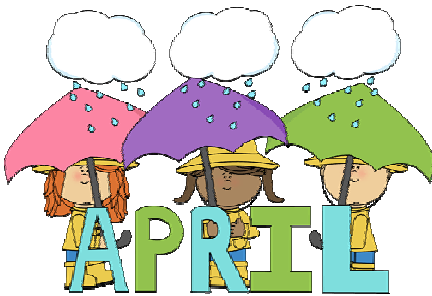


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SALEM UCC MISSION STATEMENT

To praise and glorify God through Jesus Christ, Salem United Church of Christ will be a nurturing family that shares the Good News with people of all ages. Our congregation will invite and warmly welcome others into this faith community. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we will create and maintain places and programs, which satisfy needs and nurture spiritual growth while recognizing and utilizing the diverse gifts and talents of all.

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FIRST NOTES

“Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.”
(Mark 8:31)

Despite the fact that earlier written accounts of Jesus’ life and ministry, found in Mark’s gospel, says that Jesus warned the disciples at least three times that he was going to suffer and die in Jerusalem, the disciples were truly blindsided and devastated by the events of Holy Week. I’m sure that right up until the time of Jesus’ arrest they were certain that Jesus would display a triumph of force over his enemies. When that response didn’t come, the feeling of failure must have been overwhelming.

It was only then – out of the ruins of that devastation – that God could rescue them from failure and point them towards a new reality and a new way of life based on the news of the Risen Christ. It was only through death that resurrection was possible.

I know that I’ve said this before, but it bears repeating again: I’m pretty sure that Easter is not primarily a child’s holiday – at least not from the religious side of things. Sure, baskets full of colored eggs and chocolate rabbits may hold some attraction for children, but Jesus and resurrection? It takes a few life experiences to gain a full appreciation for all that Easter can mean. It takes a few losses and a number of failures to help understand these things. I remember being fairly zeroed-in on the whole business of Easter as a child, but there was a lot I still had to piece together as I look back on it (and I’m still piecing things together!).

And to that end, I invite you to jump into the story to re-tell and re-live the story once again, this year. From Palm Sunday to Good Friday. From Good Friday and Holy Saturday to Easter Sunday. I invite you to catch the story in all of its fullness and to see where you find yourself in that drama. I invite you to share in the joy of Easter Sunday. A list of times for the worship services and special events of Holy Week are listed further on in the body of the *Chapel Chimes*.

May these days ahead truly be a time of blessing for you and those whom you love.

Your servant in Christ,

Rev. Jim Hoppert



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4/01 Roland Bruggink
Wade Kleinhans

4/03 Lillian Fontany
Megan Quade
Corbin Krueger

4/05 Rev. James Hoppert
Carol Thelen

4/06 Pam Miller
Kristine Hartmann

4/07 Kay Halle

4/08 Tara Meinnert

4/10 Terry Debbink
Kenneth Mauk

4/12 Sam Veldman

4/13 Willard Kleinhans

4/14 Hannah Mauk
Sharon Schoenfeld

4/15 Garrett Debbink
Benjamin Picard

4/16 Karlee Hartmann

4/19 Dave Barts
Steve Fieck
Gail Kleinhans
Todd Thiel

4/20 Judith Helmer
Esther Sippel

4/21 John Humbracht
Gareth Johnson

4/22 Andrea Kapellen
Judi Miller

4/25 Mark Leverenz

4/26 Ed Ardell
Jeanne LeMahieu

4/27 Evelyn Markus

4/28 Deegan Quade

4/29 Jean Halle

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

4/03 Jeff & Maureen Greuel

4/08 Ken & Kathy Schaap

4/11 Tom & Brenda Nabak

4/11 Josh & Angie Bender

4/12 Leander & Dorothy Selk

4/19 Todd & Denise Kleinhans

4/19 Hans & Gladys Palm

4/20 Ron & Sandy Holzmann

4/22 Robert & Shelley Bubb

4/24 Todd & Dawn Fischer

4/24 Gerry & Reta Klemme

4/27 Ben & Tara Meinnert

4/30 Don & Judy Miller



APRIL LITTLE LAMBS CHILD CARE

Sunday, April 2nd:

Annette & Lauren Bunyea

Sunday, April 9th:

Susie Katsma & Janice Miller

Sunday, April 23rd:

Jill & Megan Thiel

Sunday, April 30th:

Faye Hughes & Cora Meyer



"I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live."

John 11:25

ZOAR -SALEM CEMETERY UPDATE - MARCH 2017

The Board of Directors is continuing to work out details for operation of the cemetery under the ownership of the church. Last year was devoted to correcting some legal issues and taking steps to clarify the future of the cemetery.

- The cemetery association was reorganized on behalf of the remaining lot owners as required by the state since the association had not met formally for more than 3 years.
- In return for the church's assurance to continue responsibility for the cemetery, the remaining lot owners voted to sign title of the land over to the church, a part of the original transfer which was never completed.
- Al Babler was hired by Salem as the cemetery caretaker.
- The church traded land with the neighbor, acquiring approximately 7 ft. along the north property line where some grave stones crossed the line, and awarding the neighbor approximately 7 ft. of unused land along the east property line as compensation.
- A survey was completed which corrected the boundary and marked the location of two new areas of lots as well as the last row of the original cemetery for future reference in locating and marking grave plots.
- Our sincere thanks are extended to Attorney James Hughes, who patiently guided us through the legal process at no charge to the church.

Since the legal transactions regarding cemetery ownership were not completed until last fall and the board of directors was established in the middle of the year, their terms will begin fully in 2017. The initial board and their terms are Terry Risse (3 years), Roger Rortvedt (2 years) and Lynn York (1 year). Beginning in January 2018, one new board member will be elected for a 3 year term in each succeeding

year. Terry is serving as chair and Lynn as secretary for this year.

The cemetery board has been meeting on a monthly basis until rules and procedures for cemetery operation are completed. Meeting dates will be posted in the church bulletin or newsletter. Please call the church office if you wish to contact a board member.

Terry Risse - Chair



**PLEASE KEEP THESE FAMILIES IN
YOUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS**

HOSPITALIZED

Aurora, Sheboygan Memorial

Evie Gundersen

St. Nicholas, Sheboygan

Scott Miller

St. Mary's, Mequon

June Miller

FUNERALS

3/13/17 Marlene Lorenz at Salem UCC

3/14/17 Kenneth Baumann at Salem UCC

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THANK YOU

Thank you "Salem Members" for your kind thoughts and prayers after my recent surgery. I appreciated all the cards, visits and calls. I enjoyed the delicious ham supper that Pam Miller and Janet Veleke delivered to my home. I especially want to thank Donna Picard, Kris Meilahn, Judi & Dale Miller and Rev. Hoppert for all you did to help me these past weeks.

Blessings, Kathy Zelm



Salem UCC Rummage Sale: Planning for this year's sale is in progress – please mark your calendar with the following dates. This year's sale will be held on Saturday, April 29 from 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Set-up for the sale and the dates for drop-off of merchandise are as follows:

1. Tuesday, April 25 from 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
2. Wednesday, April 26 from 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
3. Thursday, April 27 from 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
4. Friday, April 28 from 9:00 to finish.

On Saturday, April 22, assistance will be needed in loading items from our storage shed onto trailers and on Monday, April 24, rooms in the church will be set up in preparation for the sale. The date for removal of items and clean-up following the sale will be May 1 from 9:00 a.m. until completion. The follow-up Rummage Sale Committee meeting after the sale is tentatively scheduled for May 8.

Your generous donations of items for the sale are appreciated. If you have items that you are unable to store and wish to donate before the drop-off dates, please contact Pam in the church office or Richard Jarosch at 920-893-8705 and arrangements will be made to assist you.

A volunteer sign-up sheet will be posted in late March and many volunteers will again be needed. If you are working full-time and can help for an hour or two in the evening, we welcome your donation of time. Members of the church are again encouraged to prepare bakery to donate for the sale. A brat fry and lemonade stand will also be held. A meeting is planned for Monday, April 3 at 6:30 p.m. in the church library to finalize details for this year's sale. Everyone in the church who is interested

in helping is invited to attend. We appreciate your prayers that this year's event will be an enjoyable and safe event.



NOTES FROM CHURCH AND MINISTRY TEAM

As the Lenten days wind down and we draw closer to Holy Week and Easter, we as Christians, are reminded of the darkness of Jesus' crucifixion and death; and we are hopeful of the new life and light that are promised in Christ's resurrection. Let us be mindful of the sufferings of our Lord, but let our emphasis be on the Good News of Easter. Let us be renewed by the sunshine, greening of lawns, springing of flowers and the new birth of animals that come to us in this season. As God provides us with light and renewal, let us be encouraged to spread His rays through our smiles, words and actions. Let us challenge ourselves and one another to be kind and loving as we go about our lives and our work and worship within and beyond our community of faith. We pray that this season may find us seeking God's light and spreading it whenever and wherever possible. Perhaps you find yourself discouraged or distanced. If so, we encourage you to share your concerns with members of your church family. We are here to help ease the burdens of one another, and we extend to you our Christian love. If anyone has need to share special concerns or request a visit or call from Rev. Hoppert, Dale Miller or members of our Church and Ministry Team, please contact the church office. May you find hope, peace, renewal and rejoicing in God's promises!

- Salem Church and Ministry Team: Cyndi Huibregtse, Mary Bender, Amy Nischik and Angie Hartmann

FROM THE PARISH NURSE . . .

Although there could be a few exceptions, I do plan to keep a schedule of every Wednesday morning from 9:30 – 11:30 being in the church office and available in any way I might be able to help you. Also, I plan to do blood pressure checks the first weekend of every month at both services. Again, if there is anyone that could use my help or a visit, please give me a call 980-3977.

Thank you,
Robbie Gremminger

FEVER

Even when you're well, your temperature varies, and that variation is normal. We consider 98.6 F (37 C) a healthy body temperature. But, your "normal" temperature may differ by a degree or more.

In the morning your temperature is generally lower, and in the afternoon it's somewhat higher. Check your family members' temperatures when they're healthy. Discover their "normal" range.

Fever itself is not an illness, but is often a sign of one. A fever tells you that something is happening inside your body.

Most likely, your body is fighting an infection caused by either bacteria or a reaction to a medicine, an inflammatory condition or too much heat. Sometimes you don't know why you have a fever. But don't automatically try to lower your temperature. Decreasing it may mask symptoms, prolong an illness and delay identifying the cause.

You usually will know what caused a fever in a day or two. If you think it's something other than a viral illness, consult your health-care professional. Other common causes of fever include the following:

- An infection, such as urinary tract infection (frequent or painful urination), strep throat

or tonsillitis (often with a sore throat), sinus infection (pain above or beneath the eyes) or dental abscess (tender area in the mouth)

- Infectious mononucleosis accompanied by fatigue
- An illness you picked up in a foreign country
- Heat exhaustion or severe sunburn
- **For children and adults with temperatures less than 102 F (38.9 C):** normally avoid using medicine for a new fever in this range. Wear comfortable, light clothing and cover yourself with only a sheet or light blanket.
- **For children and adults with temperatures between 102 F (38.9 C) and 104 F (40 C):** Give adults or children acetaminophen (Tylenol or generic brand) or ibuprofen (Advil, Motrin or generic), according to the label instructions. Adults may use aspirin instead. Do not give children aspirin. **Never give a child or young adult aspirin for a fever unless directed by your doctor. Rarely, aspirin causes a serious or even fatal disease called Reye's syndrome if given during a viral infection.**
- **For children and adults with temperatures more than 104 F (40 C):** Give adults or children acetaminophen (Tylenol or generic) or ibuprofen (Advil, Motrin or generic), following the manufacturer's instructions. Adults may use aspirin instead. A sponge bath of lukewarm water may bring the temperature down. Recheck the temperatures every half hour.

Medical Help - Call your health-care provider about a fever in any of the following situations:

- Your temperature is more than 104 F (40 C)
- A baby younger than 3 months whose temperature is 100.5 F (38 C) or higher
- Your temperature has been more than 101 F (38.3 C) for more than 3 days. A fever is only one sign of the illness. Tell the physician what contagious diseases people around you have, including flu, colds, measles or mumps.

Call your health-care provider immediately if any of these symptoms accompany a fever:

- A severe headache
- Severe swelling of the throat
- Unusual eye sensitivity to bright light
- Significant stiff neck and pain when you bend your head forward
- Mental confusion
- Persistent vomiting
- Difficulty breathing
- Extreme listlessness or irritability
- A bulging soft spot on a baby's head

Kid's Care - An unexplained fever is a greater cause for concern in children than in adults. A rapid rise or fall in temperature causes a seizure in about 1 in 20 children younger than 4. It generally lasts less than 10 minutes. It usually causes no permanent damage. If a seizure occurs, lay your child on his or her side and hold the child to prevent trauma. Don't place anything in the mouth or try to stop the seizure.

Sometimes a fever accompanies teething. Fever with ear pulling often indicates a middle ear infection. Ask your doctor about fevers associated with shots.

It's usually easier to give medications in liquid form. For a small child, use a syringe with measurements on the side and a bulb on the tip. Gently squirt the medicine in the back corner of the child's mouth.

Encourage children to drink ample water, juice and sugared pop or to eat frozen ice pops.

Taking Temperatures - Several types of thermometers are available: glass-type mercury thermometers, electronic thermometers and tympanic (ear) thermometers. Use disposable temperature strips cautiously; they are often inaccurate.

The most accurate thermometers are the old-fashioned glass type. Learn to read your thermometer, following these steps:

- Clean it with soapy, cool water or alcohol.
- Hold it firmly between two fingers. Flick your wrist to shake the mercury indicator to less than 98.6 F (37 C), ideally down to 92 F.
- Oral thermometer: Place the bulb under the tongue. Close your mouth for 3 minutes. Remove the thermometer and rotate it slowly until you can read the temperature.
- You also can use an oral thermometer for an armpit reading (hold the arms close to the chest). Wait 5 minutes. Add 1 degree to the temperature to convert to an approximate oral temperature.
- Rectal thermometer (for infants): Place a dab of petroleum jelly on the bulb. Lay your child on his or her stomach. Carefully insert the bulb ½ to 1 inch into the rectum. Hold the bulb and child still for 3 minutes. Subtract 1 degree from the temperature to convert to an approximate oral temperature.



Mark your calendar for the up-coming events:
N. E. Association of the Wisconsin Conference UCCLE Annual Meeting, Saturday, April 22nd
Annual Rummage Sale, Saturday, April 29th
Confirmation, Sunday, April 30th



SCRIP NEWS

Chester's scrip is here in \$5 & \$10. They are doing well. Did you know that if you have a Kohl's credit card, the Kohl's gift card we have that says "Kohl's Cares" can be used to pay off your balance? In this time of vacation, remember your gas cards. If you eat at Texas Roadhouse on Sunday and bring in a copy of your church bulletin, they will give 10% of the total food purchase back to the church.

APRIL LECTIONARY READINGS

Sunday, April 2, 2017-Fifth Sunday in Lent

Hebrew Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm: Psalm 130

Epistle: Romans 8:6-11

Gospel: John 11:1-45

Sunday, April 9, 2017-Palm Sunday

Hebrew Scripture: Isaiah 50:4-9a

Psalm: Psalm 31:9-16

Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11

Passion Narrative: Matthew 27:11-54

Thursday, April 13, 2017-Maundy Thursday

Hebrew Scripture: Exodus 12:1-4, 11-14

Psalm: Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Gospel: John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Friday, April 14, 2017-Good Friday

Hebrew Scripture: Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Psalm: Psalm 22

Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

Gospel: John 18:1-19:42

Saturday, April 15, 2017-Holy Saturday

Hebrew Scripture: Job 14:1-14

Psalm: Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16

Epistle: 1 Peter 4:1-8

Gospel: Matthew 27:57-66

Sunday, April 16, 2017-Easter

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Psalm: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Epistle: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: Matthew 28:1-10

Sunday, April 23, 2017-Second Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 2:1-4a, 22-23

Psalm: Psalm 16

Epistle: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Sunday, April 30, 2017-Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Psalm: Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Epistle: 1 Peter 1:17-23

Gospel: Luke 24:13-25



HOLLYWOOD & THE BIBLE

For as long as there has been a motion picture industry, there have been attempts to interpret and portray parts of the Bible story on film. That attempt began with the earliest silent movies, moved through the great “robe and sandals” extravaganzas of the 1950’s and 1960’s and continues on to the present day. What happens when filmmakers try to become theologians? What themes are they trying to put across to the viewer? What interpretations are at work in their films?

Stuff like this has always fascinated me; perhaps it has fascinated you, too. As part of an attempt to see how the culture has viewed scripture, we are going to take time on Sunday, April 9th – Palm Sunday – to view the 1961 film, *Barabbas*, in the sanctuary at 6:30 p.m. The film, which stars Anthony Quinn in the title role, was based on a Nobel-Prize winning novel by Pär Lagerkvist, and focuses on the legend of Barabbas, the man released in Jesus’ place by Pilate. In the story of Barabbas, we see one person struggle for faith and understanding. There will be a time for a brief discussion following the showing of the film, for those interested.

If you want to look for the deeper meaning of Hollywood’s treatment of the Bible, or if you just want to see a good, old-fashioned “robe and sandals” flick during Holy Week, please join us on Palm Sunday evening.

APRIL USHER LIST

Saturday, April 1st:

4:30 p.m. Head Usher: Mary Mullen
Jerry & Reta Klemme, Judy Wilmot

Sunday, April 2nd:

8:30 a.m. Head Usher: Terry Risse
Terry, Amy & Greta Debbink

Wednesday, April 5th:

7:00 p.m. Head Usher: Lorena McKerrow
Confirmation Students

Saturday, April 8th:

4:30 p.m. Head Usher: Kymn Schicker
Shelley Bubb, Rollie Bruggink, Bob Becher

Sunday, April 9th:

8:30 a.m. Head Usher: Mary Mullen
Lois Faas, Cindy Conrad, Anne Hernandez

Thursday, April 13th:

7:00 p.m. Head Usher: Terry Risse
Rachel Risse, Norman & Karen Raeder

Friday, April 14th:

1:30 p.m. Head Usher: Mary Bender
Bill & Joanne Lammers, Betty Klemme

Saturday, April 15th:

4:30 p.m. Head Usher: Kymn Schicker
Consistory Member, Ed & Darla Ardell

Sunday, April 16th:

7:00 a.m. Head Usher: Tom Daigle
Sharon Klemme, Judy Wilmot, Annette Bunyea
9:30 a.m. Head Usher: David Hengst
Bette Humbracht, Dale & Janis Knuth

Saturday, April 22nd:

4:30 p.m. Head Usher: Kymn Schicker
Lori Holzer, Linda Krueger, Roger Rortvedt

Sunday, April 23rd:

8:30 a.m. Head Usher: Mary Mullen
Ansel Tupper, Janice Bunyea, Cheryl Rortvedt

Saturday, April 29th:

4:30 p.m. Head Usher: Consistory Member
Richard Groene, Kevin & Deb Lisowe

Sunday, April 30th:

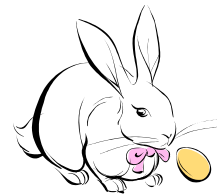
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Ken & Pat Schoening, Scott Miller

Saturday, May 6th:

4:30 p.m. Head Usher: Kymn Schicker
Consistory Member, Jerry & Reta Klemme

Sunday, May 7th:

8:30 a.m. Head Usher: Amy Nischik
Marvin & Judy Paulson, Evie Kretsch



EASTER BREAKFAST

Easter breakfast will be served following the 7:00 a.m. service on Easter morning. Watch the bulletin board to sign up to help, donate a food item or to make a reservation.

CHILDREN & COMMUNION

Soon the season of Easter will be upon us, and Eastertide provides us with an excellent opportunity to take stock of spiritual growth. I want to take this time to remind the parents of the congregation that if they feel that their children may be ready to come to the Lord's Table for the first time, that the Easter season is an excellent time to begin that process. If you would like to investigate that process further, please feel free to contact either Rev. Hoppert, Marsha Meyer, or Dale Miller about doing so.

2017 CONFIRMATION

The Rite of Confirmation for year three confirmation students will be held on Sunday, April 30th at the 8:30 a.m. worship service.