

# Chapel Chimes

"SHARING FAITH, LIFTING UP, REACHING OUT AND  
GROWING TOGETHER."

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF  
SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, PLYMOUTH, WISCONSIN



## First Notes

by Rev. Jim Hoppert

As I wrote last month, the virus continues to drive the story.

Church school and Confirmation classes have begun, which gives the sense that some of the old routines and patterns continue on, even if there have been some adjustments. We continue to worship in-person at 10:30 a.m.

However, as I write this, we are at high levels of transmission for the virus in our area and our hospitals are starting to get slammed. That bit of news should be a concern for all of us: even if you don't have to make a visit to the emergency room for a COVID-related matter, it doesn't mean that things can't get dicey for any of us if we have to visit there for some other reason. While we, as Christians, should never react out of fear for any reason, it is important for us to make wise decisions. Our actions not only impact ourselves, but the community that we live in. That said, we won't be shifting in-person worship to 8:30 a.m. just yet: it's our live-stream time and we offer a full-range of worship options that is possible only in a limited setting with a limited number of people. At this point we can't say "By such-and-such a date we will make that transition." That will depend on the transmission level of the virus. When things look more favorable we can discuss making that move.

I'm not a doctor, let alone an epidemiologist. However, that said, at some point in time this wave of infection will peak and decline: they all do. Exactly when that will happen is anyone's guess.

**First Notes (continued)**

I understand that people are fed-up and have had enough of the virus affecting their daily lives. Patience is thin and tempers are short. Yet, besides not giving into fear, we should also be kind and loving to one another. Everyone is carrying a burden that no one else sees; people are wounded in places that we are not aware of. Let's be gentle on ourselves and one another.

As Christians, we are called to be people of hope: God is in our present and in our future.

Shalom aleichem—Peace be with you.

Rev. Jim Hoppert



**All Saints' Day on Nov. 7 - A Time of Remembrance**

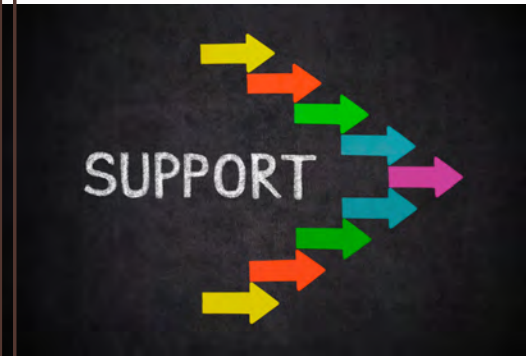
Each year, in worship on the Sunday following All Saints' Day, we toll a bell of remembrance for all of our members who have gone on to the Church Triumphant in the past year. This year, that will be Sunday, November 7.

As a part of our remembrance, we will acknowledge your gifts and all memorial gifts given since November 2020. Once acknowledged, we will dedicate them to God and to God's work through the ministries of Salem.

**Grief Support Group Offered**

Salem's Grief Support Group (SGSG) will meet Tuesday mornings from 10-11 am. The sessions will be held from Oct. 19 through Nov. 16. Loss comes in many ways and sharing helps to heal. If you'd like to be a part of this group please call Barb Hengst, M.A., Grief Support Specialist at (920) 458-6596.

Open to members, their families, and the public. Please be aware that COVID- 19 precautions will be observed, so masks will be required.



# READINGS FOR OCTOBER

## **Sunday, October 3** - Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Hebrew Scriptures: Job 1:1, 2:1-10  
Psalm: Psalm 26  
Epistle: Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12  
Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

## **Sunday, October 10** - Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Hebrew Scriptures: Job 23:1-9, 16-17  
Psalm: Psalm 22:1-15  
Epistle: Hebrews 4:12-16  
Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

## **Sunday, October 17** - Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Hebrew Scriptures: Job 38:1-7, (34-41)  
Psalm: Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c  
Epistle: Hebrews 5:1-10  
Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

## **Sunday, October 24** - Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Hebrew Scriptures: Job 42:1-6, 10-17  
Psalm: Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22)  
Epistle: Hebrews 7:23-28  
Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

## **Sunday, October 31** - Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Hebrew Scriptures: Ruth 1:1-18  
Psalm: Psalm 146  
Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14  
Gospel: Mark 12:28-34





# Youth & Family Ministries News

## Senior youth FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, Oct 10 from 6-7:30pm

Join us for a campfire  
(hot dogs and smores)

Bring a lawn chair and dress for the weather  
@ Salem UCC 217 Salem Drive, Plymouth  
Youth grades 7-12 are welcome!

## Junior youth FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, October 10  
from 10:45-noon

**With outdoor games of fall fun.  
Wear clothes that you can move in and  
aren't worried about getting dirty  
Kids grades 3-6 are welcome!**



## CONFIRMATION UPDATE

We are a few weeks into the program year and things are going well. Our years 1&2 class have been studying the Reformation with Rev Hoppert and year 3 has been studying church life with Marsha.

Class on September 29th will be spent at Lakeland University for their annual Confirmation Event. Bryan Sirchio and Jacob Nault will be the keynote presenters.

This event will be outdoors (weather permitting). It's always a good time when we can meet with other UCC kids in Confirmation at other churches.... it makes the world a little smaller.

Coming up in Confirmation:

10/6 Class from 6:30-8pm for all classes

10/13 Class for Years 1&2 Mentor Meal for Year 3

10/20 Class from 6:30-8pm for all classes

10/27 Class from 6:30-8pm for all classes

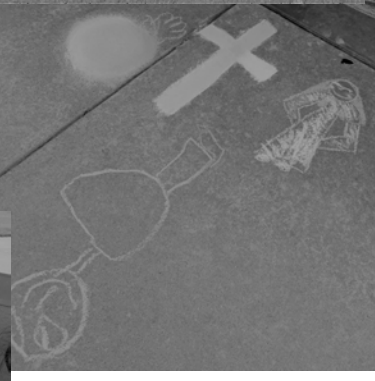
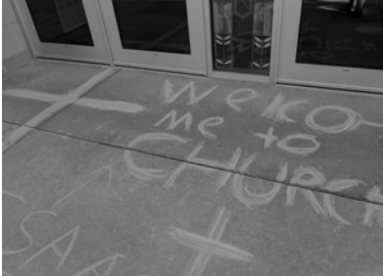
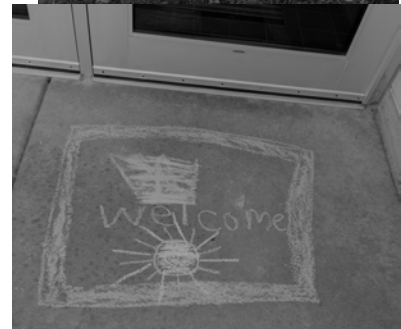
11/3 Class from 6:30-8pm for all classes



# CHILDREN'S Sunday School

We've started off the Sunday School year learning about compassion. We've Learned about having compassion for ourselves, our neighbors, and our world.

There's so much going on around us, its easy to get caught up in the chaos of life. We've learned some spiritual practices that have helped us to center ourselves in God. Last week we created messages welcome and positivity for our neighbors so that they know we are here and that we love having them as neighbors.



# Congratulations

## WISHING YOU A **Happy Birthday**

03 Angela Hartmann  
03 Faye Hughes  
03 Marlene Miller  
03 Tom Blad  
04 Bonnie Bermke  
05 Amber Ausloos  
06 Maddy Pratt  
06 Robert Schuricht  
07 Drew Hoppert  
07 Elaine Kuck  
08 Mallory Andrews  
09 Carole Hummell  
09 Charlie Seifert  
10 Larry Fuerst  
11 Joey Halle  
11 Mason Loehr

13 Sharon Zwerg  
14 Michelle Mauk  
15 Jerad Lehmann  
15 Rylo Waldeck  
15 Scot Markus  
15 Steven Vorpapel  
16 Haley Schwantes  
16 Jaiden Krueger  
18 Kathy Schmitt  
19 Carol Lisowe  
19 Bill Lammers  
20 Danielle Holzer  
20 Terry Risse  
22 Paul Clarke  
22 Tom LeMahieu  
22 Zach Schwantes

23 Bruce Hengst  
24 Belle Gutschow  
24 Natalie Paulick  
26 Cassandra Clarke  
27 Brett Pilling  
27 Elaine Shaffer  
27 Hans Palm  
28 Kayla Wilson  
28 Rylen Meinnert  
30 Elizabeth Miller  
30 Katie Hanson



## **Blessings for a Happy Anniversary**

04 Jordan & Leslie Blad  
04 Mike & Kelly Wolfert  
07 James & Pat Wachter  
08 Randall & Denise Prange  
09 Alayne & Scott Krause  
15 Dale & Janis Knuth

18 Dean & Karen Buelke  
18 Russell & Kathy Schmitt  
21 Tom & Jackie Veldman  
26 John & Bette Humbracht  
28 Wes & Cyndi Huibregtse  
28 Lyle & Kaye Theune  
30 Stacy & Joseph Ausloos  
31 Robert & Patricia Becher



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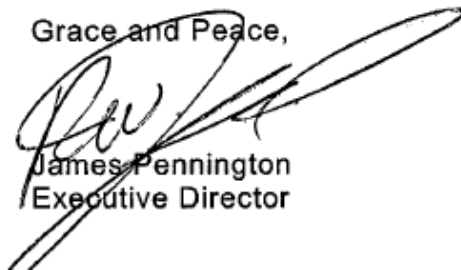
Dear Salem UCC,

Thank you for your generous gift to Back Bay Mission! Your gift to **Friends of the Mission** makes it possible to meet the most urgent needs of the poor and marginalized of the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Your gift is already at work strengthening neighborhoods, seeking justice, and transforming lives. You're helping a homeowner stay in their home, providing homeless families with apartments, making sure people have enough food, and giving people the support they need to make their lives better.

Most importantly, your gift is making sure that Back Bay Mission is here to provide a safe and welcoming place for everyone who comes through our doors. Thank you for partnering with us through your generous gift. We – and those we serve – are ever grateful.

Grace and Peace,



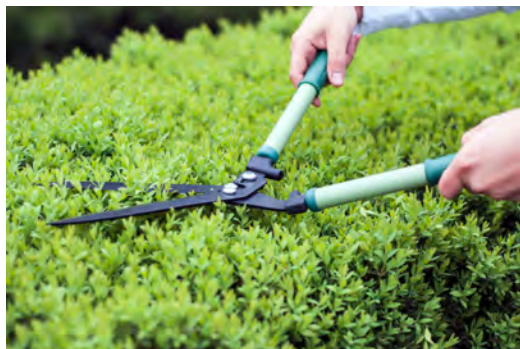
James Pennington  
Executive Director

*Salem UCC friends -  
We really  
appreciate your  
support!*

faith.



Pictured at left: meet Biloxi. Some people bring back from trips various souvenirs such as hats or tee shirts. Jennie brought back a piece of Mississippi while on the mission trip. Ask her about the story of Biloxi. Oh and yes, he is as sweet as he looks.



## **VOLUNTEERS - THANK YOU!**

We gave out the list of landscape jobs and several members came forward to tick the jobs off one by one. We Thank You!

### Endowment Fund Applications Being Accepted until October 14!

Salem's Endowment Committee will be meeting in October to grant requests for funding of mission and ministry related activities and expenses. This includes existing ministries, innovative ministries, capital assets, improvements, or debt reduction. Past grants have included mission trips, Sunday School and library supplies, computer updates, and Habitat for Humanity, to name a few.

Please consider how Salem's Endowment Fund may offer financial support for your mission and ministry goals.

Request forms for funding will be accepted through Thursday, October 14, 2021 for the upcoming round of grants. Printed forms are available through the church office. Requests may also be submitted online at [www.bit.ly/endreq](http://www.bit.ly/endreq). Participants must outline the need, objective, budget, and anticipated results for each grant being requested. All are invited and encouraged to submit requests for funding. Related questions may be directed to Salem's church office or members of the Endowment Committee: Tom Daigle, Mary Mullen, Alayne Krause, Kay Scheible and Rev. Hoppert.

### **Neighbors in Need**

Neighbors in Need Offering will be received on Sunday, October 3. Envelopes to place your contribution are available in the breezeway and in the narthex. We thank you for your charitable response. October 3 is also World Communion Sunday.

BELIEVE AND  
UNDERSTAND THAT  
EVERYTHING YOU  
HAVE BELONGS TO  
GOD.



# Community News

Hungry? A few local churches are hosting drive-thru events and would appreciate your support:



Community UCC in Elkhart Lake  
Drive-Thru FISH FRY at Anchor Lanes  
FRIDAY OCTOBER 1ST  
FROM 4:00-6:30 PM  
Serving 3-piece beer battered cod, German potato salad, bread, tartar sauce, veggie, coleslaw, and a dessert.  
Price: \$12



BETHEL UCC, W4225 County Line Road  
Drive-Thru Chili Supper  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6  
Serving 11:00 AM – 6:30 PM  
Price: \$8

And here you can help yourself and others by recycling many items and help the National Honor Society of Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah High School:



**Electronics Recycling**

**Open to Public!**

**Saturday, October 2nd**

**8:AM-12Noon**

**Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah HS**



**RAIN  
or  
SHINE**

All information on Hard Drives, Sim Cards, Flash Drives, etc. will be erased/destroyed

Apple products should have iCloud account removed prior to drop off

**Recycle Anything  
With a Plug**

Social distancing will be in effect. No need to exit car.

**The United Church Men & Women**

*Supporting Ministry Professionals Since 1937*

**84th ~~83rd~~ Annual  
Scholarship Presentation Event**



*Thank you for you continued support*

October 21st at 6:30PM, Grace Congregational UCC in Two Rivers will host an event (meal, program, music and scholarship awards) event.

The church office has 2 tickets for anyone wishing to attend.

Click [here](#) to view a 4-minute video.

# October 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<p>3 <i>Holy Communion</i>            8:30am Worship (Stream)            9:45am Sunday School            10:30am Worship (InPerson)            7pm Alcoholics Anonymous / Al-Anon</p>	<p>4 9:00am Men's Group</p>	<p>5 10:00am Staff            7:00pm N Anon</p>	<p>6 6:30pm-8pm Confirmation</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 7:00pm N Anon</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10 8:30am Worship (Stream)            9:45am Sunday School            10:30am Worship (InPerson)            10:45am Jr. Youth Fellowship            6:00pm Sr. Youth Fellowship camp fire</p>	<p>11 <i>Columbus Day</i>            9:00am Men's Group            7:00pm Governance Committee</p>	<p>12 10:00am Staff            6:30pm Consistory            7:00pm N Anon</p>	<p>13 6:30pm-8pm Confirmation            Mentor Meal for Year 3</p>	<p>14 <i>Endowment Grant Submission Deadline</i></p>	<p>15 7:00pm N Anon</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17 <i>Children's Sabbath</i>            8:30am Worship (Stream)            9:45am Sunday School            10:30am Worship (InPerson)            7pm Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>18 9:00am Men's Group</p>	<p>19 10:00am Grief Support            7:00pm N Anon</p>	<p>20 6:30pm-8pm Confirmation</p>	<p>21 <i>Newsletter articles due</i>            6:30pm Endowment Committee</p>	<p>22 7:00pm N Anon</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24 8:30am Worship (Stream)            9:45am Sunday School            10:30am Worship (InPerson)            7pm Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>25 9:00am Men's Group</p>	<p>26 10:00am Staff            10:00am Grief Support</p>	<p>27 6:30pm-8pm Confirmation</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29 7:00pm N Anon</p>	<p>30</p>
<p>31 <i>Halloween</i>            8:30am Worship (Stream)            9:45am Sunday School            10:30am Worship (InPerson)            7pm Alcoholics Anonymous</p>		<p>7:00pm N Anon</p>	<p>6:30pm-8pm Confirmation</p>		<p>1 7:00pm N Anon</p>	<p>2</p>

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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**



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