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To love God, to love people & to spread God's word



Dear Christian friends,

The Christian Church has been richly blessed with expressions of its faith through music from its beginning. In recognition of this Martin Luther, in the 16th century had an especially elevated appreciation for the beauty and efficacious qualities of music. These two quotes are his most famous expressions:

“Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world.”

“Music is the art of the prophets, the only art that can calm the agitations of the soul; it is one of the most magnificent and delightful presents God has given us.”

Perhaps you have noticed my own love for music as I frequently use a favorite hymn for the Quarterly Newsletter at Salem. I agree with Martin Luther that there is something special about music and as he declared it is ‘the art of the prophets’. The world of Hymnody and Contemporary Christian Praise music lifts my own faith on a daily basis. I would encourage each of you this season of Lent and Easter to listen to KLove or Family Life radio or if you have the technology perhaps link to famous Easter Hymns on Youtube or iheart on your smartphone. The power of God’s Word linked to music will lift your spirit and strengthen your Christian faith!

God’s richest blessings my friends,
Pastor Eric Goodwin
John 3:16-17

WEEKEND WORSHIP

Saturdays at 4:00 pm
Sundays at 10:30 am
Sunday School at 9:00 am

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Holy Week & Easter Schedule

March 29, Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm
March 30, Good Friday Service 7:00 pm
No Service on Saturday, March 31.

Easter Sunday - Sunrise Service 7:30 am
Easter Brunch 9:00 am
Easter Worship 10:30 am



Mid-Week Wednesday Adult Bible Study



Join us on Wednesdays at 1:00 pm as we study the Gospel of Matthew.

Experience this Gospel through a DVD presentation that is powerful and entertaining and is taken word for word from the text of the NIV Bible translation. The presentation is then followed by discussion questions. We gather in the sanctuary for this study.

PLANTING YOUR SPRING GARDEN!

(for the garden of your daily living)

Plant 3 rows of peas

1. Peace of mind
2. Peace of heart
3. Peace of soul

Plant 4 rows of squash

1. Squash gossip
2. Squash indifference
3. Squash grumbling
4. Squash selfishness



Plant 4 rows of lettuce

1. Lettuce be faithful
2. Lettuce be king
3. Lettuce be patient
4. Lettuce really love one another

No garden is complete without

1. Turnip for meetings.
2. Turnip for service
3. Turnip to help one another

To conclude our garden, we must have Thyme

1. Thyme for each other.
2. Thyme for family.
3. Thyme for friends.

Water freely with patience and cultivate with love.

There is much fruit in your garden because you reap what you sow.

Got Stuff??

Start saving your treasures for our

Rummage Sale

March 10 9-1 pm



CONFIRMATION OF OUR YOUTH CLASS WILL TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2018



Pioneer Camp and Retreat Center:

www.pioneercamp.org 716-549-1420

Pioneer Camp and Retreat Center (9324 Lakeshore Rd., Angola, N Y



Upcoming events, for more info go to the website:

Road Rally Fundraiser March 10, 1:00 pm

Easter Brunch Saturday, March 31 from 10 - 2 pm Egg Hunt 10:30 am

Jr. Sr High Spring Retreat April 20 - 22

Summer Camp Brochures

Thanksgiving Dinner

As we learned in Sunday School through the song "This Little Light of Mine", through our Community Thanksgiving Dinner Jesus's love shone. Thank you to everyone for your prayers, your servant's heart, and your generosity that assisted us in serving 200 dinners. We made home deliveries to shut-ins in the community and enjoyed an evening of fellowship with those who came to join us. The Salvation Army once again blessed us with a donation. Not only does the community come to enjoy the dinner, they also came to volunteer. We had several non-church members who came and volunteered their time to make the event a success. So many hands made light work. We had ladies volunteer their time to prepare the dinner. We had a mother of three young children volunteer their time to help set up the dinner. Their mother wanted the kids to experience the joy of giving to others. Thank you to Salem's Youth Group for showing them God's love. We had a couple that assisted with cooking the meal, serving, clean up and deliveries to the shut-ins. The outreach continued after the dinner with nothing going to waste. The leftovers were shared with our local food pantry. Thank you to everyone who helped us to share God's love with the community.



Andrea Schneider

Birthday Card Shower for Elaine Middendorf

Elaine will be turning 90 on March 23rd and we would love to shower her with cards. She now resides in Georgia near her children and grandchildren and she would love to hear from all of her friends from up north. She has recovered from her stroke and is doing great. If you would like to send a card and a favorite memory, please use the following address:

Elaine Middendorf
c/o Dr. Bruce Middendorf
1141 Knob Creek Drive
Athens, GA 30606

You may also send video greetings to the following email address: Emily.middendorf@gmail.com



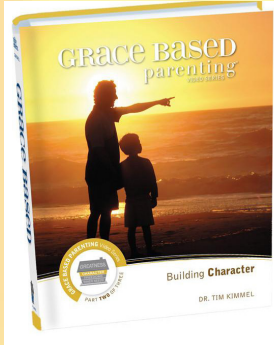
Community Spaghetti Dinners

March 15 and

April 19 5:00 - 6:30 pm



Grace Based Parenting Part II - Building Character



You only have a few short years with your child. Why not make the most of the time you have?

This exciting study is a practical strategy for raising kids who turn out right by installing character into their hearts. These seven powerful sessions, with helpful discussion guides and

leaders' tools, will show you how to model and teach your children about faith, integrity, poise, discipline, endurance, and courage.

Classes begin Feb. 25 at 12:30 pm.

Soup Ministry for Homebound Members & Friends: As part of our ongoing care ministry at Salem, we have been preparing soups for homebound members and friends, once a month and delivering them. We could use some help with the prep and delivery. If you have an hour or two and would like to help us out with prep or a short visit with someone, please see or call Lois Kenyon 560-8353 or Deb Cappella 353-2560.



Preschool News - Amy Tillinghast



Dentist Amy Schmitt-Kingston, visited the preschool in February to promote Dental Health month.



The preschoolers spread some Christmas cheer by making Christmas cards and mailing them to shut-ins.

Easter Flower Sale



Order your Lilies, Mums, Tulips and Hyacinths for the altar on Easter Sunday. Please call the church office at 716.592.4893 to place an order. Orders need to be in by March 19th, money is due when order is placed. Proceeds will benefit the 2018 Confirmation classes cost

to Confirmand's Retreat at Camp Pioneer this summer. Thank you for your support!

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A Testimonial - by Nancy Ahrens



I grew up at Salem. I was baptized here. I went to Sunday school and was confirmed here. Despite that, I haven't always been a regular "church goer". But I am now.

Not long ago, I read a comment that going to church is like going to the gas station once a week to fill up. For me, that is true. I always come away with something to help me through the week ahead, or to help me deal with the past week.

There is the message, of course, but in addition we have the hymns, readings, and the prayers. I take it all in, but sometimes, there's just one little thing that's exactly what I need to hear that week.

I look forward to that. I know that when I go to church, I will get filled up with what I need. As I go through the week, I also know that next weekend I can look forward to getting filled up again.

When I go to church, I find what I need. Sometimes that is hope, sometimes courage or strength. Sometimes it's just letting go of whatever is bothering me at the moment long enough to find happiness in the simple little things that can get so easily overlooked.

We all have different things going on in our lives - different needs, concerns, wants and hopes. I imagine we all get different things from the same service but in the end we all get filled up.

Salem really is "a refuge of peace on our journey through life" and a good place to get filled up.

Nancy Ahrens

If you are interested in sharing your testimony with us, please call or email the church office