

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

By the time we reach the first Sunday of June, we will have left the season of Easter and moved to the celebration of Pentecost. Pentecost marks the birthday of the church of Jesus Christ, a remembrance of how the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the disciples, jump-starting the mission of the church. Depending on how you date the first Easter, we would require either 1,989 or 1,992 candles on the church's birthday cake (I'm favoring 1,989). In any event, that's a lot of birthdays.

Despite challenges, setbacks, and failures, the church continues. It continues not as a result of our skill or cleverness but by the abiding presence of God through the Holy Spirit. Individual congregations may have their moment on the stage and will fade into obscurity, but the church, as a whole, will continue in one form or another. Jesus promised us that.

As I mentioned in last month's letter, the day of Pentecost will give us many reasons for celebration. At the 8:30 a.m. service we will be recognizing our graduates and at 10:30 a.m. service we will be celebrating the Rite of Confirmation with members of our third-year class. In keeping with the spirit of the day, I am encouraging people to wear the liturgical color of the day: red. Red symbolizes the tongues of fire that were present when the Holy Spirit was poured out. I hope that you can join us for one of the two services as we celebrate the birthday of the church.

First Notes (continued)

Shifting gears, I want to lift up the fact that the musical, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Nineveh," is set to perform at church on Friday, July 15th (7:30 p.m.), Saturday, July 16th (7:30 p.m.), and Sunday, July 17th (2:00 p.m.). Freewill offerings will be received at all performances for "Project Nineveh," which will support both Ukrainian refugee relief and the Plymouth Food Pantry. This project has been five years in the making, and I look forward to sharing the production with you and the rest of the Plymouth community.

For the time being, that's all for the front page. The rest of the newsletter will contain other items of interest that you'll want to note, but I'm done, here.

Have a blessed summer season (when it eventually gets here) and don't forget to nourish your spiritual side in these days.

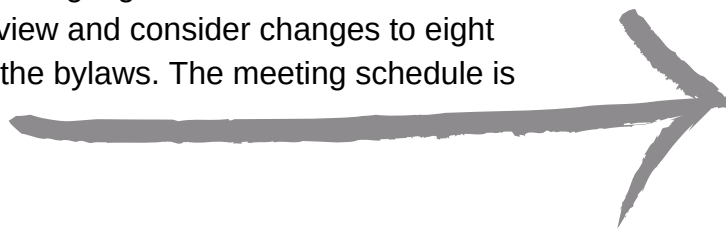
Shalom aleichem—Peace be with you.

Rev. Jim Hoppert

WORKSHOP



Members of Salem are invited and encouraged to attend a series of workshops to review and update the church's Constitution and Bylaws. As you may recall, the congregation agreed to conduct this review at our annual meeting in 2020. Due to the pandemic, the review was paused, but we're back on track to finish this important work. The review will be conducted during eight sessions where we will carefully review and consider changes to eight sections of the bylaws. The meeting schedule is



Wed., June 15, 22, 29
Wed., July 20, 27
Wed., August 3, 10, 17

Again, please consider attending as many of the sessions as you are able to offer your input. If you would like a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws prior to the workshops, please call the office and request a copy.

All meetings will be held from 7:00 -8:30 p.m. in one of the classrooms. There will be a different section of the Constitution and Bylaws covered at each meeting, and we are planning on active conversations of amendments. Please look forward to a schedule of topics in our weekly bulletins, beginning next week (June 5).

CHILDREN'S Sunday School

Thanks to everyone who helped in leading the Youth Sunday worship service. Enjoy these snapshots!



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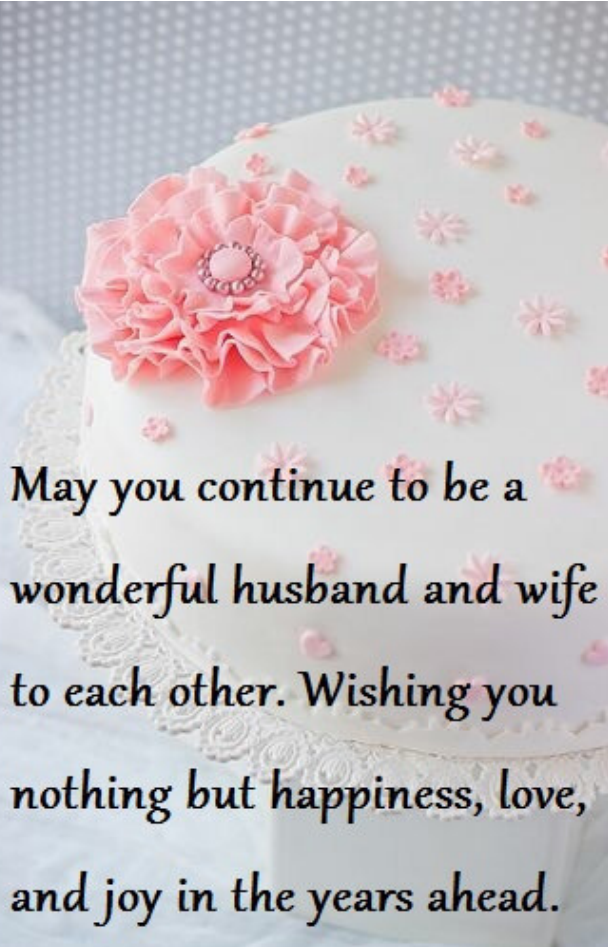
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**A reminder that we will receive this offering on June 5.
Your support makes all the difference. Thank you.**

June Wedding Anniversary wishes go out to:

- 07 Dan & Denise Buss
- 08 Jim & Faye Hughes
- 08 Garriet & Hannah Kanis
- 09 Robert & Natalie Paulik
- 14 Randy & Sharon Odekirk
- 17 Warren & Marianne Faas
- 19 Bob & Kathy Plahmer
- 20 Jeff & Lisa Knuth
- 20 Jerad & Marion Lehmann
- 21 Dale & Linda Zimmermann
- 24 Bill & Judy Helmer
- 24 Bill & Joanne Lammers
- 24 Terry & Rachel Risse
- 25 Rev. Jim & Abby Hoppert
- 27 Bill & Sharon Klemme
- 28 Andy & Angie Hartmann



May you continue to be a wonderful husband and wife to each other. Wishing you nothing but happiness, love, and joy in the years ahead.

ENDOWMENT FUND



The Endowment Committee meets twice a year to fund grants which fall into three areas:

1. Existing ministries
2. Capital improvements
3. Innovative ministries

We will be offering grants again in October. Please consider how a grant could help fund a ministry or improvement you are interested in. Committee members are Tom Daigle, Alayne Krause, Mary Mullen, Kay Scheible, and Pastor Hoppert.

The following grants were awarded at the April meeting:

- Project Angel Hugs \$500 to offset postage supporting youth in the program battling cancer.
- Zoar Cemetery \$3,978.80 to continue work on maintenance of headstones and lawn upkeep.
- Bread of Life \$2,000 to cover shortfalls of this weekly broadcast.
- Ukraine Refugees \$1,000 to support refugees thru the UCC Conference.

God's blessings upon the persons and ventures impacted by the granting of these funds.

Kay Scheible, Secretary

JUNE 11TH, 11:00AM

GAME: FAMILY DAY WITH THE SHEBOYGAN A'S!

Because of a generous sponsor, a discounted Family package includes: ticket to the game, hamburger or hot dog voucher, and 10% off souvenirs voucher.

All for only \$5/person. Families of 5+ are \$25 TOTAL.

Location: Wildwood Baseball Park,
2276 New Jersey Ave, in Sheboygan;

50 tickets available, so grab yours today!

Register at: www.great-marriages.org/events



1. Three families Are currently living at Bridgeway House. Two more families are scheduled to move in, one at the end of May and the other in early June. Our families are enjoying the sunshine on our new playground that was recently installed in the backyard.



2. Opening Day for the Farmers Market in Sheboygan is Wednesday, June 1st! This year at the market, we will be offering our new and improved Market Fresh Bag Program, new food and craft vendors, and children's activities! We are looking for volunteers to help facilitate the children's activities—if you are interested, please contact our new market assistant: Libby@sheboygancountyinterfaith.org.

3. SCIO could use the following:

- Baking items: chocolate chips, flour, brown sugar/white sugar, vegetable oil, spray oil (Pam)
- Cleaning items: Type U/U-3 vacuum bags, Pine-Sol floor cleaner, paper towel

June 9th, 10-11:30am: Widow to Widow (Faith-based)

Fellowship with other women who are willing to support and walk alongside you as you move forward. All ages and stages of life welcome!

Location: Great Marriages, 612 Center Ave, Sheboygan.

No Cost. RSVP to: megan@great-marriages.org if you can join us.



Dear Salem Family -

We are in a unique position, thanks to the generosity of Eleanor Dees. Her memorial gift earlier this year means that we will be able to provide multiple grants for continuing education.



That is why we are encouraging you to consider whether you are eligible for grants and to submit a request to the Special Gifts Team **before June 30, 2022.**

The gifts are open to any sort of continuing education from an individual class that you may be taking to technical college to any four-year college. Funds can be used for tuition, books, or other needs associated with continuing your education.

Applying is simple. You must be accepted or enrolled in an accredited college or school. You can request an application form from the church office, complete and return the form along with a brief essay about your chosen field of study and its impact on your career plans, plus please provide a list of any other scholarship or grant funding you have received, if applicable. Link to application:

<https://form.jotform.com/202336389286059>

We are looking at providing grants up to \$1,000 to be distributed as \$500 per semester. Grant requests for smaller amounts are also welcomed.

Yours in faith,

Mary Mullen, on behalf of the Special Gifts Team



Sending care and comfort to those in our church family for peace in these challenging times:

Ansel Tupper

Vy Thiel

Jean Halida

Ben Meinnert

Tim Miller

Carol Groene

Eugene Boll

June Miller

Rollie & Kathy Bruggink

Eugene & Georgine Littlefield

You are in our hearts
and in our prayers.

A blurred, close-up photograph of a person's face, likely a child, with a warm, golden glow. The image is out of focus, emphasizing a sense of love and care.

Thank
you!

TO: All Salem Church Family

"The time went really fast and it worked out very well for me.

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness! Thank you for the beautiful flowers and money."

Cheryl (Rortvedt)



FREE TICKETS

You are welcome to free tickets available in the church office.

The Shrine Circus will be at
Blue Line Ice Center

June 7 and 8

Showtimes 4:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.



CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Year 3 Students participated in Youth Sunday with reading of their Faith Statements.

Faith



Amber Ausloos



Josiah Gundersen



Ethan Feldner



Bree Bunyea



June 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 6:30 pm Confirmand Practice	2 7pm Narcotics Anonymous	3	4
5 Pentecost/Holy Communion 8:30am Worship (Livestream and In-person) 10:30am Worship (In-person) 7pm Alcoholics Anonymous	6 7pm Musical Rehearsal	7 <i>Bulletin Deadline</i> 10:00am Staff Meeting 7pm Musical Rehearsal 7pm Narcotics Anonymous	8 6:30pm Faith Formation Team meeting—Zoom	9 <i>Consistory Items Due</i> 7pm Musical Rehearsal 7pm Narcotics Anonymous	10 WI Conference Annual Meeting through Sunday in Green Lake	11
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