

## Acolytes for January

January 7: Reid Golubski  
January 14: Makenzie Dick - Presleyann Saylor  
January 21: Caroline Rickard - Madelyn Bomberly  
January 28: Taylor Rickard - Jace Morales

## Liturgists for January

January 7: Margie McGlachlin  
January 14: Bruce Jolliff  
January 21: John Bevan  
January 28: Kasha Stiner

## Ushers for January

Crusaders Sunday School Class

## Nursery for January

January 7: Jennifer Saylor  
January 14: Lori Jolliff  
January 21: Lisa Golubski  
January 28: Erica Rickard

## Coat Left in Church

A few weeks ago a tan Carhartt coat was left in the sanctuary following worship. It may be picked up from the east foyer.

## Thanks For Your Support

Raelene and I want to thank you for the Christmas cards, treats and other gifts from the congregation. We appreciate your support and kindness. Ron and Raelene Kite

# Salem News

Monthly newsletter of the Salem United Methodist Church

## January 2018

### Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Worship

### Church Office Hours

#### Monday through Friday

9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

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## Open Door

Want to know more about what Open Door clothing distribution is about, ask LaDonna Unruh or Jan Swickard. We leave the church at 8:00 am. We work at Open door until 11:00 - 11:30, go out to eat and are back in Newton around 1:00-1:30. To join us be at the church at 8:00 am Thursday, January 18.

## Thank You

From the staff at Salem thank you to all in the Salem congregation for the kindness and generosity this Christmas Season.

## Thank You

My family and I would like to thank the congregation of Salem United Methodist church for all of the prayers, love, and generosity that have been expressed to our family during this time of loss. We express our gratitude to those who visited Larry in the hospital while he was ill. We are truly grateful to those who helped serve and prepare the meal for the funeral as well as those who helped with the funeral service. I am grateful for the love of our congregation. Mary Wells and Family

## Salem UMC Mission:

Disciples making disciples  
for Jesus Christ.

## Received for Expenses

as of 12-24-17

**\$218,549.85**

**Salem United Methodist Church Vision:** Salem United Methodist Church is a joy filled body of Christ which invites God's people into a connected relationship where they might find acceptance, belonging, trust and unconditional love as they seek to live their discipleship.

# Salem United Methodist Church

Here's what is happening!

# January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED PASTOR VACATION	<b>2</b> 9:30am - C in C 6:30pm - Girl Scouts	<b>3</b> NO FUSION MEAL NO CLASSES 6:30pm - Choir Practice	<b>4</b> 6:00pm - FH Reserved	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7 COMMUNION</b> W door: LaDonna Unruh E door: Ila Jean Sauerwein	<b>8</b> 6:30pm - FLC Education Team Meeting 7:00pm - Live Nativity Comm. Meeting	<b>9</b> 9:00am - Commodities Distribution 9:30am - C in C 9:30am - SUMC Staff Mtg. 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 7:00 pm - Red Bird 7:00pm - Worship Team	<b>10</b> 5:45 pm - FLC FF Meal 6:30pm - classes , choir	<b>11</b> 6:00pm - FH Reserved	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Ashli out of office W door: Joan Stahly E door: Ila Jean Sauerwein	<b>15</b> Ashli out of office 12:00pm - FLC Singles Dinner	<b>16</b> Ashli out of office Pastor out of office 9:30am - C in C 6:30pm - Girl Scouts	<b>17</b> Ashli out of office Pastor out of office 5:45 pm - FLC FF Meal 6:30pm - classes , choir	<b>18</b> Ashli out of office Pastor out of office 8:00am - Clothes to Open Door 6:00pm - FH Reserved	<b>19</b> Ashli out of office	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> W door: Joan Stahly E door: John Samuelson	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 9:30am - C in C 6:30pm - Girl Scouts 7:00pm - Finance Comm.	<b>24</b> 10:00am - Prayer Wrap 5:45 pm - FLC FF Meal 6:30pm - classes , choir	<b>25</b> 6:00pm - FH Reserved	<b>26</b> 1:00pm - FH Reserved	<b>27</b> 8:00am - FLC UMM Break- fast
<b>28</b> W door: Joan Stahly E door: John Samuelson	<b>29</b> 7:00pm - FLC Church Council Meeting	<b>30</b> 9:30am - C in C 6:30pm - Girl Scouts	<b>31</b> 5:45 pm - FLC FF Meal 6:30pm - classes , choir	<div style="border: 3px double black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p><b>Sunday Worship Schedule</b></p> <p>9:00 AM - Sunday School 10:00 AM - Worship</p> </div> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>		

# Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries

## January Birthdays

- 1 Marshall Bomberry
- 1 Steve Crider, Jr.
- 1 Bailey Hasty
- 1 Brylan Hasty
- 1 Devon Hasty
- 2 Tom Cowan
- 3 Jeff Davis
- 3 Alayna Fair
- 3 Natalie Shanklin
- 5 Trip Triplitt
- 6 Danika Wells
- 8 Kyleigh Williams
- 9 Evan Harris
- 11 Kyle Basye
- 11 Cristy Willingham
- 13 Amy Beck
- 13 Stacy Beyer
- 13 Bryan Cusick
- 13 Milo Kaufman
- 14 Maverick Lies
- 14 Kaydan Morales
- 15 Jan Swickard
- 16 Brenda Buller
- 16 Robert Crider
- 16 Dagan Willingham
- 19 Alexander Beck
- 19 Stephanie Takemire
- 19 Gary Unruh
- 21 Cruz Castillo
- 22 Colby Beer
- 22 Trev Golubski
- 22 Garrett Schmidt
- 24 Ben Gatz
- 24 Kate Jolliff
- 25 Fran Hoch
- 25 Joyce Hockett
- 26 Brandon Cusick
- 27 Taylor Fair
- 27 Wilford Hawkins
- 27 Lynnette Redington

## January Birthdays

- 27 Ruth Williams
- 28 Carolyn Windsor
- 29 Sy'Launce Dansby
- 30 Madison Devaney
- 30 Brad Musser

## January Anniversaries

- 2 Chris & Jennifer Sauerwein
- 4 Ron & Raelene Kite
- 26 Jill & Jason Mathies

If there are any Birthdays or Anniversaries missing or incorrect, please let us know in the church office.

**NO FAMILY FUSION MEAL/CLASSES**  
**JAN. 3. Will resume**  
**Jan. 10.**

## Contributions

If you want to give an offering to the Church, and have it be for tax year 2017, you need to make sure it is in the collection, or give it to Suanne Eshleman (Financial Secretary) by Sunday, Dec. 31.

## January Message Titles

- January 7: A Baptism of Transformation  
Acts 19:1-7 and Mark 1:4-11
- January 14: In a Hurry  
Mark 1:14-21
- January 21: What Happens Next  
Mark 1:21-31  
Mark 2:1-12
- January 28: How Wide the Invite  
Acts 11:1-18  
Mark 2:13-17

## Noisy Change Offering

The 5th Sunday Noisy Change Offering on Dec. 31 will go to the Harvey County Special Olympics. Harvey County Special Olympics local program is completely operated by volunteers. They operate in Harvey County and Marion County. The mission is to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

## Pastor's Column

We usually think of Christmas season as the days leading up to the climax of Christmas Day. But in the church calendar Christmas is just the beginning of a 12-day season that runs to Epiphany on Jan 6.

According to legend, the song **The Twelve Days of Christmas** was used in the centuries of persecution in Catholic England as a secret teaching tool for children about the basics of the faith. So in this legend each of the gifts had hidden meaning that was taught to the children. One partridge in a pear tree represents the One, Jesus Christ. Two turtledoves represent the two testaments of the Bible. Three French hens recall the three virtues of faith, hope and charity. Four calling birds recall the four gospels. Five golden rings represent the five books of the law. Six geese point to the six days of creation. Seven swans point to either the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit or possibly the seven sacraments in the Catholic Church. Eight maids stand in for the eight beatitudes. Nine ladies point to nine fruits of the spirit. Ten lords stand in for the 10 commandments. Eleven pipers point to the eleven remaining apostles. Twelve drummers drum for the twelve articles of the Apostles creed.

So remember the Twelve Days of Christmas this year and these important church teachings. In this less busy time following Christmas day, use this hymn to continue your reflection on the meaning of Christmas, what we have learned this Advent and how we will adjust our lives and priorities to hold this Christmas story of Jesus, Emmanuel, God come near us, at the center of our lives.

Ron