



A Note from Pastor Paola...

"Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger." Psalm 8:2

A few days ago, perhaps some of you watched a young girl speaking her heart out at the United Nations Climate Action Summit. Her name is Greta Thunberg, she is 16, and comes from Sweden. She was diagnosed with Asperger Syndrome, yet she does not view her Asperger's as an illness. She has instead called it her "superpower".

A few years ago, Greta began by asking her family to make changes in their lives to protect the environment. And now she is speaking to the nations and leaders asking that changes be made to preserve the world for the future of the new generations. She is not really part of any movement, but she has been inspiring many other children and youth to let their voices of worry and even despair for the future of earth be heard. They call it the "Greta Thunberg effect".

Greta and her pain truly touched my heart. She has been reminding me how God in the Scriptures has been speaking through children and youth to reach the heart of grown-ups:

- Young little David that showed to his people the need to use courage against the Goliaths of our lives
- Young Jeremiah who called to speak the truth to the people who walked away from God
- The little servant girl in 2 Kings, chapter 5, who was filled with compassion for the people around her
- The little boy who gave up his lunch of bread and fish so that the crowd could be fed
- The young teenager Mary, who became the mother of a child that would change the world

God blesses children, and speaks his truth toward children.

We are called as parents, grandparents and spiritual parents to create a safe space for them where they can grow in spirit and faith. There is no better place than church for our children. Let God touch and transform your heart through the little ones in your life, because to them belong the kingdom of God.

Blessings,

Worship Opportunities



Sunday, October 6

United Methodist Women Sunday

We will celebrate communion with breads from around the world.

Guest Speaker: Cherrie Hartley, Education & Interpretation Coordinator for the Wisconsin Conference of United Methodist Women



November:

Stewardship Campaign 2019

Dessert First: Celebrating God's blessings

How would you like to start every meal with dessert?

This is what we are going to do in November at Salem: we are going to put the best first.

We will learn how giving to God first leads us to a more joyful and free life.

We will remember, celebrate, and give thanks for God's amazing gifts in our life.

November 3 – Communion

The Blessing of Abundance (Deut. 8:7-20)

November 10

The Blessing of Giving (Deuteronomy 26:1-11)

November 17 - Stewardship Sunday

The Blessing of Celebration (Deut. 16:13-17)



As comfortable as it is to stay on a beaten path, the best things in life happen as we venture off. Join us this month as Jesus meets us where we are and calls us to take risks and follow Him on new paths.

October 13 – A path toward new birth

John 3 (Nicodemus)

October 20- A path toward living water

John 4 (The Samaritan Woman)

October 27- A path toward light

John 9 (The Blind Man)



**November 24,
Sunday before Thanksgiving
Speaker: Bill Pardoe,
Certified Lay Speaker**



New Adult Class Begins Oct. 6

World Religions



There are 5 main religions in the world. We may have neighbors, co-workers, and friends of these different religions, but we usually know very little about what they believe.

The fear and ignorance about people who have faith different from ours have brought, and continue to bring, a great deal of violence, conflict and war, near and far.

We will welcome among us during Adult Sunday School (10:30-11:30 AM) leaders of the five main world religions to teach us about their beliefs, the way they worship, and how their faith leads them to live and make choices in everyday life. We will also have the opportunity to ask questions of our guests. We hope you can all join us!

October 6 **Guest: Shelby Perez.** We will begin with an introduction to our class and continue with an Interfaith Dialog with our guest.

October 13 *No Class*

October 20 **Guest: Bhanti Silaratana Kudagammana,** Sri Lankan, Buddhist Monk from the Theravada tradition. He speaks Sinhalese, Tamil & English. He works at Froedtert Hospital as a Staff Chaplain.

October 27 **Guest: Rabbi Yonason Meadows,** Orthodox Jewish Rabbi & CPE Certified Educator Candidate. He works at Meriter Hospital as a Staff chaplain & supervisor. He speaks Hebrew, French, and English.

November 3 **Guest: Imam Sameer Ali,** whose congregation is Dar al-Hikmah. He works at Horizon Hospice as a chaplain and serves at Marquette University as the Muslim Chaplain.



The Salem Building Team would like to thank all the members of Salem who attended the Listening Sessions this summer. It was good to hear your concerns, hopes, and visions for our church. We appreciated the feedback.

At the second Building Committee meeting, we used the information from the Listening Sessions as well as the data collected from the three churches that our team visited that were recently renovated or newly built (Nativity of Our Lord in Rhinelander, Evangelic and Reformed United Church of Christ in Waukesha, and Gethsemane UMC in Pewaukee). We also took into consideration the information gathered from the walk-through of Salem by our new members and regularly attending visitors to begin the process of identifying our priorities for our church. The individuals/couples who did the walk through presented new insights that were very helpful. Fresh eyes see many things that we have just learned to live with. We thank them for their time and honesty.

Identifying these priorities will not always be easy or a quick task. It will take time, patience, and compassion to make these important decisions. Keep us in your prayers. Our next meeting is scheduled for early October.



Undie Sunday Results

Congratulations Salem! Last year we donated 633 items of underwear to the Hope Center and that was amazing! However, **this year** Salem donated 248 items and with monetary donations of \$381 (and smart shopping) our grand total became 899 items. This is the largest amount of underwear we have ever given to Hope Center! Your generosity will go far to help the needy in our community! Thank you so much!



With the help of our Youth Group, the Outreach Team will be preparing **Personal Hygiene kits** for the local homeless community. The kits (\$10 each) will contain shampoo, deodorant, a bar of soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, wash cloth and comb. We will need one-gallon freezer bags to

hold the kits. Outreach will be purchasing the combs and washcloths but would appreciate help with the rest of the items. The deadline to bring in your items or monetary donation is

October 13.



We are welcome Sharon Link as our new **Care Ministry Coordinator!** Thank you, Sharon, for taking on this important ministry. If you know of anyone who needs a meal, a ride to the doctor or to the store, needs a friendly visit, or needs a few items from the store, please contact Sharon. Email: kackipants32@gmail.com and her home phone is 262-782-4494.



Food Pantry Sunday

Our October Food Pantry Sunday is October 13th. Thank you for supporting this vital community outreach program!

Lectionary Bible Study!

The Thursday morning Lectionary Bible Study group meets at The Spot Restaurant (corner of Broadway and Hartwell in Waukesha) at 7:30 AM on Thursday mornings. Please see Pastor Paola for more information. Everyone is invited!



Healing Hearts News

Healing Hearts of Waukesha County was started in April, 2010, to provide grief support for children, teens, and adults who are grieving the loss of a loved one due to death, divorce, and other life-altering events. Salem was a founding partner and has been an active supporter since the beginning.

Healing Hearts offers 12-week family programs, guided by trained volunteers, to help work through the grieving process with other experiencing similar losses. They are currently expanding their program to give families an opportunity to meet with a grief counselor. First UMC in Waukesha has provided a classroom for this purpose, and Healing Hearts has been seeking donations to transform the room into a safe comfortable space for the families. In creation of the Healing Hearts "Family Room," it will offer families additional opportunities to mourn their losses with a grief counselor. If you wish to help, you can go to their website to donate. There are also opportunities to "adopt a grieving child." More information can be found on the kiosk.

Tales from the Trustees...

The Trustees are reporting the following items have been completed:

- Exterior Sanctuary doors and steel canopy posts have been painted.
- Limestone veneer at entrance has been power-washed.
- Light post was power-washed and needs no further painting.
- All wood children's chairs have been sold.
- New defibrillator has arrived and will be installed in the hallway.
- Lawn mowers and steel cabinets will be offered to members after a Sunday Service sometime this fall.



Dartball Begins!

The first game for Dartball will be Tuesday evening, October 15th. Anyone interested in joining the Salem team or if you would just like more information, please see Doug Lindsay or call him at 262-896-0045.



Windy Hill Handbell Choir and Windy Hill Brass Fall Concert to benefit the Women's Overflow Shelter in Waukesha

Friday, November 15 at 7 PM

This will be a family friendly concert for all ages and will include musical selections for everyone. A freewill offering will be collected to benefit the Women's Overflow Homeless Shelter in Waukesha.

The handbell ringers will play a group of Impressionistic pieces including arrangements of The Little Shepherd and Golliwogg's Cake-Walk from Children's Corner by Claude Debussy as well as Prelude No. 2 from the Three Preludes by George Gershwin.

A second group of handbell pieces on the program will include seasonal favorites arranged for handbells including Three Impressions on "This is My Father's World", Thanksgiving Bells, and Count Your Blessings.

The centerpiece of the brass quintet's repertoire will be Kurt Weill's Three Penny Opera Suite. The brass will also perform Scherzo by Cheetham, Stardust by Hoagy Carmichael and a special arrangement of Erik Satie's Gymnopedie No. 1 featuring a tuba solo.

Please join us for a varied program of beautiful music at Salem.



Please make note of Doug & Chris Taylor's new address:
P.O. Box 303
Cullom, IL 60929

WOW!!!!



Our church parking lot has been patched and seal-coated and striped. AND we've added more handicap spaces...6 in total! Thank you, Trustees, for overseeing this project. (Special thanks to Bill Hauenstine and Brian Fischer).



October 1	Emilie Cochran
2	Cash Trombley
5	Greg Newton
5	Debbi Oswalt
7	Becky Henderson
11	Amy Cochran
11	Matt Wojcik
12	Vania Trombley
16	Ross Henderson
18	Grace Olivia Tonz
20	Jim Harasha
24	Jonah Jacobson-Agpoon
26	Rei Lesada
28	Ralph Yont
29	Vicky Nease
30	Bryan Callen
31	Allyson Manns
31	Chris Tonz

OCTOBER LECTIONARY

Oct. 6	Lamentations 1:1-6 Psalm 137 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10
Oct. 13	Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 Psalm 66:1-12 2 Timothy 2:8-15 Luke 17:11-19
Oct. 20	Jeremiah 31:27-34 Psalm 119:97-104 or Psalm 19 2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:5 Luke 18:1-8
Oct. 27	Joel 2:23-32 Psalm 65 2 Timothy 4:6—8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

Serving at Salem in October

October 6

Greeters: Harriet Marks, Margaret Wogaman
Acolyte: Aaron B.
PowerPoint: Harriet Young
Worship Leader: Harriet Young
Liturgist: Bonnie Stuempfig
Children's Time: Pastor Paola
Flowers: Bill & Sandy Pardoe
Refreshments: United Methodist Women

October 13

Greeters: Brian & Debbie Campbell
Acolyte: Brooke N.
PowerPoint: Paul Becher
Worship Leader: Don Callen
Liturgist: John Klopp
Children's Time: Pastor Paola
Flowers:
Refreshments: Mary Jo Martin

October 20

Greeters: Nick & Jen Tonz
Acolyte: Zach B.
PowerPoint:
Worship Leader: Maggie Bringa
Liturgist: Gary Wollenzien
Children's Time: Pastor Paola
Flowers:
Refreshments: Roszkowski

October 27

Greeters: Paul & Bonnie Wojcik
Acolyte: Anna H.
PowerPoint: John Klopp
Worship Leader: Marlys Tesch
Liturgist: Sydney Hernandez
Children's Time: Pastor Paola
Flowers:
Refreshments:

