



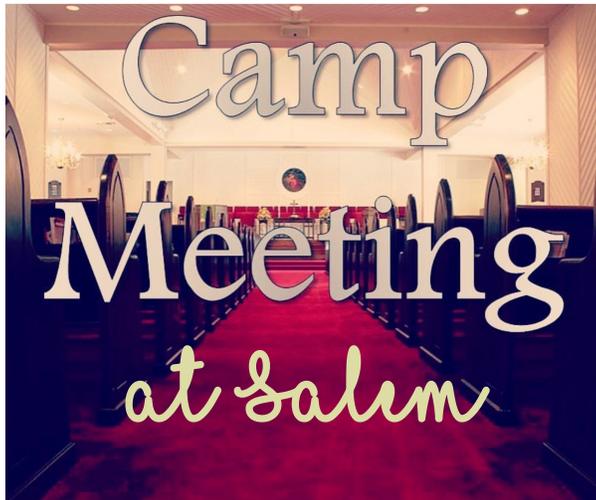
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United Methodist Church

September 2018

Sunday School: 9:30 am

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 am

Salem's Story



During the month of September, we will be participating in Camp Meeting at Salem UMC. We will hear from members of our congregation as they share their faith stories. Be sure to join us during this special time.

- September 2- Ecuador Team
- September 9- Jim Wessinger
- September 16- Bill Childs (Homecoming)
- September 23- Ann Stewart-Akers
- September 30- Salkehatchie Team

ATTENTION ALL MEN OF SALEM:

Methodist men will begin meeting again on Sunday, Sept. 23 at 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. We have a great group of speakers lined up for the whole year and look forward to seeing all of you each month.

On September 23 we will welcome Britt Dove of the SLED Computer Crimes division. He will be sharing things with us to be on the lookout for to protect ourselves and our families. He has spoken with our youth before, and other adult groups, and has a lot of great information to share. Come and join us for breakfast and a great program!



September 14-15, 2018

ALL ARE INVITED! Join us for a “mini-Salkehatchie” experience. We will meet at Union United Methodist Church on Friday afternoon for fun, information and fellowship. We will spend the night there and then go out on Saturday for a day of service repairing homes and other odds & ends. We will end the weekend with dinner and a Worship Service at Union before heading home.

The cost is \$30, which all goes towards supplies. Registration information is available. Please see Jim for more info.

Please go to salemumcsc.com to confirm or update your Newsletter Communication Preferences. See the back of the Newsletter for more information!



Committee Meetings



Staff-Parish Relations Committee-

September 11th, 7 pm

UMW Executive Meeting-

September 17th, 10:30 am

Worship Committee-

September 17, 7:30 pm

Program Council-

September 18, 6:30 pm

NEW ON OUR WEBPAGE

You can now see the information from our Facebook and Instagram pages on the salemumc.com webpage. Go to our church website and scroll to the bottom to see all our recent updates! Please let Marissa Hill know if you have any questions by e-mailing marissahill211@gmail.com.

UMW News

Our four circles (Cavin, Faith, Joy and Love) will begin their regular monthly meetings again this month. Please check your church calendar in the Newsletter or Bulletin for times and places for our regular meetings. We look forward to seeing our regular members and encourage all ladies at Salem who have not joined a circle yet to visit us. Our UMW is involved in many different mission activities, and we welcome all who would like to participate.



Sharing God's Love

Our **5th Annual Golf Tournament** will be held on **September 10**. If you wish to get a foursome together or just want to play, please contact us by calling 803-732-3188 or email us at sharinggodslove.net. We really have a great time of fellowship and fun. There will be an assortment of prizes for all categories.

Our current and most needed items are: school-age gentle used clothing, college ruled paper, 2 pocket folders w/prongs (solid colors & poly preferred), backpacks, red ballpoint pens (no gel), letter sized dividers (5 tab), glue sticks, yellow highlighters, large pink erasers, black and white composition books, 1" solid colored 3-ring binders. Also needed are heat & eat food, such as spaghetti, ravioli, stew, chili, etc.

Boxes are located in each Sunday School Room. 170 items were carried to SGL on August 14. Thanks to the congregation for your support of the "Back to School Program".

Kid's Club

We are having a great time in our Kids Club, which is open for children kindergarten-5th grade, on Sunday evenings from 5:00 - 6:00 pm. Each week we meet, we have dinner together and learn about Jesus in a different way.



1st Sunday: Game Night

2nd Sunday: Science Experiment Night

3rd Sunday: Craft Night

4th Sunday: Animal Character Trait Night

Kid's Club meets each week in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Heather Magann with any questions at 843-446-7280 or



Cavin Circle will be selling Rada Cutlery after Sunday School Classes. Vegetable peelers and regular paring knives will be on hand to purchase. Brochures and samples will be provided to view for other products you might be interested in for gifts, holiday needs or just because.



Join the ladies of Salem for fellowship and fun at 12 pm, on September 24 at El Poblano.

Memorials and Special Gifts Received

Building Fund

In loving memory of William Anderson

Cindy Bollinger
John & Linda Gibbons

In loving memory of Virgil Autry

Norman & Barbara Thomas

In loving memory of Martha Chapman

Eleanor P. Alison
Jack & Betty Cullipher
Hattie Haulbrook
Melissa W. Simpson
Larry & Linda Triplett
Bibi Tucker
John Williamson

In loving memory of Judy Landrum

David & Martina Thomas

In loving memory of Reese Massey

Loretta Gibson
Carolyn Gilbert
John & Carolyn Hammond
Ron & Fori McLean
Bob & Ruth Pritchard
David & Martina Thomas

In loving memory of Red Weed

Eli & Phyllis Huffman

In loving memory of Billy Sox

Siblings & Families
Wanda McCaa
Mary B Erskine
Robert & Judy Rodgers Van Saun
Norman & Barbara Thomas

Children's Ministry

In loving memory of William Anderson

Jack & Betty Cullipher

General Fund

In loving memory of William Anderson

Larry & June Salters

In loving memory of George Fann

Larry & June Salters

In loving memory of Doris Wright

Larry & June Salters

Music Ministry

In loving memory of Doris Wright

Jimmy & Brenda Dye

Video Repair Fund

In loving memory of Reese Massey

Fraternal Order of Police Foothill Lodge #9

From Our Church Family

Dear Salem Methodist Family,
Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for sponsoring the Hewitt 5K year after year. It means so much to us! And thank you for those that come to the event. It warms our heart to see each of your sweet faces there. You, Salem Family are a treasure. Thank you for caring for our family and supporting our foundation built in memory of Parker and Haley to share the Love of Jesus in our community. Thank you again.
Love, the Hewitt Family (Crystal, Craig, Ellington, Emerson)
and the Fores (Millie and Phillip Fore)

Dear Salem Family,
Thank you so much for the prayers, hugs, cards, messages, and sweet words of support during this difficult time for our family, while we grieve the loss of my dad. We appreciate you all.
Love,
Marissa and Jason Hill

Youth



Acts 8:30-31

Many times we talk about the Bible and tell about Bible Stories, but do we really

“Do you understand what you are reading?”

Phillip asked.

“How can I,” he said,

“unless someone explains it to me?”

Acts 8:30-31

know what we are reading? Why we read it? Do we really even fully know what we believe?

We are going to get deeper into this during Sunday School for the next two years. We are also going to have the Sr. High hear from many different people in the church. Please make plans to attend as often as possible to hear and learn more about what we believe and why on Sunday Mornings at 9:30.

Jr. High, downstairs and Sr. High, in the trailer.

Sunday Night Youth

Proverbs 4:11

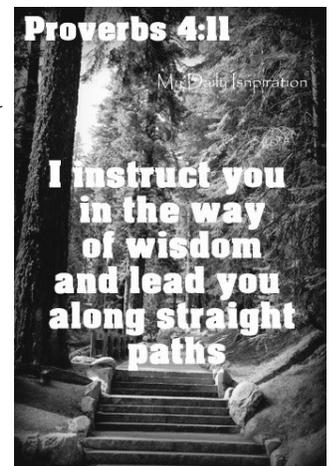
We are called to lead on a regular basis, but sometimes we don't know how to do so fully. We will be learning from one of the best leaders of young people, all the traits needed to be a leader.

We will meet on Sunday Nights as Jr. & Sr. High combined from 5:00—6:15p.m. There will be devotion, games, fellowship and

NEW this year will be Praise and Worship, led by Sarah.

We hope to see everyone each week for a night of fun and fellowship while learning how to

truly lead and make a big, positive impact on everyone you meet and everywhere you go.



November 18
YOUTH
SUNDAY
2018

Mark your calendars and make sure you plan to be a part of Youth Sunday, 2018. The youth will lead all aspects of the Morning Worship Service from peaking, Ushering, and Singing.

We want as many youth involved so make sure you are involved with Youth Group and Sunday School to get details.

Finance Committee Update

Salem UMC's Conference Apportionments were discussed at the Finance Committee's August 14, 2018 meeting.

The South Carolina United Methodist Conferences allocate their annual budgets to each South Carolina United Methodist Church. Included in these allocations are apportionments that represent our Conference's portion of the United Methodist Church's global church budget. The allocations are determined by a formula that analyzes Salem UMC's budget and actual expenditures in a four-year average relative to all other United Methodist congregations in South Carolina. The allocation to each Methodist Church congregation is based on this same formula. Each Conference budget is approved by delegates at an annual Conference meeting. The South Carolina United Methodist Conferences' 2018 budgets total approximately \$17,000,000.00. Salem UMC's apportionment of this \$17,000,000 budget is \$61,406 or \$5,078.42 monthly.

The Conference budget provides funding to assist with the cost of worldwide missions, maintaining Methodist camps, Methodist retirement centers, South Carolina's four United Methodist colleges, and many other United Methodist outreach activities within South Carolina, the United States, and globally.

Year-to-date financial contributions received from Salem UMC's congregation were insufficient to fund Salem UMC's monthly Conference Apportionments for May, June, July, and August. Salem UMC currently owes \$20,313.68 in 2018 Conference Apportionments.

Additional financial needs include an August 2018 \$3,200.00 replacement cost of the Administration Building's HVAC system and a pending \$6,020.42 replacement for the sanctuary video system.

Recapitulation		
A.	Apportionments:	
	May	\$5,078.42
	June	\$5,078.42
	July	\$5,078.42
	August	\$5,078.42
B.	Administration Building HVAC System	\$3,200.00
C.	Sanctuary video system	<u>\$6,020.42</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$29,534.10</u>

Any additional financial contributions to the General Fund from the congregation would assist Salem UMC in meeting Salem UMC's financial commitments.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
For details on these events, go to salemumcsc.com/events .						1 AA 7 pm
2 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am Kids Club 5-6 pm	3 Church Office Closed for Labor Day	4 AA 7 pm	5 Joy Circle 10 am Choir Practice 7 pm	6 Lake Murray Association 7 pm AA 7 pm	7	8 AA 7 pm
9 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am Kids Club 5-6 pm Youth begins 5-6 pm	10 Love Circle 10 am Cavin Circle 11:30 am Faith Circle 6:30 pm	11 Staff-Parish Relations Committee 7 pm AA 7 pm	12 Choir Practice 7 pm	13 AA 7 pm	14 Come 2gether Weekend at Union UMC	15 Come 2gether Weekend at Union UMC AA 7 pm
16 Sunday School 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am Kids Club 5-6 pm Youth 5-6 pm	17 UMW Executive Meeting 10:30 am Worship Committee 7:30 pm	18 Oasis Kickoff in Fellowship Hall 11:30 am Program Council Meeting 6:30 pm AA 7 pm	19 Choir Practice 7 pm	20 AA 7 pm	21 Youth Outing to Escape Room	22 AA 7 pm
23 United Methodist Men 8:00 am 30 Report on Commission on the Way Forward 5 pm, Sanctuary	24 Ladies Lunch Bunch El Poblano 12 pm	25 AA 7 pm	26 Choir Practice 7 pm	27 AA 7 pm	28	29 AA 7 pm



Lay Servant Ministries, Fall Session

Columbia District Lay Servant Ministries School Fall Session

The Mission of the Lay Servant Ministries:

To equip God's People to do His work and build up the church, the body of Christ

Lay Servant Ministries provide training for the laity to equip them to be leaders in missions 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 opportunities that will enhance our spiritual gifts 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.

Interested in being a part of Lay Servant Ministries?

We encourage the Youth of our churches to become Lay Servants, too. Please notice that we have online registration for Fall Training School. (Pastor recommendation and approval required for those who want to join. Talk to Rev. Phillips.)

Date: September 28 – 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. & September 29 - 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

REGISTER ONLINE: <http://www.umcsc.org/data/codistlsmreg.php> or click on the link at salemumcsc.com

Registration Deadline: September 15, 2018

Location: Mt. Hebron United Methodist Church, 3050 Leaphart Road, West Columbia, SC

Course Offering:

Lay Servant Ministries (The Basic Course)

By Sandy Zeigler Jackson and Brian Jackson

Participant's Book – DR626 – 978-0-88177-626-3 (\$11.00)

Living Our Beliefs: The United Methodist Way (United Methodist Heritage)

By Kenneth L. Carder / George Hovaness Donigian

Participant's Book – DR571 – 978-0-88177-571-6 (\$13.00)

Each One a Minister (Discovering your spiritual gifts)

By William J. Carter

Participant's Book – DR375 – 978-0-88177-375-0 (\$14.00)

Grief Rite: Moving From Mourning to Ministering

By Kathryn McColskey PhD

Participant's Book – 978-0982395912 (Amazon - \$7.95 paperback)

Contact: Debbie Watford, Director
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Email: debbiewatford1@gmail.com

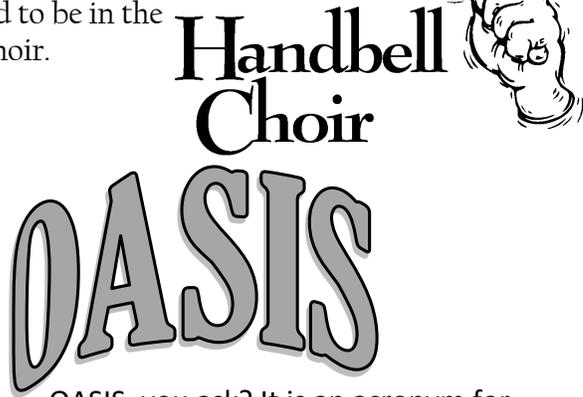
All classes are \$25. Each participant is to purchase his/her own books ahead of time.

Salem Ringers

Are you interested in joining our hand bell choir at Salem? We would love to have you!

The Salem Ringers are back to regular rehearsals. We practice at 4:00 pm on Sunday afternoons in the basement.

The ability to read music is not required to be in the hand bell choir.



What is OASIS, you ask? It is an acronym for "Older Adults Sharing in Service". Many of you are familiar with the "Over 50's" group here at Salem. A Committee has been formed to better define who we are. No age restrictions. Everyone is invited to attend the OASIS events. It is a way for adult Church members to bond together and enjoy one another in a relaxed setting. The Committee has some exciting events coming your way. Our first event will be a fun and games filled luncheon in the fellowship hall on September 18th at 11:30 AM. Bring a friend and watch for future announcements of upcoming socials.



NEW Sunday School Class

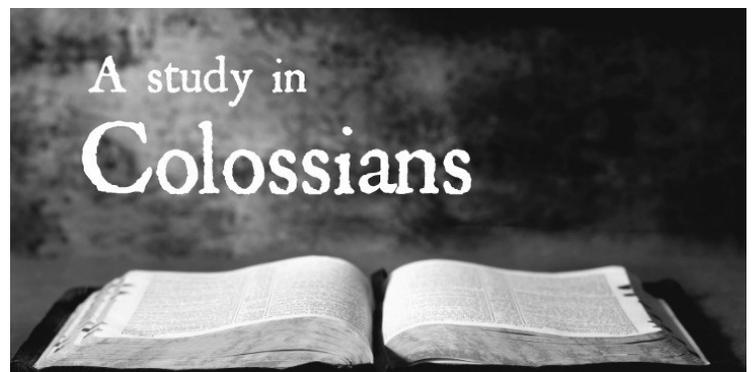
Reverend Phillips is launching a **new Adult** Sunday School class geared towards young to middle aged adults. The idea is to bring together a group of parents with children, those likely to have children or single adults who don't already have a Sunday School home. It's a diverse group, but one that could easily include you if you don't already attend Sunday School. This new class will be facilitated initially by Reverend Phillips and will meet in Room 111 downstairs in the Children's Department. If you'd like to know more, please see Pastor Gary or Tina Overton for further details. The class began August 26th. We would LOVE to have a full room so make plans to join us at any time!

Precept Study of Colossians

We will begin a 9 week study of the book of Colossians on Tuesday morning, September 11th at 9:00. Colossians is a very relevant book today because of the similar spiritual conditions that existed then and now. The town of Colossae was situated in a location that brought many travelers and traders to the city and with them came many pagan religions and ideas. False teaching, then as now, was threatening the church. Paul heard of the temptations these new believers were experiencing and wrote to encourage them (and us) to remain faithful to the truth of the gospel.

Join us on Tuesday mornings as we explore the supportive words of the apostle Paul to the church there and learn how we, too, can be better prepared to handle this current day situation.

This study is open to anyone who is interested in going deeper into knowing and understanding the Bible. If you would like to join us, or have questions, please contact Dolly Kent at 803-240-2831 or DHKent12@aol.com.



Preparing to Hear from God

A 7-Session Bible Study
from Priscilla Shirer

A common question of many Christians is, "How can I know when God is speaking to me?" Priscilla uses the account of God speaking to Samuel in 1 Samuel 3 to show how God speaks to Christians and how we can discern His voice and position ourselves to respond. In this exciting adventure, participants will discover how God spoke to Samuel, Samuel's response, and how He speaks to believers today; they will be encouraged to listen and respond to God's voice; and by listening to God's voice and obeying Him, women will experience spiritual growth, Christian discipline, and the desire to serve. All women are invited to join this study which will meet in the sanctuary on Thursdays from 6:30-8:30 pm, September 13 – October 25. The only cost is the member book which is \$12.99. Books will be available for purchase the first night of Bible study, or you may purchase your book ahead of time at Lifeway Christian Store. (Please let me know if you pre-purchase your book.)

If you are interested in participating, you may register in **one** of the following ways:

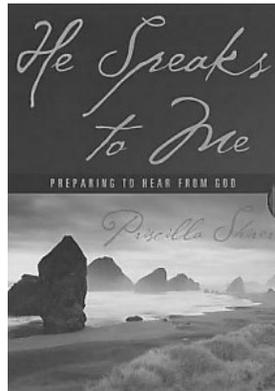
1. Call or text Donna Corley at 803-629-4697. Please include your name.
2. Email Donna Corley at salemladiesbiblestudy@gmail.com. If emailing, please type "Bible Study" in the subject line.
3. Complete the registration below and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

I would like to participate in the women's Bible study entitled *He Speaks to Me: Preparing to Hear from God*

Name _____

Phone _____

e-mail _____



Open Doors for Children in Need

Epworth Children's Home goes above and beyond providing food and shelter for children who have experienced abuse, neglect and tragedy. It provides children with tutoring, counseling, health care, fun activities, and the spiritual formation they need to heal and gain a sense of belonging. Through the ministry of Epworth Children's Home we open our doors to these children, surround them with comprehensive care and provide them with the opportunity to transform their lives. On Sunday, September 9th our congregation will stand with Epworth to break the cycle of abuse, neglect and shame through our collection of the Annual Epworth Work Day Offering. Without the support of churches like ours, Epworth could not provide transformational care for children in need. We invite you to give generously to the children who call Epworth home. See below to read about just two of the lives greatly impacted by Epworth Children's Home. For more information, please visit Epworth on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

Eva's Story: Eva came to us four years ago at the age of 9. Sadly, Eva was the only one out of 3 siblings that was not adopted. She struggled with developmental delays and was many grade levels behind her peers when she arrived at Epworth. Through tutoring both on campus at our Barnes Learning Center, at school, and with cottage staff in her cottage, Eva has caught up both socially and academically with her peers. Now, Eva is looking forward to, rather than dreading, the start of school!

Tori's Story: Tori lived an unstable home life before Epworth. She moved from place to place, had to take on many adult responsibilities at a young age, and had attended several different schools before she reached high school. After living at Epworth for some time, Tori has blossomed. She joined ROTC and the choir at Dreher, and even sang at the State House at Christmas. She has taken on leadership roles in the church, and made honor roll for the last two semesters at school. Tori is on track to graduate, and along with her classmates, continue Epworth's 5-year run of 100% graduation rate for high school seniors!



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**Congratulations
Bible
Recipients!**

**Elyse, Thomas,
Ella and
Warner**

