

9:00 am Worship Service

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*Hymn *Great is Thy Faithfulness* #140

Prayers for the People

Lord's Prayer

Hymn *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

Impact of Your Generosity

Offering Prayer

*Doxology #95

*Song of Praise *10,000 Reasons*

Scripture Reading John 2:1-11 Wayne Langhuber

Message *Life is Better with Jesus* Pastor John

*Hymn *Since Jesus Came into My Heart*

Blessing

Postlude

**Please stand if you are able.*

Our Salem Church Family Prayer List

Isenberg family	Dennis Shenenberger
Shannon Gornick	Pearl Ober
Martha Garlin	Gerri Messman
Jean Daniels	Jim Yohn
Brandy Rhodes	Matthew Swinehart
Tonya Melchior	Marie & John
Terry Engle	Linda Hart

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 note on the memo line the name of the mission or ministry.



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 was your favorite subject in school?

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.

Sermon Recordings

If you miss a Sunday and would like to hear the sermon, you can go to our church website "SalemManheim.org" and find them under the home tab at the top of the page.

Discover the Power of Jesus' Parables in the New Year

Join Pastor John for an inspiring Bible study on the **Parables of Jesus**, on Thursdays at 6:30pm. Parables capture the listener and make him a participant, overturning his world view and leading him to call into question his values. Whether you're new to the Bible or have been studying it for years, this study is designed for everyone. Bring your Bible, your questions, and a heart open to discovering more about Jesus' teachings.

Be a Sweetheart - Happy Valentine's Day Bags

There isn't a better time than the middle of winter to brighten up someone's day, especially our homebound members! Decorated white bags with names of our homebound members can be found on the table in the lobby. Members are asked to select a bag and fill it with some goodies to celebrate Valentine's Day and then drop off the Valentine's Bag to the homebound member during the month of February. Thank you for supporting this ministry. It is so important to make our homebound feel connected to Salem. Lisa Palmquist, Salem Family Ministries

The United Women in Faith are collecting new underwear (all sizes) during the month of February

to be donated to the Water Street Mission. A collection box is in the hallway for your donations. During the month of January, I'm sure our 306 pair of socks are very appreciated. Our collection of Underwear will be also. We thank all of you for helping us make this a successful project during February.

Join A Team!

The responsibility of being about the work of Christ's church is ours, regardless of our state in life. We have been charged with proclaiming the message of Jesus and His love and to provide a place where His healing presence can be experienced. There is something we can all do to help move the ball forward this year. Your first step is to share your interest in serving on one of our teams listed below. Thanks for your service.

Love INC Connection Central is coming to Salem this January

Love INC is a partnership of over 100 Lancaster County churches, for over three decades providing hope for the homeless, support for the struggling, and repairs through the Project. Each ministry has a robust story to tell of lives transformed. We are pleased to announce that Love INC will be renting space at Salem for their ministry needs in the local community. The staff of 6 will be outfitting Room 206 to meet their needs in the coming weeks and hope to be fully moved by the end of the month.

Mary Jean turns 100!

Mary Jean Frey is turning 100 years old today. Please take a minute to sign the birthday card at the Welcome Center for her. Or you can send her a card directly at Pleasant View: 416B Healthcare.

Off the Streets

OTS is looking for volunteers interested in helping to deliver furniture to the OTS warehouse on Wednesday mornings. If you would like to help people move from homelessness to housing, contact Gail Stouch at 717-279-1239 or gdstouch@comcast.net.

Congratulations to our own Andy Tompos on his retirement at the F&M Boy's Golf Coach. He had an impressive run filled with many championships. You can read his story at the Welcome Center.

"Touch a Heart"

Last year we participated in the Blue Ridge "Touch a Heart" program by making Valentines for veterans and soldiers. It was very successful, and we've been asked to participate again this year. Materials to make the Valentines will be available on the tables in the Fellowship Hall during coffee time today and next Sunday. Please consider taking the time to make a Valentine for a veteran or soldier. Completed Valentines go in the brown mailing envelope. Thank you! Lisa, Salem Family Ministries

This Week at Salem

Monday, January 20

6:30pm SPRC Meeting

Tuesday, January 21

6:30 pm Trustees Meeting

7:00 pm Lions Club Rm 209

Wednesday, January 22

6: 15 pm Bell rehearsal

7:00 pm Choir rehearsal

Thursday, January 23

10:00 am Love Inc Meeting Rm 209

6:30 pm Bible Study

Saturday, January 24

8:15 Off the Streets team – church parking lot

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Ext. 7.....Salem Handyman Service

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Going Deeper in "Life is Better with Jesus"

Read the following a few times:

John 2:1-11; 10:10; 15:5; Gal 5:22-23; Phil 4:11-13

Reflect on the following:

1. Why do you think Jesus' mother approached Him when the wine ran out? Do you think she asked Jesus for help prior to this? Would you have asked for His help?
2. What does Jesus' initial response to Mary reveal about His mission? What might he have been concerned about?
3. How did Mary demonstrate faith in Jesus, even after His response? What does true faith look like?
4. What does Jesus' instruction to fill the jars with water teach about the blessing of obedience?
5. How did the transformation of water into wine impact the wedding celebration?
6. What role does faith play in experiencing an abundant life?
7. How does gratitude contribute to living a more abundant life?
8. What does this miracle tell us about the abundance Jesus brings to life? How have you experienced this in your life?
9. How did the disciples' faith grow as a result of this miracle?
10. How does serving others lead to experiencing an abundant life? When have you experienced joy in serving?
11. What does this story reveal about Jesus' power and His compassion for our everyday needs?
12. How can we apply the lesson from this miracle to our own lives when we face challenges or shortages?

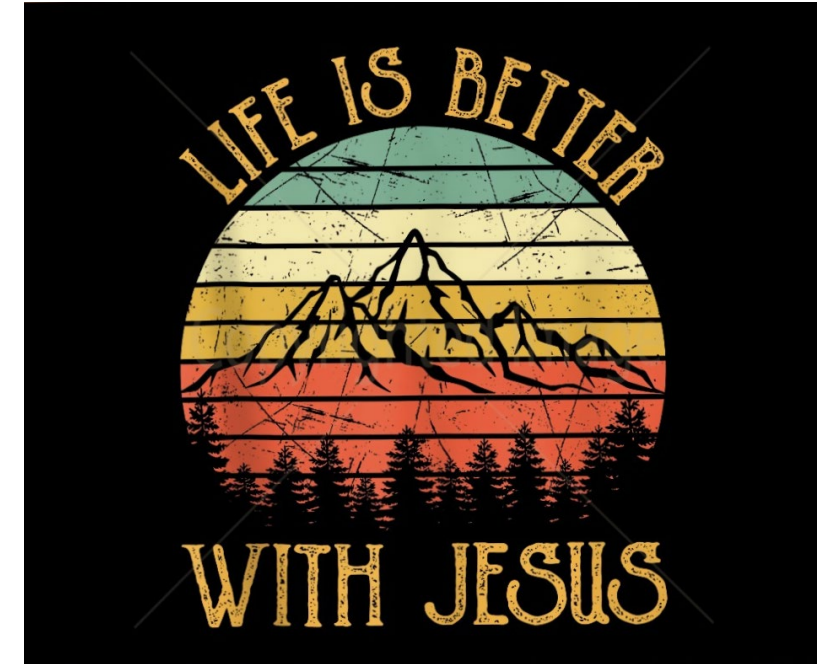
Challenges

1. Identify an area in your life where you need Jesus to bring transformation, and pray for His intervention this week.
2. Look for opportunities to respond to situations with faith like Mary, trusting Jesus even when the outcome is unclear.
3. Practice acts of obedience this week, even in small things, as a way to invite Jesus' blessings into your everyday life.

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United Methodist Church

January 19, 2025



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