



SALEM CHURCH

God is still speaking

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June 2022

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at Jesus's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks, so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her, then, to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things, but few things are needed—indeed only one. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Luke 10:38-42



Rev. Matthew Hunt

As a young adult man, I always enjoyed going back to my parents' house to stay with them for a few days. I enjoyed the hugs, the great food, the laughs, the board games, and seeing my brother - if I was extra fortunate. That is where my soul found its home.

What is home for your soul? How do you nourish your soul in 2022?

In our Scripture, Mary found being with Jesus home for her soul. Our souls don't necessarily need a physical place to call home as much as we need a

Salem received \$5,400 Leonhart Grant

Our denomination is the United Church of Christ and as part of the UCC, we are part of the Illinois Conference of the UCC.

Salem is part of a smaller collection of congregations that are part of the Western Association that works in partnership with the Illinois Conference.

The Western Association offers its congregations the opportunity to apply for a Leonhart Grant. Leonhart Grants are one-time grants, intended to be seed money for a new project or funds to enable a local church or church related organization to carry out a project that is beyond the organization's financial capacity.

Our Outreach Ministry is working to re-brand our congregation in the community as LGBTQ+ friendly and proponents of gender and racial equality.

We are looking at using billboard sized banners, lawn signs, and other means to communicate who we are and what we stand for.

We were granted \$5,400 from the Leonhart Grant committee to do this and they thanked Salem Church for doing such great ministry in our community.

God is very good!



What do you like about Salem Church?



*I come to Salem because
I can be myself.*

Linsey Laughlin

Would you like to share what you like about Salem?
Send your answer and picture to newlsetter@salemquincy.org

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This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to God's will, God hears us. 1 JOHN 5:14

Prayers for our Church Family

Janet Adair
Ralph Baxter
Tim Brice
Laurie Charity
Cindy Davis Family
Victoria Dry
Denise Eastman
Marvin Golian
& Carolyn Carper
Michael Golian
Paul Kemner
Marilyn Maiers
Connie Sue Novotny
Valerie Ortball
Wanda Hamann-Salsman
Lisa Sparks
Bill Winn

IMPORTANT
dates to remember

Saturday, June 4

9 am: Breakfast Bunch
11:30am: BJ's Cafe

Sunday, June 5

8:15am: Salem Choristers
Rehearsal
9 am: Sunday Worship
Pentecost-Communion
9:45am: Coffee & Fellowship
10 am: Adult and Youth
Re:Charge
11 am: Bubbles, Balloons, and Board Games!

Tuesday, June 7

4:30pm: Property Task Force

Wednesday, June 8

6 pm: Ministries meetings

Thursday, June 9

4 pm: Loads of Love

Saturday, June 11

10:30 am: Paws & Prayers Pet
Food Ministry Distribution
11:30am: BJ's Cafe

Sunday, June 12

9 am: Sunday Worship
9:45am: Coffee & Fellowship
10 am: Youth and Adult
Re:Charge

Wednesday, June 15

5:30 pm: Evening Guild

Saturday, June 18

11:30 am: BJ's Cafe
11:30am: Household/Toiletries
Distribution

Sunday, June 19

9 am: Sunday Worship
10 am: Adult and Youth
Re:Charge

Monday, June 20

Newsletter Deadline
(newlsetter@salemquincy.org)

Wednesday, June 22

6 pm: VMST In-person and
Zoom

Thursday, June 23

4 pm: Loads of Love

Saturday, June 25

11:30 am: BJ's Cafe

Sunday, June 26

9 am: Sunday Worship
9:45am: Coffee & Fellowship
10 am: Youth and Adult
Re:Charge

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relationship. Embracing Jesus is good for the soul. There is nothing like unconditional love for a soul. Nothing will take its place. Not money. Not success. Not wisdom.

So, I suggest we take a page out of Mary's playbook and make time for Jesus. Let your soul spend some time at home. Be restored. Be renewed. Be made whole. This isn't a scam or too-good-to-be-true fiasco. Jesus has been doing this for souls since the Biblical Mary, and he does it for us as well.

Salem Breakfast Bunch meeting

Saturday, June 4, 2022

at 9 am

At the Gazebo in
the park across
from the church
Bring an item to
share.



Everyone invited
to share the meal and a brief Bible study



Bubbles, Balloons, and Board Games!

Don't forget that on June 5 an intergenerational activity is planned. Lunch will be at 11 am in Fellowship Hall.



The church will provide the chicken, tea/cool-aid/water, place settings, balloons, and bubbles.

Please bring a side dish to share and a board game. (If you don't have any

board games, don't worry about it.)

After lunch, we will start playing games. This activity is for all ages. Please join us and bring some friends.

The sign-up sheet is outside the office door.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

6/5 Steve Akers
6/7 Ingrid Peterson
6/8 Duane Phillips
6/17 Elaine Wolkitt
6/19 Paul Goehl
6/20 Sharon Higgins
6/21 Sue Ippensen
6/22 Andrew Fauble
6/25 Nancy Grant
6/28 Cindy Davis

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

6/4 Patti & Steve Hibbard
6/6 Martha & Kevin Deege
6/9 Jill & Tony Gross
6/15 Cassie & Joel Koch
6/17 Catherine & Robert Vernetti
6/18 Kathie & Larry Clark
6/20 Barb & Mike Edwards
6/30 Mary & Jim Tipton

Guild to host picnic

The Salem Evening Guild will hold its picnic at 5:30 pm on June 15 in the park across the street from the church.

In case in inclement weather the event will be in the church hall. A few games will be played so please bring a grab bag gift.

The Guild will provide a chicken dinner meal catered from County Market.

Summer months are a great time to share your gift of music while the choirs take a needed break. Please use this link to sign up to share your music during worship this summer!



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B4AACAA2EA5FC1-salem>

Thank you for sharing your talents!



**Salem Church
Office Hours will
change in June:
Tuesdays,
9 am to noon**

Connect with us!



Salem Evangelical United Church of Christ



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<https://www.salemquincy.org>

Sunday worship is posted to the Facebook page

Join us

**Sunday morning worship
9 am**

Streaming Sunday at 9 AM

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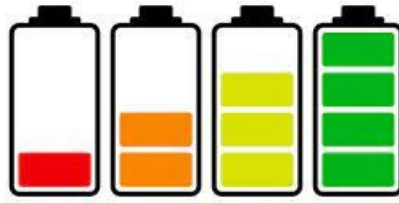
Salem Evangelical UCC Quincy IL
on Youtube for the channel.

Re-Charge and Grow Your Faith

Here are some of the Re-Charge Groups that meet after worship. Re-Charge your faith through study!

Annette Newquist is the leader of the Older Adult Study Re-Charge Group which is studying the Gospel of John. Interested persons are invited to join the class any Sunday. This present topic will conclude July 17. This class has interesting discussion and enjoys sharing ideas and opinions about scripture.

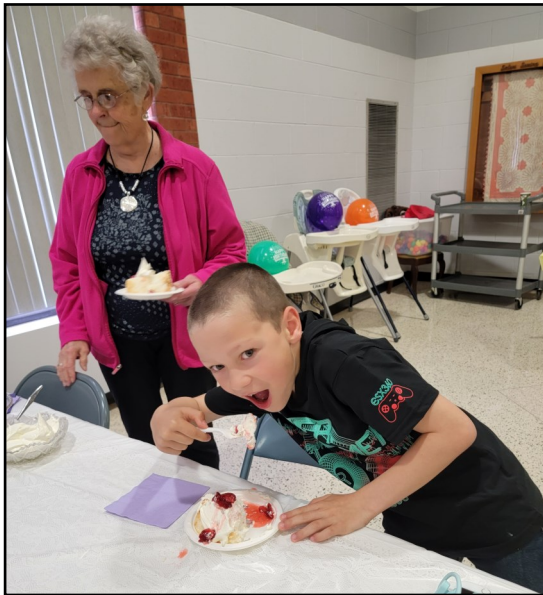
The Disciples adult Re-Charge Group discusses



the Sunday Gospel reading. The class likes to explore the way that the Gospel lessons are reflected in daily life. New persons can start any Sunday.

Assisted by Adam Spory and Douglas Peterson, Connie Sue Novotny is the leader for the age 3-6 Re-Charge group. Young people are encouraged to come any Sunday.

The classroom used a pre-school centers model. After activities, songs, and stories, the children enjoy a snack.



The annual birthdays celebration was yummy for all! Thank you to the volunteers who provided the cakes. It is a joy when we can celebrate together.

Volunteers needed for caring ministries

The Caring Committee is pleased to welcome Norma Spory to the Caring Committee to replace Denise Eastman who is retiring. We need more persons who are willing to volunteer.

The Health Fair distributes toiletries every third Saturday of the month. If you would like to volunteer, please contact: Catherine Verneti: ph. 618 210 4369 or (Email: katevernetti53@gmail.com)

The Caring Committee meets every second Wednesday of the month at 6 pm in Fellowship Hall at the Church.

Upcoming Events include:

June 12: Caring Committee members will be handing out Iridescence Rainbow Pens after service in honor of Mother's Day, Father's Day and Pride Month. We recognize that not all families are traditional yet can be equally love filled and blessed.

July 17: Summertime Sundae/Sunday. Don't miss the chance to refresh your body during coffee hour! Build your own Sundae and feel like a new person.



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