† SALEM CONNECTION ‡



AUGUST 2019

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A WORD

FROM THE

"I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ." - Philippians 1:3-6

You all amaze me! Your energy and creativity and commitment to the mission we do together in Jesus name is so inspiring. Can I name just a few of the things you're doing?

This last month The Mustard Seed celebrated 10 years of ministry in our community by serving free hot dogs and root beer floats to all who wanted to come celebrate with them. It was awesome to hear the stories of how it began, how it grew, and how it continues to empower Salem's giving ministry. So many lives have been touched by the Mustard Seed and the staff and volunteers and donors and customers who keep it going week after week, year after year. Thank you for all of your good work in Jesus' name!

Last week 28 men travelled north almost to Canada in search of the elusive walleye. In spite of stormy weather it was an excellent retreat, filled with fishing, fine food, fellowship, and faith. You get to know one another in new ways when you spend a day in a boat laughing and fishing and learning and getting soaked and sun burned together. Thank you to all who attended, to the captains who guided their boats and taught the novices the fine arts of fishing, and to the planning team for coordinating an excellent event.

This month is Summerfest. Dozens of people will roll out sheets of lefse, form and roast Swedish meat balls, put up tents, move, clean and organize silent auction items, scoop ice cream, collect tickets, paint faces, and 100 other things I can't name. You do it all as a service to our Lord, to Salem, and to our community. The summer before I came to Salem a person on the call committee sent me a few photos of the activities and people at Summerfest in 2016. It looked like the crowds and activity you'd see at the state fair. The caption he wrote was, "Sometimes your church makes you so proud."

Yes, indeed. Thank you for all you have been doing, and all you will do in this annual effort, and in all we do together in Jesus' name!

- Pastor Mike

PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayer concerns: Barbara Schmidt, Kris Schmidt, Sandy Archibald, Nancy Meyer & family, Teppi Bundy & family, Becky Guimont, Susan Barutt, Bill Boies, Jack Hales, David Olson, Gladys Cushman, Dan Goodwin, Ron Kretlow, Audrey Enos, Marian Erickson, George Pettersen, Mary Olson, Richard Leino, Cleone McGillivray, Bruce Swanson, family of Jerry Pflepsen, Myrt Bollenbacher, Henry Hutchison, Edna Sorensen, Ollie Sorenson, Bob Cooper, Dan Harrison, Steve & Marilyn Holmvig, Kerri Sanderson, Mark Mitchell, Karon, Jill Martinson, Marsha Larson, Lochlan Mowers, Benita Harrison, Greg McBroom, Jeanne Astell, Sue Campion (daughter of Nancy Campion), Renee Voller's dad, Tim Cassady, Ruth's recovery from surgery on June 18th, Robert Libby, Bob Peterson (prayers for recovery, he fell). Darlene Olson's brother, Ivan Taylor. Prayers for David Pankratz as he is transitioning into adult foster care. (Cousin of Connie Lou Swanson)



THANK YOU NOTES!

Thanks to those who stepped up to help while I was on vacation. ~ Glen Helm





Youth Ropes Course and Pizza: Wednesday Aug 7th Salem youth grades 7-12 and friends are invited to participate in the ropes course at Clearwater Forest Camp in Deerwood and then dine at Rafferty's Pizza in Crosby. Contact Kris Schmidt for more information and details 218-851-1362.

Backpack Blessing will be held on Sunday September 8th during the Children's Sermon. Bring your backpacks!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you listen to the media, you already know that school is just around the corner. Along with school activities comes the opportunity to join Kid's Club. Kid's Club is a children's ministry here at Salem for kids grades 2 through 6. It takes place on Wednesday afternoon, from 3 pm to 5 pm, during most of the school year. We need VOLUNTEERS to help guide these young ones through the hands-on activities we provide. There is always a healthy snack supplies. Maybe you would enjoy helping with that. Can you remember a fun activity from when you were a Scout? We want to hear about it. Contact the church office with any ideas you have or to add your name to the list of volunteers. *Remember that volunteering means you will help when you are able.* Want to speak to a current volunteer? Ask on of these folks: Raye Cragun, Marlene Prill, Karla Peterson, or me, Mark Carlson.



SUMMERFEST

Summerfest is August 9th and 10th this year. Sign-up sheets are posted in the narthex.

Everyone has been so very helpful in agreeing to continue with what they have done in the past. We met in May for our first organizational meeting and will meet again in July. Volunteer signup sheets will be posted the last Sunday in June. The one thing that we need is large ticket items for the auction both indoors and outdoors so if you or you know of someone who would like to donate please let us know.

→ Youth in grades 7-12 who are interested in helping with Summerfest temporary tattoos or other activities please contact Kris Schmidt 218-851-1362.

THE LUTHERAN LOUNGE ACT Saturday, August 24th is the scheduled date for The Lutheran Lounge Act. So "Save the Date!" People are signing up to provide some great entertainment for the show but we still have room for more. Let's try to fill the church that Saturday night so spread the word! There will be a free will offering to help support our missions in Honduras. Specifically Denny and Yolanda's Feeding Station and building a Habitat house or two for families in need. So spread the word for a night of fun! Any questions . . . contact Chuck Lubowitz or Noreen Steinbrecher.



SALEM WOMEN'S RETREAT

Registration forms will be available on the Welcome Center in the narthex beginning the week of August 1. The retreat will be held October 11-13 on Church Island, Bay Lake. Registration costs are \$135 for Salem members and \$150 for non-members. Scholarships are available for those who might not be able to afford the registration fee. If you have questions, please contact Ellen Uglem (218-866-0012).

HONDURAS

Great news, our February mission trip to Honduras is all set and I wanted to let you know so that you save the dates. We leave Minneapolis on February 6th, 2020 at 5:20 am and returning on February 16th at 10:54 pm. Our lodging will once again be at D&D Brewery. This gives us nine days on the ground. We will have opportunities to come up with a plan on how to fill these days. We will most likely split our time between KAI and building homes with Walker in the village where we gave out the shoes last year. For now I am just so excited to have the dates and flight information taken care of. I will schedule a meeting for us sometime this summer to make additional plans.

LUNCH BUNCH is serving healthy bag lunches to area kids. Salem participates on Fridays. A sign-up is posted on the kiosk. If anyone is available for the distribution, or has questions about Lunch Bunch, please contact Dee Dee Frahm at Salem West (218-534-4962).

SALEM WEST ~ We are still looking for additional volunteers! Summer time brings in more donations than our staff and volunteers can handle. If you have a day or two, a day, a morning or afternoon, or even a few hours that you would be willing to help us, we would greatly appreciate it! Please call Dee Dee at 534.4962.



AUGUST USHERS

August 4 -8:15 a.m.

Ed & Sherri Godfrey, John & Margo Wojciak

August 4 -10:00 a.m.

Ken Schultz, Glen Suess, Renee Gilmer

August 11 - 8:15 a.m.

Randy Holmvig, Herb & Barb Schoon, Helen Ryan

August 11 - 10:00 a.m.

Dean & Pat Sylvester, Ernie & Mary Erickson

August 18 – 8:15 a.m.

Chuck Lubowitz, Karla Peterson, Nory & Peggy Hunze

August 18 – 10:00 a.m.

Jay & Sue Stromberg, Lisa Slepica

August 25 – 8:15 a.m.

Clark & Joyce Marshall, Ron & Sandy Kretlow

August 25 - 10:00 a.m.

Roger & Marlene Prill, Pat & Laura Guimont

AUGUST READERS

August 4, 8:15 – Jan Danger

August 4, 10:00 - Kim Coughlin

August 11, 8:15 – Beth Levan

August 11, 10:00 – Ken Stebbins

August 18, 8:15 – DeMar Wanstrom

August 18, 10:00 – Roger Prill

August 25, 8:15 - Carol Brezina

August 25, 10:00 – Jim Mayne

AUGUST COMMUNION SERVERS

August 4 – 8:15

Jan Danger, Shirley Taylor, Randy Holmvig

August 4 – 10:00

Else Ray, Nancy Johnson

August 11 - 8:15

Ed & Sherri Godfrey, Doris Carlson

August 11 – 10:00

John & Raye Cragun

August 18 – 8:15

Char Hausker, Shelly Skeim, Carol Brezina

August 18 - 10:00

Roger & Marlene Prill

August 25 – 8:15

Wayne Brezina, Jerry & Shirley Huxford

August 25

Jim Mayne

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

June 30th 8:15 ~ 79

June 30th 10:00 ~ 46

July 7th 8:15 ~ 102

July 7th 10:00 ~ 38

July 14th 8:15 ~ 101

July 14th 10:00 ~ 62

July 21st 8:15 ~ 111

July 21st 10:00 ~ 40

July 28th 8:15 ~

July 28th 10:00 ~

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

| Jay & Sue Stromberg | August 1 | 38 years |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Nory & Peggy Hunze | August 4 | 46 years |
| Peter & Deborah MacKay | August 5 | 36 years |
| Roger & Marlene Prill | August 5 | 58 years |
| LeRoy & Helen Ryan | August 6 | 36 years |
| Jeff & Heidi Mitchell | August 7 | 48 years |
| Brad & Kay Johnson | August 10 | 45 years |
| Gerald & Shirley Huxford | August 12 | 60 years |
| Glen & Nikki Knutson | August 13 | 8 years |
| Robert & Kay Cooper | August 17 | 62 years |
| John & Elaine Greene | August 17 | 56 years |
| Paul & Diane Hein | August 21 | 48 years |
| Jason & Amber Holmvig | August 21 | 9 years |
| David & Rose Steinke | August 22 | 49 years |
| Jason & Jessica Jones | August 25 | 18 years |



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

| ALCOCOL DIRECTION | <u> </u> |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Barbara Schmidt | August 1 |
| JoAnn Cordie | August 4 |
| Carol Brezina | August 7 |
| Ellen Uglem | August 7 |
| Pat Sylvester | August 8 |
| Audrey Birklid | August 9 |
| David Anderson | August 10 |
| Noelle Jones | August 11 |
| Ron Martin | August 11 |
| John Cragun | August 12 |
| Jason Jones | August 12 |
| Teddy Skattum | August 13 |
| Greg Skeim | August 13 |
| Phyllis Giffin | August 14 |
| Carla Kewatt | August 14 |
| Cecil Schmidt | August 14 |
| Pat Dugas | August 15 |
| Megan Felthous | August 15 |
| Debbie MacKay | August 17 |
| Rebecca MacKay | August 17 |
| Kevin Stensrud | August 18 |
| Karla Peterson | August 19 |
| Rose Steinke | August 19 |
| Lori Ogard | August 23 |
| Shirlee Bengston | August 25 |
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AUGUST BIRTHDAYS cont...

| Patricia Kahnert | August 25 |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Joyce Marshall | August 26 |
| John Greene | August 27 |
| Jessica Jones | August 27 |
| Sheila Mayne | August 27 |
| Audrey Anderson | August 28 |
| Mary Jo Schoenike | August 28 |
| Arlene Stromberg | August 28 |
| Carol Blomberg | August 30 |
| Nancy Tighe | August 30 |
| Harold Kahnert | August 31 |
| Bobbie Midthun | August 31 |
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OUTREACH MINISTRIES

NIFTY NINETIES ~ Next meeting on Thursday August 8th at 1:00 p.m.

KOFFEE KLATCH at Heartwood, Friday August 9th at 11:00 a.m. Come for devotions and fellowship with Pastor Mike and friends.

DIAPER MINISTRY ~ Meeting to cut tshirts on Wednesday, August 14th at 9 a.m.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m. Thursdays at 8:30 a.m.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY ~ all men are welcome every Friday morning at 8:00 a.m. in the conference room.

TEAM/COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Facilities Team August 5th, 5:30 pm

Worship & Music Team Tuesday, August 6th, 5:30 pm

Executive Team Thursday, August 8th, 5:00 p.m.

Faith Formation Team Tuesday, August 13th, 6:00 pm

Outreach Committee Wednesday August 21st, 1:00 pm

Council Team Thursday August 22nd, 6:00 p.m.

Welcome Team - Tuesday August 27th, 6:00 pm

THE MUSTARD SEED

Deb Selk, Manager mustardseed@salemdwd.org



Happenings at the Mustard Seed

A HUGE Thank you to everyone that took part in the 10th Anniversary Celebration of the Mustard Seed held on Saturday July 13th. The root beer floats were a huge success along with the hotdogs!

The addition is all enclosed and ready for the inside work to start, so exciting to be this close. Summer fest is approaching and we will be having a summer clothing blow-out sale. All clothing will be just .25! It doesn't seem possible that school is just around the corner! Hope everyone is having a fantastic summer.

Blessings, Deb

SALEM SUMMER CHOIR

The Salem Choir will not be rehearsing any more on Wednesday evenings. We have learned our summer music!

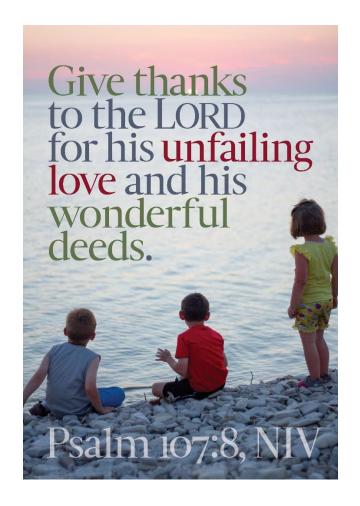
For the months of July and August, we will sing on the third Sunday of each month, as follows. The first song listed, is for the opening choir song, and the second, the offering.

August 18th

"Let Your Light Shine"
"When We Sing to the Lord"

We will rehearse at 7:30 A.M. on the Sundays that we sing. If you are not able to make it by 7:30, 7:45 will be fine!

All are welcome. Bring your singing friends!





Salem Lutheran Church Operating Fund Financial Results for June 2019

| | Adopted | June | June | |
|---------|------------|-----------|------------|--|
| | Annual | Actual | Prior Year | |
| | Budget | 2019 | 2018 | |
| Income | \$440,236 | \$ 30,771 | \$ 30,446 | |
| Expense | \$444,127 | \$ 29,958 | \$ 33,077 | |
| Net | (\$ 3,891) | \$1,155 | (\$ 2,039) | |

Overview of Mortgage & Building Fund Salem Lutheran Church June 2019

Mortgage

| Original Mortgage Amount | \$2,379,965.00 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Principal Balance | \$1,417,781.06 |
| Monthly Mortgage Payment (Principal | \$ 10,844.00 |
| & Interest) | |
| Additional Principal Payment | \$ 4,564.00 |

Building Fund

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|----------------------------|---------------|
| Beginning Balance 06/01/19 | \$269,269.55 |
| Income June 2019 | |
| Gifts | \$9,130.00 |
| Interest | \$77.45 |
| | |
| | |
| Expense June 2019 | |
| Mortgage Payment | (\$10,844.00) |
| Additional Principal | (\$ 4,564.00) |
| | |
| Ending Balance 06/2019 | \$247,140.76 |

(The ending building balance is what we have in savings accounts dedicated to the building fund. \$80,800 of this is in a special account which is set aside for any unexpected large building expense or need)

Note that complete financials are available by contacting Chanda DeVilliers at the church office. Any questions can be directed to either Council Treasurer Terry Tichenor or Financial Manager Chanda DeVilliers

August Fun Facts

- * Origin of August's name: August was the 6th month in the early Roman calendar, named after Julius Caesar Augustus.
- * August's flower: Gladiolus.
- * National Watermelon Day on August 3rd.
- * August 5th. This is the day to celebrate the Spirit of Sisterhood.
- * National Smile Week is the week of August 5-11th.
- * August 13th: Vinyl Record Day.
- * August 13th. National Lefthander's Day.
- * Lemon Meringue Pie Day on August 15th.
- * August 16, 1977, Elvis Presley died.
- * On August 20, 1630, Lemonade was first served in Paris, France.
- * Joke: Why shouldn't you tell secrets on the farm? Because the corn has ears, the potatoes have eyes and the beanstalks.
- * Full Moon on August 28th. Also known as Dog Day's Moon. At 3:52 AM we can also see a total eclipse of the moon. Who wants to get up early??
- * August 30th. Today is National Toasted Marshmallow Day.



Salem Lutheran Church Faith Formation Team

Just a few follow up THANK YOU'S TO THE MANY VOLUNTEERS (55 ADULTS AND 14 TEENS) THAT TOGETHER MADE VBS HAPPEN AGAIN THIS YEAR. We were amazed by the synergy that happened leading up to and including the week of VBS. Members showed up for workshops that never had in the past! This is the second year that the Sarah Circle had done a workshop to help us prepare. Dee Dee created another masterpiece of scenery. Noreen, Di, and Don started each day with upbeat fun and great singing. The Kitchen Ladies stepped up and took care of the kitchen when Laura Newton had to work days at the last minute.

And on the last day Sherri and Kathi prepared freshly baked cookies with a Bible verse attached to send home with each of the 63 kids who attended VBS. All 63 kids (and some of the teen assistants) also received a personal photo in the "Safari Jeep" thanks to Karla Peterson and her donation of developing and framing each picture. DeMar was preparing for VBS in Arizona months ago, then he heard that we were doing a camp theme instead, so left all of his prepared materials. When VBS was happening again, he got ready for Bible Discovery Station, in which he has mesmerized the kids with stories from the Bible for many, many years.

Diane Meyer came all the way back from Alaska to be the Games Station Leader as only she can! (Well maybe she had other reasons, too!!!) Thanks to the several men who volunteered this year, you are wonderful role models for the kids! We have only touched on a few moments in this big picture of the many awesome volunteers, several filling spots they have in the past years so well, many new volunteers stepping up to fill the need. We had a few volunteers that flew or drove to visit Grandma and Grandpa just to be a part of this exciting week with their kids. Interesting fact: 1/3 of the kids are grandchildren of members, 1/3 of the kids are members of Salem and 1/3 of the kids are from the communities of Deerwood and Crosby.

What a great form of outreach to carry out Salem's mission to Welcome people to Jesus Christ, Equip them with a faith that works in their lives, and Send them to serve in Jesus' name. Life is wild - God is good.

Because of the short time to prepare for VBS, the food donation lists were not possible. Any monetary donations to help cover the cost of the snacks would be welcome.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

YOUTH ROPES COURSE AND PIZZA

Wednesday, August 7th Salem youth and friends, grades 7-12 are invited to participate in the Ropes Course at Clearwater Forest Camp in Deerwood. The course takes approximately 2 hours to complete. Afterwards, we will head over to Rafferty's in Crosby for pizza. We'll meet in the church parking lot at 3:00.

Parents must sign a waiver before youth can participate. \$10 per participant. Scholarships are available. Contact Kris Schmidt at 218-851-1362 or robkrisschmidt@charter.net for more information.

*The Faith Formation Team will meet August 13th at 6 PM to plan, prepare, and prioritize for fall programming. Please consider volunteering. More members for the team would be welcome.

Salem Lutheran Church Council Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2019

Council Mission Statement: "We exist with God's help, to provide leadership for the Salem Lutheran Church congregation".

The regular meeting of the Salem Lutheran Church Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on June 20, 2019.

Present: Pastor Mike, Meriellen Pisarek, Joel Huntley, Terry Tichenor, Jake Frahm, Di Hein, Jeff Mitchell, John Wojciak. Absent: Mark Carlson, Ken Stebbins.

Opening Prayer was led by Pastor Mike.

Congregational Input: None

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the Council meeting on May 16, 2019, was seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Council reviewed the Treasurer's Report for May, 2019. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was seconded. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report

The Aitkin Area Church "Season of Creation" series for this summer will begin on June 23rd (Pastor James Muske). The other Sundays we'll hear guest preachers are July 21s (Pastor Jordan Gades) and August 25th (Pastor Rebecca Hinz). Pastor Mike will give his "season of Creation" sermon at Salem on July 28th for a total of 4 presentations. This is an experiment, so please share your thoughts and reactions with me and/or the Worship Team.

Committee Reports - Memorial

Scholarships for graduating seniors was \$500.00. 3 of the 9 graduating seniors have applied and filled out the paper work to receive the scholarship. Talking about a camp counselor scholarship of \$3,000 to \$4,000.00 trying to get someone to come to Salem to help in the summer months with VBS and be like a camp counselor here—this is just in the discussion and planning stages. Also did the camperships. Next meeting in September.

Worship and Music

Received a \$500.00 Thrivent grant, so they are getting close to having enough to purchase the organ speakers; working on power-point glitches; suggestion to unlock the Columbarium area.

Outreach

Salem West was nominated for the Lake Region Non-profit Organization of the year. Sentence to serve, community service people and other kids have been helping organize—it's very organized thanks to their help. One challenge is that they would like to get more volunteers for driving and delivery. Mustard Seed construction is moving right along and looks to be on track.

Faith Formation

Discussion was held regarding many ideas for the Faith Formation Coordinator position; how that position should be filled and with who it should be filled by; how will this fit the needs of Salem? It was discussed that Council should think through a plan and present the plan to the congregation.

Facilities

Parking lot tarring and patching is being worked on. Council discussed the electronic sign and asked for confirmation that they had received DOT approval. Sign meeting will be the first part of July.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Employment Policy/Pet Policy

Ample discussion was held regarding the change to the inclement weather policy, the children policy and the pet policy, and the insurance risk. This discussion led to the council discussing raising our umbrella policy. We will get bids on how much it would cost to increase the umbrella policy.

Proposed Inclement Weather Policy

During the work week, if CI Schools close for inclement weather the Church and Outreach facilities will also close. However, where extraordinary circumstances warrant, due to weather or other unforeseen business interruption, the Pastor, Council President and Outreach Director reserve the right to close any or all facilities as they deem necessary for the safety of the paid staff and volunteers. Should this occur, affected paid staff will be contacted via phone or email. Volunteers of the Church and Outreach facilities are encouraged to listen to radio broadcasts on stations KKIN in Aitkin and WJJY in Brainerd during periods of adverse weather to find out if the facility is open or closed.

Motion to accept the inclement weather policy was seconded. Motion carried.

Proposed Children's Policy

Children are generally not permitted at the work site as a result of daycare difficulties during normal business hours because of the legal liability on permitting such a practice, except on a rare case-by-case basis and approved by the appropriate supervisor. Children present at any of Salem's facilities performing volunteer work need to be approved by the respective supervisor of that area and should be generally supervised by appropriate personnel, paid staff or volunteers, at the respective facility.

Motion to accept the children's policy as written was seconded. Motion carried.

Proposed Pet Policy

Pets in the workplace must be approved by the appropriate supervisor. They must have all pertinent shots and a clean bill of health from a veterinarian. The animals must not be allowed to create any undesirable stress to other staff or volunteers and must be properly controlled and cared for. Any indication that the animal presents a hygiene issue or has aggressive behavior will be grounds for immediately disallowing that animal in the workplace.

The pet owner is responsible for all damages and injuries that may be caused by their pet. It is recommended the pet owner check their home owners insurance to make sure their pet is covered.

Motion to accept the pet policy as written was seconded. Motion failed.

Further discussion was held to amend the proposed pet policy. Motion that the pet policy shall read: There shall be no pets allowed in any of the Salem facilities. Animals that are contained in aquariums may be approved on a case by case basis by the appropriate supervisor, was seconded. Motion carried.

Security team

Greg Reed will be consulting with the security team and helping evaluate any security camera systems they look at. They are currently trying to meet with Midwest Security (our current security system provider) and get their input as to what they would suggest for the installation of a security camera system.

NEW BUSINESS

Summerfest Funds designation

Council discussed where the funds went last year and where they would like to see the funds go to this year. Motion that Salem's portion of the Summerfest funds go to debt reduction was seconded. Motion carried.

Ice Cream serving schedule/Order ice cream/toppings. Council was asked to sign up for shifts to serve the ice cream at Summerfest and/or provide the ice cream toppings.

Council volunteers are needed to serve at the Mustard Seed on July 13th from 11am to 1pm & 1pm to 3 pm.

Suggestions, Observations, and Solutions: None

Announcements

Next council meeting - July 18, 2019

10th Anniversary of Mustard Seed – Sat. July 13th

Summerfest – Aug. 9 & 10th – council serves ice cream

Meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Meriellen Pisarek, Secretary



Outreach Governing Board Meeting June 12, 2019

Social Outreach June 12, 2019 Report

Our meeting was canceled due to the fact that a lot of the board members could not attend.

Here are some of the issues that were e-mailed to board members.

Summerfest

We have the leaders in place, everyone has been so willing to help. We are need of large items for the outside auction, right now we have very little.

Honduras

We have the date set for February 6-16, 2020. Flights have been arranged with Delta and lodging with D&D Brewery.

Mustard Seed

Addition is coming along nicely. We should be receiving funds from BCF to pay 50 percent to the contractor this week. Jerry Hutchison has requested payment for his excavation work. His bid was for \$24,265.00. I will make a motion to pay him \$15,000.00 now and the balance upon completion. These funds now will come out of 2910, we will discuss at our next meeting if we want to take more money from Brainerd Community Fund. If you agree, will someone please second my motion and everyone vote by "reply to all". Motion Seconded, all agreed by reply all on e-mail.

Salem West

Donations are literally over the top. This is both a blessing and a problem. Cecil's pole barn is 100 percent full of mattresses, this is in addition to what we have at West. We are begging for more volunteers at West, we need to process the donations and get them in tubs to the store or ready for families. If you know anyone who has some spare time, please have them call Dee Dee at Salem West. In addition, we received about 2000 blankets from the casino. A youth group (15) from Aitkin came and helped at West. They accomplished a lot.

We need more delivery drivers for Salem West. Our existing drivers are cutting back to one day a week. Please pray that we can find the help we need.

Submitted by Sandy Kretlow, Secretary



August 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|------------------------|---|--|--|---|---|
| 28 8:15 AM Traditional Worship 10:00 AM Contemporary | 29 | 30 9:00 AM Piecemakers | 31 6:30 AM | 1 8:30 AM Women's Bible | 2 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study | 3 |
| Worship | Fundraiser | 1:00 PM In Stitches | Study 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 5:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal | Study | | |
| 4 | Salem West | 6 | 7 | 0 | | 10 |
| 8:15 AM Traditional Worship 10:00 AM Contemporary Worship | Start Summerfest setup | Summerfest setup Make Lefse | Summerfest preparation 6:30 AM | Summerfest preparation | FIRST DAY OF SUMMERFEST!! 8:00 AM Men's | SUMMERFEST |
| Worship | setup | Mare Leise | Women's Bible Study 10:30 AM Staff | | Bible Study | |
| | | 5:30 PM Worship & Music Committee mtg. | Meeting 5:00 PM Praise | 5:00 PM Executive Team mtg. | | |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 8:15 AM Traditional Worship 10:00 AM Contemporary Worship | | | | 8:30 AM Women's Bible Study | 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study | 8:30 AM Cuyuna Range Lakes Association mtg. |
| | | 1:00 PM In Stitches | Ministry 10:30 AM Staff Meeting | | | |
| | | 6:00 PM Faith Formation Team | | | | |
| | 10 | mtg. | Team Rehearsal | | | |
| 18 8:15 AM Traditional Worship | 19 NEWSLETTER | 20 Pastor Mike out | 21 Pastor Mike out | 22 Pastor Mike out | 23 Pastor Mike out | 24 |
| 10:00 AM Contemporary | | of office | of office | of office | of office | |
| Worship | | 9:00 AM Piecemakers | 6:30 AM Women's Bible Study 1:00 PM | 8:30 AM Women's Bible Study | 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study | |
| | | 1:00 PM In Stitches | Outreach Governing Board mtg. | | | |
| | | | 5:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal | 6:00 PM Council | | |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |
| 8:15 AM Traditional Worship 10:00 AM Contemporary Worship | | 9:00 AM Piecemakers | Women's Bible Study | 8:30 AM Women's Bible Study | 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study | Salem West Garage Sale |
| | | 1:00 PM In Stitches | 10:30 AM Staff Meeting | | | |
| | | 6:00 PM Welcome Team mtg. | 5:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal | | | |

SALEM STAFF

Pastor – Michael R. Briggs Office Manager – Tammy Martin

Financial Manager – Chanda DeVilliers

Facilities Coordinator – Glen Helm

Organist/Pianist – Becky Klingelhofer

Choir Director – Scott Ruffing

Handbell Choir Director – Kevin Edstrom

Praise Team Directors – Becky Klingelhofer/Noreen Steinbrecher John Wojciak

Director of Outreach - Don Hales

Salem Outreach Facilitator – Dee Dee Frahm

Salem West Manager – Dennis Peterson

Salem West Delivery Leader – Steve Weishalla Mustard Seed Manager – Deb Selk

Mustard Seed Assistant Manager - Julie Fritz

Mustard Seed Assistant Manager - Bev Kunz

Mustard Seed Assistant - Joey Serfling

CHURCH COUNCIL

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