



# Salem Scribbles

October 2019

**Salem United Methodist Church**  
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 1 – **Missions Meeting** 6:30 pm  
Oct 6 – **World Day of Communion**  
Oct 8 – **UMW Noodle Making** - 9 am  
Oct 9, 16, 23 & 30 — **Choir Practices** 6:30 pm  
Oct 12 – **Walk to End Alzheimer's** in Indianapolis  
(See Mary Hamerin)  
Oct 12 – **Fall Clean Up** at Salem UMC 9 am  
(See Eric Hand)  
Oct 13 – **Outdoor Service** (depending on weather)  
Oct 19 – **Annual Chicken Noodle Dinner**  
and **UMW Bake Sale** 4 – 7 pm  
Oct 20 – **Annual Laity Sunday**  
Oct 20 – **'Sound Ecologies'- A Musical Artistic**  
**Collective Recital Series featuring**  
**Pianist Charissa Garrigus** at Salem  
UMC 5 pm – free concert.  
(free will offering can be given)  
Oct 28 – **Blood Drive** @ Whitestown Municipal  
Complex 2-7 pm (Susan Ottinger)



**Thanks & giving**

- Nov 3 – **Daylight Savings Time** ends  
Nov 3 – **All Saints Sunday** (See Virginia & Tim O.)  
Nov 3 – **The Ark/Creation Museum** presentation  
Nov 5 – **Missions Meeting** 6:30 pm  
Nov 10- **Veteran's Day Recognition Program**  
**Salem UMC** Honoring Veterans  
Nov 10 – **Charge Conference**  
Nov 12 – **Trustee Meeting** 6:30 pm  
Nov 14 – **UMW Mtg** at Noon  
Nov 18– **Administrative Board** Mtg 7 pm  
Nov 24 – **Pitch-In Holiday Lunch (Time T B A)**  
Nov 28 – **Thanksgiving Day**  
✠ **Drumstick Dash** at 9 am Broad Ripple -  
supports Wheeler Mission  
✠ **ZGravy Chase** in Zionsville 8:30 am supports  
Boone Co. Boys & Girls Clubs



- Dec 1 – **Hanging of the Greens** after Worship  
Service—Virginia Crose, coordinator  
Dec 14 – **Annual Youth Christmas Practice**  
Dec 15 – **Annual Youth Christmas Program**

## PASTOR'S PEN

To My Awesome Church Family,

It has been five months since my mother received her wings May 15<sup>th</sup> and if I may be transparent, I miss her terribly. My birthday this month will be different not receiving her usually funny birthday card with a \$10 bill taped on the left side of the opened card, then receiving her phone call at 3:05 pm announcing that I have been born and break out singing *Happy Birthday* in a very exaggerated operatic voice. We do go on with the changes in our lives, don't we? Once Reggie received his full heavenly restoration July 29<sup>th</sup>, I felt and still feel heartbroken and overwhelmed. I do know for a fact that God is in full control, and we are trusting and believing that our new reality will be rough for a while; however, God provides and has us in the palm of His all-powerful hands. Reggie will be sorely missed by those whose lives he touched in a very special way. Since I'm being transparent, when you have time, please check your life insurance policies to make sure they are not *accidental* death policies. Please pray for the spiritual, physical, financial and emotional strength of our family in Jesus' name.

Salem Church family, you are very special to me, and I am so glad that the Lord has sent me this way. I wanted to thank you all for being so understanding during my time of grieving and also, I want to thank the dry-cleaning angel/s who saw the need to have my robes and scapulars cleaned meting this need anonymously. I love you all so very much, and I'm going to make sure I let you know that as often as I can because we never know when the Lord will call any of us home. I challenge you also to let those people close to you know how much they are loved as God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son.

The Camp Out with Christ was awesome! Chicken Noodle Dinner is coming up along with UMW bake sale. We have Charge Conference coming up in November so we will be requesting the usual annual information required for our reports. Before you know it, the holidays will be here and so will the snow. Why did I have to mention snow?

The Kamp Kirkland family thanks you all for all your flowers, heartfelt prayers, phone calls, texts, meals, gift cards and greeting card 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*



**OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 3rd Bonnie Trosky        | 9th Adam Stant          | 26th David Tucker             |
| 6th Parker Covert        | 9th Ruth Thatcher       | 28th Danelle Butler           |
| 6th Ryan Davis           | 10th Austin Lizama      | 28th Mary Beth Pauley         |
| 6th Pastor Gina Kirkland | 12th Autumn Hansen Hand | 29th Megan Covert             |
| 7th Chris Hasewinkel     | 14th Owen Eaton         | 29th Ashlee Miller Culbertson |
| 7th Brent Hokanson       | 19th Abigail Dieckman   | 31st Jimmy Thomas             |

**OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1st Eldon & Betty Forthum
- 2nd Charles & Judy Lamar
- 8th Micah & Chaleen Falkner
- 10th Joe & Ashleigh Overman
- 14th Gary & Tracy Puiia Carter
- 17th David & Ginger Bright
- 23rd James & Clara Curry
- 24th Stacy & Lezlee Dieckman
- 24th Danny & Violet Thomas
- 25th Robert & Donita Hough
- 28th Andy & Kathy Mehlhop

(If you or a family member is not on our birthday and/or anniversary monthly list used in Scribbles and would like to be, please give name/month/day to Martha Randel at SiSRandel@gmail.com)



The 'SON' is always shining!

PRAYER LIST		
Adam	Rush & Ruth Harmon	Danny Price
Alex & Henry	Brittani Hawk	Carolyn Reutter
Arnold's Grandson	Travis Heckart	Mrs. Ray Robert
Arnold's Sister's husband	Louise Hoagland	Donita Roberts
Asher	Mariam Fisher Hutsen	Micah Romig
Sean Bakeis	Myra Johnson	Deputy Sam Scott
Shawna Baker	Katie	Sandra Sharp
Skip Barker	Keaton	Stephanie Seifts
Brenda	Libby Keck	Jeremy Starkey
Brian	Gina Kirkland	Marvin Starkey
Carolyn & daughter Ann	Jennifer Lee	Starr Starkey
Rodney Carter	Lily	Ann & Bing Stum
Christy	Britney Maker	Aaron Taylor
Conceptione Family	Sorin Martin	Jane Taylor
Marge Curry	Gerald McGowen	Brenda & Steven Taylor
Jim Curry	Ashley Medaris	Larry Thatcher
Donna David	Nhut Milender	Paul Thomas
Ryan Davis & family	Jim & Linda Miller	The Walker's
Carla Fletcher	Carol Moyer	Betty Wetherford
Lisa Flynn	Jessica Pabst	Cody Wilson
O Hamilton	The Patton's	Peter Yoder
Hamilton Adult Children	Betty Paddock	Rose Yoder
Friend Debbie	Adam Kruger	Sydney Kruger

Pray for our Salem UMC family. Pray for our troops, near and far; persecuted Christians every-where; people in hospitals and nursing homes; and those who suffer from conflicts around the world including terrorism. Pray for victims of natural disasters such as hurricanes and volcanic eruptions Pray for the Carolinas with the recent Florence Hurricane. Pray for Coptic Christians and for victims of recent church fires, wildfires and flooding. Pray for those with unspoken requests. 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. Pray for our country and the world. And do continue to pray for "Old Man Cline!" *{All Mankind}*

For Prayer List Updates, please contact Martha Randel at SiSRandel@gmail.com

Prayers for the Glidewell and Moore families with the passing of Harry's sister, Linda.  
 Prayers for the Hoagland and Thomas families with the passing of Violet's father, Charlie Hoagland.  
 Prayers for the Chambers and Overman families with the passing of Jewell Chambers, aunt of Ashleigh Overman.  
 Prayers for the Maquire family with the passing of Coach Mike Maguire, farther of Zionsville girls' varsity basketball coach, Andy Maguire.

PRAISES to all who helped those impacted by recent Tropical Storms/Hurricanes.

*Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away!*

**ASK THE PASTOR**

Dear Pastor Gina,

I'm so sorry for the loss of your husband, and your mother a few months earlier. A group of us were just talking and we were wondering what are you doing for yourself as you begin to heal from these losses?

Sincerely,  
Lovingly Concerned



Dear Lovingly Concerned,

Thank you for your awesome question. I attend a weekly biblically-based international grief support group whether I feel like it or not, called GriefShare® which is just five minutes from my house. This is a very safe place for me to be widow Gina and not have to be strong and professional as Pastor Gina. I do my GriefShare® homework every evening before I go to bed and possibly sleep a little bit. I am seriously seeking wisdom from God to discern whether I should later receive training to become a GriefShare® facilitator and serve the Zionsville community.

I'm taking Khamiya to Atlanta, GA over her fall break to meet some of the aunts, uncles and cousins she's never met. And last but not least, I am working hard at being authentic when someone asks me how I am doing and being gentle with myself as to the many emotions I am experiencing and knowing it is okay.

*Much love, Pastor Gina (aka PG)*

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.

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**FLETCHER PLACE CHRISTMAS DONATIONS 2019**

*Donations Requested from Salem:*

- New Clothes for Children ages 9 months - age 2
- New Toys for Children ages 9 months - age 2
- Monetary Donations - Fletcher Place will purchase needed items with the funds
- Pork & beans

*Delivery Times: (check with Bill Butler as to where)*

Dec 2 - Dec 4

*Volunteer Times: (check with Bill Butler)*

Sorting Dates and Times

Monday Dec 2 - Friday Dec 6  
9 am - 12 pm or 12 pm - 3 pm

Day of the Event Date and Times

to help parents select clothing and gifts for their children  
Saturday Dec 7  
8:30 am - 12:30 pm or 12:30 - 4:00 pm

*This year's location is:*

Church Within  
1125 Spruce Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46203

**Please Notice This**



**FLETCHER PLACE CHRISTMAS DONATIONS 2019**

IT'S A LITTLE DIFFERENT THIS YEAR. BRING YOUR DONATIONS TO SALEM MARKED FOR FLETCHER PLACE & LEAVE IN FELLOWSHIP HALL. PLEASE DISCUSS WITH BILL BUTLER IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.



**JEREMY STARKEY'S** recovery from abdominal issues - he's back to work!

**STARR STARKEY** for her speedy recovery from leg surgery.

**CARTER/OWEN EATON'S** improved lazy eye condition.

**MARG CURRY** for improved health.

**TINA LIZAMA** for relief from extreme back pain.

Nancy Gordon's granddaughter **ALYSSA** cancer free!

**SARAH HAND JOHNSON** home from surgery.

**YANCY** free from cancer and now attending church.

**MARIE'S FRIEND** who is recovering from cancer.

**CALLING 'KIDS' OF ALL AGES!!**

Time for 'call outs' for those interested in being a part of the Annual Youth Christmas Program 2019! Lots of help is needed - cast members (speaking part, dress in a costume, be a reader, or give us your idea); costume assistant, rehearsal and program coordinators, photographers, videographer, and music (Choir & Tina Hand, we're already counting on you!!) Youth - parents - grandparents - friends - let me know ASAP if you are interested in any way...or have questions. Thank you!

*Martha Randel*

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**OCC UPDATE**

On September 29th the youth sponsored a Fellowship Challenge for refreshments with the theme of "rainbow colored" food. One vote per each piece of money counts towards the winner and all proceeds collected goes to this project. Some items still needed are school supplies, hygiene items, fun toys, clothing, stationary items and small stuffed animals! This project and the walnut collecting are the last scheduled fundraising events before the boxes have to be packed and dropped off at the collection sight for distribution by Samaritan's Purse. A huge thanks from all OCC participants for your grand support!

*Danean Thatcher, Coordinator*

**SALEM CHOIR**

Have you noticed?? We have additional singers in Salem Choir. Because they know Spanish {and our song on October 6th has some

Spanish lyrics} they are helping us learn the song! We hope they are having so much fun they will stay with us for a while - at least through the holidays.

We have lots to learn before the holidays! So, while normal practice time is 6:30 - 7:30 pm each Wednesday, choir participants are asked to give more time for our practices. On Wednesday 6:30 to 8 pm will be our practice time. If anyone needs to leave by 7:30 (especially the students) that is permitted. Also, Director Luke is asking choir to practice after church on Sundays when we have a special. We're all in attendance, so for thirty minutes we'll practice some of our upcoming holiday songs. Time: flexible, but probably around 11:15 to 11:45.

**FALL FESTIVAL FACTS - 2019**

- ✓ 300 Chicken Noodle Dinner pamphlets distributed
- ✓ 200+ Salem Tri-fold brochures given to families looking for a church or unchurched folks
- ✓ 200 balloons with "Salem" & "Jesus Loves You" given to children
- ✓ 80+ bracelets provided to teenagers with Christian messages
- ✓ Total cost - just over \$200.00

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers at Salem's Booth: Andy M., Chalmer, Colt, Ellen Rusk and friend Kevin, Marshall, Starr, Haven, Athen, Kathy Houx, Betty & Eldon, Lynda, Laura, Julie, Judy & Jim.

*Virginia Crose, Coordinator*



'New Faces in the Back Pew' of the choir who can sing in Spanish!

**SALEM PILGRIMAGE to CREATION MUSEUM and THE ARK - Tentatively in June 2020**

Plans are underway to organize a two-day trip to Kentucky to tour the Creation Museum and "The Ark" probably in early summer 2020. So far twenty-two people have shown interest - a minimum of twenty will be needed. Grueninger/Ambassadair (who have experience with this destination) have been contacted. They will provide a speaker to give Salem an idea of costs and options. (this is planned for November - date to be confirmed.) For our trip a large bus will be provided, and we may be able to bring friends and/or relatives.

If you have questions or have an interest, please contact me at 317-873-2956 or talk with me on Sundays after Worship Service.

*Virginia Crose, Coordinator*

**COME ON DOWN CHOIR**

Thanks for participating. You sounded great!



**GRANDPARENTS DAY**

Fun for all! Tina Hand gave a reading on Grandparents Day listing what grandkids think about them - pretty funny! Those who travel the farthest to Salem are Pastor Gina with granddaughter Khamiya. Who lives the closest? A tie between Rev. Glenn Howell and the Randels. The Arnolds have the most grandchildren with thirty-three!! Paula finished the ceremony with all participating in the Circle of Love.

**GUEST MUSICIAN**

On September 29<sup>th</sup> the congregation enjoyed a few songs performed by Steve Jeffris. A story always preceded the songs he sang —and a special story was enjoyed about Stuart Hamblen who wrote “*It Is No Secret.*” Thanks to the Music Department for bringing Steve to Salem.  
Website: SteveJeffris@msn.com



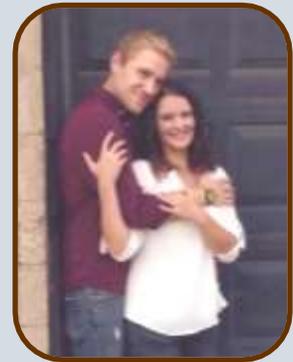
**MAY I HELP WITH THE UMW BAKE SALE?  
YES YOU MAY!!!**

You do not have to be a member of UMW in order to donate sweet treats to sell at our annual bake sale. Anyone may donate to the UMW Bake Sale which sells a variety of treats such as party mix, fudge, cookies, brownies, caramel corn, muffins, nut mixes, cinnamon rolls, coffee cakes, pies...just about any yummy treat of which you can think. Deliver items to the bake sale on October 19<sup>th</sup> between 9 a.m. and noon. Items should be priced. See Susan Ottinger for suggested prices for various items. Thank you in advance for your help. AND, pick up your pecan orders at the bake sale too!

*Susan Ottinger, Coordinator*



Stephanie Sharp and Richard Bennett who were married on September 1st. Stephanie is the daughter of Steve & Kathy Sharp.



Jake & Marlene (Hampton) Kregers on the birth of their baby boy, Mackenzie Kregers. Grandparents are Mike & Jill Hampton



Juror #10 played by Reece Butler as a cast member of “*12 Angry Jurors*” performed at Covenant Christian High School. The cast said this play taught them a lot about prejudice, what society was like in the past, and how to work better together.

Seventh-grader Austin Lizama for being selected in the cast of “*A Christmas Story - The Musical*” being performed at Beef ‘n Boards Dinner Theater November 21st through December 31st.



Martha (Maiden) Randel for recently receiving the Distinguished Hoosier Award from the State of Indiana presented to her by IN Senator J. D. Ford. (Yes - her maiden name is Maiden - LOL)

2019 CAMP OUT WITH CHRIST

Our 7<sup>th</sup> annual fall fellowship event is now a part of history. Eighty folks gathered on a beautiful Friday evening for a great time. We were led in hymn singing with guitar accompaniment and delightful harmony from Darren, Gavin & Luke. The God Given Talent Show highlighted the gifts of singers, actors, musicians and a few comedians. The always popular candy dig gave kids a chance to load up on sweets. Our traditional hayrides and painting of pumpkins continued throughout the evening. The star gazing and campfire watching ran late into the night. Thirty-five people spent the night and enjoyed a pancake breakfast on Saturday morning. After breakfast we assembled 24 personal hygiene kits for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief).

**Thank you to everyone** for your participation and contributions in making this a truly blessed and successful event. Many thanks to Bob & Paula, Starr & Marshall, Kathy Houx, Marie, Eric & Tina, Susan & Tim, and Dominic Lizama for all their hard work in making this event possible. Special thanks to David Roberts for providing the hay wagon and Gator, to Chuck Lamar for the bales of straw, to Roy King for the fire wood, Andy Mehlhop for picnic tables and Joe Overman for driving the tractor for hayrides.

*The Missions Committee*



After breakfast, 24 Hygiene Kits were assembled for UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief.)



**MANY THANKS TO...**

✠ **EVERYONE** - the entire **SALEM FAMILY!!** There were so many news items and pictures the Editors wanted to use in this edition, we hope you will forgive us if we don't list individual names - but just give a **BIG THANK YOU TO ALL!** Salem UMC IS A FAMILY and all are FRIENDS. Salem doesn't function without each and every one of us who help and support Salem UMC in many, many ways. We join together in doing the Lord's work and in caring for one another. Blessings to all of you!



Violet met Randy Ollis during the Love INC fundraiser. Randy lucked out - Violet brought him his favorite treat - chocolate donuts!



Darren - Gavin - Luke

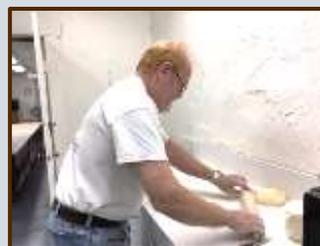


**Lectionary Readings for October**

Lessons	October 6 <sup>th</sup>	October 13 <sup>th</sup>	October 20 <sup>th</sup>	October 27 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Old Testament</b>	Lamentations 1:1-6	Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7	Jeremiah 31:27-34	Joel 2:23-32
<b>Psalm</b>	Psalm 137	Psalm 66:1-12	Psalm 19	Psalm 65
<b>Epistle</b>	2 Timothy 1:1-14	2 Timothy 2:8-15	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
<b>Gospel</b>	Luke 17:5-10	Luke 17:11-19	Luke 18:1-8	Luke 18:9-14

<b>FELLOWSHIP</b>	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>GREETERS</b>
The Ottingers	Oct 6 <sup>th</sup>	Marie Urick
John & Mary Ann Holmes	Oct 13 <sup>th</sup>	Pat Arnold
CND Dinner Leftovers	Oct 20 <sup>th</sup>	Volunteer Needed
Volunteer Needed	Oct 27 <sup>th</sup>	Volunteer Needed

**MEN IN THE KITCHEN!!**



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October 2019

**NEED 2019 FAMILY – RELATIVES – NEIGHBORS – FRIENDS  
Tell Them! – Bring Them!**

**CHICKEN NOODLE DINNER &  
UMW BAKE SALE**



*Homemade*  
**CHICKEN  
NOODLE  
DINNER**

**Saturday, Oct. 19**  
**4-7pm**

Adult Dinner: \$9.00  
Children 6-12: \$3.00  
Children 5 & under: FREE!!

Also Featuring: Salem UMW Bake Sale  
selling homemade noodles, Schermer  
Pecans, sweet treats and more!

Chicken Noodle Dinner includes: mashed potatoes,  
green beans, corn, salad, bread, beverage and dessert

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