

# The Salem Visionary

*But be Doers of the Word, and not Hearers only. James 1:22*

*"Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions." Joel 2:28*

March 1, 2019



On February 8-10, as a group we took the Youth students to Kure Beach for our winter retreat – Coastlines. Coastlines was a great event focused on the sermon on the mount, service, and stepping away from the stress of daily life. It was a great weekend being able to connect

with one another and connect with God. After we arrived on Friday night we settled in with worship and a lesson focused on the attitudes Jesus commands us to have in Matthew 5. Saturday morning after breakfast we went to Carolina Beach state park and walked the trails, picking up trash. We left the state park with two 50-gallon trash bags full of trash. That afternoon we spent time together playing card games, focusing on building relationships, and that evening we continued our lessons on the sermon on the mount. That evening we talked about love, how Jesus commands us to love, how to love our enemies, love one another, and how Jesus' kingdom is different. Jesus doesn't promise it will be easy to enter his kingdom, but it will be worth it. Sunday morning as we packed up we reflected on that weekend and all the excitement it brought. After we packed up the van we went to the pier to finish off our weekend. We spoke about how we had to build our lives on a firm foundation; how Jesus is our firm foundation, how we need to focus on him, and focus on what he is trying to do through us. As we came home from that weekend my hope was, and still is that Coastlines impacted the lives of all of the students and leaders who attended. We hope that the Coastlines retreat doesn't just last that weekend but impacts their lives.



## Mission & Outreach

### FAMILY PROMISE

Salem's weeks of food service in 2019 are March 17-23, June 23-29, & Oct 6-12, 2019



This lovely set will serve a large family as it is a service of 8 and several serving pieces are included. Dishes, glasses, cookware, towels, sheets & spreads (used is fine) are ALWAYS needed.

NEW items needed year around are: Shower liners & rings, brooms, mops, twin bed mattress covers & kitchen garbage cans.

Contact Debbie Moody to sign up for FOOD AND/OR FUNDS for the March 17-23 spring week of service.

**Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure pressed down, shaken together and running over will be poured in your lap. For the measure you use, it will be measured to you. Luke 6:38 (NIV)**

### Bread 'n Bowls

THANKS  
*from the*  
HEART

The new venue and new menu for the Annual Bread 'n Bowls were a great success. We served 658 people in 3 hours and raised a total of \$35, 574. Thank you so much to everyone who bought a ticket or baked cakes or cookies. A special thank you to our business sponsors, our Salem Men's club sponsorship and sponsorship from Living by Faith and Circle of Faith Sunday School classes. Your support for this wonderful mission is greatly appreciated. We are already working on next year. Save the date of Friday, February 21, 2020.



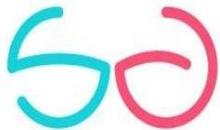
**Salem Serves  
At  
Salvation Army**

### Methodist Home for Children:



Reverend Bruce E. Stanley, President and CEO of the Methodist Home for Children, will be the Guest Speaker at the 11 AM service March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Please don't miss this enlightening presentation about our church's future!

### Juanita Warren Group Project



I SUPPORT THE GIRLS

During the month of March, the Juanita Warren Group of the Salem United Methodist Women is sponsoring a project for 'I Support the Girls', a national initiative to help homeless women. The initiative came into being when Dana Marlow of Silver Springs, Maryland, realized that while most women in her community have the essentials needed for their day-to-day lives (including bras and feminine hygiene products), homeless women do not. Basic health needs take a back seat to survival. Dana founded 'I Support the Girls' in an effort to help provide basic items of bras and feminine hygiene products to these women. A bra can make a huge difference

in the life of a homeless woman, helping her feel more confident and giving her some dignity in her situation. An item we take for granted can make a difference, not only for improved health, but enabling these women to lift themselves up and have the confidence to seek a better life. Beginning March 1, we will be collecting clean, gently used or new bras to donate to the True Vine Ministry's Hope Center, a shelter for homeless women, in Fayetteville. If you have bras which are in good condition that you don't want or need anymore, please bring them to church and donate them to support homeless women. We will provide a collection site in the Narthex; you may also drop them off in the office, or give them to a member of the Juanita Warren Group. We thank you SO much for your help! Ruth Rich and Bonnie Crabtree

## In Memory Of...

### Hilda McGill

Norma Stackley	Estelle McPhail
Kenneth & Claire Lynn Sykes	Harmon Kivett
Frank & Debbie Moody	Nina Bhe
Linwood & Marcia House	Nell Moody Circle
Deborah Lynn Steenstra	Daniel & Nancy Jo West

### Vance Melvin

Rhonda Still	James Bullock
Gavin's IGA	E. Stacy Grooms
Winnie Williams Cotton	Harmon Kivett
Frank & Debbie Moody	Vernon & Sue Spruill
Kim & Gail Nazarchyk	Darvin & Edna Edwards
Kenneth & Claire Lynn Sykes	Estelle McPhail
Linwood & Marcia House	Bonnie Coates
Tony Melvin	

### Bill Sledge, Sr.

Frank & Debbie Moody

### Betty Jo Smith

Kenneth & Claire Lynn Sykes

## Embracing our COMMUNITY

**Blitz Day** supporting the Fayetteville area ecumenical church effort to provide a one-day national mission will be on Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup>. Opportunities to serve exist for all age groups and all skill levels, so please mark your calendar to support this effort to relieve suffering and spread Christ's Word through Christian love and action! Thanks again to those who last year supported our renovations to the Teague Home for Women!!!

Sign-up sheets will be in church or you may contact Ray Burkart for more information or to sign up at

**[raymond.burkart@cmworks.com](mailto:raymond.burkart@cmworks.com)**



The Wilmington Celebration Choir will be in concert at Trinity United Methodist Church on Sunday, April 28th at 6:30 pm. Please come out and hear this amazing Choir.



## Prayer Needs

### Members

Rachel Dawson	Shirley McLaurin	Darvin Edwards
Margie Odom	Lorraine Kirkwood	Lisa Motes-Johnson
Ruth Cain	Debbie Cain	Shelia Cain
Norma Carver	Sam Cain	Pat Baker
Bruce Sykes	Dorothy Melvin	Joan Lovick
Denise Kirkwood	Linwood House	Peggy Allen
Dave Gorman	Sallie Darden-Heritage Place	
Jerry McLaurin-Highland House		
Joan Cheshire-The Crossing at Wayside		
Paula Johnson-Haymount Rehab		
Lynn Baker—		

### Family & Friends

Evelyn Moore	Triston Russ
Brenda Richardson	Elizabeth Sykes
Aaron Hojnicky	John Edwards
Jennifer Billings	Janice Belden
Victor Hottel	Leon Horne
Bobby House	Eli Gilder
Barry Lane	Patsy Jackson
James Chambers	Shelia Cain
Alissa Faris	Raul Santiago
Nevis Ruffin	Mary Stevens
Lucy Smith	Diane Fuller
Linda Carter	Josh Powell
Stacey Faircloth	Jim Blanton
Kenneth Adams	Ann Savage
Brandon Westbrook	Laura Leach
Martha Enzor	Vernata Cherry-Britt
Nicole McGuinness	Kay Edwards
Bob Jones	Marily House Parkins
Patsy Butler	J.M. Butler, Jr.
Erica Sutton	Eddy Clark
Brian Ramage	Fraticeili Santiago
Ada Milagroski	Keith McClung
Jeffrey Phillips	Dan McDaniel
Jimmy McDaniel	Denise Rhodes
Mark Kelly	Brian Wallum
Barbara Williams	Janet Olivier
Brad Roberts	Betty Parks
Betty Thompson	Lee Spruill
Camrin Hales	Floyd Collins
Core & Sam Presley	Angie Baker
Betty Draughon	Hunter Hedgecoe
Kaitlyn Caulder	Alice Townsend
Floyd Collins	Connie Walker
J'mair Bronson	David McLemore
Bruce Boughman	Cici Shaw
Dina Gibson	Sammy Williams
Darla Clark	Kenneth Fulcher, Jr.
Marshall Spain	Mika Martin
Gail Faircloth	Dorothy Beck
Bobbie Pentecost	Phyllis Jones
Elsie Dixon	Thomas Hoffler
Holly Midgette	Marie Parrish
I M Huggins	Shenee Ruggin
Priscilla Sellers	Sharon Pierro

**Valentine's Dinner:** Thank you to the men and women who supported the Annual Valentine's Dinner on Sunday February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019! Food was great, entertainment was superb, and a great time was had by all!!!



**March 23: Lay Servant Training:** Sandy Plains UMC will host Lay Servant Training

Classes Offered are:

Called to Preach led by Rev. Linda Harris  
Leading in Public Prayer led by Rev. Dan Blair  
Leading Mission Small Groups led by Rev. Jaye White  
\*\* (This is an alternate Advanced Course)



Check-in will begin at 7:30 am, and the day will end at 4:30 pm.

Registration is \$25 and includes lunch and snacks but NOT the required texts which should be purchased, and you MUST READ prior to class time.

Registration closes Saturday, March 16, 2019.

Use this link to register:  
<https://gatewaydistrictnc.org/advanced-courses-offered/>



Attention High School Seniors!! Now is the time to consider applying for the Scholarship offered by the Salem UMM if you are planning on attending college this fall. Click on the "Ministries" tab at [www.salemfnc.org](http://www.salemfnc.org), our church website, for all the information and application. Deadline to apply is May 1, 2019.

ASH WEDNESDAY  
worship

Join us on Wednesday, March 6th at 7pm for our Ash Wednesday service. It is a wonderful service to prepare our hearts and minds for the Lenten Season.

re<sup>ve</sup> us!  
again

Trinity United Methodist Church will be hosting a Revival, "Revive Us Again, Lord" nightly from March 24th -27th at 7pm. Our own Pastor David will be bringing the message on Tuesday, March 26th, and our choir will be singing. Other local pastors and choirs will be participating on the remaining nights. Please come out and support this Community Revival.



The SMASH program continues to have an amazing year. All employees renewed their CPR certification on February 1<sup>st</sup>, of which we are very proud. In preparation for the Easter Egg Hunt during Spring Break, we are currently collecting candy and eggs. Donations can be dropped off at the Church Office if you would like to contribute. We are still in need of some major repairs to our playground and welcome any donations toward this cause. The children enjoy getting outside and playing in the warmer days, and a lot of our equipment needs repairs for safety reasons. Sandra Williams will begin the Junior Garden Club on March 15<sup>th</sup> with our 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> graders and will meet with them every other Friday. The kids enjoy the garden club and would like to thank Mrs. Williams for her leadership.



<u>Prayer Room</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Mar. 3rd Pam Wooten	Mar. 3rd Zeke Gorman	Mar. 3rd Jennifer & Tess Lewinski
Mar. 10th Betty Ann Crawford	Mar. 10th Sydney Aurand	Mar. 10th Jean Outlaw
Mar. 17th Clyde Edwards	Mar. 17th Grayson Marsh	Mar. 17th Del Peluso
Mar. 24th Bonnie Crabtree	Mar. 24th Owen Driggers	Mar. 24th Keith & Betty Mengle
Mar. 31st Ruby Bullard	Mar. 31st Madison Minietta	Mar. 31st Marie McCarroll

<u>Altar Flowers</u>	<u>Financial Report</u>	
<b>March 3—Open</b>	Needed Weekly \$12,091.42	
<b>March 10 —Estelle McPhail</b>	Feb 3, 2018	\$9,022.51
<b>March 17 —Ron Hardin</b>	Feb 10, 2018	\$6,422.00
<b>March 24—Lisa Johnson</b>	Feb 17, 2018	\$4,890.45
<b>March 31—Open</b>	Feb 24, 2018	\$2,614.00
We have the 2019 Calendar displayed on the Church Bulletin Board. Please stop by the bulletin board or contact the church office or Carolyn Hardin at 910-484-1454 if you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary. <b>Due to allergies of some members please <u>NO LILIES</u></b>	Year to Date January 2019	
	Budget needed to date	\$96,730.68
 Altar Flowers	SMASH & Preschool Reimb.	\$2,500.00
	Tithes & Offerings	\$48,631.96
	Total Monies Received	\$51,131.96
	Building Fund Feb 3, 2018 \$700.00 Feb 10, 2018 \$150.00 Feb 17, 2018 \$150.00 Feb 24, 2018 \$150.00  Memorials Feb 3, 2018 \$245.00 Feb 10, 2018 \$825.00 Feb 17, 2018 \$385.00 Feb 24, 2018 \$25.00	

## Weekly Regular Activities

Website Address...[www.salemfnc.org](http://www.salemfnc.org)

### Regular Sunday Activities

9:30-10:00 Refreshments UFH

10:00-10:45 Sunday School

11:00 Worship

5:00 Youth

5:00 **"Joy Club" (Children's Activities)**  
(every other Sunday)

### Monday Activities

3:30 Children's Choir

### Tuesday Activities

9:30 Bible Study

6:30 Choir Practice

**Please check with your group leader to determine any changes in scheduling.**

## Church Staff

**Church Office: 483-8959**

**Office Hours:** Monday-Thursday...8:30-5:00

Lunch 12:00-1:00, Fridays...8:30-12:00

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# JOY CLUB

March is in like a lion and out like a lamb! Why should we, as Christians, be any different? We should enter March roaring like a lion with God's Word and Leave March like the lambs of God we are meant to be. We are part of His flock, a precious Lamb of God and He is our Shephard. The children will be focusing on this theme for the month of March in Sunday school and children's worship. We will learn what it means to roar like a lion and to follow like a lamb.

JOY Club will be March 3rd, 17th (wear green!!), and the 31st. We have a plan to go to Round-A-Bout skating rink on the afternoon of March 24th. Parents, grandparents, siblings, and friends are all welcome to attend. We will need a headcount before finalizing the plans for the trip, but it open skate is from 1:30 to 4:00. Please contact Staci Chiomento with any questions. 337-378-4815 (text or call).





February, for theas a youth group has been a great month. We began the month by starting a new lesson series called Dark Horses. We were talking about the little-known people of the Bible. People like Ananias, Barnabas, Andrew, Ehud, and Deborah. February 8-10 as a group we took students to Kure Beach for our winter retreat – Coastlines. Coastlines was a great event focused on the sermon on the mount, service, and stepping away from the stress of daily life.

As we end these winter months for our youth ministry we are looking into the future and what that holds for our ministry, but we are not forgetting where we have been. We are hopeful and preparing for the coming months. We have lesson series that we are working towards that will lead us into the next season. God is at work in our community, our church, and our ministry. We ask for your continued prayers of support for our teenagers, our ministry leaders, and our church. We are seeking God in the coming seasons of this ministry as we walk towards leading students toward a more authentic relationship with God.

### Upcoming events:

March 9<sup>th</sup> – Captain Marvel – Private movie showing – We have been invited by another local church to join them for a private showing of Captain Marvel. If you are interested in going please contact David Helbig. The cost is \$8 and the showing will be at 11:30am. We will meet at the church at 10:45am.

March 17<sup>th</sup> – No Youth

March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Winter Jam - We will be meeting at the church at 3:30pm and leaving by 4pm. It is \$15 at the door, with over 10 Christian artists and musicians performing that evening. The venue is in Raleigh, and we will be returning late that evening. For more information about who will be on the tour you can visit [2019.jamtour.com](http://2019.jamtour.com).

March 31<sup>st</sup> – You Own the Night

**April Lesson Series – Say I won't**

April 6<sup>th</sup> – Blitz Day

April 21<sup>st</sup> – No Youth (Easter Sunday)

**May Lesson Series – Anchored**

**June Lesson Series – Launch Sequence**

June 7<sup>th</sup> – Food drive



## Salem Preschool



Greetings from the Preschool! The students and staff had a wonderful time at their Valentine's Day celebration on Thursday, February 14th, as they wore red to show love and unity. The children enjoyed fun activities that day as well as special snacks for the afternoon celebration. Happy St. Patrick's Day to everyone! We look forward to wearing our green on Friday, March 15th, as the students will enjoy a fun special snack. Maybe something mystery green? Its that time of the year again as our Pre-K graduation is approaching. Our students are overly thrilled as they prepare for practice and learning new skills to adventure into kindergarten. Graduation will be held on Friday, May 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

Special Events for the month of March: Spring Pictures- March 29th at 9 a.m. Cap & Gowns Pictures- March 29th at 3 p.m.



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