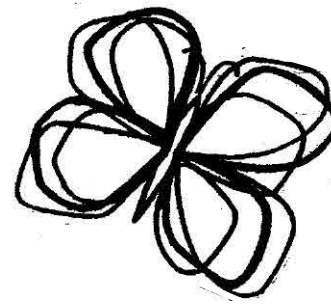


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*Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church
is called to be faithful to God's love made known in
Jesus Christ, loving and serving others and one
another, growing together in discipleship. Respecting the
dignity and diversity of all, we invite and welcome everyone into fellowship and service.*

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Easter

SALEM'S WORSHIP IN THE PARK AND CHURCH PICNIC

Sunday, June 5

Come join us for our annual 11:00am worship service at the Patapsco State Park (Pickall Area). The Church picnic follows at 12 noon.

There will be an 8:15 service at Salem that day.

Directions and information about the picnic are in this Monarch.

\$2,739 RAISED FOR SEVERE STORM VICTIMS

Your gifts will help families whose lives and livelihoods have been disrupted by these natural disasters. Thank you for your gift and prayers!

SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS JUNE 19

Our worship schedule changes for the summer beginning June 19. We'll worship at 8:30am and 10:30am. The Sunday School, Adult Forum and Choirs will all be off for the summer.

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church
905 Frederick Rd
Catonsville, MD 21228-4517

Change Service Requested
TIME VALUE

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

MAY 22 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
8:15 and 11:00AM, Holy Communion
John 14:1-14

MAY 29 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
8:15 and 11:00AM, Holy Communion
John 14:15-21

JUN 1 WEDNESDAY WORSHIP
7:30PM

JUN 5 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
8:15 and 11:00AM, Holy Communion
John 17:1-11

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL - 9:35AM

SALEM WEB SITE NEWS

If you're a regular visitor to Salem's web site (www.salem-catonsville.org), you've probably noticed several recent changes and additions. If you're not a regular visitor, you should be. The Monarch is now posted on the web and may be there before a printed copy arrives in your mailbox. If you would like an email notification with a link to the current issue instead of a snail mailed printed copy, please send a request to salemtech@salem-catonsville.org. Salem can now accept donations on the web and in the future will allow you to buy Salem Players tickets online. Please note that using a credit card instead of an EFT transaction from your checking or savings account, costs a 2.65% service charge to the church so EFT transactions are preferred.

—Salem Technology Committee

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Old Salem, *Sharon Stanton*

SALEM'S PRAYER TREE

"Intercessory prayer can penetrate the hearts of those we cannot open and shield those we cannot guard and teach where we cannot speak and comfort where our hearts have no power to soothe. Prayer with its unseen hand, can enter where we may not."

If you would like to join the Salem Prayer Tree, please contact Sue O'Connor at ssusie770@verizon.net or 410-869-0242.

SUMMER DRAMA CAMP DATES

Once again Salem's stage will be open to the children of our congregation and community this summer for our Drama Camp. Dates have been set as follows First session designed for ages 6-10 will take place from **Monday, June 27 to Friday, July 15** and the second session designed for ages 10-13 will take place from **Monday, August 1-Friday, August 19**. Registration forms are available in the church office.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

AT CHARLESTOWN

11:30am at Brookside Classroom

June 8: Pastor Gerry Rickel and Pastor Bob Stevens

July 13: Pastor Kristi Kunkel and Pastor Vickie Hammel

STILL SEEKING NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

There's a sign up sheet on the nursery door for the 11am service.

If you have questions or ideas, see Erica Krabitz. Please prayerfully consider how you can help!

AFRICA TASK FORCE REPORTS: THE SEARCH IS OVER!

We have been notified by the Delaware-Maryland Synod's Africa Task Force that after a long and laborious search they have found an excellent candidate for the position of teacher at the Kiabakari Bible School in Tanzania. Back in 2007 Salem committed \$25,000 to supporting the Task Force's grant application as part of our congregation's Investment for Mission Endeavor program.

The candidate is Ann Bunio who is finishing her senior year at the University of Minnesota. She is majoring in African studies, with a keen interest in conflict resolution. She spent three months at an orphanage in Rwanda so knows the challenges of living in rural east Africa. The Task Force reports that Ann is person of strong faith and spent her recent summers on the staff of a Lutheran church camp as well as teaching Sunday School this year. This teaching experience in Tanzania is not only a venture of faith and service it also fits her career focus. She has hoped to have such an opportunity before continuing with her education, and finds this two year commitment very appealing.

The Task Force hopes that following these two years the Mara Diocese will provide their own teacher. They'll be able to build on the curriculum and program which Ann establishes. Ideally her successor will even be able to be training with her before she leaves.

So the Salem congregation can be very pleased that our financial support has resulted in a very promising start of new and significant ministry for our sister church in Tanzania.

SUNDAY BY SUNDAY MISSION SUPPORT FOR CEFM

Dates Available: July—September

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

CEFM is one of Salem’s benevolences and also receives a portion of our Thanksgiving-Christmas appeal each year. Additionally, we take donated food to their location at 25 Bloomsbury each week. You can donate nonperishable food by placing it in the wicker chest in the narthex. Our support is helping our neediest neighbors in Catonsville.

TREASURER’S REPORT FOR APRIL 30, 2011

General Fund

Budget to Date	\$126,340.00
Beginning Balance	\$20,056.00
Expenses to Date	(\$106,527.00)
Receipts to Date	\$137,153.00
Ending Balance	\$50,681.00

RSVP

Beginning Balance	\$40,340.00
Receipts to Date	\$19,875.00
Disbursements to Date	(\$23,085.00)

from RSVP and Bequests

We are grateful for the healthy balance in our General Fund.
Note: beginning in July we will again have two pastors on staff.

Notes of Thanks

Dear Salem Friends,

Russell and I want to thank you all very much for the lovely Easter lily and the beautiful Easter cards from the children. They were so nice. We enjoyed them. We also want to thank Mr Donald Trump for bring us the lovely Easter lily. We want to thank Pastor Dave for bringing us the Service and Communion to our home.

I have been in the hospital a few days and feeling better now. I thank everyone for the prayers.

Love,

Russell and Rachel White

DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT MONARCH

is May 26.

SALEM HOSPITALITY STATEMENT

As our Lord welcomed all into his presence, so Salem congregation extends the hospitality of its worship and community life to all people, welcoming persons of any race, nationality, differing ability, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, religious background, or personal history.

DO YOU HAVE A WHEAT ALLERGY?

We now have gluten-free wafers available for Holy Communion. Please see Pastor Asendorf if you wish to receive a gluten-free wafer instead of bread at the communion table.

Sunday, June 5
11:00am SERVICE AND
PICNIC IN THE PARK



Directions are in this Monarch.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

June 26

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.

USED MAGAZINES STILL NEEDED

Thanks so much for donating used magazines for the Seafarers Ministry. The collection box is located in the narthex. Anything related to sports is much appreciated.

WORSHIP AIDS

We have several aids for worship. We have personal sets of ear-phones which serve as your own speakers. Hearing units are sanitized after each use. Large print copies of the liturgy are also available. See any usher for these aids. We will also upon request print large print bulletins with the hymns; these can be prepared ahead of time when the office is notified by Thursday. Please advise us of any way we could be of assistance.

ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

SALEM SUNDAY MORNINGS - 9:35-10:25am

May 8-22- "Thessalonians" led by Barb Mann

May 29—"Stump the Pastor"

June 5—"Summer Wellness" led by David Paton



BOOK GROUP SELECTIONS

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

June 13-The Master Butchers Signing Club

by Louise Erdrich

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ADOPT-A-PLOT

This years sign-up sheet is posted on the kiosk for those who could help out with the regular weeding of one of the Churchyards nine plots. Our Adopt-A-Plot program has contributed greatly to the consistent attractive appearance of Salem's yard.

SALEM SUPPER CLUB

July 23

Spend an evening at "Margaritaville" pm "The Islands." Put this date on your calendar for fabulous food and unparalleled island entertainment. Specific details will be provided on June 1. Don't miss this event.

VISIT US ON THE WEB

www.salem-catonsville.org

**DIRECTIONS TO THE PICNIC AREA
(PICKALL AREA) OF PATAPSCO PARK**

From the Beltway

1. Take exit 17 West, Security Boulevard.
2. Turn left at the intersection past Rolling Road; this is Greengage Road. In past years, Security Boulevard ended at this intersection. If the road narrows from two lanes to one lane, you have gone too far.
3. Turn right at the end of Greengage onto Fairbrook Road.
4. Go approximately 1/4 mile and turn left on Johnnycake Road (you can only turn left.).
5. The park is near the end of Johnnycake Road on the left; approximately 1 1/2 miles.

From Rolling Road (Traveling North)

1. Turn left at Fairbrook Road (before Security Blvd.). If you get to Security Boulevard, you have gone too far but can turn left into Security Boulevard and follow the instructions above.
2. Turn left on Johnnycake Road (you can only turn left.)
3. The park is near the end of Johnnycake Road on the left; approximately 1 1/2 miles.

From Route 29 (Traveling North)

1. Take 29 North until it ends.
2. Turn right onto Rogers Avenue.
3. Turn left onto Old Frederick Road.
4. After crossing the steel bridge, turn right onto Johnnycake Road.
5. The park is on the immediate right.

Ask for directions to Pavilion 702. **This is a different shelter than previous years.** A fee of \$2.00 per person will be charged. Seniors, youth and children (16 and under free if accompanied by an adult) are free.

Bring plates and cups and utensils. You're welcome to join in a pot-luck table, or to bring your own picnic.

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

FLOWER CHART

Dates available: August 7, 28

Use the sign-up sheet and give your phone number. Betty Stephens will call you for your designations of honor, memorial, or celebration, etc.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN MEETING & GREETING?????

If yes, then become a Salem Lutheran Greeter. It's easy and truthfully painless; it's a great way to not only meet new members of Salem's congregation, but a wonderful way to say "hello" to old friends. Your greeting is especially important for making our visitors and/or new members feel welcome and comfortable. And you will probably only be scheduled once every 3 or 4 months. You can choose which service you would like to greet at – either 8:15 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. Your name will be listed on the *Servants in Worship* list on the yellow insert in our Monarch. And should you not be able to serve on your scheduled date, you can seek to exchange your date with someone else listed on that schedule. You can notify the church office or call me at home in the evenings, 410-744-8724, if you would like to join the group of greeters. I hope you will give this serious consideration to join a very important part of the worship team here at your church. Thank you.

Sharon Stanton

OFFICIAL ACTS

AT THE ALTAR: "...let your love ever unite them with you and each other."

Eric and Catherine Volkmann—May 7, 2011

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."

Edith Bloom—May 11, 2011

SALEM PLAYERS ANNOUNCE

"Noises Off"

June 2, 3, 4 at 8:00pm

June 5 at 4:00pm

Tickets are available on-line, at the door or at salemployers@saalem-catonsville.org.

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Salem's Men's Prayer Breakfast
Wednesdays, 7:00am- 8:15am
at the Café on the Grove

For more information speak to Tim Medicus, Steve Germeroth or Pastor Asendorf.

BREAD PROVIDER CHART

Open Dates: June 26—September

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.

HOW ABOUT DEM O'S?

Our Oriole game this year is Tuesday, July 19th against the Boston Red Sox. Tickets are \$9.00 each for Upper Reserve seats. A sign up sheet is on the kiosk-leave your name, phone number, and number of tickets.

Ed and I will be in the hallway outside of church at 10:30 on Sunday mornings beginning May 15th. You can pick up your tickets then.
- Betty and Ed Stephens

LAST SUNDAY UNTIL SEPTEMBER FOOD NEEDED FOR THE SHELTER ON

June 5

We have only one more Sunday, June 5 to provide food for the Catonsville Men's Shelter! Please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex. If you have questions, call Sue O'Connor (ssusie770@verizon.net) at 410-302-2140. The men very much appreciated the food we have sent. Now, we are taking a break for the summer. However, please continue to bring in toiletries from hotels when you go on vacation (these can come to church any time).

Many thanks to all who provided food and delivered it to the Shelter. Your generosity has made a difference for some of the most needy in our community.

SAVE THIS DATE!!!!!!

The Catonsville Historical Society is coordinating a community event that is in conjunction with the National Road Yard Sale. Locally, that segment of the road is known as Frederick Road or Maryland Route 144, running right past Salem Lutheran Church. This year the National Road Yard Sale 2011 in Catonsville will be held on Saturday, June 4, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. AND, Salem Lutheran Church is joining in this event, hosting vendors who wish to set up their own tables on our parking lot between the BB&T Bank and Salem. The Frederick Road entrance to the church parking lot will be closed that day for vendors to set up in the parking slots. Proceeds from the sale of spaces here at Salem will go to support the Catonsville Emergency Food Ministry. Vendors keep their profits, of course.

Barbara Beem and Sharon Stanton are the coordinators for Salem. If you are interested in purchasing table space, contact Barbara on 410-788-0668 or catonsvillehistoricalsociety@gmail.com. Spaces are available for \$15 – you will need to provide your own table, and space will be reserved on a first come, first serve basis. Checks should be made payable to *Catonsville Emergency Food Ministries*. Please note there will **NOT** be a rain date in case of inclement weather and table sales are not refundable. Hope you will plan to join the fun; have a table and/or shop.

HOSPITALIZED

We ask your prayers for the following members of our congregation known to be hospitalized: Faith Ellis, Penne Giuliani—now home.

PLANNING TO BE AWAY FOR THE WEEKEND?

Worship on the first or third Wednesday!

Come to worship with us on a different day in a somewhat different style. It's the first and third Wednesdays, 7:30pm-8:15pm. Next Wednesday Worship is June 1.

YOUTHNEWS

DROP IN DATES-

Fridays, 7-10pm– May 27, June 10.



CONFIRMATION

May 1-29

9:35-10:35am

“Things Christians Don’t Do”
teacher, Matt and Liz Richardson
and Melanie and Damien Gibbons

NEXT CONFIRMATION CLASS

May 22

5-8pm, at Salem and Patapsco Park
Class and Picnic

YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

(High School and College)

9:35-10:35am

“So what are you going to do with your life?”
teacher, Don Schwartz

THE ART OF SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

Larry Kohlenstein has assembled his photographs of the art- work of Salem in a book including biblical context from a 1946 publication by Mrs. John Bowers and historical perspective from archival work done by Judy LeGath. A copy of the book is on display in the church foyer. If you are interested in having a copy, indicate so on the sheet next to the book display or contact Larry (impoet@comcast.net). The printing and shipping costs \$40.