

Salem United Methodist Church

December Newsletter

“181 Years and Still Loving, Serving and Celebrating”



SALEM Methodist Protestant Church 1833



SALEM United Methodist Church 2013

12 High Street, Brookeville, Maryland 20833

Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

TO THE SALEM UM CHURCH COMMUNITY



Reverend Sue Shorb-Sterling
Pastor

Advent 2014

Dear Salem UM Church Community:

We are entering one of my favorite times of the year, Advent. In our consumerist culture, Advent is completely overlooked. For instance, when was the last time you saw an Advent wreath being sold in a store? To counter the culture of secular Christmas, the church focuses four Sundays before the birth of our Savior on his coming: the first coming, his birth, and his promised second coming. We pray, “Come, Lord Jesus, come.” But are we ready to receive him when he does come?

How does one receive Jesus the Christ? How

does one receive any gift? Are we grateful? Or do we think, “Oh, I don’t have a gift to give back?” Or do we think, “What an awful present? Why would anyone think of giving this?” When one is complimented, how is it received? Does it cause us embarrassment? Do we try to ignore it? Or are we grateful that someone notices? Receiving can be more difficult than giving. We give so much to everyone all the time. We give of ourselves to our families. We give of ourselves in our jobs, community, and church. Giving is a type of serving. We are called by God to serve. Serving is part of our worship. But, so is receiving. Our relationship with the Living Christ is both one of receiving and one of giving. We are to be open to receive the Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love that Christ has to offer. When we open our hands and hearts to receive from the Christ, then Christ comes. Christ comes as an infant, a teacher, a Crucified and Resurrected Savior. When we are open to receive from the Christ, we will be filled with Holy Hope, Peace, Love, and Joy. When we are open to receive, we are replenished and refreshed. Then we can give not out of duty and obligation, but from our hearts.

Each Christmas we sing, "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Have you ever noticed the third verse? "How silently, how silently, the wondrous gift is given; so God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven. No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin, where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in."

How will we receive the dear Christ this Advent?

Waiting to receive,

Rev. Sue

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

December Sermon Series:



Nov 30 "Receiving Hope"

Isaiah 9:2-7; Mark 1:1-10; 1 Peter 1:3-5;

Dec 7 "Receiving Peace"

Isaiah 7:10-16; Matthew 1:17-25;

Dec 14 "Receiving Joy"

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Luke 1:47-55;

Luke 3:7-14;

Dec 21 "Receiving Love"

8:15 Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Luke 2:1-12;

1 John 3:1-3

10:00 Children's Pageant

Dec 24 Christmas Eve: "Receiving the Gift"

5:00 pm Family Worship

7:30 pm Traditional Candlelight Worship

Dec 28 10:00 Worship only

"What Have We Received?"

YOUTH GROUP

Sundays: 6:30-8:00 pm

Community Hall.

Dec 7 Practice Christmas Pageant

Dec 14 Practice Christmas Pageant

Dec 21 Christmas Caroling

ASP 2015

The Appalachia Service Project is alive and well at Salem. After a year off we will be sending two work crews of youth and adult volunteers to Appalachia. We are scheduled for the week of June 28-July 4, 2015 and we look forward to the opportunity to help make some homes warmer, safer and drier. Before we get there we will need to raise about \$7000. We have several fund raisers scheduled beginning with a church breakfast December 7 after the 10:00 church service. Next up is the Christmas cookie bake-off December 14 and, after that, the Epiphany Auction and Chili Cook-off January 3. We are also planning a yard sale in the spring along with other events. We could not participate in this mission without the spiritual and financial support of our Salem family. We thank you all and look forward to seeing you at some of our fund raisers.

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

We at Salem are really blessed to have our children and have them attend so faithfully. I, as "publisher" of the Salem Newsletter, have a hard time choosing the service to use in 'A Time For Children' each month. They are all so timely, we thank our Pastor, Rev. Sue, who manages to form her sermon to us, the congregation, into a form the children can understand and relate to. This month I chose the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Velma

November 23, 2014, our sermon was "Thank You." Rev. Sue gathered the children in the pulpit area, showed them the cornucopia and talked about it being the 'horn of plenty' reminding the children that we in America have plenty of the things we need, then spoke of Thanksgiving Day. She asked the children what they had to be thankful for and it was surprising the answers given,



Answers from clothes and food to education and community; would we have thought to thank God for our community? When we were in school, did we ever stop to thank God for our education? Just think what an education we received from our children today!

Thank God for our Children!

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

On Sunday, November 2, 2014, Salem “celebrated” All Saints Day, the day we remember those who have gone on before us during the year from November, 2013 to the present.



During first congregational song members of the congregation were invited to bring flowers to the vase in honor of their loved ones gone on. Later in the service the names were read and a candle was lit while the church bell chimed for each person.

In Remembrance:

Margaret Adcock	Gus Mantzouris
Julie Allaback	Frank Morris
Dan Altman	Lucy Morton
Bob Anderson	Bernice Mills
Kristen Andre	Cheryl Nelly
Patricia Atherton	Jack Natbrown
Gretchen Bell	Helen Neuhauser
Beverly Burdin	Henry Preville
Richard Craddock	Peter Ransfield

Tim Doland	*Dick Ranshaw
Paula Doyle	Mike Reynolds
Shelly Duvall	Charlie Saia
Elmer Falogme, Jr.	Denise Schaffer
Don Freer	Michelle Seaton
George (Steve) Fuller	Colleen Sedgewick
Carolyn Greenstone	Allen Showenberg
Anna Hoffman	Claude Tarmera
Jack Hofmaster	Richard Teske
Mary Hopkins	Jean Thompson
*Ben Johnston	Kingsley Thompson
Jeff Kaufman	Audrey Treaster
Robert Kimble	Margaret Van Gelder
Dorie Kelly	Kenneth Wahl
Kathy Kelly	Doris Walker
A. J. Koller	Barbara Wallenstein
Claude Kruhm	Johnny Whalen
Curtis Kuhns	David Winklepleck
Shawn Gangloff	
Sarah Linehan	* Members of Salem
Gertrude (Bobbie) Lerch	
Chuck Martin	

Memory Garden



Rev. Sue, David Yiger and his daughter

On Sunday, November 9 after both worship services we dedicated six bricks in our Memory Garden. They are:

In Memory of: Grace Bryan, Bobbie Charles, and Rebecca Watts

In Honor of: Mary Ellen Eaton, Yvette Thurston, and Dave Yinger.

The church would like to thank Dave Yinger for volunteering his time in placing every memorial brick in our garden over the years. Dave is now 88 years old and has told us that he has placed his last brick in our garden. So we honor him with a brick.

Thank you so very much Mr. Yinger for your dedication in placing each brick in just the right place. Our Memory Garden is a very special place and we appreciate your effort in helping form it.

FROM THE CONGREGATION



Sharing my thoughts with you ...from Charlyne Lewis

The Advent Season is here - a time for all of us to once again reflect on the most famous and important date in the history of our world...the Birth of the Babe, Jesus. Now, it's true, most of us will be scurrying about, long shopping lists in hand, rushing from store to store and place to place, worrying about the 'material trappings' to fill our lives over the Christmas Holidays, when in reality, we need to dwell more on our 'spiritual trappings'...the Holy Birth; Joy, Peace, goodwill for those not as fortunate as we; worshiping around the Manger with those three Wise Men of old, as they adore the new Prince of Peace.

Yes, this month of December is so very exciting...the whole world will be aglow with sacred worship and celebration to welcome the Infant once again into all our hearts.

May all of you also find the peace, love, and joy of this greatest of holiday seasons, and begin a new year refreshed in the Holy Spirit!

God Bless!!

Charlyne



Hymn #217

Matthew 1:18-25

SALEM UMC ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

December

Dec. 7:	Andrew Sterling
Dec. 14:	Tiffany Huber
Dec. 21:	Dominick Terry
Dec. 24:	Tiffany Huber (Christmas Eve)
Dec. 28:	Jacob Weinberger

181 YEARS AND STILL SERVING

During the past few months we have been concentrating on comments and memories of members and former members of our congregation to provide articles for this column. The thought

came to mind to review our former pastors and members "gone before us."

The following words were taken from the May 18, 2008 Anniversary Celebration, the picture was from the 1998 Church Directory:



Rev. Mark R. Waddell
Served 1986 - 1998

Our memories of Salem Church in Brookeville are such a part of this tapestry that God is weaving in each of our lives. So many people, so many hearts and so many events the past 12 years we were blessed to be a part of that congregation. The warm welcome we received as we started our journey in the "little country church" that we loved from the first made us feel so embraced and comfortable. We loved our new cozy home and worshiping the Lord in the beautiful sanctuary each week was to us a privilege and joy we will never forget.

We shared the birth of our two daughters Jessalyn and Julie and the loss of Mark's mother and grandmother. How fondly we remember when the girls became the "youngest" United Methodist Women and how they enjoyed doing crafts with "Daddy's ladies."

You supported us through Libby's life-threatening health issue, and shortly thereafter her hip replacement. You welcomed our extended family during their frequent visits to our home and church and how blessed the girls were to have multiple grandparents within the church family.

Sunday services were the highlight of each week as we "went to the house of the Lord" to worship Him and bring praise to our God. So many Sundays, so many beautiful choir anthems. Loving hearts entwined as we sought Him Who is our All in All. So many of those "special services," Christmas Eve pageants (with little sheep falling over the communion railing), Easter

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sunrise in the Salem graveyard –glorious (albeit COLD), and Children’s Sunday with the sanctuary decorated and FILLED with the sounds of children.

We wish we could mention all our memories – the talent shows, the puppet shows, the live nativities, the sausage grind, the picnics and the game Skippo we could never get the hang of. Most important, we remember events as shared with our dear friends. For that was what our time at Salem was about. It was walking on the path of this life, up on the mountaintops, as well as down through the valleys. It was trying to walk in a way worthy of the Lord, trying to share others’ burdens as well as our joys. It was knowing that none of us is perfect, but being able to love and forgive as Christ would have us do, so that the world could hopefully see us and be drawn to Him.

When our time at Salem was over, it was a time of deep grief for all four of us. God used the years at Salem to shape us and to begin our girls’ lives. We will never forget you. We will forever be grateful for those blessed years. We love you...May the light of Jesus’ love shine in your hearts always, and TO GOD BE THE GLORY AND PRAISE!

IMAGINE NO MALARIA

The chart shows that we are almost there! Our goal of \$2,500 is well in sight. Can we pinch a penny or two to make the dream of No More Malaria come true? No plates will be passed, however, there is a basket on the table by the chart to place your offering and what a blessing to finally realize - No More Malaria!

CONGRATULATIONS

Wedding: On November 15th Janna and Kenneth McCuistion were married at Salem.

CONDOLENCES

Our Condolences to Mary Ellen Eaton on the loss of her sister Susie Williams.

Also to Betty and Cloyd Bittner and Patti and Roger Rhinehart on the loss of their Uncle Bob Rhinehart.



“Flo” Florence Johnston

"Flo" (Florence) Johnston was a Brookeville native, a life-long active member of Salem, a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, a friend and inspiration to many, and Anna Unglesbee's dear sister. Her generosity and kindness were superbly balanced by her sharp wit and wry sense of humor. She will be sorely missed by her church family and all who had the privilege of knowing her. By: Anne Ennes

BAPTISMAL



On Sunday, November 23, 2014 Cole Robert McKeever was presented for Baptism by his parents, Lori and Blake McKeever. His God-Parents, standing with them are Loren and Greg McKeever. Cole is the grandson of Doug and Debbie McKeever.

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**REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS:**

Rev. Jeanne Klauda, Anna Unglesbee, Bob and Helen Van Druff, Reta McKeever, Janet and Rob Howes, Eddie Gregg and Tony Hopkins. Their addresses are posted on the bulletin board in the hallway or call Rev. Sue.

**CHURCH COUNCIL**

**Next Meeting – December 11th at 7:15 pm.**

## Salem's Charge Conference:

Sunday, November 9 was the date of our Charge Conference. This is our annual "State of the Church" meeting held with members of the Baltimore Washington Conference. In attendance were JW Park, our District Superintendent, Alden English, district president of the United Methodist Men, and 13 members of the leadership of our Salem congregation. The meeting began with a light supper prepared by Joanne and Joyce Keister. We then moved to the business meeting. Dr. Park began the meeting by charging us to define what we do well as a church and then doing it while being creative, flexible and having fun! On that positive note, we then began to report on the work of our various committees and groups. Major topics discussed included:

- A report by Fred Ambrose on the work of the Trustees
- A report by Buck Bartley on our Legacy Fund
- Reverend Sue discussed the exciting growth and activities of our Youth Group
- A discussion about our pastor's compensation package
- The status of our membership list
- The approval of Debbie Ambrose as our Certified Lay Servant
- A review of our Safe Sanctuaries policy by Maryellen Brown.

Copies of the Charge Conference report are available on the table at the front of the sanctuary.

By: Charge Conference

### SALEM UNITED METHODIST MEN

The Salem UMM has elected their officers of the 2015 time frame:

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|----------------|-----------------|
| President      | George Robinson |
| Vice President | Rick Myer       |
| Treasurer      | Chet Babylon    |

Men of Salem come out on the first Saturday of each month at 8:00 am and enjoy breakfast along with your meeting.

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As you read through your Newsletter, take note of the notes in bold red. Suggestions on how you might give to others:

As we remember our blessings, we are reminded to be a blessing to others. Give Gifts that help those in need.

THREE FABULOUS BIRTHDAYS



First row: Mary Ellen Eaton, Anna Unglesbee, Joyce Howes, and Rev. Sue Shorb-Sterling. Second Row: Maria Khadir, owner of JK House of Grace, Carol Janney and Jean Karl. Yvette Thurston is taking picture.

Anna Unglesbee turned 94 on November 6 and was surrounded by friends from Salem at her birthday party at JK House of Grace. She received so many beautiful cards from church members, lovely flowers, and a few of her favorite goodies. The party started with a delicious luncheon and ended with a fantastic birthday cake.

Joyce Howes



Joyce Howes and Charlotte Bryan

Happy 100th Birthday, Charlotte Bryan

Charlotte Bryan was born on November 11, 1914. On November 8, 2014 several of us traveled to her home at Menno Haven Retirement Community in Chambersburg, PA to celebrate her 100th birthday. She had over 80 family members and friends who gathered to celebrate her life. Charlotte grew up in Brookeville and at Salem. She is the third of nine children. Her baby sister is Janet Howes. They are the children of Charles and Anna Hawkins, the first couple to be married in the new church in 1910. By: Rev. Sue



Bob Van Druff with his beloved wife Helen.

November 30th, Bob celebrated his 95th birthday. In those 95-years, Bob served in the U.S. Navy where he survived the bombing of Pearl Harbor by the Japanese, retiring from the navy, joined Vitro Corp. in Silver Spring thus making their home in Brookeville and Salem UMC where they were very active in the worship of our Lord.

Everyone at Salem wishes to thank Bob for all his service and wish him the happiest of Birthdays.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTESSES

Hostesses for December

- 12/7/2014 ASP Breakfast-Bring your wallet!
- 12/14/2014 Suzanne Friis
- 12/21/2014 Velma Durant
- 12/28/2014 OPEN

If you can provide snacks for coffee hour, please contact Anne Ennes or Joyce Howes or go to:

www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4FA8AA2BA3F85-coffee

SIGN-UP FOR:

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Providing altar flowers is a nice way to honor or remember a loved one. Sign-up on the bulletin board.

NURSERY HELPERS:

Our nursery attendant has resigned. Until a new one can be found, we need volunteers to watch our preschoolers and toddlers in the nursery during worship; a sign-up sheet is available or sees Rev. Sue.

HAPPENINGS

Sunday, Dec 14, 5:00 pm Cookie Bake-off!

Bring your favorite Christmas cookies to be judged and money to purchase votes. Bring enough cookies for everyone to try at least one.

Soup will be provided (and of course, cookies). Proceeds to benefit ASP.

Sunday, Dec 21, The Longest Night 5:00 pm

Not feeling merry this time of year? You are not alone. Many are experiencing a loss, suffering from depression, or have flash backs of bad memories at this time when everyone seems to be happy and joyful. This time of worship focuses on our pain and grief, acknowledging that God is with us.

Sunday, Dec 21, Christmas Caroling 6:30 pm

Join the youth to sing bring some Christmas cheer to our elder members who stay at home.

Lord's Table



These are the faithful Salem servants preparing food at The Lord's Table....

December 27th, The Lord's Table is a soup kitchen located at St. Martin of Tours, 201 S. Frederick Ave., Gaithersburg. We begin cooking at 1 pm and serve at 3:30 pm. We welcome everyone to come and help serve.

Isaiah 9:6 King James Version (KJV)

6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Christmas Baskets



Two of our four baskets.

Our Thanksgiving Baskets list filled up quickly and once again Salem stepped up to provide for those less fortunate this holiday season.

We at Salem have a lot to be thankful for and the ability to step in and help others is one of our greatest blessings. Thank you one and all.

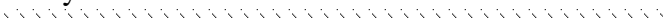
NOW it's time for the Christmas baskets. The lists will be appearing on the wall very soon, the baskets will need to be filled so as you are shopping for your own Christmas dinner be sure to pick up things for the baskets as well.

IT'S BAZAAR TIME!

When you receive this newsletter, the Bazaar will be just days away. Thanks to all the ladies of the Church who have worked so hard to make this fund raiser a huge success. There were many men who stepped in and helped in so many ways and our thanks go out to them as well. Pictures and comments will be in the January Issue for your information and enjoyment.

Remember Santa will be visiting our bazaar and even having lunch with the children (young and old).

Since the newsletter "hits the street"(via the internet) on the 1st, you have 5 days to make your plans to "be there." Many beautiful handmade gift choices and the baked goods are always a big hit. See you there!



JUST A REMINDER

To order your Café Justo Coffee please contact Kathryn Ennes at church or via e-mail at k_ennes@yahoo.com.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU

BLAKE ROBERTS is working toward his Eagle Scout Award and for the first part of his Community Service section of the challenge he chose the Salem Playground water problem.

For many years when the rains came, the water from Georgia Avenue flowed down the Parsonage driveway, through the playground, (leaving it soggy) on into yards of the neighbors to the north of the playground, leaving gullies in it's path.

Blake decided that fixing the problem would be Part 1 of his service project commitment.

Imagine No Malaria: We pledged \$2500. We are \$250 from our goal.



Blake explaining the game plan to fellow members of Boy Scout Troop 433 (pictures are from Carole Roberts Facebook page)

With approval from Salem and the Boy Scouts, under Blake Roberts' leadership 20 members of Troop 433 Boy Scout Troop came out on a beautiful late October day to install a new drainage system behind the parsonage. This is part 1 of his Eagle project. He will paint the playground equipment in the spring. Digging down, they placed the pipes in place and added gravel. Once the work was completed, the hole was filled and the pipes connected.



The drainage system is in place, the area cleaned and the project is completed. Great job, Blake!

The reports have come in that the project is working fine. So, many thanks for taking this worrisome problem and fixing it.



For the second time, Many, Many thanks to my son (-in-law) Russell McWilliams for "saving the newsletter." I had so many issues with the internet and later my printer and he fixed it! He "fixed" my new computer to where it was Velma-friendly, then stripped the old one of all the "garbage" so it's useable for the newsletter only. Thanks again Russ. Velma Durant

Legacy Fund: A fund that maintains our properties and funds new ministries

Appalachia Service Project: We are sending two teams in summer 2015. Cost: \$7000

BOOK DISCUSSION SELECTIONS FALL 2014-SPRING 2015

All meetings are held on Thursdays and are at
7:30 pm in the Choir Room

December 4 - Same Kind of Different As Me: A Modern-Day Slave, an International Art Dealer, and the Unlikely Woman Who Bound Them Together

A true story by Ron Hall, Denver Moore and Lynn Vincent biography, 245 pages

A dangerous, homeless drifter who grew up picking cotton in virtual slavery. An upscale art dealer accustomed to the world of Armani and Chanel. A gutsy woman with a stubborn dream. A story so incredible no novelist would dare dream it.

It begins outside a burning plantation hut in Louisiana . . . and an East Texas honky-tonk . . . and, without a doubt, in the heart of God. It unfolds in a Hollywood hacienda . . . an upscale New York gallery . . . a downtown dumpster . . . a Texas ranch.

Gritty with pain and betrayal and brutality, this true story also shines with an unexpected, life-changing love.

February 5 - Light Between Oceans

by M.L. Stedman

March 5 - The Silence Of Bonaventure Arrow

by Rita Leganski

May 7 - Girl Meets God by Lauren Winner

June 5 - Someone by Alice McDermott

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

If your name should be on one of these lists, please contact velma_durant@yahoo.com. We don't want to leave you out. Thank you.

Our December Birthdays are:

Espejo, Christina	12/08
Gundersen, Magne	12/08
Groves, Lexie	12/10
McClosky, Barb	12/11
Achstetter, Barb	12/11
Shorb-Sterling, Sue	12/21
Gregg, Kasey	12/28

There are no Anniversaries listed for December.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

Sandy Spring Lions Club: Monday, December 24 at 7:00 pm, in Salem Community Hall.

Eyeglass Collection: Salem continues to collect used eyeglasses, cell phones and hearing aids to donate to Lions Club. Please leave them in Salem Community Hall.

Our House needs Egg Cartons. Please save your empty egg cartons, place them in the kitchen in the hallway, someone will get them to Our House.

"FOR I WAS HUNGRY..."

Manna Food Center: 9311 Gaither Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20877, or online at www.mannafood.org; to volunteer call 301-424-1130.

Olney Help: P.O. Box 430, Olney, MD 20830; to volunteer call 301-774-6829. They still are in desperate need of rice sides (Rice-a-Roni/ Knorr sides), peanut butter, jelly, canned chicken, fruit juice, snacks such as granola bars/crackers, cake mix/frosting, canned pasta. Please place items in a box in the church hallway. No glass jars.

Millian UMC Food Pantry: Millian UMC, 13016 Parkland Dr., Rockville opens its food pantry on the second Saturday of the month. A box for food items is in the church hallway.

Got Clothing? The Glenmont United Methodist Church has a thrift store and has asked for donations of children's and youth clothing plus household items such as pots and pans, other cooking utensils, etc. If you have anything you can contribute, please bring them to Salem and place them in the collection box in the side entryway. We will see they get delivered.

Disaster Victim Assistance: Monetary donations will be sent to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Make checks payable to Salem UMC and mark "disaster relief" in the memo line. Or donate online at www/umcor.org.

SHAWLS

Prayer Shawls are available in Salem Community Hall. There is no cost; if you know anyone you want to share a prayer with all the time, see Carole Roberts or Rev. Sue for a shawl. The comfort they give is well worth the effort of delivering one to your friends, family or co-workers. They will thank you!

AND THE ANSWER IS –



Joanne Rider



Joanne writes: Traveling the country runs in my family—I'm a descendent of Daniel Boone. He opened trails so others could follow and that's what I've done. I've traveled to every state in our country. Born in Kansas City, raised in Chicago and Las Vegas—driving all over the U.S. in an old white Chevy packed with family, as my step-dad was a musician whose band played border-to-border. I did well in school, but learned more about our nation by traveling through the South during the Civil Rights era; twisting with Chubby Checker and scaling Donner Pass to see Lake Tahoe, than I did in the classroom. My love for the land in which we live and for the folks who live here led me to a career in journalism, television production, and for the last 15 years before my retirement last March—to serve our nation as a public servant in the U.S. Congress. I am a practicing Catholic married to Salem Member Don Rider. I attend Salem services with him, value the genuine commitment of the Salem family to help each other and our community, and treasure our Pastor Sue—for her anointed teachings and gift for insightful prayer. Don and I hope that we can be as good to the people of Salem as they have been to us.

OUR NEXT CHALLENGE ...

DO YOU KNOW WHO THIS IS?



Can you guess who this handsome young man is?

Call me 240-328-4810, email me velma_durant@yahoo.com or stop me at church, I would love to publish your name as a person who knows.

Answer in January's Edition of the Salem News.

Our Community-

Olney Help: Provides food and other support to those in need in our community

Checks can be mailed to Olney HELP, P.O. Box 430, Olney MD 20830

Or donate online at www.olneyhelp.org

Our House: Invests in the lives of young disadvantaged men

Checks can be mailed to Our House, 19715 Zion Rd., Brookeville, MD 20833-1505

Or donate online at www.our-house.org

International-

Compassion International: Offers hope for children living in poverty by providing education, health care, food, and faith. Child sponsorship is available, or gifts can be given.

Checks can be mailed to Compassion International, Colorado Springs, CO 80997

World Vision: Works in nearly 100 countries, serving those living in poverty by providing food and water as well as partnering with communities for long-term solutions to alleviate poverty. Ways to Give: Fund a micro-loan, donate to fund new wells, school supplies, animals, or food

Checks can be mailed to: World Vision, P.O. Box 9716, Federal Way, WA 98063

Or donate online at www.worldvision.org

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SALEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MEMORY GARDEN ENGRAVED BRICKS



The Memory Garden was established in 2003-2004 and we have all enjoyed this beautiful project to date. The Memory Garden provides a special way to memorialize, honor and celebrate family and friends in a permanent and beautiful setting. Inasmuch as additional people have become a part of the Salem family, we are providing an opportunity to order additional bricks that will become a permanent addition to the Garden.

Additional brick orders can be placed up to December 31, 2014, with installation planned for late spring. Proceeds from this sale will go into the church general fund.

Brick size 4" x 8" engraved is \$125

Brick size 8" x 8" engraved is \$200

Brick ordering information forms are on the table in the Sanctuary or you may contact Joyce Howes at 301-774-5851 or cucinotta1@verizon.net.

MEMORY GARDEN BRICK ORDER FORM

Brick Purchased by: _____

Phone or email: _____

Check Size :

Brick Size 4" x 8"

Brick Size 8" x 8"

Message for engraving:

Make check payable to Salem United Methodist Church with Memory Garden on the memo line and give to Joyce Howes by December 31, 2014.