

 **Salem United Methodist Church**  
*Pocomoke City, Maryland*



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# SALEM U. M. Church

February 18, 2018

**\* Indicates that you should rise if you are able.**

**To share a prayer, joy or concern, ask an usher for a prayer card.**

*If you **need to leave the sanctuary**, the worship service is being  
**live streamed to the Library.***

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Brian

Prelude: "Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" – Hayes

Four-Hand Piano – Jeanette Smolinski & Gloria Wilkins

The Light of Christ

Collin Wright, Acolyte

Introit: "Open Our Eyes Lord" - Cull

## **\*Call to Worship**

LEADER: Come now. Let us reason together, says the Lord;  
though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be white like snow;

**PEOPLE: though they are red like crimson,  
they shall become like wool.**

LEADER: Come. Let us walk in the light of the Lord,

**PEOPLE: that he may teach us his way and that we  
may walk in the light.**

\*Hymn #57 – O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (v. 1-4)

## **\*Prayer of Invocation**

JAM Time

Norma Howard

(Children 5 years & younger may go to the nursery with Carol Purdy)

Offering Prayer

Offertory: "My Shepherd Will Supply My Needs" - Hayes

Four-Hand Piano – Jeanette Smolinski & Gloria Wilkins

***\*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all  
creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

\*Hymn #463 – Lord, Speak to Me

Congregational Prayer

**Lord's Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy  
name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our**

**trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Anthem: "There Is A Fountain" - Helvey

O.T. Reading – Isaiah 40:9-11

N.T. Reading – Mark 1:9-15

Sermon *The Final Chapter* Pastor Brian

\*Hymn #438 – Forth in Thy Name, O Lord

### **Pastoral Benediction**

Choral Benediction: "Amen" - Lutkin

Postlude: "Bourrée" – Handel Gloria Wilkins

Next week's sermon topic: *Balcony View of Life* Mark 8:31-38

Pulpit Assistant: Nancy Flynn

Greeters: Side Door – Donna & Wayne Parsons  
Front Door – Nancy & Danny Miles

Ushers: Fred Holland & Duncan Wells

Sound Board: Claire Holland & Collin Wright

Attendance – 2/11: 119 Last year: 122

**Prayer Concerns for 2/11:** Diane Frostrom; Eric Cox; Jayce Lee; Patrick McArdle; Teresa Lewers; Johnny Scott; Family of Nina Silverthorne.

**Joys for 2/11:** None reported this week.

***Please Remember:*** HARTLEY HALL: Dottie Denston. MANOKIN MANOR: Barbara Bunting. BRIGHT VIEW ROLLING HILL: Barbara Henderson. HOME: Althea Billig; Curt Dennis; Sandy Shockley; Jan Stevenson (at daughter's).

***Serving Our Country:*** Gregg Frostrom, Jr.

**Visitors ~ Welcome!** We invite you to complete a "Welcome Visitor" card & drop it in the offering plate or give to an usher so we may pray for you.

**THIS WEEK at Salem**

(Items in bold are open to all members)

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>Samaritan Shelter Collection</b> <b>4 PM – Lenten Study</b>
<b>Tues., Feb. 20</b>	<b>11 AM Band Together @ Bethany</b> <b>7 PM - Pastor's Bible Study in Salisbury</b> <b>7 PM – Ladies Bible Study</b>
<b>Weds., Feb.21</b>	Newsletters folded and mailed 6:30 PM – Four-Given 7:30 PM – Choir Practice
<b>Thurs., Feb. 22</b>	<b>11 AM – Winter Lunches</b> <b>11 AM – Band Together @ Bethany</b> <b>6:30 PM – Pastor's Bible Study</b>
<b>Sun., Feb. 25</b>	<b>9:30 AM – Worship</b> <b>10:45 AM – Sunday School</b> <b>5 PM – Birthday Bingo Bash</b>

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Feb. 26 – 6:30 PM - Men's Dinner @ Bethany  
Feb. 28 – 6-9PM – CPR & AED Training  
March 3 – 9 AM-3 PM – Make A Blanket Day  
March 3 – 8 AM-Noon – Salem Opportunity Shop Open  
March 4 – 4 PM – Lenten Study

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

We will be offering **CPR & AED Training** on Feb. 28 from 6-9 PM. The books are \$7, but this training is free to you. Donations will be appreciated. If you are interested in attending, please sign up at the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary.



**Birthday Bingo Bash** – As you can see from the insert, we still need some volunteers to bake cakes and decorate tables. Sign-up sheet is on the hall bulletin board.

The LIFT Class would again like to thank everyone who supported, donated or attended our "**Miracle for Mayor Bruce**" Pancake Supper Benefit. Our total from the event is \$9000! This certainly exceeded our expectations & is a wonderful example of what the community of Salem United Methodist Church can accomplish.... *"with God, all things are possible"*

**Bruce Morrison's Address** is: Bryn Mawr Rehab Hospital,  
Room M220, Main Line Health, 414 Paoli Pike, Malvern, PA 19355

## BIRTHDAY BINGO BASH

Sunday, February 25, 2018 @ 5 PM

MONTH	TABLE DECORATIONS	CAKE
JANUARY	JoEllen Wimbrow	
FEBRUARY	Barbara Browning	Barbara Browning
MARCH		Olivia Holland
APRIL	Barbara Lusby	Barbara Lusby
MAY	Elementary Sunday School Class	
JUNE		
JULY	Debbie Scott	Carol Purdy
AUGUST		
SEPTEMBER		Jeanette Smolinski
OCTOBER	Ann Price	Corrine Wall
NOVEMBER	Coleen Mister	
DECEMBER	Sidney Evans & Diane Burton	

## Lenten Study Begins tonight!

Because this year is a monumental year for the worldwide United Methodist Church, a series of talks are being offered during Lent. We will not meet on Birthday Bingo Bash Sunday (Feb. 25), but will meet the Sunday before that (18th), and on the three Sundays after the Bash. We will be discussing core Methodist beliefs.

Starting time is 4 PM. Each meeting should last about an hour. This is not a pre-written program, but a work that is being prepared just for us. We will be talking about the early church, the creeds, and the major turning points in Christian faith over the centuries, specifically the Reformation. We'll talk about the reasons that John Wesley reacted. We will look closely at the core values of Wesley's teaching, which led to the Methodist faith. The final Sunday will address the changes since the United Methodist Church was founded in 1968, and the potential changes that are being addressed this year.

While this is framed as a Catechism Class, this should be helpful and informative for all church members. In the next year or two, our churches may have to vote on a decision to stay in the United Methodist Church system or leave. This information should be invaluable in the discussions that will follow.

Please plan to be with us Feb. 18, March 4, 11, and 18 at 4 PM. We will meet in the lounge. Bring your own food and beverages if you'd like.