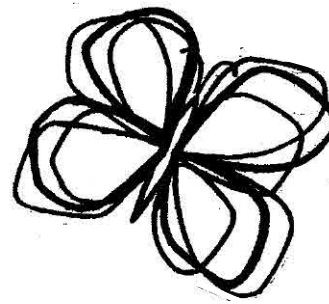


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Jesus Christ, loving and serving others and one
another, growing together in discipleship. Respecting the
dignity and diversity of all, we invite and welcome everyone into fellowship and service.*

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Pentecost

ELECTRICITY OUT, POWER ON

We didn't let a little thing like the lack of electricity stop us from worshipping on Sunday, August 28. Sixteen folks came to worship at 8:30am and sixty more at 10:30am. Michael Fitch played his trumpet and Pastor Tim his guitar for both services. And Paul Timmel helped lead the singing at the second service by playing the piano. Since the leftover clouds from Hurricane Irene made the nave very dark we all worshipped in the narthex. For a Sunday morning it was different and fun. And memorable, too. Thanks to everyone for being so flexible, creative and energetic.

That same afternoon we all gathered in a candle-lit sanctuary for a service of Holy Communion and Installation of Pastor Tim. The electricity was out but the power on! The Salem Choir, Salem Brass, Salem Ringers, Psalm 98 and the Back Row Worship Gang all provided uplifting music as we thanked God for calling Pastor Tim to our community. Pastor Bill Miller-Zurell, the Dean of the West Baltimore Conference, preached an inspiring sermon and officially installed Pastor Tim as our Associate Pastor.

And, naturally, being Salem, we could not resist further celebrating by sharing a meal. The potluck was a great success. Many thanks to Amy and Ike Porter who spearheaded the organization. Lots of willing hands helped prepare and clean up Bethany Hall. Thanks to all of you!

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**FREDERICK ROAD CLOSED For CRAFT FAIR
ON SEPTEMBER 11**

Remember that Frederick Road from Bloomsbury to Melvin will be closed on Sunday morning September 11. The church parking lot can be accessed from Newburg Avenue.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- SEP 4** **TWELETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
8:30 and 10:30AM, Holy Communion
Matthew 18:15-20
- SEP 7** **WEDNESDAY WORSHIP**
7:30PM
- SEP 11** **THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
8:30 and 10:30AM, Holy Communion
Matthew 18:21-35
- SEP 18** **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
Rally Day
8:15 and 11:00AM, Holy Communion
Matthew 20:1-16
- SEP 21** **WEDNESDAY WORSHIP**
7:30PM
- SEP 25** **ST. MICHAEL'S And ALL ANGELS**
8:15 and 11:00AM, Holy Communion
Rite of Confirmation, 11:00PM

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL—9:35AM beginning September 18

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Old Salem, *Sharon Stanton*

FALL MUSIC REHEARSAL TIMES

Salem Ringers—Tuesday, September 6, 7-8pm

St. David's Choir—Thursday, September 8, 6-7pm

Salem Choir—Thursday, September 8, 7:30-9:00pm

Sunday Choir Rehearsals begins September 18-between services

New members for all groups are welcome.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

AT CHARLESTOWN

11:30am at Brookside Classroom

September 14—Pastors Dave Asendorf and Vickie Hammel

October 12—Pastors Kristi Kunkel and Tim Jahn

SUNDAY BY SUNDAY MISSION SUPPORT FOR CATONVILLE EMERGENCY FOOD MINISTRY

Dates Available: September 18

Sign up in the hallway. There are envelopes provided there for your \$25 offering.

THANKS RECEIVED FROM:

ELCA Domestic Disaster Response for \$3,201 received.

Lutheran Volunteer Corps for \$200 received.

Their thank you letters are posted in the first floor hallway.

OFFICIAL ACTS

AT THE GRAVE: "For the assurance and hope of our faith and for the saints whom you have received into your eternal joy, we thank you heavenly Father."

Mary Patricia Sands—August 6, 2011

George Edward Watson, Sr.—August 20, 2011

Jayne Brzezinski Blazer—August 27, 2011

The church building weathered the storm with only some minor water issues. We did lose a mulberry tree on the edge of the parking lot. Remembering Hurricane Agnes from 1972 and Hurricane Isabelle from 2003, we can be grateful that most of us only experienced minor damages and inconvenience.

With September upon us, activities here at Salem move into high gear. Please see the rest of the Monarch for information regarding congregational meetings, Sunday School, Youth Group Activities and the newly forming Young Adult Ministry.

See you at worship!

RALLY DAY

SEPTEMBER 18

WE RETURN TO OUR REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Worship 8:15 and 11:00AM

Sunday Church School—9:35am

SEPTEMBER CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS

September 11, 8:25 and 10:25am

Nominations for Church Council

September 18, 8:10 and 10:55am

Election of Church Council Members

ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE

Salem will open its doors to Catonsville during its annual Open House on Sunday, September 11. The Open House is always held on the same day as the Catonsville Craft Fair and attracts many visitors. Our Psalm 98 group will be providing music.

The Evangelism Committee needs volunteers to help with the serving of refreshments. They also need cookie bakers and greeters. Please use the sign-up sheets on the kiosk to let them know if you can help.

IT'S TIME FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Have you registered for Sunday Church School? Look for registration form in your Sunday Church bulletin. We look forward to seeing you on Rally Day, September 18, at 9:35am as we begin a new school year.

SALEM'S WONDERFUL GENEROSITY

What a joy to report the generous outpouring of financial help for the famine relief in the Horn of Africa where millions of people are hungry. The refugee camps are overflowing. Our appeal has raised \$4,892 which has been sent to Lutheran World Relief. Thank you for your much needed help.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS September 13– October 2

New Members Classes are offered to provide an orientation or review of Lutheran Teachings of the Christian faith for those who are considering becoming a member of Salem. Please see Pastor Asendorf or Pastor Jahn if you would be interested in participating

Tuesday, September 13, 7:15-8:30pm—Introductions

Thursday, September 22, 7:15-8:30pm—Basics of
Lutheran Worship and Theology

Saturday, September 24, 9:15-11:45am—Basics of
Lutheran Worship and Theology

Sunday, October 2, 9:45-10:30am—Summary Matters,
Prayers and Preparation

New members will be received on October 2 at the 11:00am service.

Notes of Thanks

Dear Salem Supper Club,

We would like to thank the hard working committee for an evening of wonderful food, fun and entertainment. Lynda Bell and all those individuals deserve an extra round of applause for all the necessary changes and adjustments. They all did a superb job!

Lastly, a thank you goes out to all those who entertained us. Salem is truly blessed with an abundance of talent.

Thanks again,

Sincerely, Tom and Carolyn Vasold

Dear Pastor Asendorf,

Please accept my long over due thank you for all of your prayers and support you gave during my sister's, Anna Klemm-sen, illness who passed away on June 14. Your presence gave us comfort in the midst of a sad and difficult situation. Please also extend our appreciation to the members of the Salem Family who also prayed for Anna and for us during our time of need.

While it is always hard to lose a family members, we know that Anna is no longer in pain and that she is in a better place. We will always remember your kindness.

Sincerely, The Turyna Family

Dear Salem Family,

Thank you very much for the beautiful flowers, and thoughtful cards and phone calls. Your thoughts and prayers were very helpful in speeding my recovery. Thanks also for the enjoyable and encouraging visit by Lynda and Paul Bell. It means so much to have such a wonderful and caring church family. And I have a special thank you to Pastor Tim for his phone calls and prayers.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Tom Vasold

LAYING ON OF HANDS

September 11

During the distribution of Holy Communion on this date, members who desire may go to the rear of the nave to receive the Laying on of Hands for Healing and Anointing with Oil.

DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT MONARCH

is September 8.

SALEM'S MONTHLY CALENDAR

weekly - Salem Choir - Sunday, 9:30 - 10:30am

Salem Brass - Sundays, 7 - 9pm

Men's Prayer Breakfast-Wednesday, 7:00am, Café on the Grove

Stitchcrafters - Thursday, 10am - 12noon

St. David's Choir - Thursday, 6 - 7pm

Salem Choir - Thursday, 7:30 - 9:00pm

bimonthly Wednesday Worship - 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 7:30pm

Wednesday Worship Practice-2nd and 4th Wednesday, 1-3pm

LWR Quilting - 1st and 3rd Wednesday, 1 - 3pm

monthly - Church Council - 3rd Monday, 7:00pm

Prayer Shawl Ministry - 1st Monday, 7 - 9pm

Book Group - 2nd Monday, 7:30pm

AUGUST ATTENDANCE

August 3	31	August 17	28
August 7	217	August 21	222
August 14	159	August 28	76

ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

SALEM SUNDAY MORNINGS -

Adult Forum Begins Sunday, September 18

9/18 "What's new, what's old, in the Archives?"

Presented by Judy LeGath, Salem Archivist

BOOK GROUP

We meet the 2nd Monday of each month September thru June,
7:30pm

September 12—Galileo's Daughter by Dava Sabel

October 10—The Double Bind by Chris Bohjalian

PARISH NURSE NEWS

Once again, **Flu Shots** will be offered at Salem on **September 11** from 9:30am into the afternoon Watch for a sign up sheet on the Kiosk.

And on Sunday, **October 2** from 9:30-10:30am the Parish Nurses will host an exhibit and have a representative from the Mental Health Department to inform anyone interested in "mental health first aid" and other resources available to address mental health issues. October is Mental Health month. The display will be in the hallway outside of the nave.

SAVE THE DATE—OCTOBER 15

Please save Saturday morning, October 15 as the Men's Prayer Breakfast Group will be holding a Saturday Morning Breakfast. Stay tuned for more details

NEW ... MLR Saturday Retreat Series

Mar-Lu-Ridge Camp and Retreat Center in Jefferson, Maryland offers a new retreat series for rostered and lay leaders alike, on Saturdays. The retreats meet 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and cost \$30, which includes lunch. Here is a listing of the retreats offered:

September 24, 2011

"For the Beginner: A First Spiritual Retreat"

An introduction for first-timers and other beginners, who may come to understand why spiritual retreats are the life blood for many Christians.

Presenter ... Dr. Connie Devilbiss

College Professor, Author and Retreat Leader

Future retreats:

October 22, 2011 "What Jesus Was Dying to Tell You"

Find out why Jesus spoke in parables; what Jesus thought about religion and politics; why he was suspicious of money; his greatest temptations; and what he believed was the future of humanity

Dr. Scott W. Gustafson, Author and Lecturer

November 5, 2011 Called to Ponder Mystery ... an Advent Retreat-

March 10, 2012 Becoming Who You Are: exploring the fruits of the Spirit ... a Lenten Retreat

April 21, 2012 Unlock the Power of Singing in Your Congregation

May 19, 2012 Poisonous Faith: Disinfection and Prevention ... a retreat to prepare a realistic "Advance" to a healthy discipleship

You can call to register at Mar-Lu-Ridge at 1-800-238-9974; by e-mailing at MLR@mar-lu-ridge.org.

HISTORICAL OLD SALEM BUS TRIPS

Historical Old Salem Fall Bus Trip on Friday, October 7th will leave the Southwest Park & Ride at 8am. We'll stop at the Herr's potato chip factory for a tour and time to browse and shop. Then we will travel to Thomasville, Pennsylvania for lunch and tea at the Old Farm House Tea Room. Our last stop will be Naylor's Winery for a tour and tasting of their wines with cheese & crackers, as well as time to shop. We will arrive at the Park & Ride around 6:30PM. Cost: \$75 per person due by September 15th. Call Beverly at 410-744-2448 to make your reservation and meal selection!

MEALTIME BLESSINGS

From Grace Before Meals

By day, by night, at home, abroad

Still we are guided by you O God.

By your constant bounty we are fed

By your perfect council we are lead

In Jesus' name. Amen.

From One Hundred Graces

Beloved Lord, we do thank you greatly for this abundance that comes from you. In Jesus' name. Amen.

FROM THE PARISH NURSES

The Parish Nurses have found good homes for all of the walkers in our inventory. We will now be accepting donations of any gently used walkers.

Thanks for all of your help and caring,
The Parish Nurses

HELPING THE WEST SIDE HOMELESS SHELTER

Salem is one of several Catonsville churches to provide meals for the residents of the Westside Homeless Shelter. During the colder weather, there are at least 90 men in the Shelter each night. We provide Sunday supper and Monday breakfast. We will start doing this on the **first Sunday in October**. Please look for a sign-up sheet in the foyer.

We are especially in need of people to deliver the food on Sundays. The Shelter is staffed all day, so the food can be dropped off at any time. The food will be on the cart in the foyer and in the refrigerator downstairs. It's helpful if donors label any refrigerated food.

Please consider helping us again this year with this ministry. Salem is known for helping the less fortunate in Catonsville, and it is all much appreciated. If you have questions, please call Sue O'Connor (ssusie770@verizon.net at 410-302-2140).

THE GUARDIANS HAVE THE CAN DO SPIRIT

Our environmental group, the Guardians of Eden, are always seeking new ways to encourage recycling. We now have a brightly decorated trash can (thank you Christy Davis) at the bus stop in front of the church for people to recycle their beverage containers. It's a small thing, of course, but all the relatively insignificant things we do help reduce, reuse and recycle add up to meaningful differences.

A CONCERT COMMEMORATING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 9/11 TRAGEDY

Sunday, September 11, 4pm
Christ Lutheran Church
701 S. Charles Street
The concert is free and open to the public.

BREAD PROVIDER CHART

Open Dates: October 23 -December

We're grateful to those who provide bread for our communion. New volunteers are always welcome. The sign-up sheet and a suggested recipe is available in the first floor hallway. You may also provide a loaf of unsliced bread loaves from a bakery/bread department or use frozen bread dough and prepare the bread following the directions.

SEPTEMBER BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARIES

2 Amelia Brinkley	14 Regina Irvin
2 Jacob Gundlach	18 Rebecca Bowers
3 Letti Monahan	18 Michael Reich
4 Bredan Graham	18 Donna Sullivan
4 Daniel Gundlach	19 Bob Miller
5 Alice Meier	19 Grace Kempton
7 Mariah Green	22 Kim Foster
7 Luke Vasold	25 Linda Fleischer
8 Eric Loewner	25 Rose Hamelin
12 Robert Reich	27 Jean Kohlenstein
13 Donald Paddy	29 Charlotte Zenker
14 Liz Nash	

MONTHLY MEALS FOR UMBC

The Baltimore Lutheran Campus Ministry asked Salem if we would be interested in providing a home cooked meal for six students once a month. (As much as we like to eat how could we say no?)

We will be setting up a schedule so look for the ubiquitous sign up sheet on the kiosk. September is already covered so October is the next month we will need a volunteer. Please see Pastor Dave for more details.

A MESSAGE FROM THE TECH COMMITTEE:

Avoid the wait and save the expense - Go Green!

The Monarch is now posted on the web (www.salem-catonville.org) and is usually there before a printed copy would arrive in your mailbox. We would be happy to send you an electronic copy (.pdf file) via email, or simply an email notification with a link to the current issue, instead of a snail mailed printed copy. To let us know your preference, either .pdf file, or website link message, please send a request to salemtech@salem-catonville.org.

COMPASSIONATE PERFORMERS FORMING

Tim Medicus is forming a new group here at Salem that seeks to gather all types of performers to do outreach and provide financial support for other ministries. If interested please contact Tim at 410-788-5409 or juggler1@comcast.net.

FROM THE GUARDIANS OF EDEN: The Guardians of Eden have started a shoe drive hand in hand with Nike. Until October 30th we are asking for your help in collecting at least 500 pairs of sneakers. Any brand is acceptable. We cannot accept heels, cleats, metal, sandals, or flip flops. Shoes can not be damp or muddy. The shoes will then be sent to Nike and recycled to make playgrounds, basketball courts, tracks. We have a collection box in the Narthex, as well as other points in the community.

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: "Is it a sin to think about sex?" "Why does God let bad things happen?" "What does God think about war?" If you've ever had questions like this--questions you were afraid to ask--now is your chance! Join me for Sunday School in the month of October (10/2 through 10/30) for a special "tough questions" class. Being a Christian doesn't mean always having iron-clad answers to every tough question. It means gathering with other Christians, and asking God's guidance. Please join me next month. You bring the questions, and we'll talk!

-Pastor Tim

YOUTHNEWS

DROP IN DATES-

Drop-Ins—Friday, 7-10pm—check with Mr. Don



MIDDLE SCHOOL SUNDAY MORNINGS

September 11

Orientation, Reformation Hall, 9:45-10:30am

Students and Parents

September 18

Intergenerational Event, confirmands will be helping

September 25

9:35-10:35am

"Identity," teacher, Larry Kohlenstein

Rite of Confirmation, 11:00am service

New confirmands will make their covenant

October 9

Acolyte Training, new and 2nd year confirmands

NEXT CONFIRMATION CLASS

September 11, 5-8pm, at 2nd English

FAMILY MEETING

ELCA YOUTH GATHERING

NEW ORLEANS 2012

September 10, 9:30am in Reformation Hall

Please be there to get all the details and deadlines.