



SALEM

CHURCH

God is still speaking

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**August
2026**

Mission Statement: Building a community around the love of Jesus, where all are welcome.



Rev. Matthew Hunt

As I write this newsletter article, I am preparing to leave on vacation for eight days. It seems that preparing to go away for a length of time is exhausting. I need to make sure the house and pets are cared for, bills paid, e-mails sent, laundry washed, documents ready, suitcases and bags packed. I am worn out just writing that sentence!

But I also have to smile a bit after re-reading it. Because I am also excited about my time away—to experience new and exciting places, meet new people, make new friends, have time without obligation, and hopefully time to be restored.

Jesus once said to His disciples, **"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while"** (Mark 6:31). Those words remind me that rest isn't something to feel guilty about. It is one of God's gifts that renews us for the work ahead.

Whether you're traveling this summer or simply enjoying a quieter pace at home, I hope you'll find time to step away from the busyness of life, spend time with God, and be refreshed. I look forward to seeing you again when I return.

Blessing and Peace,

Pastor Matt



Coffee Hour Schedue

August

8/2 The Edwards Family

8/9 The Spory Family

8/16 The Stitt Family

8/23 Catherine, Linsey, Victoria

8/30 The Simmons Family



Jeremiah 12:2 You have planted them, and they have taken root; they grow and bear fruit.



Dates To Remember

Saturday, August 1st

11:30am BJ's Café– Saturday Meals

Sunday, August 2nd

9:00am Salem Worship

10:15am Youth and Adult Re:Charge

Saturday, August 8th

10:30am Paws & Prayer Pet Food
Distribution

11:30am BJ's Café– Saturday Meals

Sunday, August 9th

9:00am Salem Worship

10:15am Youth and Adult Re:Charge

11:30am ReCharge Leadership Training

Wednesday, August 12th

5:15pm Connections Ministry Meeting

6:00pm Resource/Property Meeting

6:00pm Caring Ministry Meeting

Thursday, August 13th

4:00pm Loads of Love

Saturday, August 15th

11:30am Health Fair/Toiletry Distribution

11:30am BJ's Café– Saturday Meals

Sunday, August 16th

9:00am Salem Worship

10:15am Youth and Adult Re:Charge

Newsletter Deadline

Saturday, August 22nd

11:30am BJ's Café– Saturday Meals

Sunday, August 23rd

9:00am Salem Worship

10:15am Youth and Adult Re:Charge

Thursday, August 27th

4:00pm Loads of Love

Saturday, August 29th

11:30am BJ's Café– Saturday Meals

Sunday, August 30th

9:00am Salem Worship

10:15am Youth and Adult Re:Charge



August 2026 Birthdays

8/1 Curt Fauble

8/3 Joyce Winn

8/5 Charmaine Starman

8/6 Brixon Mast

8/10 Rich Clouser

8/12 Hannah Brice

8/13 David Schaffer

8/14 Donna Tappe

8/16 Rosie Foster

Samantha Fuller

John Husar

8/17 Sheryl Goehl

8/19 Luetta Hall

8/25 Marie Fuller

8/26 Steve Hibbard

8/28 Judy Bushaus

James Davis

Zoe Elder

8/31 Rev. Matt Hunt

August Anniversaries

8/19 Carol & Ric Hillebrenner

Save the Date!
October 2nd– 4th
Church Getaway @
The Ursa Retreat
House



Salem Evening Guild

No meeting in August

We are growing cucumbers, melon, tomatoes, peas, zucchini, peppers (hot & sweet), green beans, basil, sage, oregano and thyme. Along with various flowers. We have donated 58 pounds of produce to Horizons thus far.

Val is in the garden every Monday morning from about 9/9:30-12 and all are welcome to come help out, just to visit or enjoy the garden!

Even if I'm not there, feel free to harvest some produce to take home, or pull some weeds, lol!

Thank you to David for the melon plant and Savannah for the tomato, cucumber, and herbs. Thanks to Hadley for helping spread mulch that was much needed to keep our pathways walkable. If you have questions or ideas, please contact Val, any and all assistance and companionship are wholly and truly welcome.

A garden is to invest in the future, let's do it together and help our community!

