

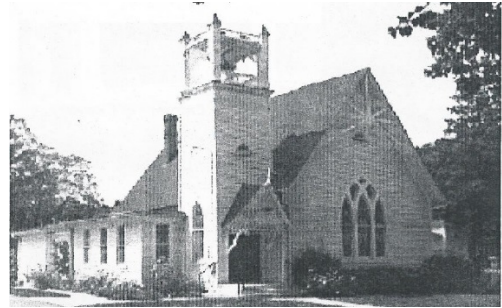
# Salem United Methodist Church

## May 2018 Newsletter

"184 Years and Still Loving, Serving and Celebrating"



SALEM Methodist Protestant Church 1833



SALEM United Methodist Church 2018

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



Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-Sterling.

To the Salem UM Church Community,  
We have a new Leadership Team! In 2017 when we were visioning, one of the visions was to downsize our committee system of governing. At first we were not sure what that would look like. After consulting with our District Superintendent, Rev. J. W. Park, and *The UM Church 2016 Book of Discipline* we discovered that this Discipline allows for one governing body without committees such as SPRC, Finance, and Trustees. This one governing body would do the work that had been done by all the committees. In the fall of 2017 the Church Council agreed to adopt this new model and coined it the Leadership Team. They voted

that the new Leadership Team would have seven members. Then the Lay Leadership Committee as their last act worked diligently to find seven members to serve. This process of finding seven members took several months, but finally *we have our seven member Leadership Team*. They are: **Fred Ambrose, Kulley Bancroft, Nancy Cox, Rob Morell, David Ranshaw, Libby Wright, Hisashi Yamagata.**

*The UM Church 2016 Book of Discipline* still requires that these leaders be voted into their leadership positions through a Church Conference. By authorization of our District Superintendent, I, as an ordained elder in the church, will convene a **Church Conference after each worship service on Sunday, May 20 to vote on their names.** Please plan to attend.

Sunday, May 20 is also Pentecost Sunday, the day we celebrate the birth of the Church. God sent the Holy Spirit to the followers of Jesus on this day over two thousand years ago. My prayer is that God's Spirit will continue to descend upon us and our new Leadership Team as we strive to fulfill our mission: To grow in our Christian faith and spread God's love to all.

In Christ, Rev. Sue

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**Sunday, May 6**

**Easter Worship Series:**

**Resurrection Love: The Great Privilege**

Sermon Title: "Perfecting, not Perfect"

John 15:9-17; I John 5:1-6;

Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98

**Sunday, May 13 Mother's Day and  
Compassion Child Sunday**

Lead by Libby Wright; All who have  
Compassion Children please bring along  
pictures and stories of your child.

**Sunday, May 20 Pentecost Sunday**

Sermon Title: "Something New"

Isaiah 6:1-8; John 15:26-27,

4b-15; Acts 2:1-21

**Sunday, May 27 Trinity Sunday**

Sermon Title: "One or Three?"

I Samuel 16:1, 7-13;

Matthew 28:16-20;

2 Corinthians 1:3-5, 21-22

## YOUTH GROUP

**Youth Group Meets Sundays:  
6:30-8:00 P.M.**

All middle and high-school students are  
welcome. You do not need to attend Salem  
Service.

**Youth Schedule:**

No Bell Choir in May or June

**Sunday, May 6 "Messy Games."**

Bring a game that will be messy.

This is Jo's last Sunday with us until  
September.

**Sunday, May 13 Mother's Day-**

No Youth Group.

Do something nice for your mother!

Sunday, May 20 ASP Training

Sunday, May 26 Memorial Day Weekend,  
No Youth Group

Sunday, June 3

End of the School Year Picnic

If you can host this picnic, please let Rev.  
Sue know.

## MEMORIAL DAY

A Memorial Day service will be held  
at Salem United Methodist Church  
Cemetery in Brookeville, MD on Monday,  
May 28 at 9:30 a.m. The Norman Price  
American Legion Post #68 will present the  
colors. Delmas Wood of Sandy Spring will  
deliver the message. Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-  
Sterling, pastor of Salem United Methodist  
Church will offer prayers. The service will  
conclude with Taps played by Jacob  
Weinberger from Boy Scout Troop #264.



## EASTER SUNRISE WORSHIP SERVICE



A good group of people gathered at  
Salem Cemetery Easter morning to  
celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord.



Our youth took a very active part in this special service, from providing the music to reading the scriptures.



Our Seminary Intern, Jo Schonewolf, presented the message, one could almost feel being in the garden with Mary as she entered and found the tomb empty, no soldiers standing guard, just the empty tomb.



It was such a blessed way to begin our celebration of Jesus' resurrection.

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

As is the custom of Salem, our Community Egg Hunt was held between the 8:15 and 10:00 o'clock worship services.

The guest of honor was the Easter Bunny!



No hiding place is left unturned.



And the reward was well worth the search.



Fun was had by all, including the adults.



The Sanctuary looked wonderful with the flowers on display.



And we must mention all the lovely hats in worship on Easter Sunday. Here are 2 of them.



Lois and Judy, you look lovely.

## APPALACHIAN SERVICE PROJECT (ASP) 2018

**The 2018 trip to Kentucky is scheduled for June 17-23, 2018.**

April 21<sup>st</sup> found both youth and adult team members (and/or their parents) at Salem's Community Hall participating in the annual ASP Yard Sale.



Here is a "birds eye view" of the room before the crowds came.



We are pleased to report everything in the yard was sold. The total raised at this fund raiser was about \$1480.00. Great job ASP Team and all who helped!

The final fund raiser of the year was a concert performed by The Encore Singers and The Mighty Kelltones.



Rose Edie-Altman, the director, introduced the program for the evening which included some songs sung in Latin such as Ave Verum Corpus. As always the music was wonderful.

The Mighty Kelltones invited our Intern, Jo, to perform with them on her flute.



Kathy and Ralph Lillie of the Kelltones.



Kathy and Ralph also joined the Encore Singers with the harp, whistle, concertina, and tambourine.

Once the concert was over, the ASP Team provided refreshments in the Choir Room.



As you can see there was a wide selection of treats. The Free Will Offering provided another \$460.00 for the ASP Mission.

This concert was Rose's last as director of The Encore Singers. She has retired as their director after 11 years. We wish her much success in her next adventure. I must clarify that her retirement is with The Encore Singers ONLY. She remains Salem's Music Director.

### A TIME FOR CHILDREN



What a joy Jo had in telling the children the story of the resurrection!

### THE LORD'S TABLE

The last Lord's Table for the 2017-2018 season will be:

**Saturday, May 26, 2018, 1:00-5:00 p.m.**  
At St. Martin's of Tours Catholic Church  
201 S. Frederick Avenue, Gaithersburg  
Volunteers to help cook, serve, and clean-up are always welcomed.

## BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, May 22, 7:30 pm –  
*The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World* by Dalai Lama, Desmond Tutu and Douglas Carlton Abrams. Location to be decided.

Beye, Noah	05/06
Preville, Dean	05/08
Thorp, Marsha	05/27
Langley, Conor	05/28
Lavelly, Bill	05/28

**There are no May Anniversaries**

## FREDERICK KEYS BASEBALL



Come out and celebrate 30 years for the Frederick Keys Baseball team. Salem has 25 tickets reserved for the August 11<sup>th</sup> game against the BUIES creek Astros (it's a home game). Time: 6:00 P.M. Ticket Cost: \$12. See Libby Wright to reserve your tickets.

## SALEM MEN'S MEETING

Saturday, May 12th at 8:00 am  
 Breakfast in the Community Hall

## SANDY SPRING LIONS CLUB

The next dinner will be:  
 Monday May 21, at 7:00 pm.  
 There is a standing request for help in preparing the dinner, setting up, serving and cleaning up. If you can help, please contact Mary Ellen Eaton.

## 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.

### Our May Birthdays are:

Hammer, Becca	05/01
McClosky, Lindsey	05/05

## OUR COMMUNITY

**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.

**Spirit Club:** A fitness group for those with disabilities meets Wednesdays in the Community Hall from 6:00 -7:00 P.M. Our own Philip Weinberger is an avid participant.

### **Alcohol Anonymous Groups:**

A large group meets every  
 Wednesday-8:30 P.M.

A small group meets every  
 Thursday-8:00 P.M.

### **Seniors on the Move – Exercise Class:**

Fridays, 9:00-10:00 A.M. in the Community Hall. Drop in. Registration not required! Participate and pay by the session or for the full season. For more information contact the leader, Mary-Jo Cosgrove, at [mjcosgrove58@gmail.com](mailto:mjcosgrove58@gmail.com).

## SIGN-UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to provide flowers during the 2018 worship year, please sign-up on the list posted on the bulletin board in the Hallway.

When signing up, please indicate if the flowers are a tribute (for example: from the



Jones family in honor of John's 10th birthday). Tributes will be listed in the Sunday announcements.

Purchase your flowers at the vendor of your choice and bring by Saturday afternoon. Call Rev. Dr. Sue before you head out so she can open the church for you. Contact Suzanne Friis with questions.

### **COFFEE HOUR**

**Have you signed up to provide snacks for coffee hour?** Please volunteer to provide a coffee hour or two this year. You may sign up on the list posted on the bulletin board in the Community Hall.

### **"FOR I WAS HUNGRY..."**

**Manna Food Center:** 9311 Gaither Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20877

To volunteer call 301-424-1130 or online at [www.mannafood.org](http://www.mannafood.org).

**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 the box marked for Olney Help in the church hallway. No glass jars!

### **MEMORY GARDEN**

If you are interested in placing an order for a brick to honor/remember someone please see Joyce Howes for more information.

### **PRAYER SHAWLS**



Prayer Shawls are available in the Salem entry hall on top of the coat rack. There is no cost. If you know anyone you want to share a prayer with all the time, please help yourself to a shawl. The comfort they give is well worth the effort of delivering one to your friends, family, or co-workers. They do help. Just knowing someone cares is sometimes just the right medicine. They will thank you!

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