



Your Health

Your health is so very important to the life of our congregation, and because of this we promote all aspects of healthy living!

We have begun a Parish Nurse program here led by Sharyn Farnner who is very skilled in parish nursing and related programs. As we grow our program always remember we are here to help one another in so many ways. A spiritual approach to healthy living is a vital part of Christian living.

Pr. Nathan and Sharyn have been running Growing Through Grief monthly for several years and first step has let to some great ideas for the future.

Fitness classes are now available in Fellowship hall for everyone. Tuesday/Thursday evening from 6:30-7:30 (and possibly Saturday mornings) Check the church calendar online for details!

More programs will begin in the fall. See Sharyn if you'd like specific health needs supported here at Salem. LIVE HEALTHY!

From the desk of Pr. Nathan...

Christ is risen... He is risen indeed! Take a moment or two and read the gospel of John in the 4th chapter (vs.5-42) and hear the savior speak... Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

Did you ever have a conversation with Jesus? You know, the quiet, sit down, really dive into details kind of talk...maybe not so much like the woman at the well but a time when you may have felt that close? What did it really look like? Did it resemble a conversation with friends or family? Did you tell Him what was happening? Or like our conversations we only tell what is bothering us? We rarely tell others 'everything...' for that matter we rarely tell anyone everything...even Christ Jesus in prayer. For some reason (okay I'll give it away right now... SIN) we keep things to ourselves, and fool those around us. Even those who care about us deeply are kept at a distance on some things. The woman at the well was pretty good at fooling those around her perhaps. She even tried to fool Jesus...but failed miserably. Because of sin and shame we attempt to 'get

Save the Date!

BIBLE SCHOOL

June 22-26th

See the insert for VBS this year with the children of St. Paul's and Salem together!!

FAITH CLASS

June 11th 6:30 PM

What do we BELIEVE? Come see, discuss, and learn!

ASCENSION

May 29th 7:30 PM

Evening service of Holy Communion for the celebration of Ascension



**Salem and St. Paul's
NIGHT AT THE
SENATORS
Friday, June 20th 2014
@ 7 PM**

Metro Bank Park on City Island
Hbg. Senators vs. Akron Rubberducks
Cost: \$9.00 / person (under 3 FREE)

Make checks payable to
St. Paul's Lutheran Church.
PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED
IN THE Church Office by:
Monday, May 25th

PENTECOST

Don't forget to order your red geraniums for Pentecost Sunday on June 8th. Order forms are due soon, so please get them to church or call Arleah to place your order!

HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

As always, the Sunday of the Holy Trinity is a significant day in the life of the church. This year will be significant for us in many ways. We will welcome new members into our church family, and renew our focus on what is most important to our identity... that we worship God in one revealed nature and one nature alone...

FATHER, +SON, and HOLY SPIRIT! Rejoice in your commitment to this holy faith, and hold fast to this in all things, against all trials, and even unto death!

away with' so much of what we carry as a burden of pain and suffering. Exposing these things would be just too much to bear, and for the woman at the well, devastating to let this man know who and what she really might be.

Back to conversations...do you really need to fool the one who searches hearts? We do need to speak sometimes, to get things out, to give our pain words and release them to the one who can forgive. But we really don't even *need to do so!* Jesus did not just expose this woman's life, and reveal to her His knowledge of *everything*; He did just what he was sent to do. He fulfills the law by exposing our sin, by revealing the truth of our lives to us, hearing our broken and contrite cry for wholeness and restoration, and by sending us onward... forgiven! If he does not expose that which you've tried to hide, it can never be released from the chains, which bind it to you!

Jesus knows. Jesus knows repentance. Jesus knows sin. Jesus knows YOU. The well of everlasting life is so easy to drink. Worship the Father, the +Son, and the Holy Spirit in truth. Confess your sins to release them, and know that the burden is lifted. For those who repent and worship in Spirit and in truth shall hear the words of our Savior when seeking life..."I AM he, the one speaking with you."

The rising of Christ is the fulfillment of all that was promised, and His return is the completion for which we patiently wait. You will see Him coming in the way that he left... CELEBRATE ASCENSION DAY, June 29th at 7:30 PM for an evening celebration of Holy Communion and pray for Christ's return in glory!

I thank you all for your outpouring of support and love throughout this Easter season. I give thanks for the tremendous GROWTH we've seen here at Salem!! It is such a blessing to see so many of you each week. We are planning a gathering for those seeking to join the congregation and will receive new members soon. Join us

as we explore our faith.

There are so many great things happening right now... thanks be to God!



Rev. Nathan Calhoun

May Bulletins: \$10

4th - Brad & Rachel Zimmerman in honor of Grace's 1st Birthday!

11th - (Mother's Day) Tom & Deb Scheib in honor of all mothers.

18th - Jake & Bev Witmer in honor of Josh's birthday.

25th - Jean Hoke in memory of Norwood and Lynn.

May Altar Flowers: \$19/vase (\$38/2)

4 - The Challenger Family in honor of Sarah's Birthday.

11th - Chris Paul and Robin Hoffman in honor and memory of all mothers.

18th - Robert & Carole Long in loving memory of grandmother Mary Long.

18th - Scott, Rachel and Eric Deitrich in memory of Emma Mauser, Rachel's grandmother and Eric's great-grandmother.

25th - Jake & Bev Witmer in honor of loved ones.

May 18th Fellowship:

SPONSOR(S) NEEDED

May Sanctuary Lamp:

Ben Cunningham in loving memory of Mary Cunningham.

June Bulletins: \$10

1st - Mabel Weida in memory of loved ones.

8th - **SPONSOR NEEDED**

15th (Father's Day) - Bill & Mary Jane Witmer in honor of all fathers.

June 22nd - **SPONSOR NEEDED**

June 29th - Jake & Bev Witmer in honor of Caitlin Minnich's birthday.

June Altar Flowers: \$19/vase (\$38/2)

1st - Paul & Clara Bowman in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Eldred Buffington and Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Bowman.

1st - Mabel Weida in memory of loved ones.

8th - Don & Linda Deibler in honor of our children & grandchildren.

15th - Phyllis Weaver in memory of her father, Salvatore Bertone.

15th - Connie Troutman in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Reed.

22nd - John & Irene Lehman in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

22nd - Andy & Brenda Leitzel in honor of their wedding anniversary.

29th - Charles & Jill Liles in honor of the birthdays of Sarah, Rachel and Tom.

June 8th Fellowship:

WMF Father's Day SPECIAL Fellowship

June Sanctuary Lamp:

Ann Scatena in loving memory of Robert Scatena.

May Birthdays

Sarah Challenger 1st

Donald Deibler 7th

Grace Adair Zimmerman 8th

Marie Daub 11th

John Lehman 17th

Josh Witmer 19th

Erik Ingbritsen 28th

Brad Zimmerman 30th

No May Anniversaries**June Birthdays**

David Paul, Jr. 14th

Robert Kissinger 15th

Connie Troutman 15th

Alvin Michael 17th

Sarah Liles 28th

June Anniversaries

Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Schade 19th

Mr. & Mrs. John Lehman 21st

Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Leitzel 27th



The WMF will be selling special cheese and dip mixes as their current fundraiser. They have sponsored a woman and daughter in a mission trip, and have done great things for women's fellowship with the SPELL group from St. Paul's. See any WMF lady for more info!

*May Altar Guild Representatives:
Arleah Buehler & Lois Kratzer*

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Arleah Buehler & Jean Hoke*

Sunday, May 4 – Third Sunday of Easter

Lector: Dennis Reitz
Head Usher: Chris Paul
Communion Assistant: Tom Scheib
Greeters: Walter & Sharon Lehman
Acolyte: Michael Paul

Sunday, May 11th – Fourth Sunday of Easter

Lector: Tom Scheib
Head Usher: Mark Ingbritsen
Greeters: Ben Cunningham and Janice Gransbury
Acolyte: Jessica Spacek

Sunday, May 18th – Fifth Sunday of Easter

FELLOWSHIP

Lector: Carol Reitz
Head Usher: Scott Deitrich
Communion Assistant: Dennis Reitz
Greeters: Phyllis Weaver and Judy Paul
Acolyte: Kyle Ramer

Sunday, May 25th – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Lector: Kasey Campbell
Head Usher: Arleah Buehler
Communion Assistant: Mark Ingbritsen
Greeters: Fred Renn and Ben Cunningham
Acolyte: Jessica Spacek

Thursday, May 29th – EVE. SVC. ASCENSION DAY

Lector: Michael Paul
Communion Assistant: Chris Paul
Acolyte: Michael Paul

Sunday, June 1st – Seventh Sunday of Easter

Lector: Ben Margerum
Head Usher: Chris Paul
Communion Assistant: Rachel Deitrich
Greeters: Jay & Martha Jane Fulkrod
Acolyte: Michael Paul

**Sunday, June 8th – THE DAY OF PENTACOST
FELLOWSHIP**

Lector: Jim Prince
Head Usher: Jill Liles
Communion Assist: Dennis Reitz
Greeters: Brad & Rachel Zimmerman
Acolyte: Jessica Spacek

Sunday, June 15th – THE HOLY TRINITY

Lector: Ann Scatena
Head Usher: Linda Deibler
Communion Assistant: Tom Scheib
Greeters: Connie Troutman and Janice Gransbury
Acolyte: Kyle Ramer

Sunday, June 22nd – Second Sunday after Pentecost

Lector: Rachel Deitrich
Head Usher: Jim Prince
Communion Assistant: Chris Paul
Greeters: Ann Scatena and Rachel Deitrich
Acolyte: Jessica Spacek

Wednesday, June 25th – EVE. SVC. – John the Baptist

Lector: Michael Paul
Communion Assistant: Chris Paul
Acolyte: Michael Paul

Sunday, June 29th – Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles

Lector: Rich Keeney
Head Usher: Chris Paul
Communion Assistant: Mark Ingbritsen
Greeters: Dennis & Susan Krause
Acolyte: Kyle Ramer

From the Council: If you have not had the opportunity to use the new entrance to fellowship hall you must come and see this wonderful project. This is just one of many upgrades to the property that have been accomplished through the generosity of David & Erla Gerhard. Their remembrance of Salem Lutheran with a percentage of their estate has made a huge impact on our life here! Please remember your church when making estate planning decision.

Now that we have completed much of our 10 year plan for property upgrades we must all remember that the building fund is IMPORTANT. General maintenance is paid from this fund so regular tithes which include the building fund are needed. This very harsh winter has cost more than usual in snow removal, oil, and maintenance.

Also, we are behind in the budget because of some of these expenses. We are still in need of weekly giving to reach our ministry goals and pledges. Our ministry depends on YOU!

YOUTH

Don't forget about Vacation Bible School coming up in June. We've begun our joint program with St. Paul's Millersburg. Each year we will share this program! So many kids in VBS will make the experience GREAT!

JUNE 22-26

MUSIC CAMP!!

Salem & St. Paul's will be sponsoring a Music and Arts camp in August 4-8. Open to K-5 children. Expose our children to the fine arts and they will grow!!



Join us for dinner at 6:30 on Wednesday, June 11th in Fellowship Hall for a new members/seekers class... What do we believe? Discuss with the Pastor the details of Lutheran theology, membership at Salem, programs, and education.

Thank you to all our Sunday School Teachers and support staff for an excellent year of Christian Education. We've really grown the Sunday School program, and in the fall we will NEED MORE TEACHERS to accommodate the children! Please consider giving of your time for the future of the church. This is exactly what we've been praying for... now it's your turn to step up and get involved! You will ENJOY every minute of watching young people BELIEVE!!



The year 2017 will mark the 200th anniversary of Elizabethville and we would like to invite you to join us! Below are some of the events scheduled:

- **"A Starry Night at the Vineyard"**
Wine Tasting Fundraiser
8/9/2014 at Armstrong Valley Winery
Advance Ticket Purchase Required
- **2nd EABC Gun Raffle Drawing / Chicken BBQ**
8/23/2014 at Elizabethville Borough Park
Check Facebook and Website for Details!
- **2nd Annual Trick or Trot 5K**
10/25/2014 <http://trickortrot.elizabethville.org>
- **Submit your Old Fashioned and Family Recipes for the Bicentennial Cookbook on our website!**



Let us pray... Lord Jesus, You came into the world to seek and to save those who were separated from your love. It is with heavy and aching hearts that we come to You, the Savior of sinners, imploring You to restore those who err. O Lord, our hearts break when we realize that those we love follow the ways of unrepentant sinners, which will always lead to condemnation. Save them, O Lord, save them. You have, in Your vast mercy would lead back all the erring lambs who have wandered away from you. O Lord, if by any fault or neglect of our own, we beg Your mercy to forgive us as well. Guide us, by your Holy Word, and show us how to share your love, mercy, and forgiveness. Draw us closer to you in Faith. Unite us again with you in faith, and abide in our hearts both now and forevermore as our loving, compassionate, and forgiving Savior.
Amen.



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