

HISTORIC OLD SALEM NEWS

Salem Lutheran Church – Celebrating 175 years of serving the Catonsville Community

Saturday, May 4: 8 am to noon Outdoor Yard Sale on Salem Lutheran Church parking lot. \$15 per parking lot space. You will need to provide your own table/set up. **Weather forecast is CLOUDY – BUT RAIN FORECAST TO HOLD OFF UNTIL AFTERNOON. IF RAIN, EVENT WILL BE MOVED INSIDE CHURCH AT 905 FREDERICK ROAD.**

Sunday, May 12: 9:30 to 10:30 am Judy LeGath and Michele Miller, two Old Salem Board members will share Salem’s history which began in 1849 at its original worship site at 701 Ingleside Avenue and share information about the church and its surrounding cemetery. All are welcome to attend. {The forum takes place at Salem Church, 905 Frederick Road.}

Sunday, June 2: At Old Salem, 701 Ingleside Avenue. 2 – 4 pm Program centering around Gustav Lurman, a local Baltimore businessman, who was one of the primary financiers contributing to Salem’s first congregation to help build the church. Mr. Lurman was a Catonsville resident who purchased the estate known as “Bloomsbury” in 1848 and then renamed it “Farmlands”. The property remained in the Lurman family until 1948 when it was sold to Baltimore County Board of Education, who then built Catonsville High School in the 1950’s on the “Farmlands” estate. The High School is located on the corner of S. Rolling Road and **Bloomsbury** Avenue. Parking available across the street from the Church or in the adjacent St. Johns’ Business Center lot {just a short walk to the church entrance}. Everyone is invited and of course we’ll have refreshments following the presentation.

Wednesday, July 31: all day bus trip to Suicide Bridge, Hurlock MD for a crab feast and cruise on board the Dorothy Megan Paddle Wheel boat up the Choptank River. It’s a 3 hour cruise with Maryland Crab Soup, Fried Chicken, Fried Clams, Corn on the Cob, Cole Slaw, Steamed Crabs, Dessert, & Non-Alcoholic Beverages. Cost \$120 per person, due June 16th. Taking reservations now (45 seats)

Friday, December 6th: all day bus trip to the American Music Theater for their wonderful Christmas Show, “Joy To The World”, with family style lunch at Hershey Farms which includes Ham, Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, two vegetables, homemade cole slaw, rolls/butter, non-alcoholic beverages and homemade pie with ice cream. Cost \$128 per person, due November 6th. Taking reservations now {47 seats}

NEW ADDITION : **SIGHT & SOUND THEATER – “NOAH” - Friday, March 28, 2025** Lunch at Hershey Farms with three entrees and many sides. Will be taking reservations starting in November 2024. Please plan to attend with Old Salem for this spectacular show. We have terrific seats in the orchestra section {45 seats}

If interested in attending any of the above or for more information, please contact Sharon at memsha7311@gmail.com or 410-744-8724

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