

9:00 am Worship Service

Prelude		
Welcome and Announcements		
*Call to Worship		
*Hymn	<i>In The Garden</i>	#314
Children's Time with Pastor John		
Hymn	<i>His Name Is Wonderful</i>	#174
Prayers for the People & Lord's Prayer		Trevor Enck
Hymn	<i>Sweet, Sweet Spirit</i>	#334
Impact of Your Generosity		
Offering Prayer		
*Doxology		#95
*Song of Praise	<i>10,000 Reasons</i>	
Scripture	<i>John 12:1-8</i>	Lisa Palmquist
Solo	<i>I Am The Bread Of Life</i>	Fern Habecker
Sermon	<i>How Do You Say, "I Love You!"</i>	Pastor John
Hymn Of Preparation	<i>Spirit Song</i>	#347
Holy Communion		
*Hymn	<i>My Tribute</i>	
*Blessin		
Postlude		
<i>*Please stand if you are able.</i>		

Mary anoints Jesus' feet with costly perfume and wipes them with her hair—a powerful act of love, devotion, and gratitude. Mary didn't just love Jesus—she showed it in a bold, costly, and deeply personal way. Her act of devotion wasn't logical. It was love.

Our Salem Church Family Prayer List

Makenna Phouthone	David Faus
Dave Stehman	Tonya Melchior
Richard Wagner	Linda Hart
Isenberg family	Dennis Shenenberger
Shannon Gornick	Jim Yohn
Jean Daniels	Theresa Engle

Welcome!

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

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

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.

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

Sunday School at 10:15 am

Children (K-4th) – Room 204

Youth – Room 403 -- 5th grade through 12th grade

Wrestling with Grace – Room 406 – Adult class

Ages & Stages – Room 404 – Adult class

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 desire to support a 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 weirdest dream you've ever had?

Let the other person ask you the same questions back and answer them joyfully. Have fun while getting to know others a little better.

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 see the sound booth.



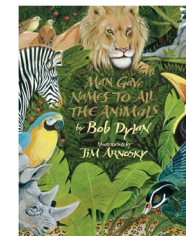
Electronic Newsletter Sign Up! Each Friday we distribute an electronic newsletter called the Friday Friendly. Please use this QR code to sign up or notify the Office Manager to be included.

Special Offering Envelope for April Is Native American Ministries.

When you support Native American Ministries with a special gift, you equip seminary students who will honor and celebrate Native American culture in their ministries, and you empower congregations that are finding fresh new ways to minister to their communities with the love of Christ.

Welcome Jim Arnosky, our Children's Chapel Guest this morning!

We are blessed to have Jim Arnosky sharing with our children today during our bi-monthly Children's Chapel time. Jim is beloved children's author, illustrator, song writer, and naturalist. His published works number more than 130! He will lead the children with songs and read a few of his books. Jim is the brother-in-law of Loretta Graybill and traveled from Vermont to join us this morning.



Spaghetti Dinner! Our church softball team will hold its annual fundraiser for the year, a Spaghetti Supper, on Sunday April 13th from 11 am – 1 pm. The meal will include meatballs, salad, rolls, drink, and dessert. Invite a friend to join you for the fun and food! Dine-in or take-out.

Communion at Pleasant View. Join us on Tuesday afternoon at Pleasant View for communion in Hoffer Auditorium, beginning at 1:30 pm.

ASP Study Sessions. A study/informational meeting is scheduled for tomorrow evening at 6:30 pm for all new ASP service week volunteers. See Doug Winters if you have questions.

Gretna Glen Events. GG is hosting a Children's Spring Blast Friday and Saturday, April 11-12. Contact GG at 717.273.6525 for more information. They are also hosting a spring cleanup workday on April 26th from 9:30 am – 5 pm.

Gretna Glen Camp. The Salem Missions Committee will cover the cost for youth to attend GG. The costs will be covered 100% up to \$350 for members. Non-members will be covered 50% up to \$175. Information on Gretna Glen is available in the youth room.

The Blessing Box sits on North Penn St and the food is available to anyone in need. The popular items include spaghetti, tuna, Beefaroni, ravioli, peanut butter and jelly, etc. can be dropped off at the Welcome Center and will be added to the Blessing Box.

This Week at Salem

Today

9 am – Worship service

10:15 am - Sunday School for all ages

Monday, April 7

6:30 pm – ASP Study Group (Rm 209)

6:30 pm – SPRC (Rm 401)

Tuesday, April 8

1:30 pm – Communion Pleasant View

Wednesday, April

6:15 pm – Salem Ringers rehearsal

7 p.m. – Salem Singers rehearsal

Thursday, April 10

6:30 pm - God's Covenants and the Cross Bible Study (Rm 401)

Saturday, April 12

10 am – Easter Egg Event

Sunday, April 13 (Palm Sunday)

9 am – Worship

11 am – Spaghetti Dinner (dine-in or take-out)

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Going Deeper in “How Do You Say, “I Love You!”

Read the following a few times:

John 12:1-8; Ecc 7:1; Mark 12:41-44; 1 John 3:16-18

Reflect on the following:

1. What details in John 12:1–8 stand out to you? What emotions are stirred by Mary’s actions?
2. What emotions do you imagine were in the rest of the room when Mary poured the perfume? How do you think Jesus felt?
3. Judas called her offering "wasteful." Have you ever had someone misunderstand your faith or your love for God?
4. What does extravagant love look like in your life or faith today?
5. How might this story encourage us to love boldly, even when others might not understand?
6. Mary’s gift was costly—what are some modern "costly" ways we might show devotion to Jesus?
7. How can our love for Christ be expressed in everyday actions, not just worship?
8. Have you ever felt God nudging you to give more than what’s comfortable—time, forgiveness, energy, or even money?
9. The 5 Love Languages are: (Acts of Service, Words of Affirmation, Quality Time, Gifts, Physical Touch). How might Mary’s act connect with the love language of Gifts or Acts of Service?
10. Which of the Five Love Languages most speaks to your spiritual life? How do you offer love to God in that way?
11. How can understanding others’ love languages help us better reflect Christ’s love to them?

Challenges

1. Choose one of the five love languages (e.g., Quality Time in prayer, a Gift to someone in need) and intentionally offer it as an act of love to Christ this week.
2. Perform one bold or unexpected act of love or generosity that stretches you. Make it intentional, even if others don’t understand it.
3. Like Mary’s offering, share your gratitude. Write a note or prayer thanking someone who’s made a spiritual impact in your life—or write a letter to God expressing your heartfelt thanks.

Salem

United Methodist Church

April 6, 2025

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Church Office Hours - Tues, Wed, Thurs: 9 am – 1 pm



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

Anisa & Josh Leiphart April 1
Beckee & John Faus April 5
Terri & Dennis Enck April 8

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Rose Salada April 3
Riley Robinson April 6
Jason Patterson April 7
Natalie Abram April 11
Joyce Drake April 15
Jaque Mosemann April 16
Jere Graybill April 20
John Brendel April 21
Marlin Ruhl April 21
Eliette Totten April 22
Pam Heller April 25
Doris Williams April 25
Dot Fuhrman April 26
Ryan Gandy April 27
Gareth Wright April 28

**Love INC wants to recruit 16 Allies
to make a Difference!**



Do you enjoy “hanging out” with people? What if you brought that gift into a Kingdom purpose, serving others? A Love INC Ally walks alongside someone who wants to learn how to better manage their money. That’s it. Love INC can train you, but you just need to show up, convey care for someone, and watch them grow into a new person.

What does it take?

- First, promise on the front end not to give any money to the person you are serving.
- Second, show up weekly for several weeks to a financial help class that’s run by certified trainers. Learn with someone about the way that money works.
- Then, once a month - for nine months - hang out for an hour over coffee. Understand how it’s going for them. Be with them as they work out the details of their journey - praying for them, listening, caring, speaking in as invited.