



# SALEM CHURCH

*God is still speaking*

At the corner of  
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September 2022

I am very pleased we are going to be worshipping in the fellowship hall on September 11 at 10:30 am (no Re-Charge) followed by a free catered meal from 8te Open (Jared Tipton).

I want to emphasize there will be no 9 am worship on that Sunday. Wesley Hunt (my son) and Rob Ward (one of ours!) will be handling worship music duties and I expect it to be a lot of fun.

I do hope all of you will make every effort to be there. The church leadership and I are seriously exploring the possibility of us worshipping like this (time and style - with location in the building to be determined) once a month or multiple times a year. If these talks continue,



Rev. Matthew Hunt

then your voices will be needed. You will be more informed if you experience the September 11, Breathe Deep worship

service.

Also, starting September 18, we will begin meeting after worship for four weeks so our congregation can come together in order to discern what the mission is for Salem Church. Expect to hear more about this soon.

Mark your calendars - these are important events in the life of Salem Church and they 100% require YOU!

## Creating the Salem vision of the future

A series of discussion sessions will be held in September and October to work toward developing a new mission statement for Salem Church.

Hour-long sessions will meet after church on Sept. 18, Sept. 25, Oct. 2 and Oct. 9 to discuss who we are, what we do, where we go as a church and to set priorities for the future.

A small group (Pastor Matt, Jayne Clouser, Cassie Koch, Adam Spory, Debbie Husar and David Ball) has been meeting to lay the groundwork and will wrap up the process in October or

early November by developing a proposed mission statement for congregational approval.

The sessions will meet in place of adult and teen Re-Charge classes.

Children's Re-Charge still will be available, and adult and teen Re-charge will resume on Oct. 16.

Each session will offer a light meal — brunch on Sept. 18, appetizers on Sept. 25, a nacho bar on

Oct. 2 and soup on Oct. 9.

Come and share in the discussion, the food and the fellowship to help determine the future of Salem.



## Why do you attend Salem Church?

My great grandmother was one of the many ladies who carried bricks in their aprons to help build the first Salem Church. Before COVID, I was a greeter and gave handshakes and hugs to everyone. Now I am with you spiritually every Sunday.

*Melba Loos*



Would you like to share what you like about Salem?  
Send your answer and picture to [newlsetter@salemquincy.org](mailto:newlsetter@salemquincy.org)



*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*

- Janet Adair
- Ralph Baxter
- Laurie Charity
- Cindy Davis Family
- Victoria Dry
- Denise Eastman
- Ted Glore
- Carolyn Carper
- Michael Golian
- Paul Kemner
- Marilyn Maiers
- Tom Moyers
- Jenni Moran
- Dennis Novotny
- Emmett - Connie Sue Novotny relation
- Valerie Ortball
- Heidi Shaw
- Wanda Hamann-Salsman
- Lisa Sparks

***Marvin Golian passed away. We extend our sympathies to his family.***

## IMPORTANT dates to remember

### Saturday, September 3

11:30 am: BJ's Café, Saturday Meals

### Sunday, September 4

9:00 am: Salem Worship & Communion

9:45 am: Coffee & Fellowship

### Tuesday, September 6

4:30 pm: Property Task Force

6:30 pm: Bell Choir Rehearsal

### Wednesday, September 7

6:30 pm: Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, September 8

11:00 am: Investment Meeting with Wells Fargo

4:00 pm: Loads of Love

### Saturday, September 10

9:00 am: Breakfast Bunch @ church

10:30 am: Paws & Prayers Pet Food Ministry Distribution

11:30 am: BJ's Café, Saturday Meals

### Sunday, September 11

10:30 am: Breathe Deep Worship

Fellowship meal following

### Wednesday, September 14

6:00 pm: Ministries

### Saturday, September 17

11:30am: BJ's Cafe - Saturday Meals

11:30 am: Household/ Toiletries Distribution

### Sunday, September 18

8:15 am: Salem Choristers Rehearsal

9:00 am: Salem Worship

10 am: Vision Discussion

11:00 am: Pride in the Park

### Tuesday, September 20

Newsletter Deadline

([newlsetter@salemquincy.org](mailto:newlsetter@salemquincy.org))

6:30 pm: Bell Choir Rehearsal

### Wednesday, September 21

5:30 pm: Evening Guild

### Thursday, September 22

4:00 pm: Loads of Love

### Saturday, September 24

11:30 am: BJ's Café, Saturday Meals

### Sunday, September 25

8:15 am: Choir Rehearsal

9:00 am: Salem Worship

10 am: Vision discussion

### Tuesday, September 27

6:30 pm: Bell Choir Rehearsal

### Wednesday, September 28

6:00 pm: VMST In-person and Zoom

**Coins for Kentucky**  
Disaster relief donation for flooding in Eastern Kentucky

Through Labor Day weekend, save your spare change and donate it to Salem's support of victims of flooding in Kentucky.



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**52 backpacks filled!**

The Salem Family filled 52 backpacks for Quincy students



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**Lunch with Trevor!**  
 Sunday, September 25  
 beginning at 11:30 am  
 in the Church fellowship hall  
 Free Will donation  
 Fried chicken and sides

*Don't miss the totally fabulous silent auctions!*

Proceeds donated to  
**THE TREVOR PROJECT**  
*Saving Young LGBTQ Lives*

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Founded in 1998, the Trevor Project focuses on suicide prevention efforts among lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth. Through a toll-free telephone number, it operates The Trevor Lifeline, a confidential service that offers trained counselors.



**September Birthdays**

- 9/2 Skip Rueter
- 9/4 Maranda Amons
- 9/4 Katie Hoffman
- 9/4 Patti Tipton
- 9/5 Kelsey Vail
- 9/6 Dennis Novotny
- 9/16 Washington Tipton
- 9/18 Dorothy Baker
- 9/18 Nika Peterson
- 9/23 Barb Peter
- 9/24 Bill Buss
- 9/25 Sophie Brice
- 9/26 Terry Alter
- 9/29 Gabriel Tipton
- 9/30 Laurie Charity

**September Anniversaries**

- 9/4 Jeanne & Steve Drebes
- 9/11 Patti & Richard McNay
- 9/22 Heather & Scott Giltner
- 9/29 Kathy & Curtis Fauble



*Jordan & Sami Fuller welcomed a daughter, Marie Rose. Marie Rose weighed 7 lbs. 11oz. and was 20.5 inches long. Everyone is doing well!*

**Connect with us!**



<https://www.salemquincy.org>



Salem Evangelical United Church of Christ



salemeuccquincyil  
 Instagram

**Sunday worship is posted to the Facebook page**

**Bell Choir Rehearsals** will be on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 starting August 30. There will not be practice 9/13, 11/1, 12/20 & 12/27.

**Join us**

**Sunday morning worship**  
**9 am**

**Streaming Sunday at 9 AM**  
 Search:  
 Salem Evangelical UCC Quincy IL  
 on Youtube for the channel.



## Salem Evangelical United Church of Christ Financials

	July 2022 YTD	July 2021 YTD
Contributions - Envelopes	\$ 80,388.41	\$ 89,473.03
Other Misc. Income	\$ 33,451.78	\$ 28,238.55
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 113,840.19</b>	<b>\$ 117,711.58</b>
Payroll - Salaries	\$ 74,467.08	\$ 69,016.49
Payroll - Taxes	\$ 4,590.62	\$ 4,208.90
<b>Total Payroll</b>	<b>\$ 79,057.70</b>	<b>\$ 73,225.39</b>
Property Expense	\$ 45,874.34	\$ 22,263.62
Vehicle Expense	\$ 173.85	\$ 149.94
Instruments Expense	\$ 3,216.91	\$ 950.00
Office Expense	\$ 6,331.18	\$ 5,802.91
Other Church Expense	\$ 23,671.53	\$ 21,970.31
Stewardship Expense	\$ 398.77	\$ 365.70
Worship Ministry Expense	\$ 981.61	\$ 1,415.59
Faith Formation Ministry Exp	\$ 756.47	\$ 709.05
Caring Ministry Expense	\$ 504.39	\$ 994.96
<b>Total Operating Expense</b>	<b>\$ 81,909.05</b>	<b>\$ 54,622.08</b>
<b>Total Ordinary Income</b>	<b>\$ (47,126.56)</b>	<b>\$ (10,135.89)</b>

**FEATURING:**



# FREE Queer Cinema Night @ The State Street Theater

*Brought to you by Salem Church's Gay Straight Alliance on Saturday, October 1st @ 7pm*

Rated PG-13

Donations Will Aid Rainbow Railroad--For More Information on the Charity, Please Scan the Code [#SALEMACCEPTS](https://www.instagram.com/salemaccepts)



# PRIDE in the Park

For the second year, Salem is a sponsor of Pride in the Park, a free, all-ages event celebrating our LGBTQAI+ community members & allies featuring resource connections, vendors, and all day entertainment.

The 2022 Pride event will be on September 18 from noon to 6 pm in Clat Adams Bicentennial Park.

Salem will have a booth where we will have information about the congregation. If you would like to volunteer at the Salem booth, please contact Stacey Nicholas, [nicholasstacey352@gmail.com](mailto:nicholasstacey352@gmail.com)

Pastor Matt will also be giving a presentation that day.

Also to celebrate Pride month, Salem is making available yard signs. (see the design below).

Yard signs will be available after worship starting in September for members who would like one to display.

Other Salem Pride month activities, include a free Queer Cinema night at the State Street Theater at 7 pm on October 1. The movie will be *Hearts Beat Loud*. Donations from the event will benefit the Rainbow Railroad.

On Sunday, September 25 at 11:30 am, a chicken dinner will be served in the fellowship hall with



proceeds supporting the Trevor Project. There will be a raffle for a number of gift baskets.

The Salem Gay Straight Alliance strives to raise awareness to issues facing LGBTQAI+ individuals and to create a welcoming faith community where all persons can achieve wholeness.

**fellowship,  
coffee  
& BAGEL.**

Breakfast Bunch  
will meet in the  
Lounge at Salem on Saturday,  
September 10 at 9 am

*Bagels and spreads provided.  
Bring your drink of choice*



The Guild will meet at 5:30 pm on September 21. At this meeting, past-presidents will be honored with a carry-in. The Guild will provide the meat and members are asked to bring a dish to share. The Guild Rummage sale is October 7-8. The set-up for the sale will happen October 3-6. Clean donations will be accepted and volunteers to help with set-up will be appreciated.