



Salem Scribbles

January 2020

Salem United Methodist Church
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UPCOMING EVENTS



2020 – Service of Holy Communion will usually be held the first Sunday of each month unless there is a need for a schedule change.

Jan 5th – “Unhanging of the Greens” following Worship Service

Jan 6th – Epiphany (Magi visit to Christ Child)

Jan 7th – Missions Mtg 6:30 pm

Jan 8th – Choir Practices 6:30 pm
(15th 22nd & 29th)

Jan 14th – Trustee Meeting 6:30 pm

Jan 15th – Deadline to register for the June Ark/Creation Museum Trip

Jan 20th – Administrative Board Mtg 7 pm

Feb 1st – The 8th Annual Rummage Sale

Watch and listen for more details announced during Community Time and/or via One Call Tell All. *You may begin bringing donated items to Salem on Sunday, January 12th.*

Feb 4th – Monthly Missions Mtg 6:30 pm

Feb 15th – Annual Chili Super 4 – 7 pm
(Natalie Kruger, Chair)

Feb 25th – Shrove Tuesday (last day of feasting before Lent.) Also called Pancake Day, Fat Tuesday/Mardi Gras

Feb 26th – Ash Wednesday [Lent is 2/26 to 4/11 in 2020]

Feb 29th – 1st Lenten Breakfast at 8 a.m.



May God bless you as you ponder His gifts of Grace during the past year and the promise of His presence throughout 2020.

PASTOR'S PEN

To My Awesome Church Family,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!! It's 2020 and our vision should be very clear this year (I hope.) We will be intentionally looking toward and listening to God as to what our ministry vision is as Salem UMC. This is going to be a very short letter as I am typing on my phone. Computer and laptop went on the fritz. I'm using part of my much-appreciated Christmas gift from the church to get a refurbished laptop and desk top computers.

By the way, thank you all so very much for thinking of me and Kamp Kirkland during this holiday season. The Christmas gifts came in very handy.

I am still planning to do the Overcomer Bible study sometime the end of February or the first of March. Please let me know which day of the week would be the best for you to attend an evening Bible study.

The Kamp Kirkland family thanks you all for all your heartfelt prayers, phone calls, texts, meals, and greeting cards as we handle the many challenges before us every day. Thank you also for everything you do to make us feel accepted, respected, supported and loved as your pastor and pastor's family. We sincerely love all of you!!!!

In the love of Christ,
Pastor Gina Kirkland aka PG

P.S. I love you and you can't do anything about it!!!

As a reminder, if anyone would like or needs to contact me, I want to make sure you have my contact information. I do accept text, email and Facebook messages. 765-274-9874 Cell
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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1st Luke Garrigus	13th Joseph Lamar	21st Laine Butler
3rd Doug Taylor	14th Ben Pauley	23rd Colt Crose
4th Rayne Colvert	16th Brooke Hamerin	27th Mike Hampton
10th Carole Tucker	17th Rhonda Shipley	27th Kathy Houx
11th Bill Walker	19th Bill Arnold	27th Justin Ottinger
12th Ken Haselby	19th Scott Kruger	29th Dominic Lizama
13th Martha Graves	20th Lisa Isaacs	30th Andrew 'Drew' Sharp



JANUARY ANNIVERSARY

13th Bill & Sharon Walker
17th Chuck Jr. & Shannon Hamerin

(If there are corrections/additions to the birthday, anniversary and/or prayer lists, please contact Martha Randel at SiSRandel@gmail.com.)

THE FOLLOWING NEED PRAYERS

Phyllis Bakeis	Mariam Fisher Hutsen	Annie Palmer
Brenda	Ruthie Dawson Jett	The Patton's
Christy	Libby Keck	Husband Phil
Conceptione Family	Gina Kirkland	Danny Price
Jim Curry	Gail Klotz	Marlene Schneider
Marge Curry	Sydney Kruger	Deputy Sam Scott
Debbie	Natalie Kruger	Stephanie Seifts
Mary Ann Feeley	Jennifer Lee	Sandra Sharp
Lisa Flynn	Britney Maker	Marvin Starkey
O Hamilton	Sorin Martin	Ann Stum
Rush & Ruth Harmon	Sue Martin	Aaron Taylor
Brittani Hawk	Gerald McGowen	Jane Taylor
Travis Heckart	Ashley Medaris	Martha Vail
Marty Hill	Jim & Linda Miller	The Walker's
Steve Hipsky	Al Mizen friends	Betty Weatherford
Louise Hoagland	Betty Paddock	Betty Wetherford
	Grandma Robin	



Pray for our Salem UMC family. Pray for our troops, near and far; persecuted Christians and Jews everywhere; people in hospitals and nursing homes; and those who suffer from conflicts around the world including terrorism. Pray for victims of natural disasters. Pray for peace and safety for any and all refugees. Pray for those with unspoken requests. Pray for wisdom by our politicians, and pray for our country. Pray for our local first responders, EMS, medical teams, fire fighters and police who give immediate help for those in need. Pray for our protectors, border patrol officers, security guards, and for victims of crimes. And do continue to pray for "Old Man Cline!" {All Mankind}



(Apologies for misspelling of any names...the Co-Editor.)

Prayers for Kathy Sharp, family and friends with the unexpected passing of Steve Sharp.
Prayers for Sue Martin with the loss of her husband and daughter.
Prayers for family and friends of Keaton with his recent passing.
Prayers for the family and friends of Ruth Burris with her recent passing.
Prayers for the family, Ann, and Brenda and friends of Bing Stum with his recent passing.

“And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.”

~John 5:11

With the coming of December 2019 there was much joy within our Salem family, but also much sadness with the loss of loved ones. Remember to share your love, kindness and support for those in need.



CREATION MUSEUM & ARK ENCOUNTER
A Summer Road Trip for Salem United Methodist Church
June 8-9, 2020



Registration deadline is Wednesday, January 15, 2020. If not already done please complete form and send it along with your deposit to:

Ambassador/Grueninger Travel Group
9011 N. Meridian St., Suite 100
Indianapolis, IN 46260-5378

Questions? Please check with Virginia Crose.



SALEM'S 8TH ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2020

9 am - 1 pm

What will you see at this year's rummage sale?? Some items already earmarked are: a wonderful rocking horse that works; great books; children's books; toys gently used and new clothing; household items, coolers, antiques, furniture, Christmas cards and gift bag, jewelry and much, much more!! You'll also see what YOU brought for the sale!

Proceeds go to various Salem Missions Projects such as: Salem and other multiple youth projects including the OCC boxes, local charities, Camp Out with Christ, Ten Point Coalition, Love INC [In the Name of Christ], Boone County Summer Lunch Program, and with Outreach Projects some of which are: Veteran's Recognition Celebration, All Saints Day, the Journey to Creation Museum and Ark Encounter, OK to say Merry Christmas to me pins, and Salem Lights Up for Christmas Eve.

The Missions Committee is open to everyone -- if you attend Salem, you are a member! Please do attend some of our meetings which are on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

As far as the Rummage Sale - COME EARLY to get the best choices. Please do begin bringing your donated items to Salem on Sunday, January 12th. More details will be shared later as to collection and sorting days to prepare for the sale. And remember - NOTHING (with very few exceptions) is priced! You will set your own fair price to buy item(s)!!

Missions Committee

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The group is taking a couple months off (Jan. and Feb.) See you at our Tuesday, March 10th meeting at 6:30 pm. Hostesses for that evening are Virginia Crose and Martha Randel.

Paula Overman
UMW President



SUMMER CAMPS

The holiday season is barely over - but still, it is time to start thinking about Summer Camp for your child(ren). For 2020 details, please discuss with Marie Urick at church or phone Marie at 317-769-6331.



ANNUAL CHILI SUPPER

Watch for details coming soon from Chair Natalie Kruger. There will be lots of opportunities for everyone to be involved with this important event-- one of our three dinner!



Save the Date - Saturday, February 15th



MERRY CHRISTMAS PINS YOU DID IT!

Our entire order of 420 pins were taken and worn as well as shared with family, friends and 'friendly strangers' encouraging all to say Merry Christmas! Pins were even given to The Gatlin Brothers {thanks Eric}!! Hope you had fun giving out these thirty-five dozen pins which shared the message of Jesus' birth. Thank you. *Martha Randel, Coordinator*

UMW PECAN UPDATE

Thanks to all who have purchased pecans from UMW! We still have some bags of pieces and halves remaining. Those have been placed in the freezer and will be fine for some time for your cooking or baking needs. Please contact Tina Hand or any UMW member at any time that you'd like additional pecan products!

UMW still has a few of these quality pens for sale as well...\$2.00 each. See Martha Randel or any UMW member.



THANKS TO ALL

A hearty thank you to **Chaleen Faulkner** for bringing the "Salem Lights Up" idea to Salem

UMC last year as a brilliant way to invite friends, family and neighbors to our December 24th Christmas Eve Service. In its 2nd year, **Virginia Crose** coordinated the purchase and distribution of candles for Salem members/friends to give away during Advent while several of the youth/adults applied the stickers. The result of this effort? Salem had 115 in attendance at our traditional candlelight service filled with beautiful music and the worship of the birth of Baby Jesus, our Lord and Savior. A thanks goes to all who participated and/or attended this holy service.



GUITAR CONCERT

Presented by Sound Ecologies

A wonderful concert was presented at Salem UMC on Sunday, December 22nd with the performances of Nolan Winters Logan Purcell. (Logan also sings with Salem Choir as his schedule allows.) Please watch for information on the upcoming January 2020 concert.



ANNUAL YOUTH CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - "The Rehearsal"



APOLOGIES FOR THOSE IN 'BACK ROWS' OF GROUP PHOTO - WAS DIFFICULT TO GET A GOOD SHOT OF EVERYONE.

MANY THANKS TO...

- ✝ December generous refreshments providers – **Betty & Eldon Forthum, Charlie Noble, Kathy Houx, Starr & Marshall Starkey, Butler Family and Crose's**
- ✝ Our sparkling acolytes – **Ruth, Haven, Khamiya, Sydney, Rebecca, Kaitlyn, Jozi, Tyler & Wolf**
- ✝ December greeters – **Marie Urick, Mary Hamerin, Lynda Wayman & Pat Arnold**
- ✝ **Judy Washburn** for her informative Advent messages to our youth...always a special part of Advent.
- ✝ **Music Department** for glorious songs in December. **Luke** not only directs choir, it appears he teaches directing. Thanks to **Charissa & Tina** plus **Lewis Gaskins** on violin!
- ✝ **ALL** who donated, sorted, delivered - simply helped in any way - with the Fletcher Place Christmas Project! \$3311 was the total value of cash/goods donated by Salem which consisted of 626 items. The **Butler's & Washburn's** were the project coordinators.
- ✝ **Susan Ottinger** for her continued efforts supporting the "gift of life" work.
- ✝ **SALEM UMW** for several December projects: Christmas Cheer Bags, Party Boxes for Lebanon Children's Home, and coordination of Poinsettias. Thanks to all who donated and participated in these projects. The UMW Christmas Dinner was enjoyed by all - held on December 10th.
- ✝ **Judy Washburn** and **Reece Butler** for their beautiful solos during Salem's Traditional Candlelight Service. Judy assisted in planning the service. **Pastor Gina's** wonderful sermon. All who participated with readings and songs by the choir.
- ✝ **Greens Committee** led by **Virginia Crose** - hanging & unhangings.
- ✝ **Salem's Stage Guy - Marshall Starkey!**
- ✝ **EVERYONE** who participated in so many ways with the presentation of The Rehearsal program - youth of ALL ages. Too many names to list...but to actors, script writer and assistants, music, audio, prompters, photographers, costume coordinator, script copies, and program directors. You were all **A W E S O M E!!!**
- ✝ **Mark Starkey** for sharing the wonderful patriotic cross pins!

THANK YOU





FELLOWSHIP

Laura E. & Julie R. Jan 5
 Volunteer Needed Jan 12
 Roy & Deanna King Jan 19
 Volunteer Needed Jan 26

GREETER

Volunteer Needed
 Volunteer Needed
 Pat Arnold
 Volunteer Needed

SPECIAL NOTES from Co-Editor Martha Randel

I have lots and lots of 2019 December Pics about Salem — the PLAY, CHOIR, ADVENT, KIDS and more. To obtain them, give me an USB to copy them for you.

Lectionary Readings for January 2020

Unavailable at this time.

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