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August 2023

Mission Statement: We are followers of Jesus, in the process of discerning what we need to let go of and what we need to embrace so we can be a light of Christ in the world.



Rev. Matthew Hunt

I am currently spending time with the Salem Small Groups Team made up of Adam Spory, Cassie Koch, Debbie Husar, and Jayne Clouser. We are taking seriously the feedback

you gave us from Fall 2022 in which you wanted more small groups for a variety of good reasons. We have had some excellent small groups outside of Sunday worship (mostly home groups or groups that met at the church in the evening) but we are open to doing some different things with small groups either this fall or during Lent (or both!). Small groups connect people to God and one another to varying degrees and that's our goal. People who get plugged into a

Volunteers MAKE IT HAPPEN

The bulletin boards in the Fellowship Hall and corridors are delightful and change with the season—all thanks to two longtime Salem volunteers, Sue Welch and Victoria Dry. Many of the ideas come from Pinterest, tweaked by Sue. The larger bulletin boards take 1 to1-1/2 hours to complete. They often save pieces from completed projects to use in another down the road. They are always open to ideas or suggestions, so feel free to pitch an idea during Fellowship Time.

small group in meaningful ways are far more likely to have a positive church experience. So, we are interested in study groups, activity groups and more. What type of small group interests you? What type of small group would you be interested in leading? We want our people to be using their gifts, skills, and callings so we ask you to give these questions some thought and prayer. Let us know. I will be praying and thinking with you.

#### **Pastor Matt**



# **Nathan Laube**



7:30 pm

Friday, September 8, 2023 Salem Evangelical United Church of Christ

- Associate Professor of Organ at the Eastman School of Music
- \* Organ faculty at the State University of Music and Performing Arts Stuttgart, Germany *(former)*
- International Consultant in Organ Studies, Royal Birmingham Conservatoire, United Kingdom

Concert presented in recognition of Salem's 175<sup>th</sup>
Anniversary – Come and celebrate with us!





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

Ralph Baxter Madeline Hendricks Connie Boling Carolyn Kaiser Tim Brice Marilyn Maiers Carolyn Carper Jenni Moran Laurie Charity Connie Sue Novotny Wanda Hamann-Gary Daggett Cindy Davis Salsman Victoria Dry Lisa Samaroo Denise Eastman JoAnne Shaw Joni Epperson Robert Sronce Bob Fox Andy Tappe Joyce Winn Keyanna Frost

As of July 12, Sue Welch has harvested 30 pounds of produce including radishes, beans, cucumbers, green and jalapeño peppers, spinach, and a few peas. Food has gone to Horizons and our Saturday guests.

#### Dates to Remember

Tuesday, August 1

4:30 pm: Property Task Force

Saturday, August 5

11:30 am: BJ's Café—Saturday

Meals

Sunday, August 6

9:30 am: Youth and Adult

Re:Charge

10:30 am: Breathe Deep

Worship with Communion

Monday, August 7

6:00 pm: Sips and Strikes;

Casino Lanes

Wednesday, August 9

6:00 pm: Ministries

Thursday, August 10

4:00 pm: Loads of Love

Saturday, August 12

9:00 am: Breakfast Bunch

10:30 am: Paws & Prayers Pet

Food Distribution

11:30 am: BJ's Café—Saturday

Meals

Sunday, August 13

9:00 am: Salem Worship

10:00 am: Youth and Adult

Re:Charge

Saturday, August 19

11:30 am: BJ's Café—Saturday

Meals

11:30 am: Household/Toiletries

Distribution

Sunday, August 20

Newsletter Deadline

9:00 am: Salem Worship

10:00 am: Youth and Adult

Re:Charge

Thursday, August 24

4:00 pm: Loads of Love

Saturday, August 26

11:30 am: BJ's Café—Saturday

Meals

Sunday, August 27

9:00 am: Salem Worship

10:00 am: Youth and Adult

Re:Charge

Wednesday, August 30

6:00 pm: VMST

Church Office open on Tuesday and Thursday, 9:00 to noon



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Salem Evangelical United Church of Christ

Breakfast Bunch—Fellowship & Bible Study—All are welcome!

Saturday, August 12—9:00am—Thyme Square, 915 Hampshire, Quincy Please RSVP to Cindy at 217-257-6970





Sips and Strikes

August 7, 2023 6:00 pm Casino Lanes \$1 a game bowling



Please bring a snack to share – beverages need to be purchased there

This is for ALL ages. Please invite friends to participate.

#### IMPACT OF SALEM'S OUTREACH MISSIONS

Every month, Salem volunteers contribute to the community in many ways—but we don't always know the extent and impact of those contributions. We will use this newsletter to share that information for better awareness.

BJ's Café / Saturday Meals: In the period from Sat, 6/24, through Sat, 7/15, 331 meals were served.

Loads of Love: On two Thursdays—6/22 and 7/13—74 people received assistance with their family's laundry, receiving up to \$20 for the washers and dryers.

Paws and Prayers: On July 8, this ministry provided 106 sacks & 2 cans of dog food, 94 bags & 32 cans of cat food, 20 bags of dog treats, 9 bags of cat treats, and 27 miscellaneous items (leashes, bowls, toys, blankets, coats).

Health Fair: On July 15, Health Fair volunteers provided 85 grateful people with items to assist with personal hygiene.

Salem is making a difference in our community. Thanks to all the volunteers and to you for your support.



**Sunday Morning Worship** 



If you can't leave home, the service streams on YouTube Sunday at 9:00 am. (Search: Salem Evangelical UCC Quincy IL). Recordings of Sunday worship are also posted on the Salem Facebook page.

### Breathe Deep Sunday, Aug 6-10:30 am

#### What do you like about Salem Church?

I like Salem because of the community and the people here. I also really love that everyone is welcomed, that it's open and inclusive. And most importantly, I believe it's a community that lives its values and reaches out to folks in Quincy to help make it a better place to live.



– Sam McKelvie

## Birthdays& Anniversaries

#### August 2023

#### **Birthdays**

- Curt Fauble 8/1 8/3 Doug Mowen Joyce Winn
- 8/5 Charmaine Starman
- 8/6 Ruth Disselhorst **Brixon Mast** Anna McNay Judy Veile
- 8/10 Rich Clouser Todd Pettit
- 8/12 Hannah Brice
- 8/13 David Schaffer
- 8/14 Donna Strong Donna Tappe
- 8/16 Rosie Foster Samantha Fuller John Husar
- 8/17 Sheryl Goehl
- 8/19 Luetta Hall Sam Freeman
- 8/20 Owen Monroe
- 8/24 Chad Akers Richard McNay Mattis Tipton
- 8/25 Marie Fuller
- Steve Hibbard 8/26
- 8/28 Judy Bushaus Zoe Elder
- Rev. Matt Hunt 8/31

#### **Anniversaries**

- 8/1 Connie Sue & Dennis Novotny
- 8/19 Carol & Ric Hillebrenner
- Katie & Mark Hoffman 8/22

