

Welcome!

We hope our time together is a source of hope and peace.

Nursery Care is provided during worship for infants to age 4.

Prayer Requests can be written on the cards located in the lobby. Place your request in the prayer quilt near the sanctuary entrance.

Friendship Pads are in the pews. Please take the time to fill them out and pass them down the row. The information you provide helps us with attendance and to follow up with guests.

Sunday School at 10:15 am

Children's Sunday School will reconvene September 6, 2026.

Youth (5th - 12th grades) – Room 403 (6/14 & 6/28)

Wrestling with Grace (Adult Class) – Room 406 (throughout the summer)

~Join us to go deeper reflecting on the sermon.

Children's Message – Pastor John will continue a message through the summer on the 2nd and the 4th Sunday of June, July and August.

Children's Chapel – Class will return after the summer break. It will continue to be the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month beginning September 14, 2026.

Coffee Time – Join us after the service in Fellowship Hall.

Offering Collection Boxes – If you would like to make a gift to support the mission and ministry of Salem, please place your gift in one of the offering boxes on the back walls of the Sanctuary. Offering envelopes are available in the pews for your convenience.

E-Giving Use the QR code to make a one-time gift or to set up recurring giving. Salem's e-giving provider is Nucleus Giving. If you want to support a monthly special offering, just make a note on the memo line.



Building Community One Question at a Time

A good conversation comes down to being a good listener. Listen carefully and ask follow-up questions: Try asking:

What is the spiciest food you've ever had? Did you enjoy it?

Share the question. Have fun while getting to know others a little better.

Electronic Newsletter Sign Up!

Each Friday we distribute an electronic newsletter called *Friday Friendly*. Please use this QR code to sign up or notify the Office Manager to be included.



9:00 am Worship Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*Hymn *What a Friend we Have in Jesus* #526

Prayers for the People & Lord's Prayer

Special Music *Try a Little Kindness* Tom Breneisen

Commissioning of the ASP Team

Impact of Your Generosity

Offering Prayer

*Doxology #95

*Song of Praise Good Good Father

Scripture Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

Sermon Who's Influencing You?

*Hymn of Preparation *One Bread, One Body* #620

Holy Communion

*Hymn *His Eye is on the Sparrow*

Blessing

Postlude

**Please stand if you are able.*

Our Salem Church Family Prayer List

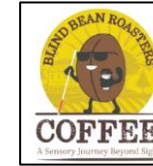
Sue Shaub	Pat Ibach	Anisa Candy
Marlin Ruhl	Jean Daniels	Isabel Beck
Alyssa Jones	Quint Eno	Barb Witman

An assisted listening system is available from a smartphone application to help people to hear the service better. Download the WaveCAST Audio Receiver app and log in to the SalemGuest Wi-Fi – the password is MINISTRY. If you need assistance, please go to the sound booth.

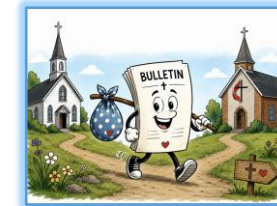


7-Week Summer Bible Study

Romans: Grace That Changes Everything begins on July 8th through August 19th at 6:30 pm. Written by the Apostle Paul, Romans explains God's plan of salvation, the meaning of grace, the assurance we can have in Christ, and how faith transforms our daily lives. Contact the Church Office if you wish to attend or register at the Welcome Center.



Coffee Time! Jayne and Rich Pavlik, owners of Blind Bean Roasters are donating 100% of the proceeds from coffee sales made by our church family back to Salem UMC. Order forms are in the Office



Bring Back a Bulletin!

Summer is a season of vacations, travel, family visits and new adventures. This summer, we invite you to collect church bulletins from places you visit and bring them back to church to share with our church

family. We will create a fun display that will remind us that the Church is bigger than any single building, it is a family of faith across the world.



Christmas in July!

The Mission committee has decided to celebrate Christmas in July this year for the Operation Christmas Child boxes. The angel tree gifts and OCC boxes are both due at the end of the year, so

we decided to spread out our gift giving expenses. The OCC boxes will be available July 1st and will be due back at the church by July 31, 2026. Details are in the Friday Friendly and located at the Welcome Center. See Terri Enck with any questions



A Wonderful Donation! Thank you!

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life was held on Friday, June 12, 2026 at Conestoga Valley High School. Salem Church donated

\$1,090.00. The funds were given by the United Women in Faith and the Relay Coffee Hours. Thank you for supporting the Relay for Life.



Almighty God, you rule all the peoples of the earth. Inspire the minds of all women and men to whom you have committed the responsibility of government and leadership in the nations of the world. Give to them the vision of truth and justice, that by their counsel all nations and peoples may work together. Give to the people of our country zeal for justice and strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will. Forgive our shortcomings as a nation; purify our hearts to see and love the truth. We pray all these things through Jesus Christ. Amen. (ANDY LANGFORD, U.S.A., 20TH CENT.)

This Week at Salem

Today, July 5
9:00 am – Worship service
10:15 am – Sunday School

Monday, July 6
7:15 pm Salem v. Newport Dove Red at Mummaw Park

Tuesday, July 7
7:15 pm Salem v. Erb Mennonite Red at Pool Field
8:15 pm Salem v. Hempfield at Pool Field

Thursday, July 9
6:30 pm Salem v. White Oak Gray at Pool Field
7:15 pm Salem v. Newport Blue at Pool Field



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Our entire worship service, including the Children's Message, is live-streamed and recorded. By entering the sanctuary or allowing your child to participate, you consent to being filmed. Those wishing to avoid the camera may sit in back half of the Sanctuary. Salem United Methodist Church of Manheim is not responsible for any unauthorized use of recordings by outside parties.

Going Deeper in "Who's Influencing You?"

Read the following slowly a few times:

Gen 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Proverbs 23:20; Hebrews 10:24-25

Reflect on the following:

1. Abraham was intentional about finding a godly spouse for Isaac. Why do you think he was so concerned about the people who would influence Isaac's future?
2. Can you think of a friend who helped you grow closer to God? What did they do that made a difference?
3. Have you ever been influenced in a negative direction by a friend, coworker, or group? What did you learn from that experience?
4. Proverbs 13:20 says, "Walk with the wise and become wise." How have you seen this principle play out in real life?
5. What qualities do you look for in a close friend? Are those qualities helping you become more like Christ?
6. Are there relationships in your life that consistently encourage your faith? How can you invest more deeply in those friendships?
7. Are there relationships that regularly pull you away from God, compromise your values, or weaken your witness?
8. How can you remain loving and caring toward unbelievers without allowing unhealthy influences to shape your life?
9. If your five closest friends were to describe your faith, what would they say influences you most?
10. In what ways are you influencing others? Are you helping people move closer to Christ or further away from Him?

Weekly Challenges

1. **Evaluate Your Circle** - Take inventory of the people who have the greatest influence on your life. Are they pulling you toward Christ or away from Him?
2. **Seek a Faith-Sharpener Friendship** - Reach out to a mature Christian friend, mentor, or small group member this week for encouragement, prayer, or accountability.
3. **Be an Influence** - Choose one person this week to encourage, pray for, or help grow in their faith. Be the kind of friend you hope to have.



July 5, 2026

Rev. Dr. John Laughlin, Sr., Pastor



Frank Rittenhouse, Organist
Erin Cervenansky, Choral Director
Terri Briskie, Accompanist
Doug Winters, Bell Director

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