



**salem**  
United Methodist Church

**July 2018**

**Church on the Lake: 8:30 am**

**Sunday School: 9:30 am**

**Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 am**

# Salem's Story

## VBS Thanks!



Dear Church family, I want to thank you so much for your support of our children and children in our community through this year's Vacation Bible School. We had approximately 35 children and 20 volunteers join us for a "Rolling River Rampage" learning about Jesus. I want to especially thank those that helped provide and serve meals and those that gave their time to lead and teach. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of our children. Sincerely, Marissa Hill  
\*\*\*If you would like a copy of Sunday's VBS Showcase, please email Marie at smethodist@aol.com.\*\*\*



Our Summer Safari continues, and we are having a great time! Children ages kindergarten to fifth grade are welcome to join us on Wednesday\* nights from 6-7 pm. We have dinner, learn interesting facts about animals, do an activity, have a small group discussion, 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.



\*Please note: we will meet on Thursday, July 5th due to Independence Day

# Youth Carowinds

Our Carowinds Trip is Monday, July 16th! We must have 10 people going and the cost is \$45. All money must be in by Tuesday, July 3rd.

This year's Come2gether weekend will be Friday, September 14th - Sunday, September 16th. Be sure to mark your calendars so you can be a part of positively impacting the local community through service and missions along side Union United Methodist Church.

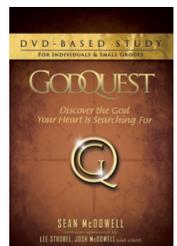


This summer, we are planning a tubing day at Saluda Shoals. We will also test our survival skills in their Escape Room. More details to come!



Join the ladies of Salem for fellowship and fun at 12:00, on Monday, July 23 at Zorba's.

Our Youth Summer Bible Study begins Thursday, July 5th at 6:00 pm in the Youth Trailer. The study is titled "GodQuest." The remaining weeks, we will meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:00. Com join us!

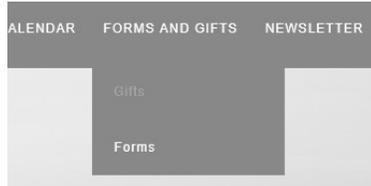




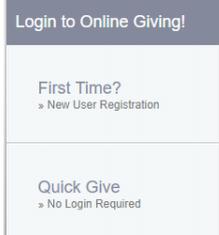
# Finance Committee Update

Salem UMC has experienced several large one-time expenditures since January 1, 2018.

Did you know that you can give online by going to salemumcsc.com? Click "Forms and Gifts" and then click "Gifts."



From there, you can either register (if you would like to create an account and save your payment information for future giving) or click "Quick Give" (your payment information will not be saved for future donations).



Our e-giving link is a secure site. If you have any questions

about e-giving, please contact Beth Chastie by emailing bchastie2018@gmail.com or calling the church office.

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Costs</u>
A/C Repair – Fellowship Hall	\$7,000.00
A/C Repair – Welcome Center	\$5,007.95
Business Manager Transition	\$4,000.00
*New Equipment Trailer- Lake Murray Ministry	\$2,093.28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$18,101.23</b>
*Note: Purchase new trailer (\$2,893.28)- sold old trailer (\$800)= Net cost (\$2,093.28)	

Any supplemental financial donations the congregation could contribute to Salem UMC's General Fund in July 2018 to assist in funding these one-time costs would be appreciated.

Thank you,  
Finance Committee

## Holy Land Trip

For those interested in participating in the Holy Land trip in 2019, the church office is now in possession of two 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.

## Interested in being a part of Lay Servant Ministries?

Lay Servant Ministries provide training for the laity to equip them to be leaders in mission and ministries in the local church and community. Each of us is gifted by the Holy Spirit to be a servant in God's kingdom. Lay Servant Ministries provide educational opportunity that will enhance our spiritual gift and build the needed skills to enable us to be more effective Christian leaders. Through

our Lay Servant Ministries Schools, we gain Biblical knowledge and wisdom to help us make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We encourage the Youth of our churches to become Lay Servants, too. Go to salemumcsc.com and click on "Lay Servant Ministries Fall Session" for more information!

## Church on the Lake

Church on the Lake continues 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.

### 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.

# Memorials and Special Gifts Received

## Building Fund

### **In loving memory of Virgil Autry**

Buddy and Sue Dubose  
Carolyn Gilbert

### **In loving memory of Ann Clary**

Larry and June Salters  
Ted and Pete Hornsby

### **In loving memory of Mary Hyatt**

Walter and Sharon Greene  
Larry and June Salters  
Ed and June Thomas

### **In loving memory of Rachel Poston**

Kenneth and Lisa Corning  
Cathy Kirven

### **In loving memory of Judy Landrum**

Dan Hawkins  
Roy and Luanne Ellis  
Don and Miriam Lovett  
Salem's Over 50s  
Worth and Susie Wells

### **In loving memory of Catherine Poling**

Ed and June Thomas

### **In loving memory of Joe Poling**

Ed and June Thomas

### **In loving memory of Nancy Spence**

Larry and June Salters

### **In loving memory of James Young**

Larry and June Salters  
Ed and June Thomas

## General Fund

### **In loving memory of Judy Landrum**

Joy Circle  
Larry and June Salters

## Church on the Lake

### **In loving memory of Judy Landrum**

Walter and Sharon Greene

## Missions Committee Update

Greetings Salem Members,

It seems fitting to put the spotlight on our Missions for my July article. "Why is that?" you ask. Well, as I write this article, I'm looking at two partially-packed suitcases. They will be stuffed until the seams are stressed in a matter of hours as I join 10 other Salem travelers preparing to depart for Ecuador. Our adult mission trip will take us to more than 9,300 feet elevation and daytime temperatures that will NOT reach 70 degrees. Our assignment is to help a local church with construction of classrooms to be used for an after-school program for their community. We are really excited to be participating in God's work.

Our Missions Committee is helping to drive a lot of events right now, and I wanted to list just a few of these activities. We'll be helping to feed the homeless of downtown Columbia. We welcome anyone who feels called to help prepare sandwich meals or to deliver the meals each week. Meals are delivered each Tuesday evening during the summer months. Please sign up in the Welcome Center or contact the church office if you'd like more information about this mission.

The Missions Committee will also provide one of the meals for the Fairfield Salkehatchie campers and two for the Lake Murray Salkehatchie workers. These workers are so grateful for the yummy meals that are prepared and served for this important mission.

The collection of school supplies and other items continues for the Sharing God's Love ministry, as well as the collection of clothes for H.E. Corley Elementary school.

## Sharing God's Love

The current needs are: gently used summer clothing for children, canned fruit, canned spaghetti O's, canned ravioli, pasta sauce, instant oatmeal/grits, mac and cheese, jelly and whole-wheat cereal. Boxes are located in each Sunday School Room.



To help support our projects, the Missions Committee continues to collect aluminum cans which may be deposited in the trailer in the parking lot. I understand this is about to get a bit of a facelift and some needed improvements.

Salem is a church with many generous souls and so much happens every day that doesn't get recognized or mentioned. I'm very grateful to be a small part of a Church family that has a heart for Missions.

Thank each of you for all you do!!! God Bless, Terry



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Church on the Lake 8:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Sandwiches for the Homeless  AA 7 pm	<b>4</b> Church Office Closed Independence Day	<b>5</b> Church Office Closed Youth Bible Study 6-7 pm Summer Safari 6-7 pm Lake Murray Association 7-9 pm AA 7 pm	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>   AA 7 pm
<b>8</b> Church on the Lake 8:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Cavin Circle at the home of Betty Sansbury 11:30 am Sandwiches for the Homeless	<b>11</b> Youth Bible Study 6-7 pm Summer Safari 6-7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm	<b>12</b>   AA 7 pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Salkehatchie Fairfield Group Leaves  AA 7 pm
<b>15</b> Church on the Lake 8:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Evangelism Committee Meeting 5:30 pm Sandwiches for the Homeless AA 7 pm	<b>18</b> Youth Bible Study 6-7 pm Summer Safari 6-7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm	<b>19</b>   AA 7 pm	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Salkehatchie Fairfield Group Returns  AA 7 pm
<b>22</b> Church on the Lake 8:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am	<b>23</b> Ladies Lunch Bunch Zorba's 12 pm	<b>24</b> Sandwiches for the Homeless  AA 7 pm	<b>25</b> Youth Bible Study 6-7 pm Summer Safari 6-7 pm Choir Practice 7 pm	<b>26</b>   AA 7 pm	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>   AA 7 pm
<b>29</b> Church on the Lake 8:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 10:30 am	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>   AA 7 pm	For details on these events, go to <a href="http://salemumcsc.com/events">salemumcsc.com/events</a> .			

# Salem's Summer Outreach Ministry

## Volunteers Needed

Salem's **summer outreach ministry** has begun and will continue every Tuesday evening through August 28th. Each Tuesday evening, a team of volunteers will deliver the bag lunches 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:*

- 1. 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.
- 2. 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).
- 3. 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.

## Over 50's News

We need your help! It's time to rename our Over 50's adult ministry, and we would love your feedback! Because this group encompasses such a diverse age group, we are eager not only to rename but expand our opportunities to participate. A subcommittee within our Family Ministries umbrella has been created, and they have identified four names to consider. They are as follows: 1-OK Club (Older Kids) 2-PLUS (Praising and Loving Our Savior 3-MOSAIC-(Motivating our Selves in Christ) and 4-OASIS (Older Adults Sharing in Service).

Tell us what you think by voting for one of the four options above by contacting Tina Overton at [toverton@sc.rr.com](mailto:toverton@sc.rr.com) or the church office at [smethodist@aol.com](mailto:smethodist@aol.com). Be sure to cast your vote by Sunday, July 15. We look forward to hearing from you and also to good things to come from this ministry!

## 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 through 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!



Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, is pleased to offer a preventive health event at Salem United Methodist Church on **August 7th**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **There are three ways to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call toll-free 1-888-653-6441 or visit <http://lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle> or text the word circle to 797979.**



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**Church Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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*Church on the Lake*  
8:30 am

# Summer Series

*Worship at Salem*  
10:30 am

During the summer weeks, our worship services (in both the services at the lake and in our sanctuary) will focus on the variety of images of water in the Bible. We began with the waters in Creation. The idea was that the act of “creating” by God, which began with the separation of the waters, was the first movement of grace by God. This notion is the first in a pattern for God’s interaction with those created in His image.

From there, we will follow the developing and changing image of water each week this summer.

The first Sunday of July will bring the flood (barely 5 chapters into the Bible) and by the 19th of August, we will get to the rivers in the New Heaven as depicted in the book of Revelation.

All along the way, there will be special services: there will be two 1st Sunday Communion services, the reception of members, the possibility of another baptism, and on Sunday, July 29th, there will be a Service of Healing and Wholeness. This service will include anointing with oil for those who wish healing in their lives or in the lives of others. This will be an interesting series of services that will be loosely connected but not so tightly intertwined that you will miss too much if you happen to be traveling. We look forward to sharing the Word with you!

