

Experiencing the transforming love of Jesus
Expressing that love to others

Salem Happenings

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Welcome ... We are glad you have chosen to join us for worship today. Please take a moment during your visit to complete a Communication Card found in the pews. If you have any questions, stop by the Welcome Center, contact us at info@salemchurch.org or 937-836-6500. We look forward to getting to know you better as we support and encourage each other in our spiritual journeys!

Curious how to get connected?

- There are many ways to receive information from Salem...
- Email info@salemchurch.org to receive our weekly e-newsletter.
 - Check out our website at www.SalemChurch.org.
 - Pick up a Salem Connection located in the information racks.



March 15, 2013

Get Connected!

Kid's Bridge Service

Check out details on back!

Baptism

This Sunday, March 17,
11 a.m. service

Good Friday Service

March 29, 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday

March 31,
9:30 & 11 a.m.

Check it out! SalemChurch.org

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A Note from Pastor Kyle

Hello Salem family! What an honor it has been to join you on mission here at Salem! Jessica, Adelaide, and myself are continually feeling the joy that comes from following God's calling, while anticipating his leading here at Salem.

Kidmin has become a buzz word in the church over the past few decades, but in reality is a very old idea! The Shema is an ancient Hebrew prayer found in Deuteronomy 6:4-9. Through the centuries devout Jews have prayed this prayer that commands us to *impress* the commands of God on to our children. In fact it goes on to say that we should talk about God's love and commands all day long. Of course the history of "God following" is largely built around the idea of family. Before everyone had 10 Bibles lying around their house, the Scriptures were stories told by master storytellers (grandpas and grandmas) and impassioned preachers (moms and dads). Sadly, somewhere along the way we have gotten away from this. Our goal at Salemkids is to create an amazing ministry here in the building, while giving parents the tools to impact their own children on the home front. Like I shared before, this is not a new idea.

We hope to build dynamic weekly services that kids don't want to leave. When they do leave our hope would be they would invite their friends to see what all the excitement is about. Even now we are planning a cutting edge Easter service to impact both the kids' hearts and minds.

Events are a vital part of any kidmin and I am excited to announce a few events on our horizon.

On May 3 we will be having our first ever Elementary Lock-in called "Luliloo." This is the perfect event for our kids to invite their friends. We are talking inflatables, a rocking service, and even a talent show: ALL. NIGHT. LONG.

All summer long we will be running Superbook Olympics. A lot of my knowledge of the Bible came out of this program from when I was a child. You will be shocked to see all your kids learn through this competitive game show program.

Salemkids Camp will be our VBS that runs all summer long! Breaking up VBS in this way will help us to rally our efforts and see the kids leave changed!

We are excited and hope you are too! Remember we are all in this together and we need you to make an impact. I challenge you to pray about where you could serve our children and be a positive voice for this generation.

Peace,
Pastor Kyle



**Giving:
Weekly Need -
\$32,780**

**Offering 3/10/13 -
\$24,578.77**



Women's Newsletter

The March issue of "The Spice" is available! [Click here](#) or visit at [SalemChurch.org](#) / Get Connected / Women

Flower Sale

Women of the Word is having their annual flower sale. These flowers will enhance any flower garden and also make great Mother's Day gifts. Delivery will be Mother's Day weekend. Stop by the table in the lobby Sunday and see what they have to offer. Proceeds go to missions.

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If you have a medical emergency and need to contact a staff person after office hours, call 937-474-9753.

As you think about our Easter services here at Salem, we challenge you to think of who you could invite. Is there a co-worker or neighbor that you have been praying for? This may be just the right time to invite them to come to church with you.



**Join us Easter Sunday at Salem
March 31, 9:30 & 11 a.m.**

**Good Friday Service
March 29, 7 p.m.
Salem Worship Center**

Easter at Salem will be a vibrant celebration of the most significant and exciting day in the life of the church. The Easter teaching "Restoring Hope" will open your eyes to a deeper understanding of being loved - shortcomings and all - by the God who meets and transforms people, no matter where life has taken them. Childcare for ages two and under available during both services
9:30 a.m. - Classes available for ages preschool - 6th grade
11:00 a.m. - **NEW!!!** Special kids service (preschool - 6th grade)

Help greet our guests on Good Friday and Easter Sunday

Greeting our guests with a warm welcome and a friendly smile is one of the most important things we do. Sign-up at the Welcome Desk or contact [Alisa](#) at ext. 123.

Kids Ministry at Salem

Where kids come first!

"The Bridge Service" meets in the Gathering Place and is for kids 3 years old - 6th grade. Sunday school teachers drop children off at 10:15 a.m. They experience rocking worship, puppets, and games! Parents pick up kids at 10:50 a.m. A second hour preschool service begins at 11 a.m. All preschool kids are invited to stay in the Gathering Place with their leaders. For more information, contact [Craig](#) at ext. 112.



Serve in Kid's Ministry - Interested in helping? Preschool classes now are running 2nd hour. Help is also needed in the nursery. Contact [Craig](#) at ext. 112.

SalemprofileGetting to know your church staff **Glenda Nelson**

WHAT I DO: Worship Arts admin. assistant for seven years.

IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS: I have been married for 36 wonderful years to my husband Ron Nelson. We have four grown children (one son and three daughters), all happily married with four grandsons. Ron's mother, Fran, lives with us in Clayton.

FAVORITE THING ABOUT SALEM: Being able to use my gifts of administration and my love of music in the ministry here at Salem.

IF I HAD PURSUED A DIFFERENT CAREER: Nursing

FAVORITE TV PROGRAM: I enjoy detective and police shows, since my father and oldest brother were Michigan State Police officers.

FAVORITE SPORTS TEAM: University of Michigan Wolverines (What can I say? That's where Ron went to school)

ONE THING MOST PEOPLE DON'T KNOW ABOUT ME: I grew up in Petoskey, MI (very beautiful) and especially enjoyed winter sports. I was an experienced speed skater when I was young, faster than most of the guys I raced on the ice.

IN FIVE YEARS, I HOPE TO BE: Five years closer to the time when we will be living in a climate better for our asthma. Perhaps near an ocean or body of water, where we can enjoy the fresh air, breezes and God's beautiful landscapes.



