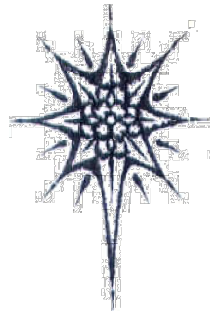


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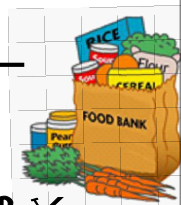
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IMPORTANT!

"from the Pastor's Computer"

**AUGUST IS
FOOD PANTRY
COLLECTION
MONTH!**



Fall Festival;
October 28th!

Worship: 9:00AM

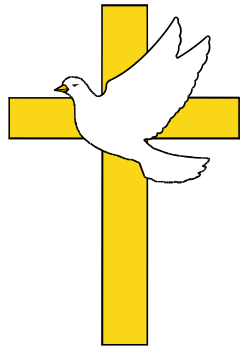
Congregational Fellowship: 10:15AM

Sunday School: 10:30AM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

8:00AM to 4:00PM



Salem Lutheran Church

" Sharing the love of Christ "

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	Linda Hahn	552-1971
	William Hahn, Jr.	552-7750
	Kathy Riske	484-0835
Prayer Ministry	Jennifer Hahn	676-7348
Clothing God's Children		
	Lorie Paul	874-4213
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Council Ministry Teams

Proclaim	Jennifer Hahn	676-7348
Nurture	Dottie Hahn	571-0668
Response	Wanda Hahn	676-2046
Property	Clint Myers	551-2774

From the Pastor's Computer:

Speaking of Love!!!

Jesus said, love the Lord your God and love your neighbor as yourself. Hopefully you have heard me say in many different ways that the key to loving our neighbors is by first loving ourselves. So, I looked up "self-love" on Wikipedia and found statements like these:

"Self-love has often been seen as a moral flaw, akin to vanity and selfishness."

"Eric Fromm proposed a re-evaluation of self-love in a more positive sense, arguing that in order to be able to truly love another person, a person first needs to love oneself in the way of respecting oneself and knowing oneself (e.g. being realistic and honest about one's strengths and weaknesses)."

"Erik H. Erikson similarly wrote of a post-narcissistic appreciation of the value of the ego, while Carl Rogers saw one result of successful therapy as the regaining of a quiet sense of pleasure in being one's own self."

I believe that the only path towards fulfilling Jesus' Greatest Commandment is through experiencing, trusting in and living out God's unconditional love. We experience God's love when he forgives us. When we accept God's forgiveness as a gift that we cannot earn, we are freed to love God in response to this gift. We are also set free to believe that our value and worth are based on God's unconditional love for us and if God loves us we must have great value and worth and are truly lovable.

We live out our response to this gift by loving God, ourselves, and then our neighbors. Won't you give it a shot.

Have a blessed month.

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Dan



August ANNOUNCEMENTS



Fall Festival; October 28th!
First planning meeting is on
Wednesday, August 9th at 6:30PM



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST:
August 8th @ 7:00AM



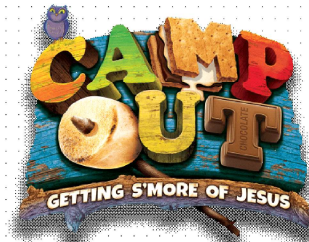
CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME:
August 30th @ 7:00PM

AUGUST 4 & 5, 2017

Friday and Saturday; 5:30 - 8:30PM

Sunday Celebration,
August 6th at 9:00AM

Ages Pre-K thru
6th Grades



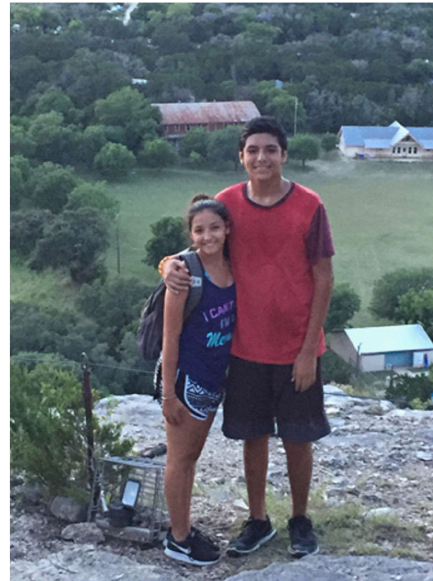
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FORMS CAN BE FOUND ON-LINE
OR WITH AN USHER IN THE
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TREASURER'S REPORT

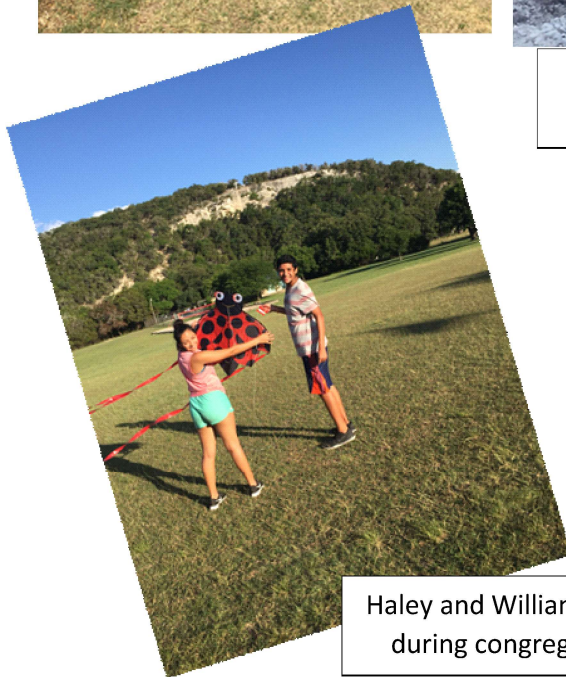
July's offering curretnly totals - \$18,782.94
(A full report was not available at press time.)

Cross Trails Ministry Youth Bible Camp 2017

Haley Bales, Joseph White and William Bales in their High Ropes gear getting ready to climb the rock wall.



Haley and William Bales on top of the bluff!



Haley and William flying a kite during congregation time.





OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

AUGUST

You might already have guessed what are the Shoebox items for August, school supplies!! There are so many neat items available now.

The main items needed in each box are notebook paper, pencils, pencil sharpeners, erasers, pens, Crayons, markers, mini-staplers, staples, ruler, glue stick, notepads, highlighters, school scissors, paper clips, and composition books.

All children need these supplies. Some are able to go to school for the first time because these items were in their shoebox. We take crayons for granted, but in other countries, crayons are very expensive. Most families cannot afford to buy them, so please include a box in your shoebox.

It is a lot of fun to go shopping for these items and know they are appreciated and needed.

De Colores!

**AUGUST ...
IS SALEM'S TURN
TO COLLECT FOR
THE LOCAL**



Of course - they will accept anything, but here are a few items they are particularly needing:

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Canned tomatoes | Canned Chicken |
| Vienna Sausages | Hot Dog Chili Sauce |
| Bar Soap | Individually wrapped Toilet Paper |



The Calhoun Co. Senior Citizens Association appreciates your donation of \$240 for our Meals on Wheels program. We appreciate your support of our organization.

Thank you,
Monica Pelech, Executive Director

The Jack E. Haith family wants to thank the ladies that prepared the delicious luncheon, for our family and friends for Jack's funeral, it was appreciated very much. Your thoughtfulness will never be forgotten.

We also want to thank Pastor Dan for all the visits he made to De-Tar hospital to visit Jack and our family and all the prayers we shared together, for being with our family the last two days he wasn't expected to live, with comforting words and sharing prayers over his bed in his room. It meant so much to us. Pastor Dan, you are a wonderful Pastor, and thanks again for coming to the house to visit with me since Jack passed away. You are the greatest.

Bernice Haith, Wanda Haith Flisowski and Shawn Haith

Dear Salem Family,

Many thanks for all the support and prayers during our family's loss of our dear Sonny. The meal was terrific as usual. Also, thank to those who ushered, the Altar Guild and all the parking crew. Anyone who helped we are thankful.

With deepest gratitude,
The Sonny Wehmeyer Family

Dear Thrivent Group,

On behalf of the Harbor Children's Alliance and Victim Center I would like to thank you so much for all your help with the Pescado Fishing Tournament. Everyone raved how awesome the fish and hushpuppies were. Can't wait for next year. Thank you again and just know that dedicated volunteers like yourself is what makes our organization successful. Thank you again and we look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,
Carissa Soliz



Salem Lutheran Church
Second Annual Rummage Sale

Time to clean out your closets and cabinets for the church. Join our rummage sale and donate your items, time and talents. Come Share the Love of Christ and join with others in service to Him. Where two or more are gathered there He shall be.

Who: Members and Friends of Salem

When: August 11th from 8am - 6pm
and
August 12th from 8am – Noon

Why: ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO
“THE MEALS ON WHEELS MINISTRY”

What: A lot of everything come see ~ Bring your own Bag!

What to do: Drop off / Price / Set-up items
on Thursday 8/10 from Noon – 6pm

What We Need:

- ✓ Rummage sale items including clothing, knick-knacks, décor, toys, costume jewelry, kitchen ware, linens, potted plants, fall vegetables, baby items, outdoor play, books, entertainment, misc. items. For furniture donations call Lorena Barjenbruch.
- ✓ Volunteers to come help set-up, manage and clean-up (see sign-up sheet at church)
- ✓ Goodies donated for the volunteer hospitality area (sign-up sheet)
- ✓ All donors may receive a donation form for tax purposes if requested.

If you have any questions please call the organizer Lorena Barjenbruch
361-484-0282.

Salem Lutheran Church
Council Meeting
July 11, 2017

OPENING:

Pastor Dan Zellmer opened the meeting with a prayer.

Verse of the day – Ephesians 4:26-27 – provided by Jennifer Hahn

Present members: Dorothy Hahn, Wanda Hahn, Dan Zellmer, Jennifer Hahn, Mike Rothmann, and Rob Barjenbruch.

MINUTES/AGENDA:

Mike Rothmann motioned to approve the agenda; Pastor Dan Zellmer 2nd.

Motion Carried

Wanda Hahn motioned to approve minutes from June 13th meeting; Jennifer Hahn 2nd. Motion Carried

REPORTS:

Treasurer: Reviewed 2017 Operating Fund Income and Expenditures, Balance Sheet as of June 30th 2017, and Report. It was noted that we ended the quarter in the red with a loss of \$3465.00 for the month of June. The budget was fine and expenses were ordinary for June, but the offering was very low (the lowest for the year so far). There will not be a brunch hosted by the council for the congregation for this quarter. It was also noted that a meeting needs to be scheduled with the representative from Lutheran Foundation of the Southwest that the Audit Committee met with in the spring to move forward with moving the Endowment Fund.

Pastor: Pastor Dan – No report

Proclaim: Jennifer Hahn – A Hymn Selection and Worship Planning Meeting was held and hymns were selected for July 16th to August 27th. Beginning July 16th, ELW Setting 10 will be used during the service. The next meeting will be August 15th at 2:30 PM.

Nurture: Dorothy Hahn – Joel Anderson resigned as the Middle School/High School Sunday School teacher. Pastor will talk with Machaela on ideas for a class for this age group. Dorothy will be putting together a flyer to pass out to families living at the Villas on Independence apartment complex to invite the children to VBS. It was also suggested that an invite for the community be placed in the up and coming events in the newspaper.

Response: Wanda Hahn – There was a discussion held on how to become a congregation and council that responds to God on a more regular basis and not just in times of crisis. This includes taking more responsibility as members of Christ’s body and making room for other congregational members to be involved in leadership roles instead of the same people being always being in those roles. Prayer is the place where we must start.

Property: Clint Myers – No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

Organ Repair – There are people being contacted for options and seeing who will be willing to work on the project.

Annual Fall Festival – Still looking for a director/coordinator. The festival is slated for October 28th.

Property Committee; FH bathroom, closet switch, playground, etc. – Men’s bathroom in the fellowship hall has been repaired and updated.

Visiting Rev. Susan Briner, Bishop’s Associate, on Sunday August 27, 2017 – It was agreed that the church council will host a brunch and provide drinks, napkins, and cups. There will be a sign-up sheet for the congregation to help with breakfast casseroles and other items. The council will be responsible for the clean-up after the brunch.

NEW BUSINESS

Senior Citizens; Meals on Wheels program – a group of pastors will be gathering info by having a meeting with the board/ED of the program and see if having an annual fundraiser would help in keeping this program available in our community.

Designation of proceeds from Annual Rummage Sale – Pastor Dan made a motion to designate the proceeds from the Annual Rummage Sale to Senior Citizens program in Calhoun County. Mike Rothmann 2nd. Motion carried.

CALENDER

July calendar was reviewed and approved by all present members

CLOSING

The Lord’s Prayer was said together during closing.

Meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Jennifer Hahn, Proclaim Ministry

August



3RD: SARA LAWSON
4TH: GLENDA FRANKE
5TH: RIVER WOLF
7TH: HEATHER CAIN
9TH: MASON SPAETH
10TH: NELSON MAREK
11TH: KRISTEN MUELLER
13TH: PAM BALES
LINDA HAHN
MARK HOWELL
AL NIELSEN
15TH: BUDDY WINDER
17TH: WANDA HAHN
22ND: JOYCE JETTON
24TH: SERGIO RODRIGUEZ
LEAH SPARKS
26TH: NICHOLAS YARBOROUGH
27TH: WESLEY HAHN
28TH: LEIGH BURTON
31ST: DEBBIE MARTIN



AUGUST 1ST: GARY & LORIE PAUL
AUGUST 16TH: JOEL & KATIE ANDERSON
AUGUST 21ST: HARLEN & ALTUS ASCHEN



David Henry Barjenbruch
Parents - Rob and Lorena Barhenbruch
Brothers - Michael and John
Born - July 1, 2017 @ 1:33PM
Weighed - 8 lbs., 4 oz. and was 19"



Audry Jordyn Smith
Parents - Marshall and Lindsey Smith
Brother - Logan
Born - July 5, 2017 @ 9:59PM
Weighed - 8 lbs., 14 oz. and was 21"

Please call the church office for any additions or corrections.

“Sharing the Love of Christ”

ATTENDANCE:

SUNDAYS of July: 02 09 16 23 30
Worship Service: 83 63 71 60 Not Available



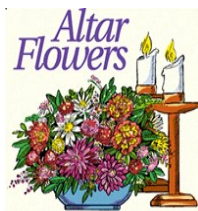
July 2, 2017
Marcia Alex
Kayla & Iris Boyd-Robertson
Stefanie Gossett
Bonnie Pierson
David Soriano
Jospeh White

July 9, 2017:
Stefanie Gossett
Justin Hahn
David Soriano

July 16, 2017:
Adrian Awalt
Kyle & Casey Carawy
Michael & Kayden Caraway
Dakota Dworaczyk
Tallen Dworaczyk
David Soriano
Jane Tschatchula
Warren & Stacie Woelfel

July 23, 2017:
Drew Hahn
Justin Hahn
Sherry Haynes
Chase Polson
David Soriano

July 30, 2017:
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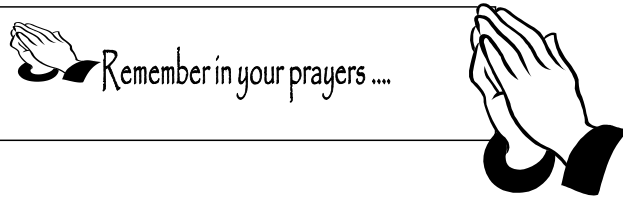


August

August 5th: OPEN
August 13th: OPEN
August 20th: Harlen & Altus Aschen
August 27th: OPEN



*Sundays - August 5th, 13th and 20th
are OPEN for sharing
Congregational Fellowship snacks.*



ANSWERED PRAYERS:

NEW PRAYER CONCERNS:

Major and Daphne Dodd and their parents	Dorothy Featherston	
Hershel Sheffieldon	Mike Cook	Levi Weber
Sandra Ruddick	Candice Harabis	Rita Boudreaux
Vera Hahn	Buddy Winder	Fred Knipling

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:

Ronald Squyres	Ricky Marek	Hunter David Rubin
Lloyd Bales	Tom Crenshaw	Gerald Carter
Rick Turpen	David Willmann	Joann Hahn

TRINITY SHORE RESIDENTS:

JoAnn Hahn	Sonny Gottschalt	L.C. Gossett
Betty Sue Kupatt		

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS:

Annette Ueckert	Annie Halliburton
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THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY:

Shaughnessy Howell - Advanced Army Training
Zane Williams (grandson Buddy and Lucille Winder)
Joe Workman (nephew of Kay Ham)

THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES: