

SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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**We are a gathering church sent out
by God to bring the good news of
God's grace, justice, peace, and
love to the world**

MEMORIAL SUNDAY

Welcome to Salem United Church of Christ! No matter who you are or where you are on your life's journey, you are welcome here in the United Church of Christ.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE SONG

*** RESPONSIVE READING** Luke 1.68-79

Reader 1: "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for God has visited and redeemed the Lord's people,

Reader 2: and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of God's servant David,

Reader 1: as the Lord spoke by the mouth of God's holy prophets from of old,

Reader 2: that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all who hate us;

Reader 1: to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember the Lord's holy covenant,

Reader 2: the oath which God swore to our father Abraham,

Reader 1: to grant us that we, being delivered from the hand of our enemies, might serve God without fear,

Reader 2: in holiness and righteousness before the Lord all the days of our life.

Reader 1: And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare God's ways,

Reader 2: to give knowledge of salvation to God's people in the forgiveness of their sins,

Reader 1: through the tender mercy of our God, when the day shall dawn upon us from on high

Reader 2: to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace"

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts)

WE REMEMBER.....

A Word of Introduction
Remembering God's Promise:

All: For we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord!

Naming those we remember.
(Family members may stand when their loved one's name is called)

THE BLESSED ARE:

Beverly Jane Mackie 79 years, 5 months, and 27 days	November 23, 2021
Brian Scott Begemann 52 years, 3 months, and 22 days	November 27, 2021
Mary Adelle Kirchhoff 97 years, 2 months, and 21 days	November 27, 2021
Alfred Henry William Dieckhoff 96 years, 9 months, and 28 days	December 31, 2021
Barbara Jean Slater 86 years, and 17 days	February 7, 2022
Margee Ann Iles (Dryer) 74 years, 2 months, and 9 days	February 21, 2022

Robert Eugene “Bob” Tankesley
88 years, 10 months, and 15 days March 28, 2022

Mark David Gieselman
66 years, 5 months, and 28 days May 3, 2022

Keith William Gadt
74 years, 5 months, and 25 days July 9, 2022

Margaret Lucille Soendker (nee’ Allen)
98 years, and 4 days August 6, 2022

Steven A. Meinershagen
78 years, 9 months, and 21 days August 22, 2022

Curtis “Hayes” Niemeier
93 years, and 12 days September 10, 2022

Alyce Mae Stephenson
79 years, 7 months, and 5 days October 7, 2022

Sondra “Sonnie” Renno
84 years, 10 months, and 7 days October 10, 2022

Anna Marie Alma Rinne
100 years, 5 months, and 22 days October 24, 2022

Ellen Ruth Kilpatrick
90 years, 3 months, and 8 days October 27, 2022

“Further Remembrances – Congregation”

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostle’s Creed
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again

from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the one holy universal Christian Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND DEDICATION OF TIME AND TALENT SURVEYS

MESSAGE HYMN

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 1.9-20

SERMON

“God Is Pleased”

Tommy

BENEDICTION

TIME OF FELLOWSHIP

**Please stand if you are able to do so.*

Worship is over and our Service begins.

Leading Worship Today:
Rev. Dr. Tommy L. Faris – Pastor

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Are placed in memory of loved ones by the Memorial Committee.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO:

The family of Juanita Marie (Bass) Benton. Juanita passed away Friday, November 11, 2022. Juanita was a member of the Higginsville community and Salem hosted her funeral on Friday, November 18, 2022.

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Linda Amor, had knee replacement surgery on Tuesday, November 8, at Lafayette Regional Hospital. She returned home on Monday, November 14, and is recovering at home.

Kathy Bird, has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer. Please keep Kathy and her family in prayer.

Clayton Lettau, we continue to say prayers of thankfulness as there is no evidence of disease progression.

Prayers, for anyone with a health issue, anyone grieving, and anyone that has a heavy burden on their heart, mind, and soul.

Prayers, for our world and nation.

Best Wishes for Birthdays this week...

Justin Salyer, November 22

Sharon Knehans, November 23

Michelle Alumbaugh, November 23

Harold Salyer, November 24

Sandy Riekhof, November 24

Mary Ann Vorwark, November 25

Loren Dickmeier, November 25

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEMORIAL SUNDAY:

Today, we will remember and honor those who have gone before us during this past year. After we have remembered those listed in the bulletin, there will be a time for “Further Remembrances” from the congregation. If you have someone you would like to include, please let Cindy Nuelle know.

CHANCEL CHOIR NEWS:

There won't be Chancel Choir rehearsal on Wednesday, November 23.

LAMPLIGHTER: Articles for the December Lamplighter are due in the church office by Tuesday, November 22. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP NEWS: Stewardship “Time and Talent” surveys will be dedicated today. It is not too late to turn them in. Please mail them or bring them to the church office by Wednesday, November 30. Thank you.
The Stewardship Committee.

Fields of Dreams Uganda Holiday Hygiene Drive:

It’s hard to imagine, but a \$22 hygiene kit can change the life of a Ugandan student. Each year, Fields of Dreams Uganda provides every single mature girl at our partner schools (around 1500) a kit that helps her manage her monthly cycle. Each kit contains 5 washable pads/pad storage bag/large bar of soap/wash basin/drying peg/3 pair of underwear/sling bag/ comb & mirror/toothbrush & toothpaste/washcloth/nail clippers/Girl Talk book about their changing bodies/and most importantly, a new sense of dignity. All for \$22!

If you would like to support this program, you may do so in one of the following ways:

- Go to WWW.FIELDISOFDREAMSUGANDA.ORG/HHD
- Venmo your donation to @FoDUGanda
- Send / give a check (made out to FoDU) or cash to Judi, Dennis, Aaron or Vicki Knipmeyer and PLEASE ask any of us questions you might have

We and the young women at our schools thank you VERY MUCH!

YOUTH ON MISSION UPDATE:

Youth on Mission is planning a trip with Group Mission Trips to Parsons, KS July 23-29, 2023. This is a junior high/high school camp and is open to youth entering 7th grade (so current 6th graders) and up. Please return needed forms to Vicki or Aaron Knipmeyer by November 20th to be included in our initial registration and ensured a spot at the camp! If you were not able to attend our informational meeting but are interested in participating as a youth camper or adult camper or volunteer, contact Vicki and Aaron at avknipmeyer@gmail.com or 314-775-8887.

SALEM ANGEL TREE 2022:

The Angel Tree is up and decorated so you can choose the tag or tags you wish to buy for. Our committee would like to have your wrapped, tagged, new, unused gifts returned to the Angel Tree no later than Monday, December 12th, at Noon. Tags will be on the Sanctuary tree on Sundays and available to you on a tree next to the church office window during weekly business hours.
Angie Green, Chairman

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP BOARD MEETING:

The Women's Fellowship Board will begin meeting again on Monday, November 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. We will meet in the board room.

2023 ENVELOPES:

Are available in the back of the sanctuary thru November 20, and then they will move into the Fellowship Hall until the end of the year.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED: The church office will be closed Thursday, November 24, and Friday, November 25, in observance of Thanksgiving.

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS: Are available in the back of the sanctuary and outside the church office.

SALEM CHURCH APP:

If you would like to download the church app, please call the church office, 660-584-3603 or email salemucc@ctcis.net. We just need to verify your current email address. Then you will receive an invitation by email to download the Salem church app. All the instructions will be provided in the invitation email. The church app gives you access to several years of your financial contribution records, you have a directory of church members that have also downloaded the app and you can make an online contribution from the church app. You can download the church app even if you do not wish to give online.

NOVEMBER IS ANNUAL FOOD PANTRY MONTH:

The Food Pantry continues to serve those in our community who need assistance putting food on their tables. November is the month we dedicate toward restocking the shelves with food products. We have assigned specific foods or food types to each Sunday during the drive. If you would prefer to make a cash donation, please mark a plain envelope “Food Pantry” and drop it in the offering plate or bring it by the church office. All donations will be used 100% for purchasing food items as they are needed.

Nov. 6 – Peanut butter, non-cream soups (chicken noodle, vegetable, etc.), ramen noodles, macaroni and cheese, spaghetti, noodles, potatoes (canned or boxed)

Nov 13 – Canned meat (ravioli, canned spaghetti, stew, chili, tuna, chicken)

Nov 20 – Canned fruit (peaches, pears, fruit cocktail, applesauce)

Nov 27 – Canned vegetables (corn, green beans, peas, carrots, mixed vegetables, tomatoes.)

GROWING HOPE GLOBALLY

For 22 years, the Salem Men’s Fellowship has supported Growing Hope Globally Projects. The organization addresses food shortages, poverty, and health challenges that lead to hunger. The goal of each program is to help families have enough to eat throughout the entire year and to produce a surplus they call sell to pay for school supplies, medical care, and modest home improvements. If you care to support the Men’s Fellowship in this mission, please leave your donation by the church office no later than December 31, 2022.

Please make your check out to Salem UCC and in the memo line, please write: Growing Hope Globally or give online. On Sunday, December 4, Kaylyn Morris, a representative from Growing Hope Globally, will have a mission moment at the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

Thank you.

Dennis Knipmeyer

COMMUNITY NEWS:

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE:

The Ministerial Fellowship Community Thanksgiving service will be held Tuesday, November 22, 7:00 p.m. at the Davis Theatre.

THANKSGIVING MEAL AT THE SENIOR CENTER:

The Higginsville Senior Center will host their annual Thanksgiving Lunch on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. They are asking for volunteers to help with their meal or bake pies. If you would like to help in any way, please call Kim Johnson 660-584-7040.

JKV AND MEYER CARE CENTER BIBLE STUDY:

John Knox Village and Meyer Care Center have a weekly Bible Study that is led, on a rotational schedule, by the Ministerial Fellowship. The Bible Study is held every Wednesday, 10:15-10:45 a.m. in the Gathering Room.

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS:

Anyone who is in need of prayers, please call the church office, (660) 584-3603.

UP COMING DATES:

November 24 – Thanksgiving Day (Church Office Closed)

November 25 – Church Office Closed

November 27 – First Sunday of Advent

December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent

December 11 – Third Sunday of Advent

December 12 – Please have Angel Tree gifts to church

FINANCIAL GIVING OPTIONS:

1. Check or Cash
 2. Salem Church website (salemucchigginsville.org) click on the Resources & Links tab then click the online giving link
 3. Text 73256 on your phone and use the code SalemHigg and then click on the link
 4. Download the Salem church app and under the giving tab is a link for online giving
- (A link on Facebook live is being planned for a later date.)

Items purchased with Memorial money:

Stamps for mailing church service CD's
Flowers for Memorial Sunday
Flowers for pots in front of church
Silk Altar Flower Arrangements
Stamps for mailing thank you's
Thank you cards
Cases for CD's
CD's for recording services
New Dining Room flooring

Memorial Gifts in Memory of:

Earl Struchtemeyer
Denny Wahn
Roberta Summers
Grace Werning
Kenneth Schemmer
Mary Kirchhoff
Barbara Slater
Alfred Dieckhoff
Margee Ann Iles
Margaret Soendker
Curtis Hayes Niemeier
Memorial money for music department

Memorials to Endowment Fund:

Kenneth and Grace Schemmer
Bob and Alice Jarman
W.W. and Mary Kirchhoff
Marvin Rinne
Sarah Schoppenhorst
Homer and Winnie Knehans

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT SALEM

November 20, thru November 27, 2022

Sunday -

Memorial Sunday

First Sunday for Angel Tree

Time/Talent Sheets Dedicated

8:00 a.m. Early Worship

8:30 a.m. Youth Choir Rehearsal

8:45 a.m. Sunday School

8:50 a.m. Little Notes and Chime Bell
Rehearsal

10:00 a.m. Worship and Live- Stream Worship
on Facebook

11:15 a.m. Confirmation

Monday -

6:00 p.m. Wolf Pack

6:00 p.m. Lion's Den

7:00 p.m. Women's Fellowship Board Meeting

Tuesday -

Food Pantry

December Lamplighter Articles Due

Wednesday -

10:30 a.m. Lafayette Area Pastors Meeting

7:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

7:00 p.m. Al-Anon

Thursday -

Thanksgiving Day (Church Office Closed)

Friday -

Church Office Closed for the holiday

7:00 p.m. A. A.

Saturday -

9:30 a.m. A. A.

2-4:00 p.m. Salyer Family Event

Sunday-

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