

## The Salem Heartbeat

The Little Church with a Big Keart!

### From the Pastor's Heart

Dear Salem Church Family,

Happy February! We have survived "the year of January!" Does anyone else feel like January is the longest month of the year? Maybe it's because is just so cold and it gets dark so early.

February is an exciting month. Personally, it's mine and Deidra's anniversary month. Our 7 year anniversary is on February 18.

Regarding church life, I love February because we begin the Lenten season; I challenge you to start praying now about what the Lord would have you fast from this year. Ash Wednesday is on February 14 - Valentine's Day!!! Deidra and I will have to celebrate Valentine's Day the day before or after because February 14 is going to be a busy day with ministry. From 10 AM -12 PM, we have our Midweek Bible Study on the Heidelberg Catechism. From 2-3 PM, we have the Leland ministry where we will have an Ash Wednesday service with the residents. At 5 PM, we are going to have Salem's Ash Wednesday service where will be learning and practicing the ancient, but new-to-us, spiritual discipline called Visio Divina (Google it ahead of time to learn about it). And at 6:30 PM we will still have Celebrate Recovery at Fairview Avenue Church. Everyone in the church is welcome to attend all of these events.

For Sunday services this month, on February 4, Pastor Steve Wagoner will be leading the service; then we will continue our sermon series on "Spiritual Preparedness" which will take us to the end of the month. One change to our normal church rhythm is that we are going to observe communion this year on the first Sunday in Lent, February 18.

The youth of the church and their friends, 6th grade to 12th grade, are invited to our home on February 11 for a Super Bowl Party. We are going to enjoy some great food and fun fellowship that evening. The game kicks off at 6:30 PM, and the kids are welcome to come starting at 5:30 PM.

Let us continue loving and supporting one another through this month. May we show one another the love of Jesus Christ each and every day.

Pastor Brent

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"Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the Truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart."

I Peter 1:22

#### **IN WORSHIP - February 2024**

New 7-part sermon series: "Grounded in Readiness: An Expository Sermon Series on Preparedness."

February 4: Pastor Steve Wagoner "Shoulda, Woulda, Coulda!"

Text: Jonah 1; Matthew 11:21-24

**Feb. 4-**Sunday Night Fellowship, 6:30 PM: "Praying the Psalms, Psalm 13" (*Note: This is a change from our normal 2nd / 4th Sundays due to the youth activity 2/11*)

February 11: Prepared for Battle"

Text: Ephesians 6:10-18

February 14: Ash Wednesday Service at 5 PM

February 18: "Ready to Give an Answer" First Sunday of Lent; Communion Sunday

Text: 1 Peter 3:15; Colossians 4:5-6

Feb. 18 -Sunday Night Fellowship, 6:30 PM: "Praying the Psalms, Psalm 14"

**February 25:** "Prepared for the Harvest" Second Sunday of Lent

Text: Matthew 9:35-38; Luke 10:1-4

Please note that the Salem Church

Special Offering for February goes to PMI Pregnancy Ministries, Int. Please simply put "PMI" on the memo line of your check or on your envelope.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Please continue using the Prayer Cards on Sundays as they allow the prayer request and name to be accurately passed from the Pastor to the Secretary to be added to the bulletin. It is very difficult to hear and record the requests when given verbally during the service. It also allows them to be read so those in the Fellowship Hall and parking lot hear them. Thank you for your help with this important ministry of the church.

To send requests through the Prayer Chain, you can email them to Sandi Barnett at: barnetts05@comcast.net or call her cell: 240-675-3495



Join us on February 14 - Valentine's Day
for a special worship service at
Salem Church / 5 PM

Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

#### WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

The decision to cancel church due to inclement weather will be made by the Ministry Council President, Butch Rotz; Buildings and Grounds Coordinator, Troy Johnson; and Pastor Brent. Sandi Barnett will also send out a Prayer Chain email. You should expect a phone call from a Ministry Council member if church has been cancelled. Please use your own wisdom and don't drive if the conditions are bad in your own neighborhood!



Each week we pray for members and **friends of our church family**, a sister church here in the Waynesboro area and her pastor, one of the countries in which Christians are suffering severe persecution, and one of the ministries we support with our mission funds. Please join us in the ministry of prayer!

<u>February 4:</u> Fred & Judy White

New Baltimore Church of God - Lee Daywalt / C. Roy Daywalt

Persecuted Christians in Afghanistan Pastor Matthew Ondicho (Nakuru, Kenya)

February 11: Allan & Linda Wilson

New Franklin Assembly of God - Pastor Nathaniel Knoll

Persecuted Christians in Iraq Open Doors / Voice of the Martyrs

February 18: Corey & Jessica Woodring

New Guilford BIC Church - Pastor Lawton Jacobs

Persecuted Christians in Somalia

PMI - Pregnancy Ministries, International

February 25: Ted & Vicki Zimmerman

New Life Worship Center - Dr. Robert & Rev. Theresa Beall

Persecuted Christians in Maldives

Relay For Life



#### Salem Church Spring Flowers Needs New Gardener!

For the past several years I have cared for the flower beds at the front and side of the church. I have always enjoyed doing so but due to back pain issues I can no longer do it. I am looking for someone to take over this task. It is not time consuming. I will share all I have learned with someone new.

If you are interested, please contact Joie Rotz at 717-762-6961.



#### **Coins for Change**

These past few months you have been so generous in giving up your many pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and even dollar bills for the Lion of Judah "Coins for Change" mission project at Salem Church. Your loose change gave Lion of Judah (LOJ) Academy the funds they greatly needed to purchase fruit for their students in Tanzania.

Salem kids, you played a huge part in raising funds for this project! You'll be happy to know that with your many coins we were able to raise \$889.20! You are an amazing part of Salem's church family, God bless you!

So again, friends and members of Salem, "thank you," this is why we're known as "The Little Church with the Big Heart"!

Bertie Lawyer

PS – Be on the lookout for the next LOJ mission fund raiser, there is always a need!

#### **MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 2024**

	<u>USHER/GREETER</u>	<u> </u>	<b>WORSHIP LEADER</b>		<b>ACOLYTE</b>
2/4	Butch & Joie Rotz	2/4	Jessica Woodring	2/4	Joie Rotz
2/11	Corey & Jessica Woodring	2/11	Lu Kennedy	2/11	<b>Easton Woodring</b>
2/18	Jean Kahl / John McGuire	2/18	Tom McCloud	2/18	John McGuire
2/25	OPEN / TBD	2/25	Fred West	2/25	YOUTH-TBD

	OFFERING COUNTERS	<u>NURSERY</u>	*ALTAR FLOWERS
2/4	Sandi B. / Fred White	(2 Workers each Sunday)	2/4 Lois Sellar
2/11	Wendy E. / Linda S.	2/4 Cindy J. / Wendy E.	2/11 OPEN / TBD
2/18	Sandi B. / Terry E.	2/11 Cindy J. / <b>TBD</b>	2/18 Pastor Brent & Deidra Mangus
2/25	Lana L. / John M.	2/18 Cindy J. / TBD	2/25 Fred & Judy White
		2/25 Cindy J. / Wendy E.	

<sup>\*</sup>If you signed up for Altar Flowers and plan to have them on display in the Sanctuary, please contact the church secretary no later than the Sunday before (one week prior) in order to have your dedication in the bulletin. We also have silk flowers on hand for those who do not wish to use live floral bouquets.

#### **Salem Church Directory Updates:**

Roy (717.377.6985) & Elsie (717.387.2456)
Horton

NEW EMAIL: elsieandroy@yahoo.com

**Anita Johnson** 

c/o The Leland 120 W Main st

Waynesboro, PA 17268

New hard copies are available in the church narthex. Electronic copies are available upon request: salemchurch@pa.net



This year Salem Church partnered with the Waynesboro American Legion's "Vets Christmas Blessings" project providing gifts to 46 veterans residing in local assisted living facilities. The gift package included multiple toiletries (provided by Salem Church), a stocking full of holiday treats and a handmade lap Afghan. Thank you so much for your generous donations. Salem Church members take to heart Jesus' message of "giving to others" as part of their call to living a Christian life.

Blessings to all, Butch and Joie Rotz

Saints at Salem Church -

Thank you for your generous gift and your continual prayers toward our ministry with DiscipleMakers. We are excited to begin a new semester on the 16th & see what the Lord will do. Thank you for your partnership in the Gospel. May God bless your church richly in Christ Jesus!

Colby & Kierstyn

Thank you, Salem Church, for a wonderful Christmas for our adopted family. Along with all the gifts of clothing and toys we gave them a \$100.00 gift card for gas at AC&T and \$400.00 in gift cards for groceries at two local markets. Thank you for your kindness and generosity; it put a smile and a few tears on the mothers face . Thanks again, Salem.

Love & Blessings - Linda Wilson

# February 2024 Calendar of Events / Activities

REGULAR WEEKLY / MONTHLY ACTIVITIES: Wednesday Morning: Bible Study, 10 AM-12 PM Salem Fellowship Center

#### **Dates to Remember:**

Sunday Night Fellowship	February 04	6:30 PM
Ministry Council	February 08	7:00 PM
Youth Super Bowl Party/Mangus'	February 11	5:30 PM
Leland Ministry	February 14	2:00 PM
Ash Wednesday Service	February 14	5:00 PM
Game Nite	February 16	6:00 PM
1st Sun. in Lent / Communion	February 18	10:45 AM
Newsletter Deadline	February 18	8:00 PM
Sunday Night Fellowship	February 25	6:30 PM

## MISSION BULLETIN BOARD

Want to know what is going on with our supported



missionaries? Don't forget to check out the Mission Bulletin Board in the Fellowship Center. There you will find the latest newsletters and updates!

#### **SALEM GAME NITE!**

The next *Game Nite* is scheduled for Friday, February 16 at 6:00 PM. Please contact Jean Kahl if you have questions or suggestions. Join the







2/11 Charlie Mull2/19 Andy Anderson2/27 Tammy Eisenberger





2-4 Chucky & Jamie Snyder

2-16-94 Andy & Pam Emrick

2-18-17 Pastor Brent & Deidra Mangus

2-26-65 Fred & Judy White



#### **CHURCH LEADERSHIP**

#### Ministry Council Members 2024:

#### Council/Congregation, President:

**Butch Rotz** 717-762-6961

#### **Council/Congregation, Vice President:**

Sherry Hill 717-794-2785

**Secretary:** 

Roger Fuller 717-387-3026

**Co-Treasurers:** 

Sandi Barnett 240-675-3495 Ruth Ann Helman 717-762-8972

#### Members:

Mike Eisenberger	717-977-0292
Lu Kennedy	717-762-9692
Michelle Lushbaugh	717-762-4193
John McGuire	240-357-6237
Lois Sellar	717-762-1986
Linda Stoler	717-655-7833
Fred White	717-762-7008

#### **Ex-officio members:**

Brent Mangus (Lead Pastor) Ruth Ann Helman (Treasurer) Sandi Barnett (Treasurer)

#### Council of Elders 2024:

Terry Eigenbrode	717-762-4720
Troy Johnson	717-762-4426
Jean Kahl	717-977-0867
Jim Ressler	717-762-2643
Jeff Rhodes	717-762-9435
Sam Rose	717-762-8582
Butch Rotz	717-762-6961
Linda Stoler	717-655-7833

#### Ministers to the Community:

All members

Church phone: 717-762-8531 E-mail: salemchurch@pa.net

#### MINISTRY TEAMS

Administrative Ministry Teams - \*Sherry Hill H.E.L.P. - Linda Stoler Historical Records - Wendy Eigenbrode Personnel - Linda Stoler

Caring Ministry Teams - \*Fred White
Board of Deacons - Lu Kennedy
Funeral Meals - Paula Eigenbrode
Family Assistance Fund - Linda Stoler
Meals - Bonnie Rhodes
Prayer Chain - Sandi Barnett

Christian Education Ministry Teams -\*Michelle Lushbaugh Adult Sunday School - Tom McCloud Bible Studies, Classes, Seminars - Pastor Brent Children's Ministries— Wendy Eigenbrode Nursery - Cindy Johnson

Fellowship Ministry Teams - \*Lu Kennedy
Game Nite - Jean Kahl
Guess Who's Coming to Dinner - Tom & Fern McCloud

Outreach Ministry Team - \*Lois Sellar
Leland Ministry - Lu Kennedy
Mission Team - Jim Ressler
Relay for Life Team - Linda Stoler
Salvation Army Bell Ringers - Tom & Fern McCloud
Women's Fellowship Project Group –Joie Rotz

Property & Maintenance Ministry Team - \*John McGuire
Cemetery - Troy Johnson/John McGuire
Property & Maintenance - Troy Johnson/John McGuire
Columbarium/Scattering Garden - Paula Eigenbrode
Safety & Security - (To Be Determined)
Property Improvement Committee - (To Be Determined)

Spiritual Council - \*Linda Stoler
Pastoral Relations Ministry Team - Sam Rose

Worship Ministry Teams - \*Mike Eisenberger
Worship Team - Linda Wilson
Praise Music Team - Wendy Beeler
Tech Team - Sam Rose
Marquee - Nancy Burgesser / Michelle Lushbaugh
Acolytes – (To Be Determined)

\*The names with an asterisk are the liaisons for that particular ministry