



salem
United Methodist Church

June 2018

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 am

Sunday School: 9:30 am

Salem's Story



Chapin High School



Kaitlyn Baxa
Josh Corning
Chip Dye

Spring Hill High School



Megan Elizabeth Hood
Henry Richard Morgan
Emily Catherine Shelton

Elon University



Winthrop University

Stephanie Clements



University of South Carolina

Kayla Evans



Clemson University

Jacob C. McMeekin
Zebulon Vance Morgan, V
Blake Overton (December)

Salem Kids

**CALLING ALL SALEM'S KIDS...
SCHOOL'S ALMOST OUT
LET'S CELEBRATE!!!**

**Sunday, June 3rd
3-5 p.m.**



Jump from 3-4

*Please arrive at HiWire no later than 2:45
**A parent must accompany and stay
***If you have a pair of the required
Hi-Wire Socks, please bring them with you

Free Church Sponsored Event for all kids 3K-5th grade



Pelican's
SnoBalls
pelicansnoballs.com

Bring your child to Pelicans in
Ballentine to enjoy a snoball
immediately after leaving Hi-Wire

SUMMER SAFARI



Beginning Wednesday, June 6, 2018, from 6 pm to 7 pm, we will have a program for children ages Kindergarten to Fifth Grade. We will have dinner, learn interesting facts about animals, do an activity, have small group discussions, and learn character traits from the Bible. Please join us and get ready to have some fun!! Please contact Heather Magann at 843-446-7280 or hmagann@gmail.com with any questions or for additional information.

ROLLING RIVER RAMPAGE

It's almost time for VBS! The dates are June 18-21 from 5:30-7:30. Dinner will be served. Mark your calendar for a special VBS Showcase during worship on June 24 at 10:30. We have many exciting things planned and can't wait to see you there! Go to salemumcsc.com and click on "Register for VBS!" to register your child or to volunteer. Volunteers are still needed, especially group leaders! E-mail Marissa Hill at marissahill211@gmail.com with any questions.



Meet Beth Chastie



We are so fortunate to have Beth Chastie as our Business and Finance Manager.

Beth has lived in Columbia for most of her life, and she and her husband, Billy, have two children and six grandchildren. Beth graduated from the University of South Carolina with a degree in accounting and has worked for several companies providing financial and office management during her career. For the past 13 years, she worked at the Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of SC. Beth and Billy are members of Union United Methodist Church. Beth enjoys spending time with family and friends, reading, listening to music and outdoor activities. Welcome, Beth! We are grateful to have you!



Order of the Palmetto

We want to recognize Joel Collins, one of our church members, for being awarded the Order of the Palmetto. According to sciway.net, "The Order of the Palmetto is considered the highest civilian honor in the State of South Carolina. It recognizes a person's lifetime achievements and contributions to the State of South Carolina." Congratulations, Joel!

Youth



Vacation Bible School is June 18 -21. Volunteers are needed! We would love any and all youth that are able to participate to please sign up to do so. Go to the church website to register as a volunteer. Plan to be there from 5:00-8:00 to assist with set up and clean up.

Important Dates

Youth Sunday School will be combined (Middle and High School) for the summer in the youth trailer.

Sunday, June 3 – Graduate Recognition

Sunday, June 10 – Matthew 5:6-12

Sunday, June 17 – Matthew 5:13-20

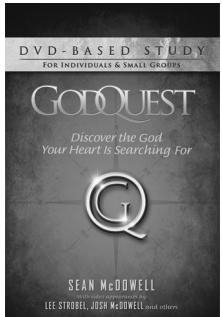
Sunday, June 24 – Matthew 5:21-26

Summer Study

Beginning July 5, we will start our Summer Study. This summer we will be

doing the study,

"Godquest: Discovering the God Your Heart is Searching For." Our first meeting will be on a Thursday, July 5th (due to July 4), but after that it will be each Wednesday from 6-7 pm in the youth trailer. Our last meeting will be August 9. Bring \$5 for dinner.



Church Building Use

Many people are using our church building for various reasons. To avoid scheduling conflicts and security issues, please call the church office to check the availability of the building ahead of time. Also, please check in with the church office when you arrive and when you are leaving.



Join the ladies of Salem for fellowship and fun on Friday, June 22 for a delicious brunch at Brookland Baptist Church. We will meet at Salem at 11:10 to carpool to Brookland Baptist. Our next meeting will be July 23rd at Zorba's.

In Our Church Family

Congratulations to Mike and Sheila Thacker on their new grandbaby, McLendon Michael Curtis. He was born April 13, 2018 at 3:15 pm and was 7 lbs, 6 oz, and 21 inches long.



Saying Farewell

This past Sunday, we bid farewell to two of our staff members, **Amy Carter** and **Adam Cullum**. **Amy** joined our nursery staff in January of 2012 and has served for 6 years within this ministry. While she has had little opportunity to be an official member of the congregation, she has been a constant welcomed face in our nursery for parents of young toddlers and their children. Amy has served as the Nursery Supervisor Coordinator in most recent years and has been very active in Children's Ministries as Coordinator as well as VBS co-director. While we regret to see her leave, we wish her and Mike and their precious children, Walter, Elizabeth and Zach, the best as they make their new home in Augusta, Georgia. Amy's last day in the nursery was May 27th. We wish the Carter family the best in this next journey of their lives. We have been blessed by the beautiful music of **Adam** for the last 8 months. Adam has been called to his home church; his last day with us was May 27th. We are truly going to miss him and his beautiful playing. All the best to you, Adam!

Sharing God's Love



The current needs for Sharing God's Love are: pasta sauce, canned fruit, jelly and summer clothing for children. Boxes are in each Sunday School Room.

Memorials and Special Gifts Received

Building Fund

In loving memory of Virgil Autry
Faith Circle
Bill & Sandra Sills

In loving memory of Rachel Poston

Hank & Susan Powell
Tom & Jeanette Pope
Steve & Beverly Nivens

General Fund

In loving memory of Catherine Poling
Seekers Class

In loving memory of Joe Poling

Seekers Class

Cemetery Fund

In honor of Johnnie Metts for her
birthday on May 28
Mike & Tammy Szucs

Church on the Lake

Church on the Lake is back! The first Sunday will be June 10th and will go through August 19th. Our casual service begins at 8:30 and lasts 45 minutes. Come early for pastries and coffee! Mark your calendars and invite someone! If you are interested in helping with this outreach, please contact Phillip (920-9657) or Millie Fore (920-5261) for more details.



Salem United Methodist Church is hosting Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventative health screenings on August 7, 2018.

Screenings are fast, painless and affordable. Three key tests check for blocked carotid arteries, an irregular heart rhythm called atrial fibrillation, and high blood pressure, which are three leading risk factors for stroke. Other tests check for abdominal aortic aneurysms and hardening of the arteries in the legs. A bone density screening to assess osteoporosis risk is also offered and is appropriate for both men and women. More info to follow!

Holy Land Trip

For those interested in participating in the Holy Land trip in 2019, the church office is now in possession of 2 of the illustrated guides for the trip. Please feel free to drop by and pick up a book and then pass to others who are interested as well. There are plans for two trips, June 9-20, 2019 and September 11-25, 2019, still with room in both. If you are interested in traveling with these groups, please contact Terry Snider.

FAITH CIRCLE FATHER'S DAY BULLETIN

The women of Faith Circle are again planning a very special bulletin to honor or remember all those men who are special to us...fathers, grandfathers, uncles, brothers, friends, etc. To list the names of special men you would like to remember in our Father's Day bulletin, please fill out the form found on the back of this page, and put it, along with payment of at least \$1.00 per name, in an envelope marked "Father's Day." Checks should be made payable to "Faith Circle." Please be sure to fill out all the information on the form and print clearly! Honor those living on the "in honor" of lines, and remember those who are deceased on the "in memory" of lines. We regret that due to space we are unable to print special messages -- only the names of those we wish to honor in this special way. We are sure you will want to include all those men who are special to you. Please give to any member of Faith Circle or drop in the offering plate.

Money raised through this bulletin will be used for mission projects of the United Methodist Women as well as mission projects such as the Homeless Outreach Ministry, Salkehatchie, and congregational and community needs.

Deadline is Sunday, June 10, 2018.

In honor of _____

By _____

In memory of _____

By _____

Please make checks payable to "Faith Circle."

Keepin' It Real

Salem Missions Committee has committed to serving meals to the homeless in Finlay Park on three Sundays in 2018. The first event will be Tuesday, June 5th. The committee has partnered with Faith Circle, who will provide the meal. Now we're looking to the congregation for volunteers (of all ages!) to help serve the meal and fellowship with the people. Please consider coming out to the park Tuesday, June 5th from 2:30 to around 4:30. You'll be glad you did! If any questions, please contact Tommy McLendon to volunteer: 530-4398, mclendta@aol.com, or Cheryl Denton, 603-2750, cheryldenton@sc.rr.com.

Volunteers Needed for Homeless Outreach Ministry Beginning June 5th:

Salem's summer outreach ministry resumes Tuesday, June 5th, and will continue every Tuesday evening through August 28th. Each Tuesday evening, a team of volunteers will deliver 40 bag lunches, consisting of a sandwich, chips, sweet treat, and a bottle of water, to the homeless in downtown Columbia. The Missions Committee budget provides the bottled water and chips but depends on two volunteers each week to provide the sandwiches and sweet treats. **Here's how you can help:**

- Provide Food:** Sign up to prepare 20 sandwiches and provide 20 sweet treats (i.e. Little Debbie cakes, Twinkies, packaged cookies, etc.). Place each sandwich in a plastic sandwich bag and then place the sandwich and sweet treat in a brown paper bag and deliver to the Fellowship Hall on the Tuesday you signed up.
- Help Deliver the Food:** Sign up to ride along with our team leaders on a Tuesday evening. We like to have three people (a driver, one person to hand out sandwiches, and one to hand out water). We promise you will be richly blessed by the experience!
- Volunteer to be a Team Leader.** Leaders commit to leading the team one Tuesday night per month (3 times).

Sign-up sheets for Meal Preparation and Delivery are on the table in the Welcome Center.



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2018 Vacation Bible School

Monday, June 18-Thursday, June 21

5:30-7:30 pm, dinner at 5:30

Showcase- Sunday, June 25 during Worship



Child's Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade Completed: _____

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Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone #: _____

Children's Allergies: _____

Parent(s) Names: _____

Parent(s) email: _____

I, _____, as the legal guardian or authorized agent of the legal guardian of the above listed child(ren), agree that I will hold harmless Salem United Methodist Church, its owners, employees, and volunteers in the event of an emergency or accident. I have provided the necessary emergency contact information, allergies, and any special instructions.

Do you agree to allow photos of your child to be used in church presentation or church promotional materials? yes
 no

Volunteers Needed too!

Name: _____ Phone #: _____ Email: _____



If you prefer to register online, go to www.salemumcsc.com and click on "Register for VBS."



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 AA 7 pm
3 Graduation Sunday and Communion 10:30 am Salem Kid's End-of-the-Year Party 3-5 pm	4	5 AA 7 pm	6 Summer Safari 6-7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm	7 VBS Meal Prep Meeting 6:30 pm Lake Murray Association 7-9 pm AA 7 pm	8	9 Lowcountry Salkehatchie Group Leaves AA 7 pm
10 Church on the Lake Begins 8:30 am	11	12 Finance Committee 6:30 pm Church Council 7 pm AA 7 pm	13 Faith Circle 4 pm Summer Safari 6-7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm	14 AA 7 pm	15	16 Lowcountry Salkehatchie Group Returns AA 7 pm
17	18 VBS 5:30-7:30	19 VBS 5:30-7:30 AA 7 pm	20 VBS 5:30-7:30 Choir Practice 7 pm	21 VBS 5:30-7:30 AA 7 pm	22 Ladies Lunch Bunch Leave church at 11:10 to carpool to Brookland Baptist	23 Ecuador Mission Trip Departs AA 7 pm
24 VBS Showcase 10:30 (Children report at 9:30)	25	26 AA 7 pm	27 Summer Safari 6-7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm	28 AA 7 pm	29	30 AA 7 pm

For details on these events, go to salemumcsc.com/events.

Summer Series

Last summer, our worship services focused on a variety of object lessons as ways of exploring our faith:

- ◆ there was the window sash that showed GOD through glass panes, and one by one, they were covered or removed as a demonstration of how we obscure the view of God people get from our lives
- ◆ there was the exploration of our new logo and how it represents our role as a congregation in the world
- ◆ we explored the manifestation of "The Holy" through the experience of communion

This summer, our series will be revolving around the role that water plays in the Bible and therefore in our relationship with God, with our world, and with each other. The stories we use will be from the Old and New Testaments. They will start with creation and end with the book of Revelation. There will be stories of judgment and of restoration, stories of creation and destruction, and there will be healing stories from the Old and New Testaments.

As a focus one Sunday, probably in mid to late July, we will participate in a Service of Healing and Wholeness. This is based on a liturgy that is available in our United Methodist Book of Worship and includes anointing with oil those that are dealing with all sorts of issues, physical, emotional or spiritual, that desire God's special attentiveness. Individuals may present themselves for anointing, or they may be a surrogate for others close to them.



Church Nursery Update

We will be having some changes in the nursery. As mentioned in this Newsletter, Amy Carter's last Sunday was May 27th. Amy Carter competently served as the Supervisor of the Church Nursery the past few years. Edie Shuford and Caitlyn Page Woods have also faithfully served in caring for our children on Sunday mornings.

Along with Amy's move, Caitlyn has just gotten married and also works full time as a nurse, which has minimalized her availability for the nursery. Edie will continue to be in the nursery but has declined to step into the role of Supervisor.

The Children's Council, in conjunction with the Staff Parish Relations Committee, decided to develop a new plan and structure for the nursery. Beginning in June, Edie will be in the nursery twice a month (she needs worship time, too) and two other adults will be in there on alternate Sundays. The adults will be assisted by high schoolers who will be specially trained and certified to assist in the nursery. Each Sunday, there will be one adults and one high schooler who have been trained in CPR, background-checked and instructed in Safe Sanctuary procedures in the nursery.

Our Nursery Staff will be on a regular schedule that will be managed by our Director of Creative Ministries, Tina Overton. Please know that the children you entrust to our care will always receive the highest level of loving attentiveness and security.

Blessing Our Schools

The Evangelism Committee has launched a new initiative, and we need your help to make it happen! It is our hope to be able to walk though several of the school buildings that our students attend before the next school year begins. We will not just be walking through the building but will be imbuing it with prayers and blessings.



We need your help in two ways to accomplish this worthwhile task. First, we need people to be willing to be part of the walking and praying. Second, we need school suggestions. If you suggest a school, we also need you to be the contact person to set a day and time for the walk to happen. Pastor Gary and the Church Office will have a letter for you to give to the school's administrative staff to explain what we are trying to accomplish, our procedure, and all contact information they may need for further clarification.

Our hope is to do the walk in the late summer when the teachers and students are not in the building, but just before they get there. We will go to any public or private school. The one caveat is this: If you suggest your school you must be willing to be part of this project. Come on, let's pray together for our students and their schools!



Annual Conference

Salem United Methodist will be sending five delegates to the South Carolina United Methodist Annual Conference in Greenville, June 3-6. Terry and Trish Snider, John and Linda Gibbons, and Ralph and Janet (alternate) Payne will be representing our church.



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Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
803-781-1626
website: salemumcsc.com



**Congratulations to the
Confirmation Class of 2018!**

Britton Coxe
Tyler Hodges
Rachel McCrary
Hope Mitchell
Bailee Simmons



Be strong and courageous.
Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.
Joshua 1:9

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**SALUDA SHOALS PARK
IRMO, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**JUNE 30, 2018
REGISTRATION: 7AM RACE: 8AM**

REGISTER IN ADVANCE @ 

Come run or walk in memory of Parker and Haley Hewitt, Phillip and Millie Fore's grandchildren. Register online at strictlyrunning.com or on the day of the event.