

July Message Titles

- Jul. 5: God and Country
- Jul. 12: The Beauty of God
- Jul. 19: Silence is Praise
- Jul. 26: Lessons from the Trees

Double Duty SS

The Double Duty SS Class will start back up on July 5th. Please read Matthew Chapter 8 in your Bible.

Electronic Giving

For electronic giving options such as direct drafts from your checking account, see Suanne Eshleman.

The Church is Open

We are now in the final phase of covid restrictions in our community where number restrictions and such have been discontinued. While we will continue to practice safe distancing and suggest masks while we are moving around the church, we are fully open for worship. You are encouraged to keep distance between families and handshakes continue to be discouraged at this time. Come and join us when you feel comfortable doing so.

Because of concerns about covid-19 and gatherings, we reluctantly have cancelled VBS, but look for an August kickoff event and resumption of children's Sunday school once school is back in session.

In addition, we did not feel it safe for a Youth Mission Trip this summer. Since we have paused our efforts to hire a youth/children's ministry staff due to covid-19, we are in need for a volunteer or two to help with our youth program for an interim period. Let Ron or Bruce know of your interest.

Salem News

Monthly newsletter of the Salem United Methodist Church

July 2020

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

Church Contacts

115 Old Main

Newton, KS 67114

Phone: (316) 283-3620

Fax: (316) 283-3629

Email: sum@sum.kscoxmail.com

Web site: salemumc-newton.org

Salem UMC Mission

Disciples making disciples for Jesus Christ.

Pastor's Column

I went to the doctor today (19th) for a routine med check, and as part of the check-in questions the nurse said they had an additional question they were asking everyone, "are you experiencing depression?" With all going on in culture today from covid concerns, to racism brought back to our attention, to the shaky economy, to election season; it is a good question for all of us, isn't it? Or the way I sometimes ask that question, "how is it with your soul?" For those feeling anxiety and/or depression, you may want to check in with your doctor. If you need to talk, contact me.

While we experience disorienting times, it is especially important to connect with God and remember the goodness of God. We want to strengthen and deepen our faith and our connection to God and receive comfort and peace only available from our faith.

A way to stay positive is to watch for God's activity around us. Observe the beauty of our God and the beauty of God's creation. Turn off the ugliness that is causing anxiety and tune into God and God's world.

My message July 12 will be about The Beauty of God. Then I will continue using images of nature in a series to discuss the goodness of God. Jesus' gospel message is all around us, in the clouds and trees, in the mountains and meadows, in the rivers and the solid rocks. The Holy Spirit will interpret this beauty for you and remind you of the beauty of God. Now, Raelene and I head off to Colorado to do some research on God's beauty, about the time you receive the newsletter I will be returning.

God is good, all the time! All the time, God is good.

Ron

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

Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 AM - Sunday School
10:00 AM - Worship

July 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Liturgists, Nursery, Ushers, Children's Time for July We will notify the scheduled volunteers when the church completely re-opens.</p>			<p>1 Bev Rosine Sherry Schmidt Robert Guest Jacob & Ashley Snodgrass</p>	<p>2 Elaine Solomon</p> 	<p>3 Jeff & Karla Stauffer</p>	<p>4 Jax Jones</p>
<p>5 COMMUNION John Samuelson Brian & Annessa Russell</p>	<p>6 Matthew Sattler Mike & Kay Larson</p>	<p>7 John Dorsett Andrew Harris 6:30pm - Christian Education Team</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 Ali Moore</p>	<p>10 Barton Moore</p>	<p>11 Aaron Beyer Bobbie Burns</p>
<p>12 6:15pm - FLC 4-H</p>	<p>13 Aaron Teel</p>	<p>14 9:00am - Commodities Distribution 7:00pm - Finance Committee Meeting</p>	<p>15 Kathy Ross Ashley Will Thomas & Ginger Jones John & Pat Dorsett</p>	<p>16 Garret Davis Opal Donker Mark Willis</p>	<p>17 Tony Torres</p>	<p>18 Marva Bever 8:00am - FLC Reserved</p>
<p>19 Tristy Hockett 9:00am - FLC Reserved</p>	<p>20 Carla Schwabauer Wilbur & Arlene Besore</p>	<p>21 Anthea Burson Jenni Saylor</p>	<p>22 Shana Hosford Glenn Sanderson Jennifer Sauerwein Connie Unruh Donna Wilson Chris & Dawn Wedel Bill & Donna Wilson</p>	<p>23 Emily Branson Nathan & Jessica Williams</p>	<p>24 Zachary Brown Ila Jean Sauerwein Eric & Heather Fair Bruce & Shari Snelling</p>	<p>25 Shane Saylor Ethel Eshleman Troy & Sommer Smith</p>
<p>26 Jordan Voelker</p>	<p>27 Jo Ann Arrowsmith Randall & Melinda Voelker 7:00pm - FLC Church Council Meeting</p>	<p>28 Jacob Sattler 5:30pm - FH Reserved</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 Alex Moore Leam Russell Aaron & Stacy Beyer</p>	<p>31 Jarrod Will Sue Bretches David Peaney</p>	<p>*Birthdays in Blue *Anniversaries in Red</p>