



Education at Salem

For the month of January, the Church School offering will be going toward "Souper Bowl" Sunday. More than 20 years ago, "Souper Bowl" of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: "Lord, as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without even a bowl of soup to eat."

Since that day, more than \$71 million has been raised for local charities across the country through "Souper Bowl" of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that is transforming the time around Super Bowl weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. Salem's children will be celebrating and giving with their offering. The congregation will be joining in on February 6 by bringing in a canned good or \$1.00 for each member of their immediate family. These items will be collected following the worship service. All the canned goods and monies will be donated to the Waukesha Food Pantry. Please take part in this wonderful ministry of serving others in need.

We had a wonderful church school outing on Sunday, January 16th with our friends from First and El Buen Samaritano. We went roller skating and then back to Salem for pizza and further socializing. Attending were: 15 from Salem, 13 from First UMC, and 14 from El Buen Samaritano. We will have a social outing each month for our church school children. These will include a game night at church, attending a high school play, a Junior Olympics and kickball game in the spring. Please watch your emails and Sunday announcement sheets in your bulletins for dates and times.

Children & Youth Choir



Jacob and Marie have planned for our children and youth choirs to sing once per month over the next four months. The dates are as follow:

- Sunday, February 27 (Children's Choir only)
- Sunday, March 27 (Children and Youth Choirs)
- Sunday, April 17, **Palm Sunday** (Children's Choir only)
- Sunday, May 22, **Praisefest** (Children and Youth Choirs)

To prepare for these performances, we will be meeting on the Saturday before for rehearsal, pizza, dessert, and an activity. We will meet on Saturday, February 26, March 26, April 16, and May 21 at 5:00 P.M. On February 26 and April 16, we will end at 6:15. On March 26 and May 21 we will end at 6:45. Please mark your calendars for these dates and times. We need all of your wonderful voices!



30 Hour Famine 2011 February 11-12

This is open to all youth and adults. If you have done the Famine, you know the impact of this experience. We'll be starting the 30 hours at 1:00 pm on Friday, meet at church at 7:00 pm for a Lock-in, and stay together until we break the fast at

7:00 pm on Saturday. Adults, if you want to join us in fasting, but don't want to do the Lock-in, that's just fine. Please contact Amy Manns if you have any questions! All participants please sign up on the Youth bulletin board in the narthex.

Youth2011

Attention! Anyone interested in attending this national youth conference for United Methodist Youth (held every 4 years, this year on the campus of Purdue University in Indiana) on July 13-16, needs to attend this important meeting. Please bring a parent or guardian with you!

**INFO Meeting on Youth2011:
Sunday, February 13, 10:30 am**
(following the Valentine's Brunch)

Waukesha Church Dartball League

February 1	7:00 pm	St. Marks @ Salem
February 8	7:00 pm	Salem @ E&R UCC
February 15	7:00 pm	Redeemer UCC @ Salem
February 22	7:00 pm	Salem @ St. Lukes

Salem Prayer Chain



A new year is a great opportunity to update our Prayer Chain. Salem's Prayer Chain is for anyone who would like to receive information on our members and friends who

need our prayers because of an illness, surgery, hospitalization, or death. Your name and number would be listed on our chart. Someone above you will receive the message and then pass it on to you. Then you will pass it on to the person under you. If there is no one under you, you will call the person at the top of the chain, either Connie Powers or Marie Broege, to let them know the chain has been completed. After you have passed the prayer request on, you would spend time in prayer for the individual, family, etc. If you are interested in being added to the prayer chain, please let Marie Broege know by February 1st. If you are on the chain and you wish to take a break, please let Marie know this as well by February 1st.

30 Hour Famine to benefit HAITI

On February 11-12, Salem's youth & adults will be participating in World Vision's 30-Hour Famine. We will be pushed out of our comfort zone and gain a new perspective on a world that is in need of help. The Bible tells us that fasting is an opportunity to focus our thoughts, prayers and efforts on things most important to God. It is a way to draw near to God.

World Vision's 30-Hour Famine began in the United States in 1992. This year we are able to specify where we want our fundraising dollars to go, and we have designated them for the Haiti. World Vision has worked in Haiti for 30 years and has more than 800 staff on the ground.

The participants of the 30 Hour Famine at Salem will start their famine at 1 pm (on their own) on Friday, Feb. 11th. We will then meet at Salem at 7 pm, and will stay together the next 24 hours during a "Lock-in" at the church. During this time, we will be participating in activities that help us learn about world hunger, worship, Bible study, games, and other fun things! We will be able to drink water and juice. At 7 pm on Saturday, together we break our fast with a simple meal.

This year we will be doing a service project during our Famine. We will be putting together Birthing Kits for UMCOR. These Birthing Kits provide the essential items to promote a safe, clean delivery and to encourage good aftercare.

Here's how you can help us:

- Praying for us as we participate in the 30 Hour Famine, and also for the children and adults throughout the world who desperately need relief.
- Supporting us with a donation. Your generosity not only impacts the lives of participating youth and adults, but it also saves lives around the world. In the narthex, there is poster with a sign-up for pledges. Please consider pledging \$1 for each hour our youth and adults will be fasting. \$30 will feed and care for a hungry child for 1 month!
- Providing us with supplies for the Birthing Kits, or money for postage to send these kits. (Please see the next article regarding this project)

The 30-Hour Famine is not limited to only youth & teens. If you would like to participate with us, or have any questions about the 30-Hour Famine, please talk with Amy Manns. Also, feel free to check out the World Vision 30 Hour Famine website: www.30hourfamine.org.

**30 Hour
Famine**



Birthing Kits

Items needed by Sunday, Feb. 6th

The Youth at Salem will be assembling Birthing Kits to be delivered by UMCOR. The items are needed no later than Sunday, February 6. If you would prefer to give a monetary donation, we will use the money to purchase items and also to purchase postage to ship the kits to UMCOR distribution location in Louisiana. Each kit costs approximately \$1.00 to ship.

UMCOR Supply Kits help to care for the most vulnerable people during times of crisis. They also help to sustain everyday life by providing basic necessities to people who lack ready access to essential supplies. These kits provide vital support for the work UMCOR does throughout the world. By donating kit supplies or financial gifts to purchase the supplies, you make a direct, tangible difference in sustaining people's lives.

- **Small bars of soap** 1 oz. to 2 oz. size
Do not remove from original packaging
- **Surgical, latex, or thin rubber gloves**
- **Clear plastic sheeting** Must be 4 millimeters thick
- **Cotton string** New only. No yarn please.
- **Single-edge razor blades**
Regular shaving razors are **not** acceptable
- **Receiving blankets** 30"x 30" or 32"x 32" size,
No thermal or fleece blankets please
- **One-gallon size resealable Plastic bags**

Important Notes:

- All items must be new.
- Do not wash any of the items as they will be considered used.
- All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that the kits we put together contain only the requested items—nothing more.

Please place items in the bin in the narthex found underneath the Youth Bulletin Board. Monetary donations should not be placed in the bin, but instead should be placed in the offering plate, clearly marked "Birthing Kits" or turned in to the church office. Thank you so very much!



Souper Bowl of Caring: Sunday, February 6, 2011

On February 6, for each member of your immediate family, bring in a canned good or \$1.00. These items will be collected following the worship service. All the canned goods and monies will be donated to the Waukesha Food Pantry. Please take part in this wonderful ministry of serving others in need.

Undie Sunday February 13th, 2011

Remember to get your (new) undies in a bundle and bring them to church January 23 through February 13! Help us fill the boxers on the Outreach bulletin board! Socks and underwear are one of the greatest needs of those who rely on the Hope Center. They are limited to one pair of socks and underwear per month. The Hope Center is especially in low supply of men's underwear sizes 28-34, women's underwear sizes 5-8, and all sizes of socks for girls and women. With Salem's gifts, we can help these people in need.

Thank you
Salem Outreach Ministry Team

Valentine's Brunch February 13

The Nurture Ministry Team will host a Valentine's Day Brunch following worship on Sunday, February 13th. We will supply the beverages and place settings. So please bring a dish to pass and come share this time with friends and fellowship with your church family at Salem.



Valentine's
Brunch

Thinking of Spring?

One way to make winter go faster is to complete a project, especially one that may take only a half-hour or less! Your autobiography will become an important part of our "Who's Who" at Salem. Forms are in the narthex on the kiosk or just write two or more paragraphs. Couples and families may combine stories if desired and these may be featured at a later date in the Tidings. Give to Bonnie Stuemfig, call her at 262-366-4174 (rusty shorthand!). You also may send an email blstuemfig@earthlink.net or fax to Bonnie at 262-542-7866. Thank you! The Nurture Committee

Food Pantry Sunday: February 13

We'd like to remind you that the 2nd Sunday of each month is Food Pantry Sunday at Salem. We encourage everyone to bring in non-perishable items for our Waukesha County Food Pantry. Money is also very welcome as it can be used to purchase the items most needed at the time. Thank you, Salem, for your contributions of food, money and volunteer time!



S.A.M.S. Club (Senior Adult Ministry at Salem)

There are several upcoming events for SAMS Club over the next couple of months. Mark your calendars now and let Marie know if you will be attending these fun events:

February 14th-It's Valentine's Day! We will meet at the Schuetze Recreation Center, Riverview Room from 1:00-3:30 P.M. to listen to Al Anderson, a retired educator, professional trombonist, and music historian from Watertown. He has an interactive program entitled, "The Big Band Era" that he is excited to share with us. There is no fee. Just come and listen to wonderful music.

February 16th-The Waukesha Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department will be hosting an informal, interactive session with a representative from WCTC on Learning in Retirement. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about various programs that are open to seniors in the area. We will meet at the Rotary Building, and there is no fee, just bring your own bag lunch. Coffee will be provided. The session meets from 12:00-1:00 P.M.

March 6th-We will be attending Waukesha South's performance of "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory". The time and ticket price will be announced shortly, so watch the Announcement Page.

March 14th-Performing 18th century dances, the Colonial Heritage Dancers are outfitted in colorful, period authentic clothing of the time. From the era of the Revolutionary War they dance graceful minuets, lively country dances and energetic cotillions. If you are up for it, they may even ask a volunteer or two to dance a country dance with them. There is no fee. We will meet at the Schuetze Building, Riverview Room from 1:00-3:30 P.M.

March 16th-As with February 16th, the Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department will be hosting a brown bag lunch this time the speaker will be our mayor, Jeff Scrima. Bring a bag lunch to this informal, interactive session from 12:00-1:00 P.M.

Please watch for the signup sheets on the kiosk to reserve your spot. If you have any questions, please see Marie.

Outreach News:

Hope Center Outreach Meal

The Hope Center serves people in need in Waukesha County. The organization serves outreach meals each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 5:30 p.m. This year Salem is scheduled to serve two of these meals as people come together for a hot meal in a safe environment. Our first date is February 18th. We will supply servers, help with the clean up, and provide milk and desserts for about 80 men, women and children. Food and servers should arrive at the Hope Center on East Avenue at 5:00 p.m. Please check the sign up sheet on the kiosk to help with this important activity.

Salem Choir & Handbells

Warm up your chilly winter evenings with music and song! Please join us for rehearsals for **Adult Choir** and/or the **Handbell Choir** on Thursday nights at Salem.

February 3rd, 10th and 17th:

Handbells at 6:30 pm

Adult Choir at 7:15 pm

No experience necessary!



BLESSINGS
ON YOUR
BIRTHDAY

February Birthdays

Feb. 7	Ken Reichert
Feb. 7	Carol Stachowicz
Feb. 11	Alex Bodanske
Feb. 12	Dylan Mahnke
Feb. 15	Brian Fischer
Feb. 16	Nancy Lovelace
Feb. 18	Dawn Hackel
Feb. 23	Mildred Walsh
Feb. 25	Cory Buxengard
Feb. 25	Cole Nease



Happy Valentine's Day!



New Address:

Betty Henderson
300 Jennifer Lane
Brookfield, WI 53045

Serving Salem in February

Sunday, February 6

Greeters: Brian & Debbie Campbell

Acolyte: Sasha Bauer

Liturgist: Pastor Linda Vance

Refreshments: OPEN

Flowers: Rich & Amy Manns

Lectionary: Isaiah 58:1-9a

Psalm 112: 1-10

1 Corinthians 2: 1-12

Matthew 5: 13-20

Sunday, February 13

Greeters: Dale & Karla Henry

Acolyte: Aaron Broege

Liturgist: Maggie Bringa

Refreshments: Valentine's Brunch,
hosted by Nurture Ministry Team

Flowers: Dick & Pat Harris

Lectionary: Deuteronomy 30: 15-20

Psalm 119: 1-89

1 Corinthians 3: 1-9

Matthew 5: 21-37

Sunday, February 20

Greeters: Ken & Maggie Bringa

Acolyte: Alison Campbell

Liturgist: Nathan Broege

Refreshments: OPEN

Flowers: OPEN

Lectionary: Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18

Psalm 119: 33-40

1 Cor. 3:10-11, 16-23

Matthew 5: 38-48

Sunday, February 27

Greeters: Ed & Betty Padgett

Acolyte: Abby Mitchell

Liturgist: Donna Reichert

Refreshments: OPEN

Flowers: OPEN

Lectionary: Isaiah 49: 8-16a

Psalm 131

1 Corinthians 4: 1-5

Matthew 6: 24-34