

This Week's Calendar of Events

This Sunday

- 7:30 AM Informal Worship Team Set-up (Fellowship Hall)
- 8:15 AM Morning Worship (Sanctuary)
- 8:30 AM Informal Worship Team Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:15 AM The Gathering Rehearsal (Room 110)
- 9:30 AM Back to the Bible Adult Bible School Class (Room 210)
- 9:30 AM Informal Worship (Fellowship Hall)
- 9:30 AM Samaritan Adult Sunday School Class (Room 214)
- 9:30 AM Simply Scripture (Library)
- 9:30 AM Youth Sunday School (Room 115)
- 10:45 AM Informal Worship Team Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
- 11:00 AM Cross Training "One Room School House" (Rooms 112-114)
- 11:00 AM Seekers in Christ Adult Sunday School Class (Rooms 115, 214)
- 11:00 AM The Gathering (Sanctuary)
- 3:00 PM GS Jr Troop 20090 (Rooms 112-114)
- 7:00 PM Sunday Night Lamplighters (Kline Home)

Monday

- 10:00 AM "Stand Up" Staff Meeting (Office)
- 6:00 PM Girl Scouts Troop 20296 (Rooms 112-114)
- 7:00 PM CDA-Chemically Dependent Anonymous (Room 219)
- 7:00 PM Monday Night Men's Basketball Ministry (FH)
- 7:00 PM Stephen Ministry (Rooms 212, 214, 215)

Tuesday

- 5:30 PM Pack Meeting (Fellowship Hall, 115)
- 7:00 PM Pastor's Advent Class (Room 212)

Wednesday

- 6:15 AM Men's Morning Cup of Jesus (Room 115)
- 6:00 PM 4th & 5th Grade Girls Group (Room 214)
- 6:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 20857 Daisies (Room 212)
- 6:30 PM Men's Evening Cup Bible Study (Room 210)
- 6:30 PM Sisters of Salem (Room 115)

Thursday

- 5:00 PM Sons and Daughters Youth Choir (Choir Room)
- 6:00 PM Brownie Troop 20861 (Room 111)
- 6:15 PM Girl Scout Troop 20109 (Room 214)
- 7:30 PM Troop 198 Meeting (Room 115)

Friday

- 5:00 PM Red Land Midget Football Pee Wee Banquet (Fellowship Hall)

Saturday

No Activities Scheduled

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Altar & Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God in celebration of Grandsons, Kyle & Tyler's, 14th birthday by Alice Orlandi and also in celebration of Birgit Novacek's 49th Birthday. The Flowers in the Fellowship Hall are given in celebration of Cammi Richcreek's 6th Birthday by her family!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN

Child Care at 9:00am & 11:00am for children up to 36 months in Room 106.

Sunday School for children 4yrs through 5th grade at 9:30, and for children 3yrs old through 3rd grade at 11:00am.

Blue Christmas Service of Hope will be held at 3 p.m., December 10th at Community UMC in New Cumberland. If you have lost a loved one and are in need of comfort and strength this holiday season join us for this worship service.



Help Us Deck Our Halls!

Salem will continue the tradition of decorating the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall with poinsettias. The flowers will be in 6.5-inch pots with 5+ blooms of red, white or marbled. The flowers will be placed in the church for Christmas Eve and may be taken home after the last service in each location.



The cost is \$8.00 for each plant. Please make your check payable To Fishing Creek Salem and place it with the form (located in the Information Rack outside Pastor John's office) in Jeannie Pelen's mailbox by December 3rd.

Crossfire Ministries is looking for an Executive Director.

The position is paid at about 20/hrs week. Ministry experience along with Administrative skills are required. Crossfire is an interdenominational singles ministry. To inquire, please contact the search committee chair, Pastor Dave Dormer, at DDDormer@gmail.com.

OUR FAITHFULNESS November 19

Attendance - 349

Tithes & Offerings - \$10,723.50

Connect



Youth This Week-

HS/MS Sunday School 9:30 a.m.—
Youth Group HS/MS 6—8 p.m.



More for youth...

- Collecting Hats, gloves and scarves through 12/2/17!

Women of Light: If you signed up for the trip to Allenberry Playhouse for *Best Christmas Pageant Ever the Musical*. Please be in the church parking lot at 12:30pm on Sunday December 3rd. We will carpool to the show which starts at 2:00pm. Please note that this trip is for the show only. If you have any questions, give Jeannie a call at 717-579-5164. Get ready for a fun afternoon!



Grow

Advent Has Begun at Salem!

Yes it seems a little early, but what a wonderful way to balance the pressure of Christmas consumerism! Join a small group Advent study to help you focus on the "Reason for the Season." Find a complete list of Advent small groups at www.fcsalem.org under the Adult Ministry tab or note interest on the Connection Card. Contact Susan Ryder at sryder@fcsalem.org with questions.

Featured Advent Studies:

Simply Scripture

"Experience the wonder of the first Christmas" through the Advent study, *A Savior Is Born* (Pete Briscoe). We will meet for 4 weeks in December on **Sunday mornings** (starting 12/3, excluding 12/24) at **9:30** in the library. Each session includes a short video, followed by a group discussion. Women, men, couples, and singles all welcome~ please join us! Contact Marcia Sadler (msadler_pac@yahoo.com) or fill our your Connection Card with interest/questions.

Pastor's Advent Class

Pastor John will lead a 7pm, Tuesday night class beginning November 21. It will cover topics from our *Come Home to Christmas* sermon series—Hope, Contentment, Healing, Belonging, Grace and Faith. Sign up on the Connection Card

Sisters of Salem

Begins November 29 through December 20th from 6:30-8pm
Studying Ann Voskamp's *The Greatest Gift*. Unwrap the full love story of Christmas. Sign up on the Connection Card or contact Jeannette Payne with questions at 717-781-5136 or netty0826@gmail.com

Serve

Gift Cards for Sale!

Grocery Gift Cards are Still Available. The Church earns \$5 for every \$100 card that is sold. What an easy way to contribute! When you purchase a \$25, \$50 or \$100 card from the church for these Grocery stores: Karns, Giant, Darrenkamps and Weis, the church automatically gets 5%. With the holidays fast

approaching, it is a great time to stock up on cards for your favorite stores! Cards can be purchased in the church office on Sundays from 9:15-9:30 am and 10:30-10:40 am. You may also stop in during any normal business hours.



The Christmas Story Comes ALIVE! Mark you calendars for the **LIVE NATIVITY DEC 10th!** Salem will be having a Church Family Advent Dinner followed by a Live Nativity on December 10th. Dinner will be at 5pm & the Nativity with Christmas Caroling with be at 6pm with a second showing at 6:45pm. More Details Coming! There are a lot of ways to help out! Sign up on the Connection Card!



Church Historian Position

Salem is looking for a Church Historian to preserve our history! The two main components of this position are to 1.) Decide what items should be kept and 2.) Record our annual highlights. If you love history and archiving, this may be a great way to serve your church! If you would like to learn more, sign up on the Connection Card.



Item of the Month:

Your donations make a difference! UMCOR, a partner of Mission Central, is sending 28,000 cleaning buckets to Puerto Rico. The item for this month is **fingernail clippers** for the hygiene kits. Please put the clippers in the bin marked "Mission Central" in Mission Corner.

