



THE MONARCH

LENTEN SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES AT SALEM

Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023

Worship Services 2pm and 7:30pm

"Ashes to Go", on Frederick Road in front of the church, 7am to 1pm

Mid-Week Lenten Worship Services & Soup Supper

Wednesdays in Lent

Soup Supper 6:30pm in Bethany Hall

Evensong 7:30pm in the Nave

Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023 Worship 8:15am and 11:00am

Maundy Thursday, April 6, 2023

Worship Services 2pm and 7:30pm

Good Friday, April 7, 2023

Worship Services 2pm and 7:30pm

Easter Vigil, April 8, 2023, 8:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY, CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION

SUNDAY APRIL 9, 8:15 AM AND 11:00AM



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MONARCH ON-LINE

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ADULT FORUM – WINTER

Adult Forum will be studying the book, *Women of the Bible Speak* by Shannon Bream this winter.

We will discuss one chapter per week:

Jan. 29 – Women of Valor – Deborah and Jael

Feb. 5 – Speaking God's truth – Hannah and Miriam

Feb. 12 – Unexpected heroes of faith – Esther and Rahab

Feb. 19 – Two pathways – Mary and Margaret of Bethany

Feb. 26 – Witnesses to the Gospel – Mary the mother of Jesus and Mary Magdalene

Mar. 5 – Jesus and the Women

Karen Amy will be leading the discussions.

DONATIONS TO SALEM

Please note that this is not to be considered tax advice. Consult a certified tax consultant to ensure that you meet all requirements.

For those who are at least 70½ years old, you can send money from your taxable investments, i.e., 401K or IRA, to a not-for-profit organization and not pay taxes on those distributions. And, if you are required to make a required minimum distribution (RMD), this donation can be part of your RMD.

Also, if you own stocks, you may transfer stocks to Salem and not pay capital gains tax on the sale of the stocks.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION

Almost three years ago, we began using the Nave to record and, now, livestream worship services. Last year, an average of 70 people watched our services each week. Not surprisingly, the lighting in the Nave had not been designed for video. Some areas, such as where the Saturday Singers stand, were relatively dark and in the chancel, the pastors were in front of the brightly lit mosaics. The temporary theatrical lights helped but were not adequate. Paul Timmel designed improved lighting and, with the help of Matt Medicus and Duane Linsenhardt, has installed the new lights. Look for improved live-streaming in the very near future



SCHEDULING EVENTS OR ROOMS

Salem is a busy place and we often allow outside groups to use our space. If you are scheduling an event or need a room to meet, please contact Robin Schaefer to find out which rooms are available or if there is a conflict in the schedule.

CHILDREN'S HOME FOOD DELIVERY VOLUNTEER

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday since November, 2021, a dedicated group of Salem volunteers have picked up food donated by Chick-fil-A and delivered it to the Children's Home. These food donations are integral to helping the kitchen staff serve 160-180 meals daily to residents and staff. A new volunteer is needed to serve every other MONDAY morning at about 10-11 a.m. Training and freezer bags are provided.

The time commitment is usually no more than one hour. It involves loading and carrying 6-8 bags (max weight 15-20 lbs. each).

For more information, please contact Mary Ann Ruley, maryannruley@gmail.com or 615.351.8607.

SMALL ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

There is a box in the Narthex to recycle small electronics at the Catonsville Senior Center. Electronics that can be recycled include:

cell phones	smartphones
iPhones	iPods
iPads	tablets
Apple/ Android watches	Bluetooth tablets
GPS	MP3 players
e-readers	digital cameras
handheld gaming systems	

SALEM'S ANNUAL MEETING

Salem's Annual Meeting will be held on February 26, following the 11:00 a.m. service. Join us celebrate Salem. A potluck lunch will precede the meeting so bring your favorite dish.

Committee heads and others with annual reports need to submit them to Robin Schaefer by February 6 so she can prepare Salem's Annual Report.

SHOWCASE IN THE NARTHEX

Thank you, Pastor Ed, for the interesting display of your beautiful Nativity sets during the month of December. Enjoyed seeing all the different variations throughout the world of how the Nativity is represented. During the month of January, Dottie Bobart shared her lovely collection of bells from all over the world to "Ring in the New Year with Bells". Thank you, Dottie! Upcoming, Tom Vasold is planning to share his fun wardrobe of unique neckties in February. Many thanks to all of you for sharing your "collections" with everyone. If you are interested in sharing your own collection or special hobby in the showcase, please contact Sharon Stanton at memsha7311@gmail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

On Sunday, December 18th during Sunday School hour, children from Preschool through Confirmands performed the Christmas story. Thanks to Eileen Merriman who wrote the script for the play. All of the children picked what part they wanted to play and over a two-week period practiced their parts and learned the songs they performed. We ended the program by celebrating with families and friends with a birthday cake for Jesus.



JANUARY AND FEBRUARY SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Theme for January and the first week of February is With God, all things are possible. These were/are the recent themes:

- 1/15 Jesus Feeds 5000
- 1/22 Walking on Water
- 1/29 The Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin
- 2/5 10 Men Healed Luke 9

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEW YEAR ACTIVITY

Sunday, January 8th the Sunday School Students, through the invitation of Ms. Char Brooks, met with Ms. Carla Cerrato who is one of the artists on display at the Salem Art Gallery. The students observed her artwork while she explained what inspired her to paint the different pieces. When her presentation was finished the students adjourned to the Sunday School area to create their own unique pieces.





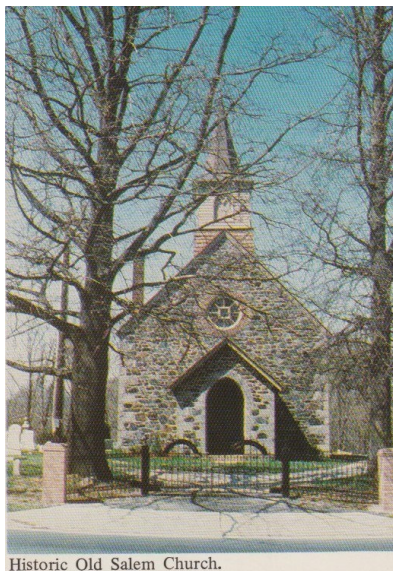
GUY'S EYES SEE THE WORLD

The Agape Gallery will open a new show of photographs by Guy Davis on Sunday, February 19 at 12:15 p.m. He will be showing photos from many different places in the world that many of us may not ever get to, so please join us for his opening and world tour with a reception in the gallery, 2nd floor! All are welcome!



HISTORIC OLD SALEM NEWS

Coming on Thursday, April 27, 2023, a bus trip to see "Moses" at the Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster with a smorgasbord lunch at Shady Maple Restaurant. {Please note: Our original plans were to have a family style lunch at Hershey Farms, but unfortunately due to a huge fire there on Tuesday, January 11th, the restaurant was destroyed. Workers feel that a fire broke out from roofers using hot glue material on the roof. It may have been what sparked the fire.} I was able to schedule our lunch date with Shady Maple and we will be eating there around 11:30 prior to heading to Sight & Sound for the 3 pm show of Moses. **Thirty-six seats have been reserved for this trip. Cost is \$130 pp inclusive which is due by March 27, 2023. Checks should be made payable to Historic Old Salem.** "From the banks of the Nile River to the depths of the Red Sea, Moses is a spectacular entertainment experience for the whole family." Please let Sharon Stanton know to hold a place for you if you are interested in attending.



Historic Old Salem Church.

Now planning for another **Outdoor Yard Sale** in Salem's parking lot on Saturday, May 6th from 8 am to noon with a rain date of Saturday, May 13th. Vendors requested at \$20 per table space {table provided by you} but Old Salem is **NOT COLLECTING WHITE ELEPHANTS**. If you want to contribute items, you are encouraged to come join the fun and host your own table. We had a wonderful turnout last year not only of vendors but "shoppers" too. The parking lot right out at our Frederick Road entrance {which of course will be blocked to cars} is a perfect spot for a yard sale. Fee due by April 13th.

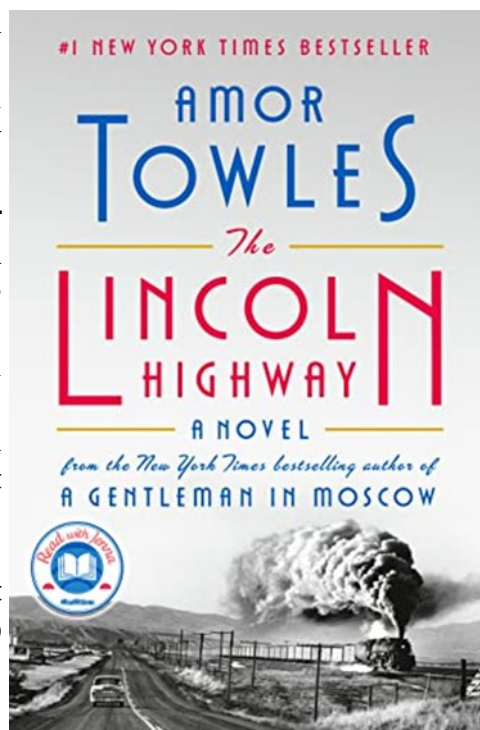
Contact Sharon Stanton at memsha7311@gmail.com or call 410-744-8724 for either or both events.

BOOK GROUP TO DISCUSS THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY

Everyone is welcome to Book Group discussions on the second Monday of each month (except December, July, and August) at 7:30 p.m. in the Katie Luther room. We are always interested in additional books to read. If you have a favorite please let us know by contacting guyddavisphd@gmail.com.

On February 13 we will discuss *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles. In June, 1954, eighteen-year-old Emmett Watson is driven home to Nebraska by the warden of the juvenile work farm where he has just served fifteen months for involuntary manslaughter. His mother long gone, his father recently deceased, and the family farm foreclosed upon by the bank, Emmett's intention is to pick up his eight-year-old brother, Billy, and head to California where they can start their lives anew. But when the warden drives away, Emmett discovers that two friends from the work farm have hidden themselves in the trunk of the warden's car. Together, they have hatched an altogether different plan for Emmett's future, one that will take them all on a fateful journey in the opposite direction—to the City of New York.

Spanning just ten days and told from multiple points of view, Towles's third novel will satisfy fans of his multi-layered literary styling while providing them an array of new and richly imagined settings, characters, and themes. "Once again, I was wowed by Towles's writing—especially because *The Lincoln Highway* is so different from *A Gentleman in Moscow* in terms of setting, plot, and themes. Towles is not a one-trick pony. Like all the best storytellers, he has range. He takes inspiration from famous hero's journeys, including *The Iliad*, *The Odyssey*, *Hamlet*, *Huckleberry Finn*, and *Of Mice and Men*. He seems to be saying that our personal journeys are never as linear or predictable as an interstate highway. But, he suggests, when something (or someone) tries to steer us off course, it is possible to take the wheel." – Bill Gates.



CHOCOLATE, COFFEE, VALENTINE'S DAY

Our Fair Trade chocolate may not be shaped like a Valentine. But our chocolate is surely shaped like Love.

We have premium coffee, tea and chocolate, all at reasonable prices, all providing a fair wage to the small scale farmers who grow the tea bushes, the cocoa and the coffee trees.

Be watching for the Fair Trade cart in the narthex before or after services. It's a great place to find Valentine treats for dear ones. Or for yourself!



REFUGEE TASK FORCE UPDATE

Supper, Financial Support, New Housing, Employment



We are hoping to invite the congregation to a **Sunday Evening Supper** with the Durrani family and other refugee families we've sponsored in past years. It will be a covered dish supper for which we'd ask people to bring ethnic foods, such as we did for a much appreciated supper with the Dragadella and al Fahad families shortly before Covid. We know you will enjoy meeting the Durrani family, and feel sure they'll be glad to meet you, too. We hope to find a suitable date in March or April.

To the left is a very **recent photo**. From left to right: Lima (13), Saba (15), Masooma, Sahra (niece), Rohail (17).

This is a pivotal time in our sponsorship with the Durrani family. We are working to assist them now with new housing and employment, and have this month begun tapering our financial assistance (rent and utilities) with the intention to end by October. In the meantime we do again need your **financial donations** for these last nine months. Such support is to assure that they will be successful in their independence 18 months after their arrival in Catonsville. Use a pew envelope and mark it "Refugee Fund" or mail it to the church office with that designation.

We are now assisting the Durrani family in their search for a new apartment. They are seeking a **three-bedroom townhouse** or apartment so that Masooma's niece Sahra, who has recently come to the US, could live with them and share the expenses. Sahra is working full-time, and registered for driving school. Ideally we are hoping they could remain in the Catonsville High school zone where the three teens could have the advantage of the new ESOL program there. We know they may need to consider a neighboring school. They must move to their new home in March/April.

We are also appealing to the congregation for help with leads in finding **employment opportunities** for Masooma. She has been attending weekly English classes for some time now, and her English has improved since her arrival in the States, increasing her opportunities. As a single mom she wishes to work during the day in order to be home with her children for supper and the evening. Though she is beginning driving school, at present she needs work for which she can use public transportation from her apartment near the city line and Frederick Road.

Should you have a lead on such a rental or prospective employment, please contact me (410-788-5475 or edward-victoria@verizon.net) or anyone you know on the task force.

Scripture clearly calls us to this ministry with the refugee, the stranger, the alien. We hear it in Moses' command, fresh from Mt. Sinai (Leviticus 19:34) and the voice of our Lord just days before his crucifixion (Matthew 25: 35). As we give thanks that this family is making their way in the security and freedom of this new land, please keep in your prayers the many millions of refugees still seeking safe haven the world over.

Pr. Ed Whetstone, chair

DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

We have walkers, shower chairs, 2 motorized wheel chairs, crutches and a variety of durable medical equipment available at no cost. Please call the Church Office 410-747-0720 if you or a family member are in need.

AUDITIONS FOR DOCTOR DOOLITTLE!!

Salem Players will hold auditions for their Spring production of the musical *Doctor Doolittle* February 11 & 12 , 2-4 PM, and February 13 7-9 PM.



Doctor Dolittle is a stage musical with book, music and lyrics by Leslie Bricusse, based on the 1967 movie of the same name and the children's stories by Hugh Lofting about the adventures of a doctor who learns to speak the language of various animals and treats them as patients. All roles are open; Singing and non-singing, all ages 7 - 87. Performance dates: April 28, 29, 30, May 5, 6, 7, 12, 13.

If you are itching to be onstage, or curious about what goes on backstage join us! We need actors, singers, dancers, set builders, painters, props gatherers, artists, costume sewers, and ticket takers. Everyone is welcome! If you have questions salemployers@salem-catonsville.org.

DONATION OF WINTER CLOTHING

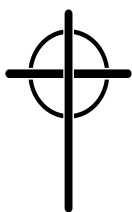
Dear Pastor Dave and the congregation at Salem church,
The UMBC International Students Connect club, the Retriever Essentials organization, and I want to thank you all for your generous donations of coats and other winter clothing for distribution to the UMBC incoming international students. The ladies especially loved the handmade hats and scarves. We all are most grateful for your generosity.

Sincerely,
Nancy Parlette



PRAYERS

God I rest in you:
You are here with me.
God I rest in you:
You are here in the stillness.
God I rest in you:
You are with me always.
God you are with me.
Grant me your peace.



David Adam

Dear God, thank you for calling me by name, making me your own and calling me to be a part of your people. Help me rest in your promises, be who I am as your child, and follow where you lead, remembering that I am called to be faithful, not successful. Amen.

Kurt Keljo

God of snowflakes, God of the moon and stars,
God of frost and sunny winter days,
ski slopes and ice racks, slippery streets
and the god of snow beds.
Save us from the cold, save us from freezing for
other people.
God of the cold, warm us to love.
A God of all of us, snow whiter, ice stronger,
be our safety and warmth when we are cold.

Pirjo Kantala, Winter Day's Prayer in the book
'Right now. 365 of the Awakening'.

Dear Jesus, you who love us whole, body and soul,
lift us out of whatever circumstances hold us bond-
age. By your grace, set us free. Amen.

Kurt Keljo

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."

Lynn Nash	12/15/2022
R. Scott Graham	12/17/2022
Robert Franklin*	12/23/2022
Christopher Kolb*	01/05/2023

*Not a Salem member

THE COMMUNITY OF
ST. DYSMAS
I was in Prison → You Came To Visit Me



Dear Sisters and Brothers,

During the holidays many people take time to look back at the blessings they received during the past year. We are no exception! We were blessed to re-establish weekly worship at three sites. Where in-person ministry is not possible, we're able to reach members by mail. Your support through donations and supply preaching opportunities helps make this possible. Thank you very much!

May God bless you richly in 2023!

The Community of St. Dysmas

Dear Salem Congregation,
The gift of the beautiful red poinsettias was so appreciated. May this sacred time of the year bless one and all.
With God's Love,
Betty Ruff

Dear Friends:

Thank you Pastor Dave for visiting with Jim while he was in St. Elizabeth's. Thank you to the Salem Congregation for your prayers and cards for Jim. Jim is now home, and he will

be going to out patient therapy for strengthening. He is very happy to be home, and he is looking forward to worshipping soon at Salem.

Christian Love & Blessings
to all,
Jan Ballouway

We invest in many things education, entertainment, fitness and spiritual development for example. We seek out qualified people to help us.

Families invest in their children in a lot of ways. Many have special Sunday morning breakfasts and outings. I have found Sunday school at Salem to be an excellent investment.

Children will hear many things from friends, TV, internet, coaches etc. They will be a combination of factors.

I think Salem Sunday school is an excellent investment for child development.

The love, kindness, and faith of the staff is an excellent resource for our kids.

I hope and pray ^{many} many will take the opportunity to help our children.

Tom Medecia

Thank You!



THE VILLAGE AT
AUGSBURG
A National Lutheran Community

Dear Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your donation of \$300 to The Village at Augsburg. Your gift supports the immediate needs of residents requiring financial assistance for their care at Augsburg.

The Village at Augsburg is a mission-driven community with 130 years of history in Baltimore, Maryland. From the beginning, Augsburg has relied on the generosity and kindness of people like you to support our ministry with older adults. Today, residents and their families have peace and comfort knowing they will not lose their home as a result of a personal financial crisis outside of their control.

Thank you for helping us carry on this tradition and our mission with your gift.

With gratitude,

Z. T. Heeter

Zachary T. Heeter
The Village at Augsburg

Pr. Dave and all the congregation of Salem,

Thinking fond
thoughts of you
at Christmastime
and always

Wishing you a wonderful
holiday season

Merry Christmas

God is Peace & Love,
Bethlehem

I will be 95 years on January
28th and not feeling very well
but miss you all and keep you
in my prayers.



Beloved at Salem,

At Christmas,
we're all beautifully connected
by the Love born that holy night.
The baby in the manger
belongs to all of us
and so does this wondrous season
when we remember His birth.



Joy to you as we celebrate
all that Christmas means

Merry Christmas!

Phil & Sh

Ran, love you!

Phil & Sh

Thank you for allowing us to
use the church. Our meetings
are vital to our recovery & having
a place to have them is critical.
We are very Grateful!

Merry Christmas
Wed. Wake Up AA



Thank You!

November 30, 2022

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church
905 Frederick Rd
Catonsville, MD 21228-4517

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your organization's recent gift of \$715.28 to Lutheran World Relief! When you love your neighbors with your generous gifts to LWR, you change lives in amazing ways.

For Walaa Ali al Ali, a Syrian refugee living in Lebanon, your love arrived in the form of a beehive. As the primary breadwinner for her family — including her mother, her developmentally disabled brother, a niece and a nephew — she struggled to find work amid Lebanon's economic crisis. Her family was safe from the war in Syria, but they didn't have access to adequate food or basic medical care.

Through LWR, Walaa enrolled in a livelihoods program for refugees and received all the training and supplies she needed to start a business as a beekeeper. With the money she earned, she also planted a vegetable garden to help feed her family. Now she's earning enough to keep her family afloat, and she's even training other women how to produce and sell honey.

Thank you for saving and transforming lives by loving your neighbors like Walaa!

We'd love to show you more examples of your gift in action. Please visit www.lwr.org and sign up to receive the latest updates. If you have any questions, please contact us at 800.597.5972 or lwr@lwr.org.

Thank you again, and God bless you!

Warm Regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Daniel V. Speckhard".

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

As required by the IRS, this receipt confirms that Lutheran World Relief has given you no goods or services in return for your charitable contribution of \$715.28-LWR.

To my Salem family.

Thank you for remembering me with a beautiful poinsettia! And a special thanks to Janet Van Sant for delivering it and spending some time to catch up.

*God's peace.
Ruth Miller*

Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry in Baltimore
7601 York Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21204

Dear Salem Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your generous donation to support our work.

Exams are looming, but we're still setting a table, lighting the candles (now on an advent wreath!) and gathering around Jesus, like with our UMBC students below. In these final weeks, we'll pray for strength and wisdom, we'll head out to shop for those in need, and we'll bake cookies together. And January holds more fun- as we have a leadership retreat for students from both campuses and make plans for our Spring Break trip to Asheville, NC!



This is what you make possible! Thank you for being partners with us in the work of the gospel and may you know the hope and joy of God this season!

In Christ,

Pastor Laura Sinche
Pastor Laura Sinche
LSinche@towson.edu
(443) 543-6965

*Thank you for your
faithful support!*



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

December 5, 2022

Dear Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your gift of \$1,125.50 to Lutheran Disaster Response.

As a church, we believe that God's grace is freely given to us. This brings us peace and hope. It makes a difference in our lives. Through your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response, you are sharing this amazing grace with others. You are helping people near and far feel the transformational power of God's love.

Your Spirit-filled generosity is helping families and communities reeling from disasters here in the United States and around the world. No matter the variety of disaster, no matter the variety of need, your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response enable people to rebuild their lives and livelihoods now and far into the future.

Thank you for your gracious gifts. The glory of God is shining through you.

With you in the Spirit,

Daniel Rift

The Rev. Daniel Rift
Director, Mission Funding, ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response





**RAINFOREST
TRUST**

December 30, 2022

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church
905 Frederick Rd.
Catonsville, MD 21228-4517

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your kind and generous gift to Rainforest Trust. Your donation will support our work across the tropics to save species, care for communities, and protect the planet.

For your tax purposes, we state that no goods or services were rendered in exchange for this gift. Rainforest Trust is recognized as a tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code. Please consult with your tax advisor to determine deductibility of this contribution.

Since 1988, Rainforest Trust has not wavered from our mission to protect the most threatened tropical forests, saving endangered wildlife through global partnerships and community engagement. With your support, we have since established or expanded protected areas that encompass more than 43.4 million acres.

We strive to be accountable and transparent in all of our work, first to earn and then to keep your trust. Independent evaluator Charity Navigator has awarded Rainforest Trust its highest 4-Star rating for more than a decade.

Again, thank you for your support. Together we are having a positive impact on our planet by stopping deforestation and saving rainforests. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

With gratitude,

Leslie VanSant
Vice President of Philanthropy

*Thank you
very much!*

Amount: \$3,525.00	Date Received: 12/30/2022
	Project Supported: Conservation Action Fund

Rainforest Trust works diligently to keep our projects on budget. In the rare event that we raise more funds than were needed for a specific project, your gift will be reallocated to the Conservation Action Fund, which supports our important conservation work and not our fundraising or administration expenses.



P.O. Box 841, Warrenton, VA 20188
1.800.456.4930 • www.RainforestTrust.org



To my Salem family.

Thank you for remembering me with a beautiful poinsettia! And a special thanks to Janet Vaa Sost for delivering it and spending some time to catch up.

God's peace,
Ruth Miller

Salem Lutheran Church -

Thank You for service in providing a beautiful memorial service for Lynn Nash. As her daughter-in-law, I am beyond grateful that the service was recorded & live streamed. I was unable to attend because of Covid and the fact that I was able to be a part of her honoring from home was so special. I was delighted by the recording quality, sound, and captions of the stream - I really

felt like I was there and didn't miss anything. Thank You for your patience & grace in working with our family.

On behalf of Tom and our family,
we are grateful.

God Bless -

Heidi Nash

To the hard-working staff
at Salem Lutheran,

MAY THE PEACE AND BEAUTY
OF THE HOLIDAY REMAIN WITH YOU
THROUGHOUT THE NEW YEAR

Warmest wishes for a healthy,
happy, and restorative Christmas
and New Year!

Blessings,
Amanda Storey

**THANKS A
MILLION**

For Dave and all the congregation of Salem

Thinking fond
thoughts of you
at Christmastime
and always

Wishing you a wonderful
holiday season

Merry Christmas

God's Peace & Love,
Betty Hachem

I will be 95 years on January
28th and not feeling very well
but miss you all and keep you
in my prayers.



ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR JANUARY (TO DATE)

	Saturday Evening	Sunday Service		Other	Livestream	Weekly* Total
		First	Second			
Dec31/Jan1	15		36	(one Sunday service)	13/30	94
Jan 7/8	28	57	95		11/20	211
Jan 14/15	25	48	75		10/36	194
Jan 21/11	24	66	97	6 (Road Trip)		193
Totals	92	171	303	6	120	692

*Week reflects Saturday through Friday



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!

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 **Salem-Church**.

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



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.



PARISH LEADERS

Altar Guild: Mary Krebs
Archive Committee: Judy LeGath
Arts Committee: Charlotte Brooks
Book Group: Guy Davis, Linda Wayland
Child Protection Committee: Linda Fleischer
Children's Ministry Committee: Eileen Merriman, Zoë Dell
Christian Fellowship Committee: Darla Sando, Pam Wilsey
Communications Committee: Guy Davis, Karen Amy
Evangelism Committee: Nicki Fatherly
Finance Committee: Sally Kopp, Steve Kopp
Guardians of Eden: Norma Hensler-Davis
Health Resources: Beth Rodgers, Lynda Bell
Historic Old Salem: Sharon Stanton
Memorial and Bequests: Paul W. Krabitz
Mutual Ministry (Pastor Asendorf):
Nursery Committee: Lois Grempler
Prayer Tree Coordinators: Karen Amy, Barbara Beem
Property: Rusty Schaefer
Salem Players: Lisa Yerkey
Scholarship: Ed Orser
Social Ministry: Carolyn Vasold
Stewardship Committee: John Brohawn
Technology Support Committee: Lisa Yerkey, Steve Kopp
Ushers: Paul Krabitz
Youth Ministry Committee: Sara Toscano
Worship Life: Jane Stolte

**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

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

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