

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

Our mission is to reach out to others, proclaim God's word, share our faith and celebrate His love.

JULY 2019

"Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand." – Isaiah 41:10 NRSV

Dear Friends in Christ,

During the last month, I have had the privilege of watching many friends and young people graduate, some from high school and college, and some from seminary. As you can imagine, it has been a time of celebration. But, as I reflect on each of these graduations, I realize that each brings a different perspective and future for the graduates.

For our high school seniors, it has been a time to say goodbye to those with whom each student has grown up with and a time to begin a new adventure. It marks the beginning of the next stage of their lives. But in between high school and college, many students will take a much-needed break. Isn't that what summer vacation is all about? You do nothing but relax and enjoy some free time. There are no worries, responsibilities, or deadlines.

But for my seminary classmates, this is not what is in store. They are hoping that there will be no break for them, but that they will have a call and start serving a congregation right away. These graduates know that soon they will not have school to fall back on. No more comfort of taking a break. No more relying on spouses, parents, or student loans for support. They must now start living and leading using all that they have learned from school and life experiences. They have to spread their wings and fly. They may fall, but they will pick themselves up and fly again.

As I think about these graduates, I cannot help but see the similarity between what they must do to what we must do as people of faith and church. As followers of Christ, we have been given all the tools we need. We have heard Jesus' teachings; we have witnessed Jesus' sacrifice and resurrection in our lives. We have also been given a commandment to go out into the world and make disciples. We have been told to spread our wings and fly! But just like these graduates, we are scared. We don't always want to go and be adults, be faithful disciples of Christ. It is scary to grow up and leave our comfortable and secure places where others take care of us. However, for us to grow as children of God and be the church in the world, we must learn to fly by going out into the world.

The good news is that we do not go alone. As our graduates know, family and friends will always be there for them; encouraging, supporting, and loving them no matter what. They can always turn to us for help. This is precisely what we have from God – God will always be there for us as we go forward living as Christ's disciples. So, let us learn to live as faithful disciples of Jesus, who are willing to take risks, fall, and then pick ourselves up again and again. Let us move out into the world and share the Good News of Christ, bringing Jesus' peace and healing to our broken world.

To God be the Glory,



Rev. Shari Schwedhelm



*Preaching and
Presiding in
July
Pastor Shari
Schwedhelm
July 7th
Pastor Matt
Schur*

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Congregational Life Team

PASTOR

Salem has encountered several significant changes over the past decade that are influencing the effectiveness of our current committee structure. Some of the current challenges include:

- Salem has fewer active participants in standing committees.
- Several people are serving on more than one standing committee.
- Committees report high levels of fatigue among committee members.
- Communication breakdowns between standing committees.
- Duplication of work between committees reduces effectiveness.
- Volunteers experience isolation due to small teams on each committee.



After researching how other congregations have addressed similar challenges, visiting with peers in ministry, and discussing options with the council, Pastor Shari learned that one of the most successful solutions has often been to develop a congregational life team. This team brings together the duties of several similar committees and allows them to work together, sharing information and responsibilities, communicating at a single meeting each month, and sharing a closer working relationship with the pastor.

O GOD, THE FATHER OF

OUR LORD JESUS, YOU

ARE THE CITY THAT SHEL-

TERS US, THE MOTHER

WHO COMFORTS US.

WITH YOUR SPIRIT AC-

COMPANY US ON OUR

LIFE'S JOURNEY, THAT WE

MAY SPREAD YOUR PEACE

IN ALL THE WORLD,

THROUGH YOUR SON, JE-

SUS CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR

AND LORD. **AMEN.**

At Salem, this team would bring together the current members of Worship and Music, Christian Education, Evangelism, and Stewardship into a single Congregational Life Team. Every former committee will gain the support of the full team, while no one person will take on a more substantial role than they had before. For most members, this will mean one fewer meeting per month.

In other congregations, the congregational life team model has created new energy for many of the church's programs and ministries. People who had always served in one particular ministry learned what other committees did because of the team, and people were inspired to help in new ways. One of the most significant benefits of the team is improved communication. We know that our ministry work is interconnected, and what one committee does often affects the work of another. When we all meet together, the communication barrier is broken down, and we avoid making decisions that adversely affect the ministry of our partner committees.

Council and the members of our current standing committees would like to try this new model this fall and see how it works for us. During the month of August, we will be scheduling a meeting of the current committees to work out the logistics and develop our detailed ongoing plan. Starting in September, the new Congregational Life team will meet once a month.

If you have any questions about how this might work, or if you would like to be part of a team that supports the day to day ministry of Salem and only meets once each month, please don't hesitate to contact Pastor Shari or the church office for more information. Guests are always welcome at these meetings as well.

Rev Shari Schwedhelm

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

JULY 7, 2019



SALEM LITTLE SAINTS

Shade has begun to be put up for our playground! The children enjoyed seeing them dig and drill to put up the poles which is just the beginning stage of assembly. It should be all the way up by the beginning of July!

The 4th of July is on a Thursday this year and the center will be closed. We hope everyone enjoys a celebration of our independence with their family.

Thank you to all the fathers, grandfathers, and uncles that came to Donuts with Dad. The children get so excited and love it so much!

We are sad to say farewell to our wonderful music teacher Mr. Jeff. His last day was the end of June. All of us wish him well with his future endeavors and will miss him greatly! Please make sure to show him your appreciation if you see him in the hallway, all the kids had fun making cards for him.

Don't hit the floor, we won best of Fremont number four! That's right, four years in a row Salem Little Saints has won best day care in Fremont. This center could not have a better team, between the staff and the families we all really appreciate each other and put the children first. Thank you to our Little Saints family for all the work put into making this the best center in town.

Sadly, we have lost two great families from the center due to them moving out of town. We have openings in the 1, 2, and 3 year old room. Please check our website at saalemfremont.org for all openings.

Miss Lily

Lily Bowman
Director of Salem Little Saints Childcare



O LORD GOD, YOUR
MERCY DELIGHTS US,
AND THE WORLD LONGS
FOR YOUR LOVING
CARE. HEAR THE CRIES
OF EVERYONE IN NEED,
AND TURN OUR HEARTS
TO LOVE OUR
NEIGHBORS WITH THE
LOVE OF YOUR SON,
JESUS CHRIST, OUR
SAVIOR AND LORD.
AMEN.



*Have a
Happy and
Safe 4th of
July*

PRAYER OF THE DAY
JULY 14, 2019

BAPTISMAL
ANNIVERSARIES



ETERNAL GOD, YOU
DRAW NEAR TO US IN
CHRIST, AND YOU MAKE
YOURSELF OUR GUEST.
AMID THE CARES OF
OUR LIVES, MAKE US AT-
TENTIVE TO YOUR PRES-
ENCE, THAT WE MAY
TREASURE YOUR WORD
ABOVE ALL ELSE,
THROUGH JESUS
CHRIST, OUR SAVIOR
AND LORD. **AMEN.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY
JULY 21, 2019

July 1
Terrance Dowd

July 4
Andrew Crough

July 5
Dennis Leland

July 6
LouAnn Leland

July 7
Tamara Kremlacek

July 8
David Kuhr

July 10
Christopher Tank
Cathy Wetherell

July 11
Shayne Miller

July 13
Marvin Hansen

July 14
Angela Brummond
Bruce Krueger
Debra Tank

July 15
Nancy Baker
Jaxon Delaney
Griffen Kallhoff

July 16
Denise Burns
Jerika Siems

July 17
Cameron Dunn
Katie Tank

July 19
Graham Nott

July 20
Vivienne Crough
Elleanna Crough

July 24
Joyce Klinetobe
Rhiannon Vanosdel
Rowan Vanosdel
Brooklyn Wheelock

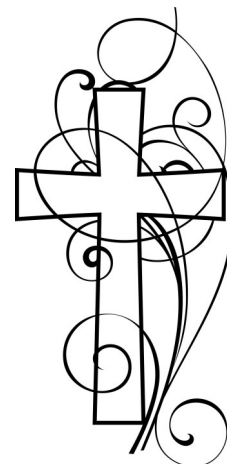
July 25
Shari Schwedhelm

July 26
Daniel Bittner
Ruby Hartmann
Wendy Tant

July 28
Penelope Wheelock

July 29
Diane Wilson

July 31
Barbara Fanning
Dillon Kuhr



BIRTHDAYS

July 1

Nancy Jo Bartunek
Joanne Miller
Vicki Tlamka

July 2

Elizabeth Remington

July 3

Ruby Hartmann
Tammy Knapp
Daesha Manzel
Cody Peck
Wendy Tant

July 4

Lee Ann Esch

July 6

Katie Tank

July 7

Brad Novak

July 8

Lynne Barnhart

July 9

Bob Flittie
Christian Harms

July 10

Duffy Severa
Jodi Tank

July 14

Kirstyn Leffler

July 15

Clarke Anderson
Jaxon Delaney
Clayton Kremlacek
Marisa Kuhr

July 16

Griffen Kallhoff

July 17

Cheri Cruthoff
Julia Knapp
John Kupfer

July 19

Bailey Clapper
Virgene Muller

July 20

Victoria Gaughen
Katie Schlieker

July 21

James Patterson

July 22

Rodney Sherman

July 23

Hudson Schwarz

July 24

Lynn Miller

July 25

Darlene Hefti
Nancy Knoell

July 26

William Bolden
Jeanne Shires

July 27

Brad Johannesen

July 28

Grant Brimmerman

July 29

Donna Heckman
Harry O'Keefe

July 30

Katie Reese
Brinley Tank
Arlee Tank
Dr. James Tremain

July 31

Cindy Gustafson
Chris Menn



ALMIGHTY AND EVER-
LIVING GOD, YOU ARE
ALWAYS MORE READY
TO HEAR THAN WE ARE
TO PRAY, AND YOU
GLADLY GIVE MORE
THAN WE EITHER
DESIRE OR DESERVE.
POUR UPON US YOUR
ABUNDANT MERCY.
FORGIVE US THOSE
THINGS THAT WEIGH ON
OUR CONSCIENCE, AND
GIVE US THOSE GOOD
THINGS THAT COME
ONLY THROUGH YOUR
SON, JESUS CHRIST,
OUR SAVIOR AND
LORD. **AMEN.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

JULY 28, 2019

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

BARRY AND DIANE WILSON
JULY 11, 1992-27 YEARS

MICHAEL AND SHELLEY SCHIESSLER
JULY 12, 2000-19 YEARS

DOUG AND KATHLEEN HARTMANN
JULY 14, 1973-46 YEARS

LARRY AND JANET SCOTT
JULY 16, 1967-52 YEARS

JOSHUA AND JORDYN CARPENTER
JULY 23, 2016-3 YEARS

ROGER AND BARBARA BRIMMERMAN
JULY 29, 1989-30 YEARS

JOHN AND PENNY COVINGTON
JULY 30, 1998-21 YEARS

*If we accidentally missed your
anniversary this month, please
let us know (402-721-6158)
so that we can correct/update
our computer records.*



BENEVOLENT GOD,
YOU ARE THE SOURCE,
THE GUIDE, AND THE
GOAL OF OUR LIVES.
TEACH US TO LOVE
WHAT IS WORTH LOV-
ING, TO REJECT WHAT
IS OFFENSIVE TO YOU,
AND TO TREASURE
WHAT IS PRECIOUS IN
YOUR SIGHT, THROUGH
JESUS CHRIST, OUR
SAVIOR AND LORD.
AMEN.

PRAYER OF THE DAY
AUGUST 4, 2019

GRATITUDE

+ + + +

Thank you so much for the generous gift.

Nick Novak

+ + + +

Thank you for the beautiful altar flowers I received from the youth group, their thoughtfulness was appreciated. Also thank you to Bernitta Wheelock for delivering them to me.

Jim Henry

+ + + +

Signup Sheets for 2019 Altar Flowers, Radio Broadcast, and Donuts

are up on the bulletin board by the
stairway to the office.

July Dates available:

Flowers:
Donuts: 21st, 28th
Radio Broadcast: 7th, 21st, 28th

August dates available:

Flowers:
Donuts: 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
Radio Broadcast: 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th

Cost for flowers—\$30.00
Cost for Donuts—\$30.00
Cost for Radio Broadcast—\$150.00

Pastoral Acts in June

Wedding

June 1, 2019

Becky Hass & Kevin Specht

Funeral

June 19, 2019

Vivian Lubker

Naomi Circle will be serving coffee in July

July 7th—Karin Henkins & Joyce Siems

July 14th—Bev Weitzenkamp &
Jeanne Shires

July 21st—Joanne Miller & Ramona Hasek

July 28th—Shirley Severa & Marilyn Harms

NEWS

Council Reports
are due by noon on
July 10, 2019

Newsletter articles
are due by
July 19, 2019

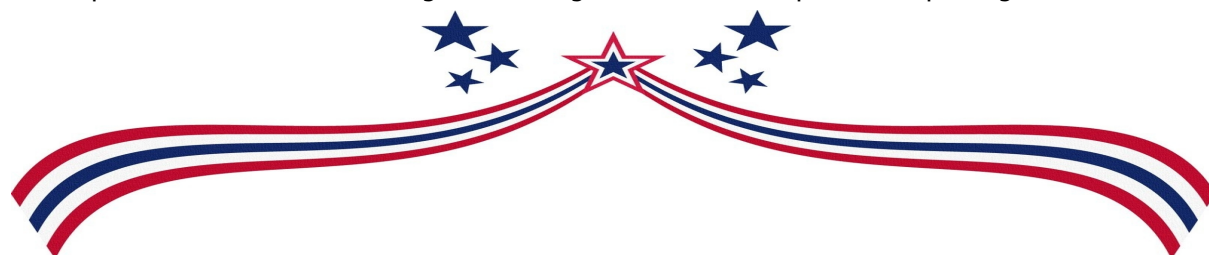
Life House Meal (*formerly called Care Corps Meal*) — June Life House meal was served by Joyce Siems, Wanda Kruger, and Janet Kletke. Residents enjoyed ham, salads, green beans, deviled eggs, milk, juice, and tres leches cake. Thanks to Joyce Siems, Wanda Kruger, Cindy Sandeen, Bernitta Wheelock, Carolyn Rix, Bev Weitzenkamp, Elaine Kuhr, Janet Kletke, Barb Fanning, and The Table for providing food. Thanks also go to Ramona Hasek and Dick and Anita Kentopp for providing financial help to buy ham. The July meal will be provided by Salem's circles.

Lutheran World Relief Soap Collection—Salem's soap project has almost reached halfway to the November goal. Generous Salem members have contributed 732 bars of soap for a total of 174 pounds. The November goal is 1574. Please consider putting your soap donation in the blue and white bowl in the narthex. Monetary donations will buy three bars for \$1.00 at Dollar Tree.

Salem and St. Timothy members are invited to attend the Fremont MOO baseball game at Moeller Field on Friday, July 19, 2019. This wooden bat game will be between Fremont MOO and Hasting Sodbusters. Game time is 7:05 p.m. with a \$6.00 admission charge. Come and enjoy a time of fun and fellowship.

Camp Carol Joy Holling—Join us at our 40th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, July 13th. Enjoy old and new camp activities like archery, zipline, making friends, boating, and much more from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. We will end the day with a community worship at 4 p.m. All those that register at caroljoyholling.org/anniversary before June 26th, will receive an exclusive 40th anniversary cuppie.

Carol Joy Holling Camp—Annual Quilt Auction on Saturday, July 27th. Over 350 quilts will be on display and the silent auction starts at 9:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m. The live auction starts at 9:30 a.m. There is a Barbecue Lunch Served from 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. (\$7.00 for Adults, \$4.00 for Kids (4-12), Free for 3 & Under). Specialty Items Auction starts at 2:00 p.m. There is also swimming and boating from 12:30-5:00 p.m. Free parking and admission. Visit Car-



Large negative for May reflects one payroll from April reported in May.

Financial update
Month Ending May, 2019

	<u>March Actual</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>
Income	\$17,026.23	\$118,063.92	\$111,124.00
Committee Exp	\$584.96	\$13,345.22	\$11,477.00
Operating Exp	\$8959.14	\$48,627.68	\$51,590.00
Payroll Exp	\$25,371.12	\$58,939.86	\$66,728.25
Net Income/Loss	-\$17,888.99	-\$2,848.84	-\$18,671.25

Designated Funds—
\$86,948.91

Giving May YTD—
\$114,762.22

-- Matt Wilson, Finance

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Salem Lutheran Church

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday

8:00 a.m.—Noon
1:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Friday

8:00 a.m.—Noon
1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

WORSHIP

8:30 a.m.—Worship Service

Holy Communion on the
first, third and fifth Sundays
of the month

Fifth Sunday is a joint
service with St. Timothy
Lutheran Church
Sundays 9:00 a.m.

BROADCASTS

Radio: Big Dog 98.9 FM
KHUB-1340 AM

Cable: Spectrum
Channel 1304
Wednesdays
2:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Thursdays
12:00 pm & 6:00 pm

EDUCATION

9:45 a.m.—**Sundays**
Intergenerational
Education Time

7:00 a.m. **Fridays**
Men's Bible Study/CG

11:30 a.m. **Fridays**
Bible Study/CG

CLERGY & STAFF

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Pastor Shari Schwedhelm

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Records Volunteer:

Jeanette Stinematess

MINISTRY COORDINATORS

Assisting Ministers

TBD

Acolytes

Melissa Godfrey & Tammy Flittie
402-720-6491 or 402-981-0140

Musicians

Projection

Sound

Video

TBD

Children's Message

Communion Set Up Readers

Barbara Anderson 402-727-4585

Greeters

TBD

Ushers

Don Godfrey 402-720-6491

Piano Dispersal

ONE PIANO AT
SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
IS AVAILABLE

The instrument is currently located in the
Prayer Chapel

A free- will donation would be welcomed
Receipient is responsible for removal

Please contact Jeff at 402-721-6158 ext. 12
or SingBelieveLive@gmail.com

Email Updates

Please contact the church office if you have an
email address and are not receiving the weekly
email news and opportunities that are
happening. Contact the church office at
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