

SHARING OUR FAITH

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH, WOOSTER, OHIO



Tim's Time - Lay Leader Thoughts

Happy Easter to all! Jesus has Risen and is alive!
HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!

This easter season we have implemented a new liturgical service of the Word during weeks that we are not conducting communion. In this process of transitioning to the new service, it was found that while we have been so set in our ways of doing things, change can be good. This change was one of those times.

Another good change that has happened to me recently, is that I have become a grandfather of a beautiful baby boy named Kaladin. I could not be prouder of my daughter and her husband for their new life as part a family of three. Holding Kaladin in the hospital brought back so many memories of how tiny Candace was at birth. Although Kaladin was 5 weeks early, he weighed basically the same as Candace did when she was born three days late. The fears of breaking this tiny baby resurfaced, just like when I first held Candace. So tiny, so delicate. It happened then, and again now: I was speechless.

As I watch Candace take care of her new baby, I pause and ponder this view. I see her now from a whole new perspective. How could this little girl that used to eat full sticks of butter from the fridge turn out to be such an amazing women. To turn out to be a loving, doting, protective mother is everything I could have ever hoped for. I see her in a whole new light. A light that is so bright that I have to cover my eyes—and yes, it is because I am crying and I don't want her to see it. It's also because she has become so much more than that quirky, bold, outspoken, annoying little "gem" that I have come to know and love. She has become a mother of my grandchild. I wanted to share the joy of this new season of my life, as I venture into new experiences as a Pap Pap. Joy and peace to you all, and God's blessings be with you always.



MAY
2023

BUILDING FAITH BY
PRAYING FOR GOD'S
GUIDANCE, HEARING
GOD'S WORD,
SHARING GOD'S
GRACE, SERVING
GOD'S CHILDREN

Check our website for updates at www.slcw.org. If you are in need of pastoral care, you may contact Tim Barrage at 330-465-5763.

Items for the June newsletter should be submitted by May 21.

MONDAY 7:00 p.m.

CHOSEN

You're
Invited

Viewing and Study

Salem Lutheran Church
4873 Cleveland Rd.
Wooster, OH 44691

Find us on the web at www.slcw.org
or on Facebook by searching for "Salem Lutheran Wooster"

Sunday May 21, 2023

Spuds

Potato dishes of all sorts.
Bring your favorite
dessert to share

Fellowship
You're Invited

Join us every Monday night for our Chosen Bible study in the sanctuary. We continue to watch episodes of the series with a discussion that follows.

**Postcards are available for inviting friends to this group.*



Prayer List: George Wise, Patti Stuart, Bill Buckwalter, Marian Martin, Jean Shoup, Clair Kieffaber, Mike Ringgenberg, Melanie Raymond, Jane Coy, Emily Hernandez, Lorna Metzger, Joyce Smith, Zane Cleverly, Amanda Herbert, Barbara Coulter, Monica Crawford, Lynne Dilyard Molzen, Sue Haumesser Miller, Family of Phyllis Maley, Family of Triton Fritz, Family of Sharon Salmons, Family of Zachary, Family of Andy, Family of Molly Herbert, Family of Sam Woods, Family of Dick Ullery, Family of Kirk Baker.

Women of Faith will meet for brunch the first Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at Buehler’s Towne Market in downtown Wooster. All women of Salem are welcome. Join our Facebook group called “Women of Salem.” Please join us at: <http://www.facebook.com/WomenOfSalem>.



Worship at The Avenue: is lead by Tim Barrage the 4th Sunday of every month at 2:00 pm (1700 E. Smithville Western Rd.) Please join us as we share Christ with the residents of The Avenue.

We would love your input:

What type of ministry is in YOUR heart? Would you be interested in leading a specific program or activity? Maybe you have a project in mind. Let us know. Talk to Gerald, our council president, or any current council member to voice your opinion.

MAY BIRTHDAYS:

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| 06 Tori Ann Hartman | 22 Kyle Hughes |
| 09 Jeff Weiser | 23 Nathan Hemmann |
| 15 Scott Dunlap | 27 Mike Raudebaugh |
| 19 Chad Morrison | 30 Vicki Huhn Bishop |
| 21 Lillian McFarland | |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:

- Scott & Debbie Dunlap—May 1
 James & Lora Rice—May 24
 Matt & Sondra Woods—May 25
 Jeff & Joan Weiser—May 29

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH COUNCIL

BIBLE STUDY: Each Sunday morning at 9:00 Pastor Nathan leads a bible study via Zoom. Currently, studying the parables of Jesus. Join us in the Pastor’s office or on Zoom.

ZION MEAL: are provided by Salem Lutheran Church on a rotating schedule with other Lutheran churches in our community. Our most recent meal was provided on April 16th, and we would like to thank all who provided financially, with food, or helped serve the meal. Over 25 people took advantage of the gifts that you provided. If you would like to help out with these meals, please call Barbara Buchwalter. Our next meal is slated for October 15th.

SALEM LUTHERAN COUNCIL MINUTES - Monday March 27, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Devotions: Sharon opened our meeting with devotions. Reporting that hope, the word, was showing itself in many places during the past month. The definition of hope: a wish or desire, a certainty or guarantee. A prayer of hope of the resurrection was offered. Garald to provide devotions for April.

Members: Barb Buchwalter, Garald Wise, Lila Woods, Sharon Salmons (Tim Barrage, Tabitha Burchett, Pastor Alan Nathan)
Absent: Lila, Tabitha, Alan.

Additions to Agenda: None

Minutes: Accepted as presented. Without objection.

Treasurer’s Report: March numbers matched with FS report. Decision for where Lenten collection must be made – see new business.

Financial Secretaries Report: Reports match.

Cards of Concern: Kirk’s family, Lila.

Pastoral Report: Tim conducted all services in March. selected hymns for May and June. Pastor Nathan continues with Sunday morning Bible study (parables of Jesus.) Worship at the Avenue was attended by 15 people. Going well. Pastor will offer communion ongoing on the first Sunday of each month. Tim will continue to hold office hours of Tue, and Thurs 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm ongoing. Bible study of The Chosen series moves to Mondays 7:00 pm.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

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| 03/05/23 | 12 |
| 03/12/23 | 12 |
| 03/19/23 | 17 |
| 03/26/23 | 11 |

FINANCIAL

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| Regular Offering | \$ 3,774.00 |
| Designated Offering | \$ 288.00 |

YEAR-TO-DATE

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| Total Income | \$ 9,467.77 |
| Disbursements | \$17,020.73 |

* Services will continue to be streamed

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| Difference | \$ -7,552.96 |
| <i>Receipts through March 2023</i> | |

MOTHER’S DAY—Sunday, May 14th

Mother's Day is not a federal holiday but it's a day to celebrate motherhood and show appreciation for mothers, including (great-)grandmothers, stepmothers, foster mothers and other mother figures. The history goes way back: the modern holiday was first celebrated in 1908. Anna Marie Jarvis was the founder of this holiday in the United States.

MEMORIAL DAY—Monday, May 29th: Memorial Day commemorates the men and women who died while in the military service of their country, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle. In other words, the purpose of Memorial Day is to memorialize the veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country. We spend time remembering those who lost their lives and could not come home, reflecting on their service and why we have the luxury and freedom that we enjoy today.

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Report of Council Chair: Dear deer fellowship was a success. still planning to appoint at least two additional council members. Finishing up the community pantry was delayed, but soon to be installed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Faith Formation: The Women's Bible Study will continue weekly on Wednesday mornings. Women's Group still meeting The first Wed. of the month at Brunch, held at Buehler's downtown. Moved The Chosen series bible study to Mondays – more people can attend.

Property: see old business

Evangelism: Cards made available for upcoming special Sunday meals, as well as the Wednesday Lenten series – still promoting mailing out invites to friends and family who might want to join us for our Lenten study and beyond and other special events.

Fellowship: Continuing to plan future events (to pair efforts with Evangelism): May : (05/21/23) "Stuffed Tator Fellowship" June: to be determined, July: to be determined

Social Ministry: Next Zion Meal is slated for April 16th.

OLD BUSINESS: Roof shingles getting worse, recent storm damage may lead to insurance replacement. Community Pantry in process – in final glass install and placement stage. Organists Tim Mann, Ethan Mann, and Sandra Smith still filling needs as needed. Scheduled through April.

NEW BUSINESS: Still looking for Secretary. Hoping to expand nursing home ministry – potentially to Smithville Western Barb motioned to inquire on specific dates that Smithville Western would be open to us holding services, Sharon 2nd, passed. Sharon Motioned to donate Lenten gifts to Village Network, Barb 2nd, passed. Sharon motioned to continue paying (as Tabitha has been doing) for extra services that might be needed for Pastor, Tim and organist as additional Sundays, Barb 2nd, passed.

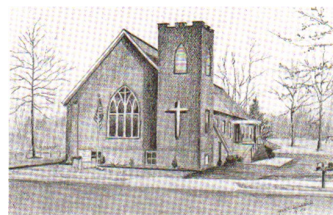
Adjournment: Motion by Barb B. 2nd by Sharon S. Carried.

We closed with The Lord's Prayer. Passing of Peace. 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Timothy J Barrage



Office Hours:
Monday and Friday
9:00 am—1:00 pm
Tuesday and Thursday
5:00 pm – 9:00 pm
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Please check our website for updates.

May 07—Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am *Bible Study
10:00 am Worship

May 08— 7:00 p.m. Chosen Bible Study

May 14—Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am *Bible Study
10:00 am Worship

May 15— 7:00 p.m. Chosen Bible Study

May 21—Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:00 am *Bible Study
10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Spuds Fellowship

May 22—7:00 p.m. Chosen Bible Study

May 28—Day of Pentecost

9:00 am *Bible Study
10:00 am Worship

May 29—Memorial Day—No Bible Study

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