



September 2020



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		1	2	3	4	5 10:00am (F) Memorial Service for Helen Johnson
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6 8:30am (SFC) Parish Outdoor Worship	7	8	9	10	11	12
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13 8:30am (SFC) Parish Outdoor Worship	14 7:00pm (S) Joint Parish Council Meeting	15	16	17	18	19
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20 8th Annual Parish Golf Tournament & Worship 8:00am--Check-In 8:30am--Shotgun Start 12:30am--Worship 1pm--Lunch/Auction Afternoon golf to Follow	21	22	23	24	25	26
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27 8:30am (SFC) Parish Outdoor Worship	28	29	30			
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Worship Servants for September

September Birthdays



- Sept. 4 Coleen Pihl
5 Doug Anderson, Stephanie Roets, Kaitlyn Watkins, Levi Pickering
6 Billy Gaskill, Gavin Zimmerman, Kyla Crain, Kylie Weis
7 Myron Applequist
8 Heike Anderson, Ronda Sjogren
9 Gene Smith, Angie Neywick
10 Mike Hoyt, Nikki Taylor, Tyson Abeldt, Beau Gengler
11 Tim Roets, Steve Dauer, Gary Howard
12 Dana Anderson, Kirsten Heimer, Kevin Allton, Rebekah Carlson
13 Harper Bauer
15 Katlin Allton
16 Sean Govier, Jordon Schneck, Tom Haxton
17 Janet Davies, Anna Anderson,
 Jessisca Rawson, Mary Lofdahl, Rhyann Jade Gaston
18 Donna Reiner, Gregg Swanson, Zach Loffer
19 Fairlene Swanson
20 Steve Kelley, Dixie Roets, Baylee Kampfe, Chris Bauer
21 Shari Lindemann, Keillon Smith, Daniel Scott
22 James Nelson, Jr., Emily Norberg, Zan Banning, Melissa Brumbaugh
23 Matt Hemmer
25 Perry Johnson, Mark Nelson, Scott Wolf
26 Randy Carson
27 Patrick Applequist, Kristin Holmquist, Chad Stamm, Avery Spencer
 Greg Johnson, Travis Morris, Darous Allton, Cheryl Larson
28 Ray Applequist
30 Morgan Roets, Christopher Holmquist
 Marilyn Brown, Angela Govier

September Anniversaries



- Sept. 5--Norman & Donna Dauer--39yrs
Sept. 10--Michael & Ryley Wimer--4 yrs.
Sept. 11--Mike & Teresa Pihl--38yrs
Sept.12--Larry & Diana Fairbanks--40yrs
 Jason & Melissa Isaacson
 Robert & Peggy Ochoa--5yr
Sept. 15--Jason & Liberty Patterson--2yr
Sept. 17--Gary & Sue Howard--43yrs
 Jason & Haley Sherwood--4yr
Sept. 19--John & Angela Miller, Jr--5yr
Sept. 20--LeRoy & Coleen Pihl--62yrs
Sept. 22--Kyle & Angie Neywick--13yrs
 Sept. 23--Curtis & Jill Barnes--20yrs
Sept. 30--Glendon & Janice Morris--48yrs

The Parish Communicator



Falun/Salemsborg Lutheran Parish
September 2020



How Boutcha Church!

Greetings water walkers! How have you been getting out of your boats this last month? How is the Spirit moving and working in your life? What risks have you taken to be the Gospel in the world this month? As we live in ever changing times, I encourage you to engage the Spirit in prayer daily and ask for guidance on what you can do today to make a difference. With so much negativity in the world right now I think we should really focus on how many wonderful things are happening at the same time. When Peter walked on the water he saw the storm around him and began to sink. When he refocused on Jesus and asked for help he received it. Peter just had to refocus and remember that Jesus had him the whole time, he just needed to trust and believe. I encourage you to do something bold in your faith! It will be different for everyone, but it will be significant! Pray for someone new, reach out to those who may be suffering in ways we can't see. Be the Gospel in the world! Remember, if you want to walk on water you have to get out of the boat! Blessings to you all this September, I think of you and pray for you all daily and count the days that we can be together again!

Peace,
Ben

Operation Christmas Child

Hello everyone, Barb Geiger here with Operation Christmas Child info. Yes, they still plan to collect boxes this November amid the COVID-19 global pandemic. Things may be different in how processes go but they still want you to help in their mission to reach children all over the world with the love of Jesus. I am asking you to keep them on your shopping list as school supplies go on sale. I will keep you updated with any major changes as it gets closer. "Every gift filled shoe box is a tangible expression of God's love." Franklin Graham.

Parish Treasurer Needed

OPEN: Salemsborg Lutheran Church and the Parish are currently looking to fill the Church Treasure Position. If you are interested please reach out to Jennifer Tillman to receive a complete Job description. Please email msjenn@hometelco.net

Dala Pantry Needs

Falun/Salemsborg – items needed from us for the Dala Pantry in Lindsborg: canned chicken, tuna, breakfast foods: bars, oatmeal, cereal, cream of wheat, grits. Donations can be taken to Messiah Lutheran. Monetary donations can be taken there as well.

United Youth Group Meeting

If you are an incoming freshman for the 2020-21 school year the Sr High YG would like to invite you to our end of summer BBQ! It will be at Lakeside Family Resort, Sunday, Aug 30th @ 4pm. Please also send me an email with your RSVP (for food purposes) and contact info (name, phone #, email and parent's email). My email is jadebanning87@gmail.com.

Many Thanks

Thank you to everyone who provided Nick and I with meals during my recovery from my hip replacement, we ate SO WELL. And thank you for all the thoughts, prayers, and cards. My recovery has gone very smoothly and I appreciate all the support. **Thank you** also for ALL of the support that has been and is being given to Sam and Suzy! I am blessed to be a part of this parish family!

Mary Ann

We would like to say thank you to everyone who has helped us recently. Thank you to all who provided food and drink, as well as help moving when we moved from the Salina house to the farm. There are not enough words to express our gratitude. We also thank everyone for the thoughts and prayers as we battle Suzy's cancer. It is great to have such good friends. Suzy & Sam Carlson



8th Annual Falun/Salemsborg Parish Golf Tournament & Worship Service

It is almost time for our 8th Annual Falun-Salemsborg Parish Golf Tournament & Worship Service! This year's tournament will be on Sunday, September 20 at the Lindsborg Golf Course. As with many things this year, the tournament will look a little different than past years.

- **For registration**, we only ask that you provide your team information to hold your spot for the tournament. We will then collect payment on the day of the tournament. To play in the tournament, it is \$40 per person (or \$160 per team). You don't need to have a full team of 4 people to play! Whether you register alone or only have 2 or 3 people to play, we can help you fill your team. Please give you team information to Mona Tjaden either via call/text at 785-452-0176 or email to mona.tjaden@gmail.com. The registration forms included in this newsletter show the information we need to register your team.
- **Hole Sponsorships** are still needed, either by families, individuals or businesses. Suggested donation is \$50 per hole sponsorship. Please contact Josh Dauer (785-643-2020; jdauer@hometelco.net) about sponsorship opportunities.
- We still plan to have a **Silent Auction**, so please share your talents by donating items for this. We will set up all the items outside to help keep everything spread out. Please contact Jennifer Tillman (785-577-6216; msjenn@hometelco.net) or Tina Dauer (785-493-2145; cdauer@hometelco.net) if you have questions about the silent auction or items to donate.
- **Worship, the Live Auction and Lunch** will still take place, just with everyone more spread out. Lunches will be pre-served and boxed. Lunch is included in the registration fee for golfers, but for our non-golfers, lunch is a suggested donation of \$15 for adults and \$10 for ages 8 and under. Please let Mona know if you will be eating lunch so we can plan accordingly.

Even with all of the changes this year, we still plan to gather as a parish for some outdoor fun, silent and live auctions, worship service and lunch. We hope to see you there! **Remember, IT'S "FORE" THE KIDS!**

60th Anniversary Congratulations!

Einar & Kristin Johnson celebrated their 60th Anniversary, which was August 20th, by serving Swedish Almond Cake, cookies, and coffee after the service on Sunday, August 23, 2020! Congratulations Einar & Kristin!

Wedding Congratulations

There was a "drive thru/come and go" bridal shower for **Rachel Norberg** on Sunday, August 16 from 2:00 to 3:30 at the Fellowship Center. Rachel was married at Salemsborg on August 22nd to Andrew Krier. Those who preferred to just drop off their gift without getting out of their car, were met outside and brought a cupcake! Those comfortable going inside joined us to watch Rachel open gifts as they arrived, enjoy refreshments, and sit a few people per table. Masks are not required, but encouraged. That afternoon, we will also honored two other brides with card showers. **Maggie (Quinn) Dippel** and **Abby (Matt) Wimer** who were married earlier this summer. It's been a challenging time to gather together, but we certainly wanted to remember and celebrate the joyous occasion in the lives of these three special couples! Congratulations to all these happy couples! We pray many blessings from God for them!

Baptism at Salemsborg

Congratulations to Shiloh Ray Abeldt who was baptized at Salemsborg on August 8th. Shiloh's parents are Austin & Hilary Abeldt. He joins brother Tyson to the family and sponsors are: Hunter Johnson and Josh Abeldt. We pray God's blessings for this happy family!

New Baby

Gabe and Lori Dierksen are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Hattie Ione born on 7/20/2020. Grandparents are Chris and Tina Dauer, and great grandpa Earl Dauer. God's blessings for this happy family!

New Policy and Procedures for Use of Our Churches/Facilities

We understand and recognized the importance of our parishioners / the public's spiritual, mental, and emotional wellbeing. So as we continue through this pandemic and make changes to how we do things, one topic of concern was: how to handle receptions at the churches. So on Monday July 13, 2020 at a joint council meeting a policy was established. This policy is intended to provide guidance for the use of facilities for funerals, showers, or any gathering based off recommendations through the local, state, federal and ELCA authorities. We pray that everyone stays safe, wear your masks, follow the social distancing recommendations, and practice good hand hygiene.



Tithe.ly

Tithe.ly is an online giving platform. You can download the app and easily give your offering or you can create an account via their website and give. You can use a credit/debit card OR you can set up ACH bank transfers to occur. (There is a very small fee for you, the member, to use the service.) You can also choose to "cover the fee" so the church gets your entire offering. You can also set up your giving as recurring so you don't have to worry about doing it every week or month. During this time we can't worship together, this has been a nice option so we can continue giving our offering and not impact our church budget too badly while we're not together.

It will also help during the summer months when we worship together at Falun. If you're still reading this (thanks!) And of course, you can still send a check to the church if you prefer to provide your offering in that way.

Salemsborg Lutheran Church

3831 W. Salemsborg Rd.
Smolan, KS 67456

Falun Lutheran Church

c/o Bernie Dauer
11164 Dry creek Rd.
Falun KS 67442

Salina Emergency Aid Food Bank

This area has been hit hard at the Food Bank. If you're out shopping this weekend and feel compelled to help, we are completely out of the following products: Tuna, Spaghetti, Oatmeal, Cereal, Canned Beans, Pasta, Elbow Macaroni, Egg Noodles, Rice, Sugar, Tomato Sauce, Pancake Mix & Syrup, Tuna Helper and Instant Potatoes! Your gifts assist those in our community who are facing challenging times. The Food Bank is open Monday through Thursday, 9am to noon and 3-5pm. On Friday they are open 9-noon.

Parish Mission/Vision.

Outreach is the broad focus with specific emphasis on Camp Tomah Shinga, Bethany College, Young Adults and following up with our visitors.

**Memorial Service for Helen Johnson
has been moved from July 18th to
September 5th at 10:00am**

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Darrel "Gene" Brax

January 4, 1933—August 21, 2020

Darrel "Gene" Brax, 87, of Assaria, passed away August 21, 2020. Gene was born January 4, 1933 to his parents, Peter Einar Brax and Clara Victoria Lindholm Brax, on his parent's farm 2 miles northwest of Smolan, Kansas, on the farm that was homesteaded by his great-grandfather, John Wahlstrom. Gene's father Peter, came from Ostergottland, Sweden at the age of 21.

Gene attended school at Washington #43, Smolan, Kansas until 1942. At that time, the U.S. Government took over the family farm from the Army's Camp Phillips which caused the Brax family to move to a farm south of Abilene, Kansas. He graduated from Abilene High School in 1950 and worked for KP&L before joining the Navy. In the Navy, he was a Structural mechanic 3rd Class until his discharge at which time he worked for Salina's KP&L. On June 6, 1956, Gene joined the US Postal Service as a Salina letter carrier and then a rural mail carrier in Salina, New Cambria, and Gypsum area for 42 years.

Gene enjoyed the outdoor life, farming and believed in helping people. He was most proud of his record of donating 90+ pints of blood to the American Red Cross. He was active in the following: Saline County Rural Fire Department #2 in Assaria, Lions Clubs, American Legion, RSVP, Saline County Rural Water District #3 Board of Directors, and the 4-H clubs in the Mentor Area. He was baptized and a confirmed member of the Salemsborg Lutheran Church where he also served on the Church's Council.

Gene was preceded in death by his two sisters, Mary Ann Rodie and Evelyn Brax and brother-in-law, Charles O. Smith.

Gene is survived by his wife of 35 years, Jan Jeffers Varner Brax; their children, Jon Brax (Judy), Lori Brax, Peggy Varner Beckley (Roger) and Jay Varner (LeeAnn); ten grandchildren, Hayden Brax, Garrett Brax, Ryan Johnson, Carin Rogers (Chase), Adam Johnson, Nicole Beckley Demars (Jason), Megan Beckley, Madison Varner, Lindsay Curl, Jami Noone, (Brad); six great-grandchildren, Colt Demars, Chloe Demars, Terra Beckley, Sam Noone, Sadie Noone, and Lincoln Rogers; his sister, Verna Smith of Lindsborg

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Salemsborg Lutheran Church, in care of Carlson-Geisendorf Funeral Home in Salina for the care and maintenance of the altar painting that was saved from the church fire.



Parish Notes

What a time we are living in! There is so much happening right now and people are being careful. We are holding our in-person worship outdoors at the Salemsborg Fellowship Center at 8:30am until we can safely worship inside the churches. We will still have streaming on-line services on our YouTube channel:

www.youtube.com/SalemsborgLutheran

Contact Donna Swanson with information for the bulletin or newsletter at : 785-668-2600 (home) or email her at donlee@hometelco.net. You can call or text her cell at: 785-452-1279.

If you are interested in using the Salemsborg Church or the Fellowship Center for any reason, please contact Nita Kay Carlson. She can be reached at nitakaycarlson@gmail.com, or on her cell at 785-227-5363.

Those who would like to send a donation directly to the Synod may do so by mailing it to: Central States Synod E.L.C.A; 420 W. 14th St., Suite 101; Kansas City, MO. 64105 (New Address)

Salemsborg Lutheran Mission Statement

"We at Salemsborg have so benefited from the gifts of God's love, peace, strength and joy through Jesus, that we seek to share these same gifts with others in grateful response!"

Falun Lutheran Mission Statement

"As children of God, we strive to love, care for, and inspire one another as we extend the grace of Christ to all."

If you can't make it to worship, you can watch live (or later) on YouTube: www.youtube.com/SalemsborgLutheran

Please contact Tricia Hartshorn or Donna Swanson if there are names that can be removed from our prayer list. Contact them as well if you would like to add someone.

We remember in prayer those who have been brought to our attention: Pastor Ben Fulton and his family; Harlan Shogren, stage 4 cancer; Becky Pihl, knee replacement surgery; friend of Amy Bauer whose son was accidently shot by a friend; Suzy Carlson, aggressive stage 2 breast cancer, receiving chemo; Wesley Shultis, stage 4 colorectal cancer, receiving chemo; Sonja Marston; stage 2 breast cancer; LeRoy Pihl, back surgery; Lisa Anderson Sankey, extended Hawk family member, blood clot in her lung; Gay Carlson's mother, Verna Kay McQueen, had an abnormal x-ray; All healthcare workers; We also pray for all members of the armed services and law enforcement officers around the world as well as all Christians who are facing persecution; All our friends at Bethany Home and the cottages as well as those at Riverview in Marquette. Special prayers for the new Parish Mission/Vision focusing on Camp Tomah Shinga, Bethany College, Young adults and our visitors; We pray for peace, healing, strength and courage, that all will feel God's loving hands. We also pray for many unspoken requests. If we have missed anyone who should have been listed, please let us know.

At the beginning of each month, the prayer list will be changed. If you have someone that you would like to place on the list, please let Donna or Pastor know. We are doing this to make sure all the needs listed are current. Some needs are continuous or immediately pressing and we do not want to miss the opportunity to pray for God's help for all in need.

The deadline for info needed in the October 2020 Newsletter is Sunday, September 20th.

Pastor Ben Fulton can be contacted at 785-845-1567

Council Chairperson:	Jennifer Tillman	msjenn@hometelco.net	785-577-6217
Parish Secretary:	Donna Swanson	donlee@hometelco.net	785-668-2600
Calendar Events:	Nita Kay Carlson	nitakaycarlson@gmail.com	785-227-5363
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Custodian:	Maria Wolf		
Worship & Music Committee Liaison:	Tom Holmquist	tholmquist@smokyvalley.org	785-668-2420
Caretaker/Property Committee:	Mike Dimitri	mcjmdimi@hometelco.net	785-493-6052
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Falun Council Chair	Clair Oleen	oleenc@bethanylb.edu	785-826-3222



“FORE” THE KIDS!

8th Annual Falun-Salemsborg Parish
Golf Tournament & Worship Service
at Lindsborg Golf Course

Sunday, September 20, 2020

All proceeds will help our parish youth
attend Camp Tomah Shinga in 2021

Bring Your Lawn Chairs and Join Us:

8:00 AM	Check-In
8:30 AM	Shotgun Start
12:30 PM	Worship
1:00 PM	Lunch & Auction

Afternoon golf to follow
*(free-will donation for those not
playing in morning tournament)*

Not a Golfer?

- Join us for worship, lunch and auction.
- Lunch is \$15 for adults and \$10 for age 8 and under.
- Looking for other ways to donate? Monetary gifts, hole sponsorships and auction items are welcome!
- Talk to Tina Dauer or Jennifer Tillman about auction items.

Please spread your talents to help the kids!

Golf Course Rules

- Wear golf shoes or tennis shoes while on the course
- All beer and beverages must be bought from clubhouse
- Only approved golf carts allowed

Return Team Information to Mona Tjaden via call/text to 785-452-0176 or email to mona.tjaden@gmail.com

Entrance Fee

- \$160 for 4-person team to be paid at check-in on day of tournament
- Checks Payable To: Salemsborg Lutheran Church; Memo Line: Golf
- Entrance fee includes morning and afternoon golf, lunch and cart use
- Golf balls and mulligans available to purchase day of (\$5 each, limit one)

Team Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Team Members: *(At least two on team must be from Parish.)*

Afternoon Golf: yes or no

Limited Carts: need cart or have own cart

- **Must be 18 years or older to play in tournament. (Younger can play afternoon golf with an adult.)**
- **Prizes Given to 1st Place Team!**
- **18-Team Tournament so Register Early!**

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"Train up a child in the way they should go,
and when they are older,
they will not depart from it."
Proverbs 22:6

Worship with us each Sunday
at 8:30am outdoors East of the
Salemsborg Fellowship Center
or online at:

www.youtube.com/SalemsborgLutheran