

SALEM  CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS  
DECEMBER 25, 2011

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!** We pray that the Child of Bethlehem will find a welcome in your heart and in your life, that you may know the wonder of being loved unconditionally, cherished unceasingly, and saved everlastingly. **If you are a visitor**, please list your name, address and phone number on the attendance sheet along with our members.

**PRAYER CONCERN**

- † Sympathy to Tom & Sara Austin & family, Tom's mother, Mary Austin, passed away
  - † Sharon Cowles, recovering from surgery, prayers
  - † Dorothy Dunham, recovery going well, home
  - † Don, Phil Corbin's dad, medical concerns, prayers
  - † Amelia Pitchford, born premature at 23 weeks, daughter of Ben & Val, prayers for strength
  - † Natalya Rager & her father in Russia, prayers
  - † John, George Wagner's uncle, health concerns
  - † Lorna Champion, recovering, pneumonia, prayers
  - † Eden Marie, Yngsdal's great-granddaughter, home
  - † Becky, Jenifer Corbin's sister, lung cancer, prayers
  - † Danny, Doris Haag's grandson, continued prayers
- \*ALL OTHER UNSPOKEN PRAYER CONCERNS\***

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SHUT-INS**

**St. Francis:** Geraldine Sasada, Grace Mielke  
**Walnut Grove:** Gerald Palmer      **Lincoln House:** Bette Hall  
**Woodlands:** Linda Commo, Elmer & Mildred Wohler  
**Lutheran Home:** Florence Meyer, Elda Hankwitz, Sally Thome  
**Home:** Jane Buck, Charles Westphal, Howard Bertz

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY**

Chris Klebs, husband of Heidi Klebs  
Eric Pease, son of Joe & Dorene Pease  
William Burgdorf, son of Rick & Lee Burgdorf  
Chad Quandt, son of Richard & Kathy Quandt  
Andrew Schmidt & David King, nephews of Catherine Mingus  
David Proffen, nephew of Dorene Pease

**THERE IS NO NURSERY** today, December 25 at Salem-FdL so that families worship together. The Cry Room is available for your use.

**THE WEDNESDAY PRAYER SERVICE** at Salem-FdL at 12:05pm will not be held on December 28.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed December 26 through January 1. If you have an emergency please contact Rev. Jack Stubbs (cell 920-251-0959) or Shelly Krahn or Julie Francis.

**IF YOU ORDERED A POINSETTIA** and you haven't taken it home, please do so today!

**THE NEW UPPER ROOM DAILY DEVOTIONAL** for January/February is available on the table in the office area. Pick your copy up today.



**FREE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER**

- Whether you are alone, unable to prepare a meal or just want to share the day with others, you are welcome. The meal is today, Sunday, December 25 from 11:00am-2:00pm in Trakel Hall at St. Paul's (51 W. Division). Turkey, ham, dressing, potatoes, gravy, vegetables, cranberry sauce and desserts, along with music and entertainment will be served up!

**NEW YEARS SERVICES** - We will have our regular schedule of services to celebrate the New Year.

- ❖ 5:30pm ~ New Years Eve Watch Night Service with Holy Communion at Salem-FdL
- ❖ 9:00am ~ New Years Day Worship with Holy Communion at Salem-FdL
- ❖ 10:45am ~ New Years Day Worship with Holy Communion at Salem-Lamartine

**SIGN-UP SHEETS READY FOR 2012!** Volunteers are needed at FdL for Greeters, Communion servers and Liturgists. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in entrance area. Please sign up for several dates! Support Salem by helping with services!

**2012 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are available on the table in the office area. Envelopes are bundled in packs of 12 (one per month) and 52 (one per week). Packs have three additional envelopes: Conference Apportionment (\$93.00 per member), Local Mission offering and Initial Envelope offering.

**END OF THE YEAR DEADLINE** - All contributions must be received in the office by December 31 in order to be posted to your 2011 statement. The church office will be open December 30 from 10:00am-12:30pm to accommodate anyone needing to drop off contributions. All offerings received after December 31 will be posted to 2012 statements.

**BOOKS BETWEEN BITES** will meet at Salem-FdL on Tuesday, January 10 at 12:10pm. Bring a lunch, beverages available. *9XM Talking: WHA Radio and the Wisconsin Idea* by Randall Davidson will be reviewed. This is the history of University of WI radio station WHA, its affiliated state-owned station WLBL and the eight post-World War II FM stations that are the backbone of Wisconsin Public Radio. Randall Davidson, our reviewer, currently the Director of Radio Services at University of WI-Oshkosh, spent 18 years with WPR in Madison.

**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL AT EITHER SITE ON DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> OR JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>.**

## SALEM AD SPONSOR FOR DECEMBER

Doris Haag

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**



**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED COOKIES** for the Cookie Walk on December 18; it was a great success. There were some cookies left and they were delivered to the Solution Center. They were ecstatic to receive the special Christmas cookies. So to all bakers – thanks for helping Salem with this great fundraiser and for making Solution Center residents Christmas a little merrier!

**TAKE THE SAFE ROUTE!** Just a reminder during these icy times that the best entrance into Salem-FdL is the back parking lot doors. Although the front sidewalks and steps will always be cleaned, the back entrance is safer and easier.

**WARMING SHELTER IN FDL** is open for the winter. There is a need for volunteers to provide a hot meal and/or to spend the night. For more info call 923-1743 or visit [www.solutionsfdl.com](http://www.solutionsfdl.com).



**WINTER CANCELLATIONS** of worship services at Salem Church will be announced on radio stations KFIZ and Sunny 97 and on television station WBAY. You can also call the church (921-8605) and the answering service will have announcement.

## VOLUNTEERS FOR JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2012

**Ushers:** Mike & Nancy Rankin

Gail Luttenberger, Heidi Klebs

**Greeters:** Neal & MarJean Buck, Ann Buck

**Liturgist:** Hal Barfknecht

**Acolytes:** Maddy Corbin, Duncan Corbin

**THANKS FOR SAVING CAMPBELLS LABELS** for Northcott and Box Tops for Education for McCurdy School in New Mexico! A new opportunity – products from Kwik Trip will help support the Hmong House of Good News in Milwaukee. Save Nature's Touch caps, bag tops, price ovals and barcodes and price ovals from Glazer donuts.

**AS THE YEAR DRAWS TO A CLOSE**, consider signing up for electronic giving for the New Year. Salem relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis. Contact Shelly in the office for details or visit [www.salemchurch.com](http://www.salemchurch.com).

**HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR 2012 PLEDGE CARD? PLEASE CONSIDER** your financial commitment to support our church's 2012 ministry. Cards are available in the narthex and by the office.

## YOUR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Giving Needed for December (4 weeks): \$26,804.00

Received through Dec. 11 (2 weeks): \$13,139.26

Giving Needed for November (4 weeks): \$26,804.00

Received through Nov. 27 (4 weeks): \$22,668.77

**MISSION GIVING** (As of December 11)

December - Pilgrims of Ibillin \$221.00

**MILE OF PENNIES** 4,232 feet



## ROOTIN'-TOOTIN' LEADERSHIP TRAINING EVENT

on Saturday,

January 14 at Salem-FdL.

Registration begins at 9:00am, a worship service led by Rev. Gordon

Lind will be held at 9:30 and training sessions will follow at 10:00-11:30. Lunch will follow, for those interested, at a restaurant downtown. Training sessions: **Trustees** - led by Peter Tesch, a representative from Church Mutual Insurance.

**Finance/Stewardship** - led by Lisa King, Conference Treasurer. **SPRC** - led by Reverend Gordon Lind, District Superintendent Nicolet-Winnebago Region.

**Education** - Recruiting Volunteers - Led by Julie Francis, Director Christian Education at Salem UMC.

To RSVP for training event/lunch, please contact Julie Francis at 921-8605 or [julie@salemchurch.com](mailto:julie@salemchurch.com) by Wednesday, January 11.

## REMEMBER



GOD

JESUS

SPIRIT

The lost

The sick

The lonely

The hungry

Those confined

Our missionaries

Those out of school

Those less fortunate

Those who are in prison

Those in military service

Those who are away from home

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