



Salem

United Methodist Church

Forecaster

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New Building Soft Launch March 15

Here We Go! Who Are You Bringing?

We are moving into our new building and celebrating our first worship services in the new sanctuary on Sunday, March 15. We are calling this a “soft launch.” That means we will move in and begin using the new building, making sure everything is working well and ready for new guests. Our official grand opening will be Easter Sunday, April 5.

The week of March 8-14 we will move the sanctuary as well as the nursery and classrooms. On March 15 we plan to worship in our new sanctuary, mingle in our new Fellowship Hall, care for our children in the new nursery, and teach in our new classrooms on the lower level. It will be a marvelous day as we lift up the name of Jesus.

The week after March 15 we will move the church offices. As soon as we are out of our current office spaces, work will begin on our new serving window (current finance office) and new parlor (current church and pastor’s offices).

Our soft launch, of course, will be very exciting for all of us who are already a part of Salem. While the Flood of 2008 destroyed Salem’s century old downtown building, we

passed through the water. We passed through the wilderness. Now we have been led to our new home. Now we are in a time of witnessing, proclaiming that God’s kingdom has drawn near in Jesus, showing the world by our life together what it means to be the world that God intended in creation.

With our rebirth and new life, with this new building and the tremendous opportunities to connect with people and build community and be a part of God transforming lives through Jesus Christ, this is the right time, the best time, a special, significant moment to shine our light and share it with others. Please don’t miss this opportunity to invite others to be a part of all that God is doing with us.



A Matthew Party for Jesus



Rev. John Louk
Pastor of the
Salem UMC

Then Levi
gave a
great
banquet
for Jesus
in his
house;
and there
was a
large crowd
of tax
collectors
and others
sitting at
the table
with them.
Luke 5:29

Our youth director, Mac Cain, recently shared a story on Facebook. He takes classes at Kirkwood Community College. A couple days ago he was in his math class and a man sat down next to him. The guy asked Mac about his tattoos and about his Noah's Ark tattoo, specifically. So Mac asked him about his tattoos, especially his swastikas and various other Nazi symbols including the SS he had on his face.

The two of them talked for a good hour. During that time the man asked about God. Mac said he told him everything he knew. He asked if anyone was welcome, and Mac told him that no one is too far gone. The guy wondered how that could be true. So Mac told him, "Come to church with me on Sunday and find out." Mac said it was great, aside from the fact that neither of them did any math that day.

I often get to hear stories like this from church people, like Mac, who engage other persons and invite them to meet Jesus. There are lots of ways to do that, of course, but one of the best and easiest is simply to invite others to come meet the body of Jesus, the church.

It's really wonderful when I hear the story from the other side, that is, from the people who were invited and then accepted the invitation and showed up. There is a young couple becoming a part of Salem right now. They know some of our members through work. The young couple told me that at their work Christmas party, our members kept inviting them to come to Salem. And here they are.

It reminds me of Jesus' disciple, Matthew—also called Levi. He was a tax collector, sitting in his booth when Jesus walked by. Jesus walked right up to him and said, "Follow me." Matthew got right up and left everything and followed Jesus.

What happened next is beautiful. Matthew threw a party for Jesus at his own home. He invited all his friends and associates; so it was Jesus and a bunch of tax collectors other disreputable people. Remember, tax collectors weren't popular. They were considered traitors because they collected taxes for the Roman Empire. They were considered thieves because after they turned in the amount required by the empire, they were free to line their own pockets too. Matthew wanted them to have the opportunity to meet Jesus too. So he threw a party.

It's an exciting time for Salem. We're moving into our new facility in a couple of weeks. We're celebrating our Grand Opening on Easter Sunday, April 5. But what if we thought of our Grand Opening not so much as a celebration of a new building but rather as one big Matthew Party? What if we considered it an opportunity to invite all of our friends and associates so they could meet Jesus?

Will you walk across the room or across the street? Will you pick up the phone or send a text? Will you be bold and invite somebody new that you meet? Will you take the initiative and invite someone to our grand Matthew party? It's going to be a fantastic party. Everyone will have a chance to meet Jesus. And everyone is welcome.

Grace and peace to you,
John Louk

Worship: Lent

In March we continue in Lent, the season of preparation for Easter. The origins of Lent lie in the preparation of the new Christians before baptism on Easter. The liturgical color is purple. Holy Week begins the last Sunday of March with Palm/Passion Sunday. We journey with Jesus through the triumphant entry into Jerusalem; the final days of teaching and confrontation with authorities; the Last Supper on Holy Thursday; the arrest, trial, and crucifixion on Good Friday; the burial and rest in the tomb; and finally the resurrection early on the first day of the week, Easter (April 5). This is the most special time of worship in the entire Christian year. Come and worship!

Mar 1 Second Sunday in Lent

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 The Sign of the Covenant
 Psalm 22:23-31 Plea for Delivery from Suffering and Hostility
 Romans 4:13-25 God's Promise Realized through Faith
 Mark 8:31-38 Jesus Foretells His Death and Resurrection

Holy Communion

Mar 8 Third Sunday in Lent

Exodus 20:1-17 The Ten Commandments
 Psalm 19 God's Glory in Creation and the Law
 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Christ the Power and Wisdom of God
 John 2:13-22 Jesus Cleanses the Temple

Mar 15 Fourth Sunday in Lent / First Sunday in Our New Sanctuary!

Numbers 21:4-9 The Bronze Serpent
 Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 Thanksgiving for Deliverance from Many Troubles
 Ephesians 2:1-10 From Death to Life
 John 3:14-21 The Son of Man Must Be Lifted Up

Holy Communion

Mar 22 Fifth Sunday in Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34 A New Covenant
 Psalm 51:1-12 Prayer for Cleansing and Pardon
 Hebrews 5:5-10 Jesus the Great High Priest
 John 12:20-33 Some Greeks Wish to See Jesus

Mar 29 Palm/Passion Sunday

Liturgy of the Palms

Mark 11:1-11 Jesus' Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem
 Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Blessed Is the One Who Comes in the Name of the Lord

Liturgy of the Passion

Isaiah 50:4-9a The Servant's Humiliation
 Psalm 31:9-16 Prayer for Deliverance from Enemies
 Philippians 2:5-11 Imitating Christ's Humility
 Mark 14:1-15:47 The Passion of Jesus

April 1 Holy Wednesday 12:10 pm (with light lunch at 12:30 pm)

Westside 6 Lenten gathering at Salem

Come and Worship!

Sundays

9:00am—Contemporary

11:00am—Traditional

April 2 Holy Thursday

7:00 pm

Exodus 12:1–14
 The First Passover Instituted
 Psalm 116:1–4, 12–19
 I Will Call on the Name of the Lord
 1 Corinthians 11:23–26
 The Institution of the Lord's Supper
 John 13:1–17, 31b–35
 Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet
Holy Communion

April 3 Good Friday

7:00 pm

Isaiah 52:13–53:12
 The Suffering Servant
 Psalm 22
 Plea for Delivery from Suffering and Hostility
 Hebrews 10:16–25
 Christ's Sacrifice Once for All
 John 18:1–19:42
 The Death of Jesus

March 2015



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 2nd Sunday in Lent 9:00 Contemporary Worship 9:00 Lectionary Class 10:10 Sunday School 10:10 Fellowship Time 11:00 Traditional Worship	2	3 9:30 am Prayer Room 5:15 pm Building Committee Meeting 6:30pm GriefShare	4 10:00 am Small Group 12:10 pm Westside 6 at St. James UMC 6:30 pm Prayer Service 6:30 pm Lighthouse 2.0 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	5	6	7 8:00 am UMM Breakfast Meeting ★Set your clocks one hour ahead tonight!
8 3rd Sunday in Lent 9:00 Contemporary Worship 9:00 Lectionary Class 10:10 Sunday School 10:10 Fellowship Time 11:00 Traditional Worship Food Bank Sunday Noon –Women’s Care Group ☀️Daylight Saving Time begins today!	9 11:30 am Golden Links @ Pizza Ranch	10 4:15 pm Staff Meeting 5:15 pm Building Committee Meeting 6:30pm GriefShare	11 10:00 am Small Group 12:10 pm Westside 6 at St. Mark’s UMC 6:30 pm Prayer Service 6:30 pm Lighthouse 2.0 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	12 5:55pm Sarah Circle and Rachel Circle	13	14
15 4th Sunday in Lent 9:00 Contemporary Worship 9:00 Lectionary Class 10:10 Sunday School 10:10 Fellowship Time 11:00 Traditional Worship	16	17 9:30 am Prayer room 5:15 pm Leadership Board meeting 6:30 pm GriefShare	18 10:00 am Small Group 12:10 pm Westside 6 at Sharon UMC 6:30 pm Prayer Service 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	19	20 <u>April Forecaster articles due</u> 5:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal	21 2:30 pm Wedding—Linsey Schoel and Kory Thomas
22 5th Sunday in Lent 9:00 Contemporary Worship 9:00 Lectionary Class 10:10 Connecting Point 10:10 Sunday School 10:10 Fellowship Time 11:00 Traditional Worship	23	24 6:30 pm GriefShare	25 10:00 am Small Group 12:10 pm Westside 6 at Trinity UMC 6:30 pm Prayer Service 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	26 6:30 pm Scrapbooking	27	28 1:00 pm Outreach Team Workday
29 Passion/Palm Sunday 9:00 Contemporary Worship 9:00 Lectionary Class 10:10 Sunday School 10:10 Fellowship Time 11:00 Traditional Worship	30	31 12:30pm Cards & Fellowship 6:30 pm GriefShare				

March Birthdays and Anniversaries

2 Don Knapp	18 Brian Schooley
3 Jarrad Lehman	19 Kaitlyn Louk
3 Michael Perkins	20 Lori Bestick
3 Lee Walker	22 Frank Conrad
7 Lois Algueseva	23 Pat Goodwin
7 Claudine Hixson	23 Mark Minger
9 Kristy Flack	24 Jeremy Hague
10 Jalisa Moore	25 Kelly Bergmann
11 Esther Kamara	28 Linda Jandik
11 Roger Prasil	28 Steve Thompson
12 Teresa Thompson	31 Momodu Kamara
14 Andy Andersen	
14 Judie Hintzman	
15 Mara Louk	5 Teresa and Larry Janda
15 Liz Young	13 Ronda and Jim Drahozal
17 Grace Archambeau	14 Mandy and Brian Brownfield
17 Roberta Kleppe	18 Kathy and Lee Walker
17 Gary Valenta	22 Wilma and Vernon Livermore
18 Joan Erbe	27 Evelyn and Roger Prasil



Salem's Record of Generosity In Support of Our Ministry Goals as of Year End, December 31, 2014

BUDGET GIVING	Actual	Budget
Offerings given toward Operating Budget	\$ 236,505.68	\$ 233,460.00
Other Operating Budget Income	\$ 8,367.47	\$ 13,000.00
Total budget income	\$ 244,873.15	\$ 246,460.00
BUDGET EXPENSES		
YTD budget expenses paid	\$ 252,137.92	\$ 246,460.00
TOTAL BUDGET INCOME OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSES	\$ (7,264.77)	\$
SALEM RISING - CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GIVING	Received	Pledged to date
	\$ 155,923	\$ 152,391

Thank you for your financial support of the ministries of Salem UMC. Your generosity helps Salem fulfill the vision of "connecting people, building community, transforming lives, through Jesus".

United Methodist Women Sharon Busch, President

Salem UMW Circle Meeting

The **Rachael and Sarah Circles** will meet together on March 12 @ 5:55 pm for fun, fellowship and

something chocolate. A light meal will be provided. This will be our joint Call to Prayer & Self Denial meeting. All are welcome.



Church Women United in March Dorothy Higdon

World Day of Prayer

All members of the church are invited to attend the **World Day of Prayer**, March 6, 2015. This year the People's Church Unitarian Universalist, 4980 Gordon Ave. NW, Cedar Rapids is the host.

World Day of Prayer is a movement of many traditions coming together to observe a common day of prayer each year. It is a movement initiated and carried out by the women in more than 170 countries and regions.

The 2015 theme is: Jesus said, "Do You Understand What I Have Done

For You" and was prepared by the women of the Bahamas.

This is your invitation to join with others around the world; a time of fellowship and prayer in our community.

CWU SPRING FORUM; March 25 St. Mark's Family Life Center, 8300 C Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids 9:00 Continental Breakfast (\$3.00) 9:45 AM program; "Companion on a Journey to Haiti" Sharing about a mission trip taken to Haiti.

Lectionary Class Bible Study Sundays, 9AM

The Revised Common Lectionary is a listing of scriptures including an Old Testament reading, a Psalm, a New Testament Reading and a Gospel reading for each week which covers most of the Bible over a three year cycle. Pastor John uses these readings in worship each week. Under Dorothy Higdon's guidance the Lectionary Class study is aimed to help us examine the live-world the passage comes from, helps look at unifying themes, and consider our contemporary times and how we live our lives. So maybe the question is "How am I called to live life differently if I take this passage seriously?" That answer is different for each one and the sharing is what makes the discussion and helps us know each other and to grow in our faith. Everyone is invited to the Lectionary Class.

Women's Care Group

The Women's Care group will meet Sunday, March 8 at 12:15 following the second service for a potluck in

Sheryl Hansen & Kristy Flack

the fellowship room. All women are invited to join us for food, fellowship and prayer.

Salem United Methodist Men

Salem UMM will meet on Saturday, March 7th at 8:00 am for our

breakfast/meeting We'll hope to see you all then!



Building Project Update

Brian Morrill, Project Supervisor

- Last week we finished up wood stairs at sanctuary platform.
- We also got a good start on carpet tiles main floor.
- We constructed fire door enclosure, installed sliding glass doors, finish coat paint in sanctuary.
- Nu Trend tested elevator and scheduled state inspection for 3/12/15.
- Hawkeye Communications completed most of fire alarm testing.
- Novak Electric is trimming devices as walls get final paint.
- Takes is starting built in oak casework in office.
- Ladco fired all furnaces last week and is doing some floor grilles and miscellaneous items on hvac system.
- Plumbers are 99 % complete.
- The existing stage floor was removed Monday.
- Final paint and carpet will be complete on main floor by end of this week, moving down to lower level next week.
- Should be able to get city inspections end of next week and start punch list items.



An Invitation to the Westside 6 Lenten Gatherings

Each Wednesday during Lent the Westside 6 United Methodist congregations (Asbury, St. James, St. Mark's, Salem, Sharon, and Trinity) are invited to come and reflect on the theme: Forty Days of Becoming.

The Lenten service will start at 12:10 pm. A light lunch will be served about 12:30 pm. A freewill offering (\$5 suggested) will be received for the meal and mission. (Salem is hosting April 1.)

New Superintendent for East Central District

Rev. Kiboko I. Kiboko named new Superintendent for East Central District

Bishop Julius C. Trimble announced that Rev. Kiboko I. Kiboko will become the new Conference Superintendent for the East Central District. The appointment, becomes effective July 1, 2015, was shared with the Norwalk UMC, where Rev. Kiboko is Pastor, during the worship service on Sunday.

Rev. Kiboko was ordained as an Elder in The United Methodist Church in 2000. He has served as the associate pastor at Mt. Pleasant (1998), pastor at Laurel (2002), and Norwalk (2008).

He succeeds Rev. David Crow, who has served as Conference Superintendent for the East Central District since March 2009.

"Rev. Kiboko Kiboko is an excellent preacher and great at communicating the power and grace of the United Methodist Connection," said Bishop Trimble. "An early adopter of the Imagine No Malaria campaign, Rev. Kiboko believes United Methodists are at our best when we encourage children and youth and speak up for the marginalized throughout the whole world." As an example of that concern, Bishop Trimble noted that Rev. Kiboko "has recently been to his home country, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, to advocate on behalf of his brother Vano Kiboko, who is in prison for advocating on behalf of the marginalized."



In Gratitude

•To all my Salem Church family,
Thank you for all of your thoughts, prayers, phone calls and cards during my surgery and recovery. I have been so blessed through it all and am looking forward to when I will be able to be in full swing of things again. God's blessings to all of you.
Kathy Wickham

•To our Salem Congregation,
So many thank yous you're your prayers and support while I was in the hospital. Thank you Deb, Dave, Momodu, Pastor John and Joe for your prayers. Words cannot express how much it meant to me . Hope to see you all soon.
God Bless, Darlene Walker



Missions

Momodu Kamara

A Look at Books without Borders Global

In our 2014 article, we shared what was a spot check: the activities that – The Books without Borders Global Ministry/Mission in a small church - Salem United Methodist Church in the Cedar Rapids corner of God's vineyard. Our goal, impacting the lives of people - doing what it takes for peoples' lives to change for the better, at a global level. Our tools? Used books and other recyclable materials, otherwise destined for the landfills. To this end, we have completed multiple cycles of events: buying books from "Friends of the Cedar Rapids Library, as well as collecting donated books and reusable materials, consolidating, sorting books, stuffing boxes, road transport to Georgia, Sea freighting (at this time so far) to Sierra Leone and books distribution activities in Sierra Leone. Huh!

What a feat of accomplishment, all because of you: our brothers and sisters – in - Christ here at Salem, our friends here in Cedar Rapids, the pastors and congregations of our United Methodist Annual Conference etc. Hence, our sharing in this article is an attempt at answering some of the questions you and others have raised from time to time, such as:

How and why you started this organization?

What is the process of how the books get shipped?

Where have the books been distributed?

How do you get donations?

What is your vision for this organization?

•Three motivations why I undertook the "Books Without Borders Global" Mission?

1. An opportunity to pay back to society for blessings enjoyed.
2. Passion for my beliefs: optimizing opportunities, craving for equity at personal and global levels.
3. A reason to be alive

•What your contribution means

1. Affecting lives of people (you do not even know). Appreciative expressions were overwhelming.
2. A simple act of kindness translated to a giant step.
3. Help me find meaning or relevance for what is left of my life – condemned to worthlessness in my work life, feeling a failure in life, and a dead man walking

•What sets this effort apart from others

1. It is transformative
2. It reaches hearts and minds
3. It has a personal touch

•The Challenges:

1. Inadequate reach of the real need
2. Inadequate essentials to complement a more wholesome learning experience.
3. The gaping chasms between possibilities and the graving needs universally.
4. A feeling of depression and disappointment.
5. Fund raising.
6. Completing a badly needed website – bookswithoutbordersglobal.com

•Our Vision: Building Libraries

Please feel free to call should you have any questions.

319-393-9645 home

319-310-3123 cell

Momodu A. Kamara



Report of the Leadership Board

Meeting Notes 2-17-2015

Notes recorded by Brian Schooley

Attendees — Anna Dunnwald, Roger Lindo, Kathy Wickham, Charlie Thomas, Brian Schooley, Ronda Drahozal, Dalene Bateman, Sharon Busch, Judie Hintzman, Troy Oltman, Dave Jandik, Don Feldmann, Linda Curson, Pastor John Louk

Opening — Pastor John opened with prayer. Anna reported that Nancy Rawson has agreed to assume the duties of the Recording Secretary, beginning in June 2015. Until then members of the Leadership Board will take turns.

Building Committee Update — Linda Curson reported the main floor is to be completed next week. We will receive a punch list (list of items that need to be corrected) to work through. Lower level will be completed by 3/9/15 with a punch list to follow.

- Volunteers will be needed to help with unloading several shipments of furniture and to move from the old building into the new building.
- Linda requested approval to pay Mark Hixson for his time as a subcontractor on the AV/Phones/IT/Security in the new building. Mark has worked very hard to ensure we have what we need in these areas. His efforts have saved us several thousand dollars on our project. The request was made for a payment at the same rate of payment for other sub-contractors used in the building payment. The Board unanimously approved the payment.
- Linda also asked for approval to give away the classroom building in the “outback” after we move into the new building. St Paul’s UMC in Williamsburg requested our outback buildings. While we need to keep the current nursery building for storage, the Building Committee recommends we get rid of the classroom building as soon as possible. If the building is moved in time, the grading/seeding of the area can be included with the rest of the lawn to match the rest of the new lawn. Our cost in purchasing those buildings was mainly to have them moved and set up. Building Committee recommends we give the building to St Paul’s who would have to pay to have it moved which would entail several thousand dollars. The Board unanimously approved.

Finance Report — Linda Curson reported giving for 2014 was over budget by \$3045. Total revenues were down slightly mainly due to rent from the parsonage for only half the year. Total expenses were over budget, a little over \$7000, mainly due to the roof on the parsonage that was not a planned expense. The building fund giving in 2014 was down slightly by \$2600 but does not include 2013 funds received initially; overall pledged monies that have been received are right on target. Next meeting we will review January and February Profit and Loss statements.

Outreach Team Report — Sharon Busch shared about the March Random Acts of Kindness campaign. Donations of gift cards are asked of the congregation that will be randomly left around the community with a nice card from Salem, including an invitation to join us.

- Easter Egg hunt on Saturday, April 4. 5100 Easter eggs are in preparation for this year’s event! Donations of candy and help assembling them are needed.
- Pastor John suggested a direct mail piece to invite the community to our church for our Grand Opening, April 5. John mentioned that while personal invites are the best, most successful way to invite others to join us, in our situation, going into a new building, a direct mail piece can be a very helpful tool to invite the neighborhoods around us and let them know we’re open and ready.
- It was proposed that a communications team be created to help keep our “communications” managed and have the same look, feel and voice when preparing mailers.

Miscellaneous — Sharon Busch also requested an updated list of newer people not in the directory. We will speak with Sharon Vavra in the office. The question was posed about another directory. A person to manage the directory and all the tasks involved is needed. It may be time after we move into the new building.

- Sharon also presented an idea from Dolly Akers for a program with The Can Shed as a way for the congregation to donate to the missions of the church. It was noted we intend to always be specific about how mission donations will be used. The Board determined to use this giving for the Pastor’s Help Fund.
- Discussion was held about a place to

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organize where the “bins” for mission collections are kept. The Building Committee will work with the Mission Team on this. At the same time, Kiosks for information was also discussed in the new Fellowship Hall. The kiosks proposed have three sides and are moveable. We probably need two. These will be a place for information from the Mission Team, Outreach Team, Discipleship Team, UMW, UMM, etc.

Hospitality Team — Pastor John would like us to take an intentional step towards formalizing a hospitality team. There will be a welcome desk in the new narthex. It was also voiced about current members using name tags and making sure newcomers know how to order a name tag. Brian Schooley was nominated to spear head this effort to consider training and to make recommendations on what we should do, and what training we should conduct. •Included in this discussion was a side discussion on the current nursery procedures. In the new building we should consider formalizing the process for checking in and out children and communicating with parents if the needs arise during services. Safety of the children is our first priority.

Trustees — The parsonage was sold and the funds (over \$95,000) received. •For snow removal, need to begin work on next year’s contracts. It was discussed whether we could seek help from the congregation for sidewalks with the church’s snow blower? We would need to train the helpers on the snow blower for clearing the sidewalks. Louis Bush is having difficulty with this year’s contractor. Louis to follow up. •33rd Ave Sidewalk: City of CR to buy a 10 ft. strip along 33rd Ave for the new sidewalk. We will receive \$28,500 from the city. We will be assessed by the city when they install it, but we will pay no more than about \$18,000 for the new sidewalk. The Board approved unanimously. Pastor John and Anna will have to sign the paperwork for the City.

Stewardship — There were no budget documents to review this month. Information for handling church finances safely was presented, providing a check list of how to care for money when it is given to the church. We must remain transparent with our money so our members and guests know how money is used. While we have a very good process currently with several checkpoints and segregation of duties to keep our

process transparent, we do need to document those procedures in a written policy. •2014 Audit: Discussion on the time involved with Dave Jandik who completed the 2013 audit. Dave mentioned that it will take about a month to complete. The person that conducts the 2014 audit should have an understanding of accounting practices. Pastor John will do some research on help from the Conference.

SPRC — Anna reported it is time to make sure our expectations of the paid staff and other leadership roles in the church are up to date. Step 1 will be paid staff. The group will take a look at what job descriptions already exists for the paid staff. Step 2 will be ministry team leaders (Discipleship, Mission, Outreach). Step 3 will be to brainstorm what other descriptions of roles we should create/refresh. The ultimate goal is for us to document expectations for the leadership roles in the church. •Pastor John requested moving 1 week of this year’s vacation into the next year, specifically to August. With the new building nearly complete and Easter activities coming up, it is not a good time for him to be away. Pastor John intends to use as much as he can in June after we are settled into our new building. Concern was raised about Pastor John over extending himself. Seasons of ministry and many little decisions with the new building and the normal activities of the church sometimes require long hours. The Board unanimously approved moving the vacation week.

Closing — Anna prayed to close the session. The Board will meet again March 17, 2015 at 5:15 pm.





The Forecaster 03/15

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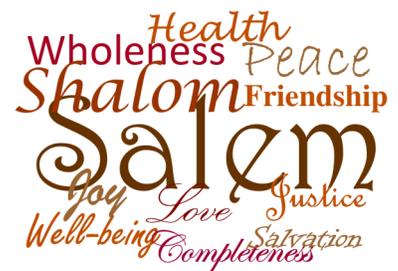
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

 **Daylight Saving Time**
begins Sunday, March 8!

Salem’s mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.
“connecting people, building community, transforming lives through Jesus”

Salem’s Sunday Morning Schedule

9:00 am Contemporary Worship	Sanctuary
9:00 am Lectionary Class (Adult Sunday School)	Outback-Rm 3
9:00 am Nursery Available -infants thru 4 years old	Outback-Nursery
10:10 am Adult Sunday School Class	Outback-Nursery
10:10 am Children and Youth Sunday School	Outback– Room 1, 2 & 3
10:10 am High School (8th thru 12th) Sunday School	CoffeeSmiths
10:10 am Fellowship Time	Fellowship Room
11:00 am Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 am Nursery Available –infants thru 4 years old	Outback-Nursery



Salem Office hours: Monday 9:00 to 4:40 pm and Tuesday through Thursday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
(closed standard holidays)