



PEACETALK

Summer 2021

FROM THE OFFICE

Good things are ahead. Covid is coming under control, Sunday School will begin in the fall, our technology continues to improve, and Salem will be on the move. The George Barna Group believes that 20-30% of church attendees will never return. I do not believe that has to be true of us. Certainly, courage will be required to give up the level of comfort we find watching church from home. Having Sunday free is attractive, but there is a bigger picture. God is worthy of our attention. The community is blessed by our efforts. Some things last forever! I look forward to greeting you in person. I look forward to working with you to advance the gospel. As we work together, Salem will be strong. God will be glorified. We will be glad.

Warm Wishes,

Pastor Jeff
Psalm 6:25

Calendar of Events (subject to change)

- June 5 Saturday, Memorial Service Luncheon for Janet Wallace 11 a.m. CST
(see below for more details)
- June 20 Father's Day
- July 4 Independence Day Worship
- July 18 Congregational Semiannual Mtg.
- July 25 Summer Communion
- Sept 5 Labor Day, Sunday
- Sept 12 Sunday School Resumes, Grandparents Day

*The congregation is invited to a Memorial Service Luncheon for Janet Wallace on Saturday, June 5, 2021 @ 11:00 a.m. CST in Memorial Hall at Salem United Church of Christ, Wanatah. Dress is casual!
Kathy & Glenn Wallace*



September 12, 2021 Sunday School Resumes!

Children 4 years and older are invited to join us for Sunday School Classes Sunday Mornings at 9:00 a.m. starting September 12th.

It has been over a year and a half since Salem Sunday School has been in session due to Covid. We want to have at least four classes beginning in

the fall: nursery, primary, intermediate, and confirmed/ high school. We need all parents to bring their child/children on Sunday mornings. Many of you have not met our new Pastor Jeff. He is eager to meet all the young people of our church. There will be a Teacher's meeting for volunteers in July. The meeting date will be announced in our Sunday bulletins and an email sent to all volunteers. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

WE NEED TEACHERS. If you are interested in helping the next generation learn about Jesus, please contact the church. You can call and leave a voice message at 219-733-2639 or send an e-mail to salemuccwanatah@frontier.com .

3 John 1:4 I have no greater joy than this, to hear of my children walking in the truth.

Robbie Grieger has offered to lead a Faith Based Study Group for those who are interested. She would like to know what would be the best day and time. Please let us know if you are interested and what day or days and times work best for you. You can also send an e-mail to salemuccwanatah@frontier.com or leave a voice message at (219) 733-2639.

Pastor Jeff would like to make sure you know, now that Covid is coming under control, he is available to make visits if you desire. He is available to you. Unless he is called out for some reason, Pastor keeps office hours from 9:00 to 3:00 Monday and Wednesday through Friday. Mondays at 10:30 he broadcasts live on Facebook giving an added taste to Sunday's sermon. Wednesday through Friday 10:30 he broadcasts "Scratching the Service", where he delves a little deeper into the books of the Bible. Usually on Saturday, he is preparing for Sunday in his office. He usually comes early and stays late. He wants you to call when there is a need. Pastor says, "The needs of the church family are not an inconvenience. Those needs are the reason I am here." His cell phone is 815-631-3570. He should be called for important matters and emergencies. His e-mail is ps625@juno.com.

Our Secretary, Kristina Bertsch, is available in the Office Wednesday from 9:00 to noon and Friday afternoons (unfortunately, this time varies as she is coming from her other job). She also desires to serve.

2021 College Graduates of Salem Church

Justene R. Charlesworth, Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting, Univ. of St. Francis, Joliet, IL

Allison McCormick, Associate's Degree in Radiologic Technology, Indiana University, South Bend, IN

Andrew McCormick, Bachelor of Business Administration, Ball State University, Muncie, IN (2020)

Janelle M. Mitzner, Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

Caitlyn Stout, Bachelor of Arts in Deaf Education, Ball State University, Muncie, IN

Madison Wolff, Bachelor of Psychology, Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids, MI



Romans 15:13

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.



Food Pantry items needed- canned meat, canned pasta, peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce, apple juice, tomato juice, cereal, boxed potatoes, soup crackers, flour, sugar, kidney beans, tuna, hot chocolate, tea, chicken noodle soup, tomato soup, hamburger/chicken/tuna helper, tissue, toilet paper, toothpaste, bar soap, and dish soap. **Thank you** to everyone who has donated to the Food Pantry!

2021

Salem UCC

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The following is the full list of memorials given from last year.

2020 Memorial Giving

Giving by	Account	In Memory of
Greg & Deb Smoker	Audio/Visual Fund	Tim Brown
David Homan	Cemetery Fund	Carole Charlesworth
Bill Homan	Cemetery Fund	Carole Charlesworth
Marilynn J. Wilson	Cemetery Fund	Jeanette Nuske
Sherman & Carolyn Ososki	Cemetery Fund	Kenneth & Eleanor Schuelke
Karen Siler	Cemetery Fund	Jeanette Nuske
Marlene Mitzner	Cemetery Fund	Andy Batzka
Paul & Carolyn Homan	Cemetery Fund	Andy Batzka
Don & Joyce Miller	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Jim & Pauline Mohlke	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Mike & Bobbie	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Tim & Kathi Mohlke	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Ed & Carol Marks	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Jerry & Carol Benkie	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Cheryl & Dale Bagnall	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Wayne & Connie Bellinger	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Paul & Carolyn Homan	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
James & Aleda Waggoner	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Andrea Weinkauff	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Jeffrey & Andrea Mitzner	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Ray & Juli Charlesworth	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Marlene Mitzner	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Elwood & Drelah Grieger	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Charles Hagenow, MD	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Diana Arnette	Cemetery Fund	Bill Homan
Elwood & Drelah Grieger	General Fund	Carole Charlesworth
Ed & Carol Marks	General Fund	Carole Charlesworth
Andrea Weinkauff	General Fund	Carole Charlesworth
The Howells	General Fund	Carole Charlesworth
Tim & Tammy Tucker	General Fund	Carole Charlesworth
Brian Batzka	General Fund	Andy Batzka
Ed & Carol Marks	General Fund	Andy Batzka
Betty Werner	General Fund	Andy Batzka
Terri Kuss	General Fund	Barb & Dave Kuss
William & Betty Bertsch	Memorial Fund	June Rosenbaum Broviak
Marilynn J. Wilson	Memorial Fund	Jeanette Nuske
John & Marilyn Werner	Memorial Fund	Andy Batzka
Lisa Cauley	Organ Fund	Tim Brown
Glenn & Kathy Wallace	Organ Fund	Tim Brown
Marlene Mitzner	Sign Fund	Carole Charlesworth
Geraldine Rosenbaum	Youth Fellowship	Tim Brown
Geraldine Rosenbaum	Youth Fellowship	Andy Batzka
Bill & Gerry Rosenbaum	Youth Fellowship	Andy Batzka
Bill & Gerry Rosenbaum	Youth Fellowship	Tim Brown

Updated Birthday and Anniversary lists

BIRTHDAYS

JUNE

6-1 Rodney Peters
6-4 Kate Poort
6-7 Adam Holtz
6-14 Aleda Waggoner
6-17 Sharon Tudor
6-23 Joyce Miller
6-24 Jeff Coester
6-29 Phyllis Smoker

6-2 Cheryl Bagnall
6-5 Nicholas Fike
6-8 Carolyn Marks
6-14 Scott Carpenter
6-19 Dwayne Tate
6-24 Kinsey Lambert
6-27 Gerald Benkie
6-29 Jenni Smoker

6-4 Rae Manhart
6-6 Linda Vorkapich
6-12 Elisa Grieger
6-16 David Bagnall
6-21 Joe Ann Grieger
6-24 Connie Bennett
6-27 Kristina Bertsch

JULY

7-2 Julie Tate
7-5 Adam Werner
7-11 Nic Vorkapich
7-16 Louise Grieger
7-17 Diana Arnett
7-21 Andrea Mitzner
7-23 Allison McCormick
7-26 Joanna Kuss
7-30 Eileen Land

7-3 Lillie Marks
7-6 Donna Spencer
7-14 Darrell Marks
7-16 Blair Muro
7-17 Landon Bagnall
7-22 Jeremy Brown
7-24 Paul Homan
7-26 Karly Lambert

7-4 Matt Homan
7-6 Catherine Smoker
7-14 Lucas Cauley
7-17 Thresa Peters
7-18 Lisa Cauley
7-23 Janelle Mitzner
7-25 Nicole Manhart
7-30 Kim Land

AUGUST

8-3 Brian Bagnall
8-11 Riley Charlesworth
8-19 Bill Cromey
8-22 Matt Smoker
8-23 Mike Holtz
8-30 Penny Shotts

8-8 Elizabeth Reinke
8-12 Linda Stultz
8-21 Emily Tate
8-23 Ann Weinkauff
8-27 Tammy Homan
8-31 Janet Ballinger

8-10 Jill Brown
8-17 David Homan
8-22 Ray Charlesworth
8-23 Anna Bagnall
8-28 Jacob Smoker

SEPTEMBER

9-2 Kylene Lambert
9-4 Peggy Wilinski
9-8 Jeff Shotts
9-10 Cameron Ryan Hendrix Manhart
9-11 Dana Kane
9-19 Claudette Cairns-Boyd
9-23 Carol Benkie
9-27 Bernell Grieger
9-29 Becky Pierce
9-30 Dale Bagnall

9-3 Joseph Smoker
9-7 Norman Werner
9-10 Carol Marks
9-15 Zachary Grieger
9-21 Melissa Grieger
9-23 Jeff Mitzner
9-27 Emily Grieger
9-29 Paul Bailey

9-4 Andrew McCormick
9-8 Dara Guse
9-11 Marlene Mitzner
9-17 Ruth Carnell
9-21 Brooke Bos
9-25 Shirley Espravnik
9-27 Zachary Parks
9-29 Lyla Powell

OCTOBER

10-3 Alden McCormick
10-11 Anthony Galbreath
10-13 Jason Randall
10-14 Janet Maupin
10-19 Charles Homan
10-23 Amber Bos
10-26 Mary Coester
10-30 David Pozil

10-5 Jennifer McCormick
10-12 Kelli Smoker
10-13 Frank Gorski
10-16 Diane Fike
10-19 Jennifer Vorkapich
10-23 Sharon Bailey
10-27 George Walter
10-30 Calen Poort

10-5 Ron Carnell
10-12 David Vorkapich
10-14 Roger Hutton
10-16 Susie Mack
10-21 Elwood Grieger
10-24 Sadie Smoker
10-27 Mitchell Brown

NOVEMBER

11-1 Jerry Smoker
11-7 Tina Randall
11-13 Talytha Holtz
11-25 Dakota Grieger

11-6 Brian Batzka
11-9 Laurie Costello
11-19 Drelah Grieger
11-27 Tim Guse

11-7 Deb Smoker
11-10 Daniel Serrato
11-24 Madison Wolff

DECEMBER

12-1 Tim Grieger
12-7 Morgan Wolff
12-11 Gordon Boyd
12-17 Daniel Morrow
12-19 Jim Manhart
12-21 Suzi Carpenter
12-24 Ed Marks

12-4 Jaye Mitzner
12-8 Roger Haman
12-11 Gerald Werner
12-18 Juli Charlesworth
12-20 Allison Parks
12-22 Kyle Homan
12-27 Stephen Stultz

12-6 Ashley Riegle
12-10 Bentley McMahan
12-15 Julie Morris
12-18 Denise Gorski
12-20 Rosa Hamann
12-23 Mitchell Wolff
12-30 Mark Grieger

ANNIVERSARIES

JUNE

6-3 CHUCK & SUSIE MACK
6-8 CHERYL & REGINALD KRUEGER
6-11 GERRY & SANDY WERNER
6-16 DALE & CHERYL BAGNALL
6-22 GARY & LISA CAULEY
6-27 NATE & JESS MCGINLEY

6-8 TIM & DARA GUSE
6-10 DON & JOYCE MILLER
6-15 RAY & JULI CHARLESWORTH
6-19 JAMES & PHYLLIS SMOKER
6-25 JIM & ALEDA WAGGONER

JULY

7-4 RODNEY & KAREN PETERS
7-10 BRETT & KYLENE LAMBERT
7-14 DARRELL & CAROLYN MARKS
7-18 GLENN & KATHY WALLACE
7-27 DON & THRESA PETERS

7-8 LARRY & BECKY PIERCE
7-11 JACOB & MELISSA MCGOUGH
7-17 SCOTT & KERI PARKS
7-23 FRANK & DENISE GORSKI

AUGUST

8-8 JOSEPH & MADALYN SMOKER
8-12 MIKE & TALYTHA HOLTZ
8-15 BRIAN & CHRISTINA MCMAHAN
8-23 STEVE & AMBER BOS
8-25 JEFF & MARY COESTER

8-9 STEVEN & DIANE FIKE
8-14 TIM & MISSY GRIEGER
8-20 GENE & KATHRYN RICE
8-24 JEFF & ANDREA MITZNER

SEPTEMBER

9-1 ADAM & TRICIA WERNER
9-7 PENNY & JEFF SHOTTS
9-12 STEVE & LINDA STULTZ
9-14 JEREMY & JILL BROWN
9-25 DAVID & ANNA BAGNALL

9-4 GORDON & CLAUDETTE BOYD
9-10 JOHN & PEGGY WILINSKI
9-13 KELVIN & DANA KANE
9-18 BLAIR & CORY MURO
9/25 HOLLY & CHRISTOPHER KING

OCTOBER

10-8 CONNIE & JERRY BENNETT
10-26 PAUL & CAROLYN HOMAN

10-17 GERALD & CAROL BENKIE

NOVEMBER

11-1 FRED & PATTI KEM
11-30 SCOTT & SUZI CARPENTER

11-7 MATT & JENNI SMOKER

DECEMBER

12-05 JOHN & TAMMY HOMAN
12-13 TOM & LAURIE COSTELLO

12-11 JERRY & KELLI SMOKER
12-20 ELWOOD & DRELAH GRIEGER

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