

The SEER

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 2022

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER SUNDAY SERVICES

9:30 AM

(UNLESS OTHERWISE MARKED)

Nov. 6 - All Saints, Setting 1
(Time change!)

Nov. 13 - Now the Feast

Nov. 20 - Christ the King

Third Sunday Food Offering

Nov. 25 - Advent, ELW Setting 5

Dec. 4 - Advent, ELW Setting 5

Dec. 11 - ELW Setting 5

Semi-Annual Meeting

Dec. 18 - ELW Setting 5

Third Sunday Food Offering

Hanging of the Greens, afterwards

Dec 24- Christmas Eve Services -

7pm

Dec 25- Christmas

Our Child Care room is available for children and supervising parents during all services.



During November the Adult Discussion Class will complete The Great Courses study of "Biblical Wisdom Literature" by Professor Joseph Koterski. These focus on the Jesus and the "Sermon on the Mount" from the New Testament. This will be followed by the Gospel of Matthew, based on the course "Jesus and the Gospels" by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson. Topics include:

- ◆ November 6th – "The Sermon on the Mount"
- ◆ November 13th – "Overview of Biblical Wisdom Literature"
- ◆ November 20th- Class Discussion
- ◆ November 27th– "Gospel of Matthew – Synagogue Down the Street"

The Class is a Zoom meeting at a 11:15 AM on Sunday mornings. If you aren't currently receiving the information to join, contact Pastor (pastor.sally@sbcglobal.net) to be included.

Wednesdays; November 30, December 7 & 14 at 6pm

A Soup and Bread Supper at 6pm will precede the half hour Holden Evening Prayer at 7pm.

The sign up sheet for our simple meal is in the Parish Hall on the wall by the old kitchen. Soup may be dropped off at the church, Tuesday or Wednesday or brought with you that evening. Please let Lisa know if you need help with anything.



From the Pastor

The World Is About to Turn

In November it can feel like we barely take a breath and Christmas is upon us (or is that October...or September...). But in a church that observes the liturgical calendar it really is the 'end of the year' and 'the beginning of a new one'. And chock full of special Sundays!

November 6: All Saints Sunday, when we celebrate the saints, living eternally and now, -- all who have been made holy through Christ in baptism. We light candles during prayer for those church members who have been baptized or entered the church triumphant this past year, plus one candle to represent all of those saints we hold dear. We sing the great church hymn, "For All the Saints!"

November 13: The final 'green' Sunday of the church calendar, walking still with Jesus into Jerusalem in the gospel of Luke.

November 20: Christ the King Sunday, when we recall in scripture and song all of the seasons of the church year, from Advent to Advent, beholding the beautiful processional crosses that change with the seasons.

November 27: The First Sunday of Advent and of the next church year, when we begin anew the waiting time – waiting for the celebration of Jesus' birth, and waiting for his coming again.

What a feast of Sundays!

How will their special perspectives overlay your life, Salem's life, the life of the world? Together we are a part of God's world, about to turn!

Pastor Sally

Advent Evening Prayer: "And Mary Said"

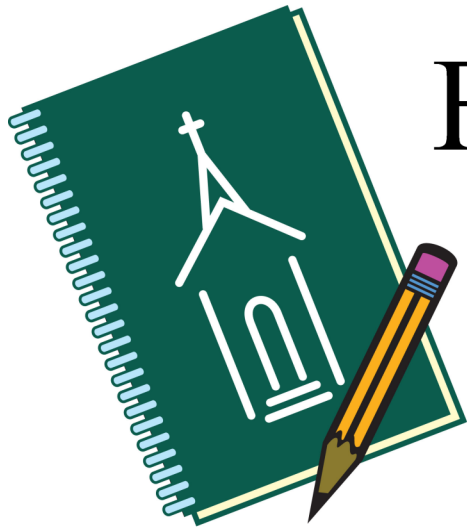
November 30, December 7 & 14 at 7pm (Soup at 6)

Advent has an early start this year, and therefore so do our Advent Evening Prayer services on Wednesdays at 7pm.

This year soup suppers at 6 pm are back! We will once again use Holden Evening Prayer for worship.

The messages this year will focus on how Mary responded to the angel Gabriel's astonishing announcement, Join us as we take a page out of Mary's book and 'ponder in our hearts' the mystery of the Word become flesh.





From Your Council President

As I am writing this it is raining! What a beautiful sight and sound. October is nearly over and 3 things stick out as highlights. The first one was our Pastor Appreciation Day, October 16 with the beautiful and delicious Bundt Cakes. We are so fortunate to have a Pastor that shares God's Word through word and sacrament, provides learning opportunities through Bible Study and Sunday Adult Sunday Class, prays for us and with us and shares her love with all of us. We are blessed!

Our second highlight is that Council had a mini-retreat before our regular Council meeting and concentrated on opportunities and challenges of being on Council, plus examined why we like serving Salem in that way. It's not a commitment any of us take lightly.

November seems to always go quickly as we prepare for Thanksgiving; are we having family or guests at our house, what will others prepare and bring or will we do it by ourselves, or are we going to travel? And the Christmas preparations will follow; some decorating may begin, buying and addressing Christmas cards might be on our list, Advent services will begin and music will be in the air. I love the holidays but find everything seems to take a little longer to accomplish.

The third highlight is the atrium plants that need to be kept warm and watered over the winter months have been moved in. The Atrium is being put sleep by me for the Last Time! With arthritis in my foot and walking a challenge at times I will not be able to do it any longer. Truly not sure how I got the job because to this day I am not knowledgeable about plants. There have been lots of experiments as to what will survive and many, many haven't. I've loved when it looks nice! I am willing to work with anyone that will become the caretaker of the Atrium, give you the history about a few of the plants- for instance the big fern is 30 years old, and the begonia has blossomed continually since it was given several years ago. Let me know if you are interested. This ministry can be shared!

Enjoy the Holiday Season as we move into it.
Stay well, be safe. Hugs, Judy



If you can, please bring Little Food Pantry items, as we are running low. Of course, contributions memo'd "Pantry" are also welcome. Food suggestions for shoppers- Cheese/peanut butter crackers, Beanie Wienies/Chef Boy-ar-Dee/soup single serve cans, individually packaged cereals, hot cocoa mix, raman packs, small packs of crackers, and fruit/vegetables in small containers.

It's still possible to donate to October's 5th Sunday Offering- helping to support Seminarian Hannah DiPasquale. Send checks to Salem (address on back page).

Our 3rd Sunday Food Offering will be taken November 20th. Cereal and fresh fruits and vegetables are still needed at Our Daily Bread.

We will do reverse Advent Calendars again. They will be available towards the end of November.



Birthdays

- 1 Priscilla Gerfen
- 2 Maegen Schmidt
Jim Long
- 7 Jesslyn Lovell
- 11 David Auberle
- 21 Roger Sahs
- 26 Belinda Hammergren
- 28 Morgan Scott
- 29 Maria Wolff

Anniversaries

- 30 Ruth Ann & Darald Haedt

Have a wonderful and blessed day everyone!

Salem's Famous Apple Pie

Oil Pie Crust for 2 Pies (makes 4 individual 9 incrusts)

3 1/2 c. flour	1 c. Oil
1 tsp. salt	6 T. water



Apple Pie filling for 1 pie

1 c. sugar	3 T. flour
1 tsp. cinnamon	5 pats butter or margarine

5 to 6 c. peeled, cored & sliced apples

Crusts: Mix flour and salt; stir in oil and water, forming a ball. Divide into 4 parts and roll out between 2 pieces of waxed paper. Makes top and bottom crust for 2, 9-inch pies.

Filling: In large bowl, mix together sugar, cinnamon and flour. Toss prepared apples in dry mixture to coat. Place in crust-lined pie pan. Add 5 pats of butter. Cover with top crust and finish edges. Freeze for the Bake Sale.

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Or leave it in the collection plate through Sunday, November 13.



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Dear Salem Family,

Thank you for your continuing love and support of our family. Thank you for the use of the church facilities to celebrate Nate's Eagle Court of Honor!

Many thanks for your never ending support during Nate and Nick's scouting journey!

Finally, may thanks to the Service Ministry and the congregation for your help in keeping the Little Food Pantry well stocked! Nate's Little Food Pantry is a much needed addition to Salem's neighborhood.

*We love you!
Teri, Roger, Nick & Nate*

