

Acolytes for July

July 3: Reid Golubski
July 10: Mackenzie Sauerwein
July 17: Taylor Redington
July 24: Eli Redington
July 31: Taylor Rickard

Liturgists for July

July 3: Margie McGlachlin
July 10: Dana Shifflett
July 17: Kay Larson
July 24: Cathy Willis
July 31: Teresa Soyez

Ushers

Salem Servants = ushers for July

Nursery July

July 3: Jennifer Saylor
July 10: Staci Ensz
July 17: Lynnette Redington
July 24: Erica Rickard
July 31:

Greeters for July

July 3: west doors: La Donna Unruh
east doors: Kay Larson
July 10: west doors: Joan Stahly
east doors:
July 17: west doors: Joan Stahly
east doors:
July 24: west doors: Joan Stahly
east doors:
July 31: west doors: Joan Stahly
east doors:

Salem News

Monthly newsletter of the Salem United Methodist Church

July 2016

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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Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed Monday, July 4th.

Open Door

Want to know more about what Open Door clothing distribution is about? LaDonna and Jan will be going to Open Door May 19, 2016 to hang clothing and would like to have you join us. 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 on Thursday, July 28.

Red Bird Circle

Red Bird Circle will meet at 5:30 pm in the west parking lot on July 12 to go out to eat at "The Barn" in Burrton.

Sunday School

For the summer months through August, children of all ages (preschool included) and youth will be in the normal K-5 Sunday School room. Youth will be taking turns help lead the curriculum, but 2 adults will also be present and assisting.

Salem UMC Mission:

Disciples making disciples
for Jesus Christ.

Received for Expenses

as of 6-26-16

\$138,908.26

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!

July 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p align="center">Sunday Worship Schedule</p> <p align="center">9:00 AM - Sunday School 10:00 AM - Worship</p>				1	2
3 COMMUNION	4 Church Office Closed 6:00pm - Girl Scouts	5 9:30am - C in C 10:30am - ASAP	6 4:00pm - Basement Res.	7 1:00pm - Piece Keepers 6:00pm - FH/FLC Reserved	8	9
10 7:00pm - Youth Meeting	11 6:00pm - Girl Scouts	12 9:00am - Com. Dist. 9:30am - C in C 10:30am - ASAP 5:30pm - Red Bird 7:00pm - Worship Team	13 4:00pm - Basement Res.	14 1:00pm - Piece Keepers 6:00pm - FH/FLC Reserved	15	16
17 Scholarship presentation during worship 5:30pm - VBS	18 12:00pm - FLC Singles Dinner 5:30pm - VBS	19 9:30am - C in C 10:30am - ASAP 5:30pm - VBS	20 5:30pm - VBS	21 1:00pm - Piece Keepers 5:30pm - VBS	22	23
24 3:30pm - Pastor/Asbury Pk 6:15pm - FLC 4-H	25 Ashli Gone 6:00pm - Girl Scouts 7:00pm - FLC Church Council	26 Ashli Gone 9:30am - C in C 10:30am - ASAP	27 Ashli Gone Cindy Vacation 10:00am - Prayer Wrap 4:00pm - Basement Res.	28 Ashli Gone Cindy Vacation 8:00am - Clothes/Open Door 1:00pm - Piece Keepers 6:00pm - FH/FLC Reserved 7:00pm - Finance Committee	29 Ashli Gone Cindy Vacation 1:00pm - FH Reserved	30 Cindy Vacation
31 Cindy Vacation 7:00pm - Youth						

Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries

July Birthdays

- 1 Bev Rosine
- 1 Sherry Schmidt
- 4 Jax Jones
- 4 Arlene Ross
- 5 John Samuelson
- 6 Matthew Sattler
- 7 John Dorsett, III
- 7 Andrew Harris
- 7 June Little
- 9 Ali Moore
- 10 Barton Moore
- 11 Aaron Beyer
- 11 Bobbie Burns
- 13 Aaron Teel
- 15 Kathy Ross
- 15 Dennis Schmidt
- 15 Ashley Will
- 16 Mackenzie Cusick
- 16 Garret Davis
- 16 Opal Donker
- 16 Mark Willis
- 17 Tony Torres
- 18 Marva Bever
- 19 Tristy Hockett
- 20 Carla Schwabauer
- 21 Anthea Burson
- 21 Jennifer Saylor
- 22 Shana Hosford
- 22 Glenn Sanderson
- 22 Jennifer Sauerwein
- 22 Connie Unruh
- 22 Donna Wilson
- 23 Emily Branson
- 24 Ila Jean Sauerwein
- 25 Ethel Eshleman
- 25 Shane Saylor
- 26 Jordan Voelker
- 27 Jo Ann Arrowsmith
- 27 Gene Love
- 28 Jacob Sattler
- 30 Alex Moore

July Birthdays

- 31 Sue Bretches
- 31 David Peaney
- 31 Jarrod Will

July Anniversaries

- 3 Jeff & Karla Stauffer
- 5 Annessa & Brian Russell
- 6 Mike & Kay Larson
- 15 John & Pat Dorsett
- 15 Thomas & Ginger Jones
- 20 Wilbur & Arlene Besore
- 22 Chris & Dawn Wedel
- 22 Bill & Donna Wilson
- 23 Nathan & Jessica Williams
- 24 Eric & Heather Fair
- 24 Bruce & Shari Snelling
- 25 Troy & Sommer Smith
- 27 Randall & Melinda Voelker
- 30 Aaron & Stacy Beyer

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

Rides Needed

At times we have members who would come to church if they could get a ride. If you would be willing to give someone a ride let the office know.

July Message Titles

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| July 3: | Go on Your Way | Lk 10:1-11 |
| July 10: | Go and Do Likewise | Lk 10:25-37 |
| July 17: | Sit at Jesus' Feet | Lk 10:38-42 |
| July 24: | Don't Interrupt | Lk 11:1-4 |
| July 31: | Rich Towards God | Lk 12: 13-21, 34 |

Jurisdictional Conference and Concert

The South Central Jurisdiction of the UMC meets every 4 years, after the General Conference, with the sole business to elect bishops for any vacancies and to assign the jurisdiction's bishops to their conferences. The jurisdiction includes 12 annual conferences and one missionary conference that span eight states: Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. The jurisdiction is served by 10 bishops. Bishop Scott Jones has served for the maximum of 12 years, so we know the Great Plains Conference will be getting a new bishop. New bishops begin serving in September.

Jurisdictional conference is being held in Wichita this year from July 13-16, giving a unique opportunity for anyone interested in that process to attend and watch. As part of that conference there will be a concert open to the public with an area wide choir and Grammy and Dove awards nominee William McDowell on July 15 at 6:30 pm at Century II Convention center. Tickets are \$5. For more information see the bulletin board or www.greatplainsumc.org/

Giving through an IRA

If you have an IRA and are over 70 ½ years old you must begin withdrawing annually what is called a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD). The rule on giving RMD to charity that was at one time being extended a year at a time has now become permanent. So you can give up to \$100,000 of RMD directly to charity thus making that RMD a tax free distribution. If you are interested in giving in this way, check with your IRA administrator.

Church Camps

Summer church camps have started! If you want to go to summer camp, camp scholarships are available for 75% of the camp cost!! Camp Horizon and Camp Lakeside information is still available. Information is located with the brochures in the west foyer. You can register your child based on the grade they will be attending in the Fall. You can register online for Camp Horizon at www.horizoncenter.org If you have any questions or are planning on going to camp, please contact Ashli.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DINNER AT 5:30 AND PROGRAM 6 - 8:15 PM

Child's name _____ Child's gender _____

Child's age _____ Date of Birth _____ Last school grade completed _____

Allergies or other medical conditions:

T-shirt size: 2-4 6-8 10-12 14-16

Adult sizes: S M L XL XXL

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Parent(s) Name _____ Phone Number _____ Alt. Phone # _____

Street Address _____ Email Address _____

Church Attending _____

Photo Consent: As the parent(s) I/we voluntarily consent to allow photos of my child/children to be taken and used in church presentations and church promotional materials of VBS for Salem and/or First United Methodist Churches.

Agree

Prohibit

VBS

If you can't actually be here for VBS, there are other options, such as items that you may be able to buy or let us borrow or you may be able to prepare things ahead of time (see below). Sign up paper in west narthex or sign up on Salem web site: saalemumc-newton.org.

To Borrow

- Colorful beach towels
- Colorful visors
- Colorful beach caps
- Colorful sunglasses
- Colorful umbrellas
- Hawaiian shirts
- Swim trunks
- Beige tarp
- Beach/pool side lounge chairs
- Princess head bangles

To Buy/Donate

- Metallic blue fringe curtains
- Raffia
- Grass (green and tan) table skirts
- Cardboard
- 2 hard plastic kiddie pools
- 5 bottles of cheap shaving cream
- 5 Tacky glue
- Paper towels (16 rolls)
- 450 ft decorative Washi tape
- 1 roll adhesive magnets

Anyone interested in painting and just need something to paint?

- Kites
- Waves

July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9 & 10 SS & Church No Youth Group	4 Happy 4th of July	5	6	7	8	9
10 9 & 10 SS & Church Youth Group 7-8 pm	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 9 & 10 SS & Church VBS 6-8:15	18 VBS 6-8:15	19 VBS 6-8:15	20 VBS 6-8:15	21 VBS 6-8:15	22	23
24 9 & 10 SS & Church No Youth Group	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 9 & 10 SS & Church Youth Group 7-8 pm						

Memorial Funds

We have created a Memorial Team of Glenda Triplitt, Teresa Soyez and Lorinda Schreiber who will be keeping the books, sending thank you notes and working with families to put their memorials to work in the church honoring their loved ones. There are a number of projects in the planning stages including an electronic sign for the front of the church. If you have memorial funds you would like used for this or any other project you hear of around the church please contact the office or Glenda Triplitt at 283-6067 or Teresa Soyez at 283-8274. We look forward to hearing from you to help us put the memorial monies to work for the church. Thank you.

VBS

Vacation Bible School is right around the corner. We will be catching the waves of God's amazing love at Surf Shack VBS on Sunday, July 17th through Thursday, July 21st. Meal will begin at 5:30. Program will be 6 pm – 8:15 pm. Register children ages 4 – 17 for the coolest week of the summer. Paper registration is available, but you can also register online through our church website.

Safe Gatherings

Interested in working with children, youth, VBS, or disaster relief? Please take the time to complete the Safe Gatherings training at www.safegatherings.com. Having the following things handy will make the process go smoother: Driver's License, emails and phone numbers of 2 personal references including a pastor that you have known for 2 years or more and an unrelated adult. Training takes at least a couple hours. Computers are available at the church. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask Ashli or Pastor Ron.

From The Pastor

As the school year is complete, attention often turns to summer ball leagues, vacation plans, travel, and more outside activity as the days get longer. So summer time is often thought to be a slower time in the church and some activities such as Family Fusion take a break.

But I often wonder why we think of summer as a slower time for the church? VBS is a big summer effort and may involve more volunteers than any other project during the year. Weekly worship, Sunday school, youth and most other groups continue all summer.

Maybe we tend to think summer is slower because we miss more church with vacations, travel and such? So it is not that church is slower, but that we are around less? But I wonder if we could instead think of summer as an opportunity to do develop spiritually. How might we take advantage? More time is available for spiritual activity just as more time is available for other activity. Reading that book someone recommended on prayer or another spiritual emphasis. Using the extra time from longer days and less activity to mediate, reflect, and get faith questions answered.

I hope you get time to relax, vacation, and enjoy the summer! But rather than thinking of taking a break from church in the summer, I hope you plan church and God into your summer activities.

Ron

Mission Giving to Zimbabwe

An update of Salem monetary contributions to Zimbabwe. The Salem congregation gave \$950 and the Salem Endowment Fund contributed \$1,100 to the King David Congregation in Zimbabwe. The Tendick Endowment donated \$1,000 to the Zimbabwe Conference. "Thank you" to all for your generosity in this Salem mission.

Report from General Conference

General Conference concluded their once every 4 year gathering on May 20. This is the worldwide gathering of United Methodists with 864 delegates gathering as the legislative body that sets missional priorities, sets budgets, and has the authority to change our Book of Discipline. Between General Conferences the Bishops are charged with carrying out the plans set by the General Conference.

As usual, nearly all news reporting of the event covered issues around sexuality. And as has been the case for 40 years, no changes were made regarding the churches positions regarding same gender marriage and ordination. Debate was heated, demonstrations were staged, and talk of a church split was more prevalent than prior conferences.

On about day 7 of the 10 day gathering, the body requested that the Council of Bishops give some direction to the conference. (Normally Bishops have no voice or vote at General Conference, but are charged with chairing the sessions.) The next day the Bishops presented a plan, which narrowly passed, to place any further legislation and debate on human sexuality on hold for this conference, and to establish a commission to spend two to four years designing a way forward so that the church might stay united. This commission could report back to a specially called 3 day conference in two or three years, but it is likely they will report back to the 2020 General Conference.

You may have come across some on-line videos these last two months put out by the Bishops of the South Central Jurisdiction themed, "We Are More." These videos reminded the church that while issues of sexuality draw all the attention of the press, and too much of the church's attention and time, the UMC is so much more than this one issue. The Lord of the church is still Jesus Christ, and the disciples of Christ do an amazing amount of ministry around the world. Christ is still at the center and the focus of the church.

Salem's mission statement says it this way, Disciples making Disciples of Jesus Christ. And our vision, Salem UMC is a joy filled body of Christ which invites God's people into a connected relationship where they find acceptance, belonging, trust and unconditional love as the seek to live in their discipleship." Yes, so much more!