

Announcements

MILITARY: Please pray for our loved ones in the military.

SAFE GATHERINGS: From VBS to weekly or monthly volunteer responsibilities/positions, we strongly advise taking the online Safe Gathering training. This training is for the safety of our children and youth as well as other vulnerable people. Not only does it help our children, it also helps our volunteers. It does take a couple hours, but you don't have to do it all in one sitting. Before beginning, it is helpful to have your Driver's License and contact information (including emails) for 2 references that you have known more than two years – one reference should be a pastor. If anything online is difficult for you, please don't hesitate to come to the church, where you can use a computer and get assistance. The training can be found by clicking on the red "Get Started" rectangle at the top of the following webpage: www.safegatherings.com. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the church or email Ashli at youth@sum.kscoxmail.com.

UMW: UMW meeting May 8 at 7:00 pm in FLC class rooms. The lesson will be given by Betty Kaufman and the hostesses are LaDonna Unruh and Jane Naylor.

SHIPWRECKED: Rescued by Jesus! This is the theme for our VBS this year. Children will be learning how Jesus rescues us through life's storms. Now is the time we would like people in our congregation to begin praying for how God could use them as part of VBS. VBS Orientation will be July 2nd at 6:30 pm in the Family Life Center. If you haven't already, please put VBS on your calendar for July 8th-12th. The meal will be at 5:30 while the program will run from 6-8 pm for potty trained 3 year olds up to children just completing 5th grade. Children entering preschool through those completing preschool will be separate from the elementary children.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION: Scholarship applications for those who will be attending college in the fall of 2018/spring of 2019 are available in the church office or on the church website. All parts of the application are due by **June 1** into the church office. This includes the following: current and past church experiences, school activities/honors, community involvement, work experience, **official** transcript, essay, and letters of recommendation. Please read the requirements carefully!

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES: Education team is asking the congregation to help provide items for the College Care Packages. Ideas include but are not limited to snacks, ramen, sticky notes, and highlighters. At this time, we know of 8 college students. If there are other college students that we might not know about, please let the church know. Items can be put in the box labeled College Care Package items in the narthex. These items will be sent the first week of May so if you can bring them to church by April 29th, that would be great.

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WAYS TO GIVE TO SALEM UMC

NOTE: You do not have to change the way you currently financially give to the church if you do not wish to.

Electronic giving options are available for making one time or regular offerings and special giving to Salem UMC.

Here are the Electronic Giving options:

- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) from your checking/savings account for those wanting to give the same amount weekly or monthly. No fees. See Suanne Eshleman for paperwork to complete and send to your bank.
- Give+ Church option – using debit or credit card on a smartphone. Use QR code below or go to the App Store or Google Play, download free "Give+ Church". Choose 'Salem UMC' and follow the directions. Fee for each contribution = 2.75% -3.5%.
- Give+ Church option – using direct draft from your checking/savings account. Fee for each transaction.

Salem giving accounts include General Fund and Mission Shares. More options will come as events arise (Spring Fund Drive, Vacation Bible School, etc.)



This Week at Salem

Sunday: May 6th
 9:00 am Sunday school
 10:00 am Worship

Monday: May 7th
 7:00 pm Tendick Committee

Tuesday: May 8th
 9:00 am Commodities Dist.
 9:30 am Companions
 6:30 pm Girl Scouts –basement
 7:00 pm Red Bird Circle

Wednesday: May 9th
 6:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday: May 10th
 1:30 pm Piece Keepers
 6:00 pm FH Reserved

Friday: May 11th

Saturday: May 12th
 1:00 pm FLC Reserved

Sunday: May 13th
 9:00 am Sunday school
 10:00 am Worship
 Graduate Recognition
 6:15 pm FLC/class room 4-H

Monthly Need for General
 Budget March 2018
 \$23,568.17
 Income in Mar. 2018 to pay bills
 \$14,227.85
 Year to Date Expenses
 \$89,695.76
 Year to Date Income
 \$77,858.46

Memorial Book Open To

Lena Harp
 Dorothy Cline

Last Week Year Ago

Worship	122	128
Sunday School	64	70

Worship Leaders

Head Usher	<i>Bob Swickard</i>
Song Leader	<i>Ruth Williams</i>
Liturgist	<i>Shana Hosford</i>
Acolytes	<i>Reid Golubski</i> <i>Zach Brown</i>
AV	<i>Don Gruver</i> <i>Lorna Preston</i> <i>Aaron Teel</i>
Nursery	<i>Jennifer Saylor</i>

To Our Guests: Restrooms are available in the east foyer on the main level by the office and on the west side of the building in the Family Life Center (gymnasium). The nursery is down the hall from the Sanctuary on the east side.

Pastor	<i>Ron Kite</i>
Children/Youth Director	<i>Ashli Teel</i>
Church Treasurer	<i>Staci Morales</i>
Church Secretary	<i>Cindy Harms</i>
Organist/Pianist	<i>Carol Kirchmer</i>
Choir Director	<i>Ruth Williams</i>
Child Care	<i>Cindy Gruver</i>
Janitor	<i>Tony Martinez</i>