point scissors	We need 150.	We have 77
1 box of 16 or 24 crayons	We need 150.	We have 99

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR MLR: SUNDAY OCTOBER 1 at 3 P.M.

-Michael Fitch

Mar-Lu-Ridge Camp and Conference Center has launched a capital campaign to raise \$2M to make major improvements on the campus. Chief among those is \$1M to renovate the Conference Center, the major expense being the installation of an elevator. They plan to build a pavilion in Area 3 and to safeguard the log buildings that are showing insect infestation as well as other projects. The chief aim is to make the Camp and Conference Center accessible to folks with disabilities. Director Sarah Lefler said they have turned away about 6 groups in the last two years because the Ridge was unable to accommodate folks with ambulatory challenges. They are determined to change that and this campaign will make great strides to that end.

I was a camper there in the 70s and 80s, and both my kids have been going to MLR since they were about 6 years old. My wife Lindsay has volunteered as the medical director for several years now. If you have ever been there, you know what a special place it is to experience the presence of the divine while surrounded by nature.

I am organizing a concert, which will be Sunday October 1, 2023 at 3 p.m. at Salem, in the sanctuary. Freewill offering will be collected for the MLR Capital fund. I have directly reached out to a number of folks about being in the concert, and the program is starting to take shape with some singing, some instruments, a poetry reading and perhaps a theatrical sketch. There is room in the program for more! If you are interested, please contact me (Michael Fitch) at mjfitch2718@gmail.com. No talent is needed, even a "campfire story" or a brief reminiscence of your time at MLR would be welcome.

We also need an audience, so please come!



CONFIRMATION CAMP AT MAR-LU-RIDGE

Mason Pushman, Michael Moore, and Pastor Carolyn packed their bags and study Bibles to head west for a week at Mar Lu Ridge camp outside of Jefferson, Maryland on Sunday, July 23rd. Salem's congregation blessed them on their way at the 11 a.m. worship service. This week is a wonderful opportunity for the boys to explore their faith journey questions as well as have time for fun, games and campfire services. The theme for 2023 is "The Water of Life." Water is an essential part of our physical existence, but did you know it is also plays a key role in our spiritual life? All campers will explore all the ways water gives life through Bible study, nature activities, arts & crafts and much, much more! Pastor Carolyn, Mason and Michael will return home on Friday, July 28th after a closing worship in the Chapel at 7p.m. We'll look forward to hearing about their week away at camp in the September Monarch. Stay tuned.

HISTORIC OLD SALEM NEWS

Upcoming trips and events to mark on your calendars and be a part of:

Sunday, September 17 – 2 p.m. – Annual Open House and Program @ Old Salem; everyone is invited and we always have refreshments and fellowship time.

Thursday, October 12 – all day bus trip to the Harriet Tubman Visitor Center with a guided tour of the center, then on to enjoy a buffet seafood lunch at Old Salty's Restaurant on Hooper's Island; and ending up with wine tastings, with options to buy, at Layton's Chance Winery . {All stops are located near Cambridge}

Cost \$120 pp inclusive {40 guests only} Due: September 12th taking reservations now!

Sunday, November 5 – 2 p.m. – All Saints Service @ Old Salem, service led by Pastor Dave and Pastor Carolyn. Everyone is invited to attend this very special worship service remembering the Saints that began our congregation but now rest from their labors, especially those interred in the surrounding cemetery {known as God's Acre}.

Friday, December 1 – all day bus trip to Lancaster, PA to enjoy the Christmas Show "The First Noel" at the American Music Theater; with a smorgasbord lunch first at Diener's Country Restaurant {located not far from the Theater}.

Cost \$120 pp inclusive {40 guests only} Due: Nov 1st taking reservations now

Saturday, December 9 – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. – Annual Christmas Open House @ Old Salem

Special guest visitor from the North Pole plans to be a part of this; Everyone is welcome and yes, we will have refreshments

We welcome new Board members; join our Board to help preserve Salem's original worship site located at 701 Ingleside Avenue built in 1849. Salem will be celebrating our 175th Anniversary all throughout 2024 with special events, programs and worship services, some even taking place at Old Salem itself. The Board meets 4 times a year – the third Wednesday of February, May, August and November at Salem Newburg at 7 p.m. Attendance at our Old Salem events for Founders Day the first Sunday in June, the Open House and Program on the third Sunday in September at 2 p.m., the All Saints Service at 2 p.m. on the first Sunday in November and the annual Christmas Open House the second Saturday in December would be appreciated. Come join us. It's a great group of people working hard to preserve Salem's original worship site.

Contact Sharon Stanton at memsha7311@gmail.com or call 410-744-8724 for more information and/or to make reservations.

HALLIE SHEPARD NAMED A CATONSVILLE-ARBUTUS TIMES FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Salem is very familiar with Hallie Shepard from the Youth Services of a few years ago, from her starring role as Annie in Salem Players' production of *Annie*, from leading the on-line Easter Vigil service during COVID shutdown in 2021, and from winning a Salem Scholarship award this year. But wait, there's more! She has also been a star athlete for Catonsville High School in cross country and indoor and outdoor track. Hallie had several victories and top-10 finishes during her first two seasons, but it was her determination and drive following a serious car accident in August 2022 that led to Hallie being named a Female Athlete of the Year. Her concussion forced her to take time off and ease her training, which was a challenge for the competitive athlete. Working with her cross-country coach Sandra Gallagher-Mohler, Hallie overcame through her frustration and made her last season count. In cross-country, she finished sixth in the counties, fourth at regionals and 13th at states. During the indoor state championship meet, Hallie ran a personal best of 11:26:23 in the 3,200 meters, over 20 seconds faster than her previous best. Hallie commented, "It meant a lot to me to gain back that strength and confidence. I was able to be really proud of myself that day, just realizing that I had run as fast as I did." "That was the breakthrough race that she really needed because she kind of had just been stuck," Gallagher-Mohler said. "Her workouts were fantastic, but she basically missed almost the whole fall, since she really didn't get any of that base training." Hallie capped her senior campaign outdoors by taking ninth at states in the 3,200, third in regionals and fifth at counties. One of her indoor and outdoor track coach Jaren Mybin responded "Watch her run, she is so fluid. She just makes it look so easy and I'd be calling out times, but they are fast. Hallie is



one of my favorites. Hallie really, really made me interested in long-distance running."

To cap her career, Hallie was honored with Baltimore County's Mildred Murry All-Academic Scholar-Athlete Award and Scholarship this year. The Mildred Murray scholarships are given to senior male and female student-athletes who have maintained a minimum 3.5 unweighted grade point average for each quarter and have participated in at least two varsity sports. Each BCPS high school nominates seniors for this honor.

Hallie is graduating from Catonsville High with a 3.91 unweighted grade point average and is a member of the National Honor Society. At Catonsville, she played soccer and

ran cross country for two years and participated in indoor and outdoor track for four years.

Hallie will attend the University of Arizona in the fall, but will not race competitively. "The weather is a big plus, but also it's a great school with a lot of traditions and I'm going into medicine, so the program there is really spectacular and I'm in the honors program as well, so in honors college there is a lot of opportunity for academic growth and also growing through the community," Hallie said. "They also have a lot of study abroad programs and if I ever change my mind about what I want to do as a career, being at a big school is a big plus for that to really study anything that I want to do."

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She plans to run at her own pace in Arizona. “I think I’m going to start off slow, definitely local, I mean running is an awesome sport because you can take it with you anywhere, so I’ll be taking that with me everywhere I go for the rest of my life,” she said. “Being able to do some local stuff there when it’s not blasted hot and just staying active will be a big thing, but having nice weather year-round will be important for me, running leisurely and lots of gym time, but definitely taking a break from the competitive side of running right now.”



SHOWCASE IN THE NARTHEX

Our thanks to Carolyn Vasold for a delightful Beatrix Potter display in July. August finds Guardians of Eden with Norma Hensler-Davis filling the space. September will host Ed Whetstone’s fascinating display of books bound in the 1800’s, a great kickoff to the Fall school year. Check it out and see if you may have read any of these stories. If you have a collection or special hobby or just an interesting topic to share, please contact Sharon Stanton at memsha7311@gmail.com, to set up a showcase display time.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY

The 2023-2024 Sunday School year will start off with Rally Day on Sunday, September 10, 2023. Our theme this year will be Sunday School Superheroes. We hope to see many of our children from previous years and many new faces for this year.

OUR NEW ONLINE GIVING PAGE IS COMING SOON!

Salem is pleased to announce a new and improved online giving page! Vanco, our eGiving provider, has updated their online giving platform to make it easier than ever to make one-time gifts or set up recurring donations to our church.

The new page will be live later this summer. Nothing about our online giving will change except the look of the page. You can adjust existing donations, set up new gifts and update personal information from the new Vanco Online. Instead of a list of accounts, the new page will be more graphical, with “tiles” representing each account, including more information about each ministry.

Stay tuned for more information once it’s online.

MINISTERING TO THE MOST VULNERABLE

From *UMBC Magazine* Published: Jun 8, 2023

By: **Randianne Leyshon '09**

Having the sally port gates slam behind her after walking into the prison for the first time was a bit of a shock to **Susan Beck '74, French**. Luckily, a friend was there to hold her hand as they adjusted to the tight space and waited for the next door to open. As Beck got her breathing under control, she joined her classmates in a clinical pastoral education class on the rest of the tour of the facility.

Beck, a former French teacher and a childbirth instructor, never envisioned her retirement as a career rebirth, but as she contemplated how she wanted to spend her time, she kept returning to her love of the church and wondered how she might serve. Prison ministry was the farthest idea from her mind, says Beck now. She imagined shepherding a congregation and ministering to families, but what that evolved into was a role as a community pastor, hosting weekly pub theology sessions and also stepping in as an interim pastor at different churches.

When her predecessor tapped her to think about taking over the spiritual leadership of [The Community of St. Dysmas](#)—a Lutheran ministry within the Maryland State Correctional System—Beck thought “no way” at first. But after Beck started volunteering with St. Dysmas, “It was pure gospel,” she says.

Serving an incarcerated congregation

These days Beck works out of a donated office space down the street from UMBC at the Salem Lutheran Church in Catonsville. Salem has set aside space for Beck to make copies, write her newsletter, and put up notes and cards from her congregants behind bars.

“Christianity is so focused on forgiveness of sins and God’s grace and God’s unconditional love, and that transforms people,” says Beck, who received her masters of divinity from Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg in 2010. “I do not seek to ever find out what their offenses are. That’s not important to me as their pastor, but sometimes they tell me. And as a mother and a grandmother, it’s really hard to hear—but when someone seeks God’s forgiveness and they get it, it changes their lives. It doesn’t change their circumstances. They’re still going to live out their sentence. They may never get out of prison, but everything’s different. That’s Jesus’ message and it was right there in the prison, and I absolutely loved it.”

Beck explains that while there are many larger prison ministries, St. Dysmas is one of the only places that provides a welcoming and affirming service for the LGBTQAI+ community within the Maryland prison system. “We very much



welcome the questioners and the people who aren't quite sure where they belong.... We welcome first and walk with people along their way, which is a very Lutheran thing to do."

In post-canonical biblical literature, St. Dysmas is named as the criminal who dies next to a crucified Christ, asking to be remembered in the afterlife. "So our saint is a convicted criminal," says Beck, "as was our Lord and Savior. Jesus died with a criminal record. How about that?"

In January 2023, after nearly five years of doing this work, Beck was formally installed as the pastor to a congregation entirely behind bars but spread out over the Maryland state prison system. On Monday nights she's in Hagerstown; on Wednesdays, Sykesville; and Saturdays in Jessup. Beck is accompanied by a rotating cadre of volunteers, who step up to make sure each facility has coverage for worship services and Bible studies.

Creating a sanctuary behind bars

What an average service looks like for Beck is after the sally port gates shut behind her and the next set of doors opens, she needs to successfully go through a metal detector in fewer than three tries. ("Don't wear bras with underwires.")

In a clear, plastic purse, she only brings with her items on an approved list from the Maryland Correctional Facilities: bread and a sealed container of grape juice for communion, devotional materials, different colored cloths for different liturgical seasons. Sometimes she needs other materials. "I did a baptism a couple of weeks ago, and I had to send many reminders to the administration that, 'I need to bring in a plastic bowl. It's just a plastic bowl.'"

If she successfully makes it through the metal detector, she is patted down by a female guard, and then escorted to the space her congregation will use to worship. Sometimes it is a room and sometimes it is a hallway. Usually members of the congregation will set up chairs and arrange the area for worship. Beck or another volunteer will play music (she has the paperwork cleared to bring her violin in), and they will create a sacred space within the prison walls.

Beck serves communion, offers a time for reflection, and shares a short sermon. "Over time, as they hear us preach and teach and talk—and the services are very interactive—those relationships build. And even though we're informal and it's not a cathedral, it's not a sanctuary like you would imagine, I want to create a sanctuary for them."

Shared humanity

Beck, who is 70 years old, says that this work she previously couldn't have imagined for herself continues to energize her. "UMBC offered me an accessible path to education," reflects Beck. "But you don't ever stay on one path—you go off and expand it."

When she goes to leave the prisons at night, her parishioners will tell her, "Watch out for the deer. They're crazy this time. You'll watch out for the deer?" And as the sally port gates shut behind Beck, with her now on the outside, she says, "I know on the other side of that door, there are gangs and there's danger and there's people yelling at them. But they said, 'Watch out for the deer.' That's just so human."



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THANKS A MILLION



Neighbors Helping Neighbors



June 27, 2023

Thank you, *Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church*, for your *generous* donation of \$*15,000*.

Your gift in memory of Bonnie Harry is especially valued by all of us here at Catonsville Emergency Assistance. She will be deeply missed. Her compassion on behalf of those in need, particularly those without enough to eat, will continue to energize our efforts to serve our neighbors.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Pat Dempsey
Pat Dempsey
Interim Director

Catonsville Emergency Assistance is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization.



Thank You!

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your organization's recent gift of \$3,955.00 to Lutheran World Relief! When you love your neighbors with your generous gifts to LWR, you change lives in amazing ways.

Thank you again, and God bless you!

Warm Regards,

Daniel Speckhard

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



THE COMMUNITY OF
ST. DYSMAS

I was in Prison - You Came To Visit Me



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Thank you very much for your faithful support of the Community of St. Dymas. In the past few months we have added a new monthly Bible study at one site. Pastor Susan hopes to start worship services at two new locations soon. We thank God for this growth and pray that it will continue. We are also grateful to you for helping to make this ministry possible through donations and supply preaching opportunities.

Yours in Christ,

The Community of St. Dymas

THANK
YOU



Thank you for your pledge of support for the With Open Arms campaign at Mar-Lu-Ridge. We are grateful for your vision and commitment as we work to upgrade our facilities to be fully inclusive for people with mobility challenges. As our mission statement says, we welcome all. Taking these steps to renovate the Ridge Inn and Cabin 3, as well as create a safer environment throughout our camp, will assure that we truly can welcome and include everyone.

Peace,

Sarah Lefler

Sarah Lefler
Executive Director

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your prayers, cards, caring and flowers for Jim. We feel blessed that we are a part of the Salem community that reaches out to others in the community and to its members. God's love and comfort and support shines through the Salem Community, and we are most grateful. May God's blessings of love, peace, comfort and joy continue to be with the members of Salem Lutheran Church. Jim & Joan Holloway

OFFICIAL ACTS

AT THE GRAVE

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

Eileen Margaret "Peggy" Hinkleman	06/10/2023
Margaret Schaefer *	06/08/2023
Valerie Ponsini	07/01/2023
Nancy Corinne Gindroz *	07/15/2023
Paula J. Turnya	07/13/2023
Rachel M. White	07/25/2023



*Not a Salem member

Dear Salem

Thank you for all your kindnesses to me after my fall. Thank you for the calls, cars, prayers, and transportation. Salem Angels you truly are angels.

The food was delicious and you all were so kind to me. Thank you for all your care

Green Nule



Thank you
SO VERY MUCH



Dear people of Salem,

Thank you for your most recent gift to Lutheran World Relief. Your love is being put to work serving our neighbors in need around the world, like Wackley (pictured here) and his family. I'm so grateful for your ongoing partnership!

In gratitude,
Emma Wagner

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR JUNE 2023

	Saturday Evening	Sunday Service		Other	Specify Livestream	Weekly* Total
		First	Second			
June 3/4	27	53	93		11/28	212
June 10/11	28	50	80		9/32	199
June 17/18	16	49	79		15/23	182
June 24/25	23	55	85		11/21	195
June Totals	94	207	337		46/104	788
July 1/2	30	52	101		3/30	216
July 8/9	31	67	53		6/22	179
July 15/16	29	61	76		4/21	191
July 22	46	46	84			176
July Sub-Totals	136	226	314		13/73	762

*Week reflects Saturday through Friday

IT HAPPENED JUST THIS WEEK!!!!

NO PHISHING
Don't take the bait!

Occasionally we hear about members receiving an email from one of the Pastors asking for gift cards or for us to pay a bill, etc.; because 'they are in a meeting' (or whatever) and 'can't take care of this right now.' This is ALWAYS a scheme to get something from you by someone else and this is NEVER from Salem's Pastors. Please, if you are contacted by anyone asking for money or gift cards and they say it is an emergency; contact us yourself first. Please don't take the bait in their phishing scheme!

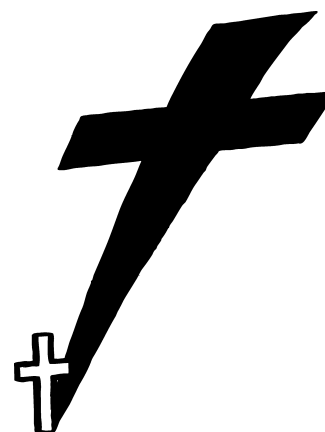
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 Mutual Ministry (Pastor Asendorf): vacant
 Prayer Tree Coordinators: Karen Amy, Barbara Beem
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 Ushers: Mary Krebs, Ray Hamelin
 Youth Ministry Committee: vacant
 Worship Life: Jane Stolte



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 throughout the building. The password for all connections is

SalemChurch.

If you have any questions about our network please contact the Technology Committee Chairperson, Steve Kopp, at salemtech@salem-catonsville.org.



SALEM PRAYER TREE



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

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

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