

# Chapel Chimes

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

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SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, PLYMOUTH, WISCONSIN



## First Notes

by Rev. Jim Hoppert

Growing up, I could never figure out why older people would say that time goes faster the older we get. Now I understand: I'm writing for the September newsletter and wondering where the bulk of summer went. I recognize that it has been a summer full of activity at church and at home, but still the speed at which it has flown on by amazes me. The program year will soon be upon us.

As a number of you already know, the month of September will usher in a change in our worship schedule. Starting September 4, we will be having one service of worship at 10:00 a.m. The Consistory and the Worship Team felt it was best that we focus our energies on celebrating one service of worship and becoming one congregation. No one time will suit everybody's preferences, but we felt it was the best option available. Beginning September 11th, learning opportunities for all ages will start at 9:00 a.m and will run through 9:45 a.m. (more specifics on that, later).

The start of a new program year is worthy of a celebration, and that is what we have planned for Sunday, September 11. Following worship at 10:00 a.m., we will be holding a a picnic-style lunch, giving us the chance to break bread and share fellowship—things we've not been able to do much of in this past two-and-a-half years. There is no cost to attend the lunch; a freewill offering will be received. If you are interested in attending the lunch, please RSVP by September 4 (you can do that either by signing up in the narthex, using the link on the weekly bulletin email, or contacting the church office). I hope many of you will plan on attending.

## First Notes (continued)

As I mentioned previously, learning opportunities for all ages will be available at 9:00 a.m., and that includes adults. What I am proposing for the short term is that we will spend the first few weeks looking at the Lectionary readings and discussing those (I will provide handouts for them), while getting a sense of what the group might want to do for the next weeks. That way we can determine what direction we might want to take.

Confirmation classes and a return of Chancel Choir are also on the docket for the start of the program year.

We begin this time for more optimism and more possibilities than we did in either 2020 and 2021 and for that I am grateful. There is indeed much to celebrate.

Shalom aleichem—Peace be with you.

Rev. Jim Hoppert

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### “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

The Chancel Choir will begin their rehearsals for this program year at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2022 in the sanctuary of the church. The first meeting will be a time for us to reconnect, remember, rejoice and rehearse.



The Chancel Choir rehearses every Wednesday evening from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Anyone from Confirmation age and older with a desire to sing is welcome.



- **Coffee Fellowship** time continues on Sunday mornings before the 10 a.m. service and we welcome anyone wanting to host. The coffee and various supplies are provided.
- Please consider signing up to **usher** for worship service. Greeting members and visitors and handing out bulletins are the main responsibilities.
- The **Faith Formation** Team is looking for members who can occasionally assist with various activities, ranging from teaching to helping with music, craft and other activities for Sunday School students.

Call the church office if you have questions or wish to sign up for any of these opportunities.







# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

9/1 Eugene Boll	9/9 Reta Klemme	9/19 Mary Bender
9/1 Eugene Littlefield	9/10 Robert Plahmer	9/20 Gladys Palm
9/2 Hattie Wykhuis	9/11 Anna Hoppert	9/20 Lindsey Zorn
9/2 Kevin Andrews	9/11 Zachary Gambrell	9/20 Roger Rortvedt
9/3 Magnus Blad	9/12 Dianne Kaczmariski	9/20 Warren Faas
9/5 Jeff Greuel	9/12 Jay Ellis	9/23 Pietje Markus
9/6 Brady Pratt	9/14 Lucia Blad	9/25 Chloe Voight
9/6 Janet Veleke	9/16 Jennifer Miller	9/25 JoAnn Kraus
9/6 Robert Becher	9/16 Jennifer Schoenefeld	9/25 Bill Klemme
9/7 Joanne Lammers	9/16 Larry Huenink	9/26 Delores Titel
9/9 Ian Andrews	9/18 Jennifer Prange	9/26 Evelyn Kalk
		9/26 Trevor Thiel

## ***Congratulations and blessings to you on your anniversary***

**9/5 Bruce & Barb Hengst**  
**9/5 Kenneth & Kay Mauk**  
**9/6 Al & Linda Bosman**  
**9/7 Dan & Paulette Klotz**  
**9/9 Jered & Ashley Krueger**  
**9/10 Randy & Laurie Gutschow**  
**9/10 David & Amy Nischik**  
**9/12 Kevin & Kathleen Andrews**  
**9/16 Norman & Karen Raeder**  
**9/18 Dave & Carol Barts**  
**9/22 Tyler & Lauren Chisholm**  
**9/25 Paul & Susan Clarke**  
**9/27 Roger & Jacqueline Rortvedt**  
**9/27 William & Rachel Schwantes**  
**9/28 Jim & Val Gillman**  
**9/30 Peter & Marsha Meyer**





## Grief support meetings continue September 9, 16, 23, 30 and October 7, 14, 21

Barb Hengst, Grief Support Specialist, will be available most Fridays in September and October for one hour beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the library at Salem UCC.

All are welcome; there is no fee to participate. Please call Barb if you have questions: 920-458-6596.

### Sending warm thoughts to these members of our church family

Florence Blanke

Tim Miller

Carol Groene

Eugene Boll

June Miller

Rollie and Kathy Bruggink

Eugene and Georgine Littlefield

Don Hurlburt



### Your innovative ideas needed for mission and ministry

Do you have an idea for how Salem can "be the church" within or beyond our four walls? That idea might be eligible for financial support through a grant from Salem's Endowment Fund. The Endowment Team will meet in October to review and grant requests for funding of mission and ministry related activities.

Request forms for funding are available through the church office. Requests may also be submitted online at [www.bit.ly/endreq](http://www.bit.ly/endreq). All are invited and encouraged to submit requests for funding.

Questions may be directed to Salem's church office.





## Notes from Sheboygan County Interfaith Organization

Thank you for your continued prayers and support of the SCIO mission to "educate and advocate for social justice and dignity, and to improve the quality of life for all people."

Items that we would especially appreciate at this time are school supplies (notebooks, pens, 2-pocket folders, pencils, erasers, scotch tape, Kleenex) and AA Batteries. *(If Salem members would like to donate any of these items to SCIO, please bring them to the church office and we will deliver them to SCIO.)*



The SCIO Summer Farmers Market is at peak season! The market runs from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays in Fountain Park and 12 p.m.-5 p.m. on Thursdays in Plymouth in the Dairy Queen parking lot. We accept EBT at the information tent -- this year we are offering a match of up to \$15 in fresh produce vouchers through the Double Your Bucks program thanks to a generous donation from The Hunger Ball and continued generosity through St. Nicholas Hospital. Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program vouchers are available through September.

### *Readings for September*

#### **September 4 - Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Hebrew Scripture: Jeremiah 18:1-11

Epistle: Philemon 1:1-21

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

#### **September 11 - Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Hebrew Scripture: Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28

Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

#### **September 18 - Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Hebrew Scripture: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

#### **September 25 - Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Hebrew Scripture: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

Epistle: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31



# September 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 10 am Worship (Livestream and in-person) 7pm AA	5 Labor Day	6 <i>Bulletin Deadline</i> 10am Staff Meeting 7pm NA	7 6:15pm Confirmation Orientation 7pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	8 7pm NA	9 <i>Consistory Items Due</i> 10am Grief Support Meeting 7pm NA	10
11 <b>Holy Communion</b> 9-9:45 am Faith Formation 10-11 am Worship (Livestream and in-person) 11 am Picnic Lunch 7pm AA	12 9am Men's Coffee	13 <i>Bulletin Deadline</i> 10am Staff Meeting 6:30pm Consistory 7pm NA	14 6:15pm Confirmation 7pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	15 7pm NA	16 10am Grief Support Meeting 7pm NA	17
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