

# Salem's Weekly Announcements

## May 19, 2024

### WELCOME TO SALEM

For everyone who is here today, we encourage you to fill out the Connection Card inside our bulletin. The connection card is a place for you to let us know you were here, a place to sign up for various events, and a place for you to share your joys and concerns with our prayer team. We are so glad you're here!

### NURSERY, CROSS TRAINING & YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:30AM

**NURSERY**—is available for children ages infant through 2 years old

**OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES...** Students age 3 years through grade 5 will be dismissed to join Ms. Tracey in the Sanctuary for Cross Training after announcements. Children 3 yrs-5th grade will be picked up by their parent immediately following worship from their small group classrooms or the sanctuary.

**YOUTH**— Youth grades 6-12 are welcome to join us for the start of service and then head to the youth rooms for some small group time.



**CROSS TRAINING UPDATES!**—Hey friends! Grab your calendars for May and take note! Today, May 19th, we will be celebrating Pentecost as well as receiving our new confirmands at a combined 9:30 service. This means there is no Cross Training Sunday School today. We will be staying in worship with our families and enjoying all the special music that is planned as well as joining in welcoming the eleven confirmands as new church members. On May 26th, Memorial Day weekend we will be having a combined service outside at 9:30am in the Outdoor Chapel. On this day, Ms. Tracey will be providing fun activities for the kids to work on while remaining with their families in the outdoor area. There will not be Cross Training Sunday School on this day for Preschool or Elementary school.

### CONFERENCE UPDATES

Annual Conference will be held in Williamsport, PA from May 30-June 1. Pastor Randy, Pastor Jenny, JoAnn Howard, and Jennie Pelen will be representing Salem Church. Beth Zeiler is attending and serving as a Member-at-Large for the Conference. We will be heading to Williamsport on Wednesday evening and returning Saturday afternoon. JoAnn, Jeannie, PJ, and PR will be accepting the One Matters Award for Salem Church.

Jurisdictional Conference will be held in Pittsburgh, PA from July 8-12. This is the body which will assign Bishops to the 10 Conferences in the Northeast Jurisdiction. Depending upon the budget crafted at General Conference, we will know how much funding is available for the Episcopacy (Bishops). We will probably have a new Bishop assigned to the Susquehanna Conference (ex. we have been sharing Bishops with Western PA and West Virginia for these past several years).

# ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers are presented by Larry and Nancy Shatto in memory of their parents

## SERVE

**SERVING OPPORTUNITIES WITH PASTOR JENNY**—servants are needed to help on the following dates. Please contact Pastor Jenny, sign up on the Serving Ops Bulletin Board, or on your connection card if you're ready to lend a hand in helping our community and neighbors.

June 6th 7:30am—9:30am and/or 3:30pm—6:00pm—Salem Shares Food Pantry (set up & distribution)

**SPRING CLEAN UP—JUNE 1ST 8:30AM-1PM** This year we are focusing on general cleanup, power washing, and hedge trimming (especially the hedge row between parking lots, near the pavilion). please join us if you can and bring a power washer and hoses/extension cords if you have one, hedge trimmers, edgers, wheel barrows, rakes, leaf blowers, etc. ALL WELCOME!

### **DIVE INTO A CRAFTING PROJECT FOR SCUBA VBS 2024**

I am currently looking for a few hands on deck to assist with the creative side of VBS '24! If you are interested in a take home project (all supplies will be provided), a creative project (you supply some of the supplies/I will supply what I have), or interested in completing a project here at the church (supplies will be provided) please sign up on the connection card! It is time to start creating our awesome ocean themed VBS. Please contact Tracey with any questions.

### **OUR SECOND WEEK TO HOST FAMILY PROMISE 2024 IS HERE!**

May 19th-26th—We are hosting three families! Thanks to everyone that has already signed up! There are still several opportunities to volunteer. Please contact Stacey at [familypromise@fcsalem.org](mailto:familypromise@fcsalem.org)

**MORNINGS WITH MS. KATHY**—Join Ms. Kathy for a summer of learning about Bible Heroes! Sessions will take place on Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 starting June 12th through August 21st. The program is designed for preschoolers (ages 3-5) and encourages parent/child interaction with Bible stories. Children will be entertained with stories, songs, crafts, snacks, games, and other fun activities! Volunteers also needed! Questions? Contact Kathy at 717-798-0971 or [kathleenalford@msn.com](mailto:kathleenalford@msn.com). Volunteer & sign up forms may be found in the welcome center, or sign up on your connection card.

**OPPORTUNITIES at BICC**—BICC (Budget Inn Community Center) is our motel ministry serving the homeless in Central PA by providing them shelter, food and support. Donations of food (quick, microwavable) & personal items (hygiene items, paper products) for the on-site pantry are always needed and welcomed. We also have a few serving opportunities available:

Family Picnic — TODAY, May 19th, 3pm at BICC

Mobile Food Pantry — May 23rd, noon—2pm at BICC

Zoom Meeting—May 28th

Sign up on your connection card if you want to help! Or contact Marty 717-574-1682

# CONNECT

**MENS BREAKFAST**—Our mens breakfast for May has been cancelled. Please keep an eye on your bulletin for your next opportunity to join the guys for a nice breakfast and friendly fellowship!

**WOMEN OF LIGHT**— May 25<sup>th</sup> at noon. Ladies, please join us for “Tea of Light” at the Old Farmhouse (7027 Lincoln Hwy, Thomasville). Meet in the church parking lot at 11:00am to car pool. We will enjoy high tea consisting of fruit, salad, scones, soup, tea sandwiches and dessert. Cost is \$16 plus tip & gratuity. Sign up on the WOL bulletin board or contact Marsha at 717-982-1256. Let Marsha know of any allergies. Payment due at time of luncheon.

**SALEM SPRING CAMP OUT**—Saturday, May 25th. Pitch your tent for the evening and bring you own drinks & snacks to share around the camp fire! Stay in the morning and enjoy us for outdoor service at 9:30.

**CHURCH SENIOR LUNCH**—Tuesday, June 4th at noon. Theme is undecided but our entertainer is lined up—our very own Justin Jans will be joining us again! Please note what side dish you plan to bring. There is no cost to attend, but there will be a freewill offering basket to help cover expenses. Sign up on your Connection Card today!

## IMPORTANT TO KNOW

**POST CONFERENCE RE-CAPS**—The Susquehanna Conference delegation is hosting two post-General Conference Re-Cap webinars to share the most important takeaways from General Conference and answer questions that you may have. The next one will be on May 21st from 12 to 1pm. Pastor Jenny has registered for these events as the church. We will make plans to gather and participate here at Salem Church – so that we may hear, discern, and dialogue in an informed manner.

**SUNDAY, MAY 26TH (Memorial Day)** — We will be holding one combined outdoor worship service at 9:30am in the outdoor chapel (weather permitting).

**RED LAND HIGH SCHOOL BACCALAUREATE** — Grace Baptist Church of Lewisberry will be hosting the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Red Land High School Baccalaureate celebration on June

**GRADUATION SUNDAY IS JUNE 9TH**—Will you or someone you know be graduating from high school, college, or a trade school this spring? Please let us know who your graduates are so we may recognize them. We would love to know where they are graduating from, what degree they've earned, and what their future plans are. Email info to [office@fcsalem.org](mailto:office@fcsalem.org)

**MESSIAH'S AROMA ALL SPORT CAMP**—will be back at Salem on June 24th—28th! Registration is now open! This is a positive, high energy sports camp for boys and girls ages 7-12. Kids will play 8 different sports



# CHURCH INFORMATION

## OUR FAITHFULNESS

DATE	ATTENDANCE IN PERSON / ONLINE	TITHES AND OFFERINGS (BUDGET \$9,240)
4/28	128 / 62	\$ 4,644
5/5	144 / 76	\$ 7,635
5/12	166 / 73	\$ 7,246

\*\* In this month's packet of envelopes you will find two special gift envelopes; one for the Capital Fund and one for Salem Share's Food Pantry. For the convenience of our online givers who do not receive envelopes, these two funds will be made available to you online during this time period. Thank you for your generous support of all of the many ministries here at Salem.

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday, 9:00am - 3:00pm