

# The Spirit

March/April 2010

## ***Salem United Methodist Church***

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***Worship 8:00 & 10:45 AM***

***Sunday School 9:30 AM***

***Our mission is to make disciples for Jesus Christ  
through worship, teaching, fellowship, and outreach.***

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## Rolling Stones

*“When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled back.” —Mark 16*

What is it that they say about rolling stones (not the Mick Jagger type)? A rolling stone gathers no moss. Jesus certainly didn't gather moss. He was on the go most of the time. Every once in awhile he would stop for a quiet time of prayer and reflection, but then off he went again.

Lent is a season of reflection. It is also a time of preparation. There's really not a lot of moss gathering time for Christians during Lent. Sometimes we get bogged down with the cares of the world like the Marys in the above Scripture. They were going to the tomb to anoint the body of Jesus. They worried about all of the obstacles that they might run into. They forgot about what Jesus had said to them. He said, “On the third day I will rise.” I wonder how often we get bogged down with the cares of the world and forget what Jesus has said to us?

This Lenten season, as we reflect and prepare for Easter, I'll be teaching a study called, **“24 Hours that Changed the World.”** It's about the last 24 hours of Jesus' earthly life from a book written by Adam Hamilton, pastor of The Church of the Resurrection in Kansas City.

Listen to the cover notes from the book: “No single event in human history has received more attention than the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. Whether you are a longtime Christian or simply curious about the story of Christ's crucifixion, you are invited to join us on this inspiring journey.” **The study will be on Wednesday nights March 10, 17, 24, and 31 in the Salem room.**

I like what the United Methodist Book of Worship says about Lent. While Lent is a time of preparation, repentance, and fasting, we should always remember, “the penitential spirit of Lent should be tempered with the joyful expectation of the resurrection.” So, come join me in March as we prepare for the great resurrection event of Easter.

Grace and Peace,  
Cliff

Dear Salem Church:

...give and it will be given to you. Luke 6:38a

Thank you so much for your generous gift to the Hope Fund during the time of the campaign. We know that this represents second-mile giving on your part and we acknowledge the grace in which such gifts are given. When we made our appeal to finish that which we had begun, we did so in faith that you would respond, but we did not know the extent of the generosity of your hearts! We are happy to report to you that we met our goal of \$1 million...and exceeded it!

This means that people of the Gulf Coast, people receiving help from the World AIDS fund, and our brothers and sisters in Zimbabwean Methodist Churches have all been blessed by our hearts, the world is changed from hopeless to hope-filled.

Thank you for making this all possible. We are privileged to serve Christ with you.

In Jesus' Name,  
Your Baltimore Region Team,  
Karin, Tony, Wayne, Rod, Wanda,  
Sandy C., Sandy F., and Joyce

**Attention Bakers:**

We need homemade baked goods for the March 6th Ham & Oyster Dinner bake table. Customers are always looking for good homemade items to take home. Thanks for your help.

The H&O committee

**Wanted:**

SMALL game pieces to use as part of the table centerpieces for the Dinner Theater. We are looking for Candyland, Sorry, or other "youth" game items. ITEMS WILL NOT BE RETURNED.

Thank You,  
Karen Sersen

Dear Friends of Magnolia Elementary,

On behalf of the faculty, staff and families of Magnolia Elementary School, we would like to thank you. There were many groups, organizations, individuals and churches that supported our families over the last few months with assistance with school supplies and back packs. Many of you helped with giving at Thanksgiving and Christmas, too. With the many generous contributions of our neighbors and friends in Harford County we were able to adopt many families and their children. What an exceptional effort! Well done, dear friends.

Our Community Collaboration Team along with our Family Liaison, Barbara Haller, was able to work together as true partners to facilitate and disseminate all contributions. Truly, this was a wonderful example of how schools which have community support can build positive relationships with each other to accomplish the school's mission and vision. We salute you for being a part of our team.

As we look into the new year, we will be planning many school events and provide other opportunities for you to share with us as we continue to foster a positive and open environment for our students and community to learn and achieve. We look forward to working together on other projects but want you to know that we consider you part of our Magnolia family and we are here for you, too. Join us any time for any community event you may hear about or simply drop by, volunteer or call just to keep in touch.

Again, a big heartfelt thank you for all you do. We are grateful for your support.

The Magnolia School Community  
Rita C. Garrity, Teacher in Charge  
Barbara Haller, Family Liaison

Thank you to everyone in your congregation who have supported our families at Magnolia Elementary School. We appreciate your kind generosity.

Barbara Haller

### Holy Week Events

- March 28 -Palm Sunday
- April 1 -Holy Thursday service, 7:00 PM
- April 2 -Community Cross Walk, 1:00 PM
- April 3 -Holy Saturday
- April 4 -Easter with Communion, 6:30, 8:00  
and 10:45 AM services

### THANKYOU

So far we have had quite a winter with lots of snowfalls. Ever wonder who sees to it that our parking lot is cleared so that we can come to worship each week and not have to break our necks getting in the building? Our thanks go out to Bruce and Jamie List for their faithful service getting this done. We never have to worry that the job won't get done. They see to it even after hours of pushing snow other places. Also, thanks to Henry Spinner, Eric and Tammy Mikkonen, Bob Jones, the Munki family and any others who have shoveled, salted, etc. in order for us to get back to normal. Thank you to all from a grateful church.

# We Need Windows!

As most of you are aware, the windows beneath the sanctuary and in the education building need to be replaced. A Window Committee has been formed and has received bids from 3 companies. The decision has been made and we are ready to go forward with the project. We need to raise the money for the windows before they may be installed. There are 127 casement windows or 48 full window openings.

We are inviting our membership to purchase one or more casement windows at a cost of \$375 each or one or more full openings for \$1100. each. Donations of any amount toward the windows will be gratefully accepted. You may use the form which follows or the forms which will appear in the weekly bulletins.

We need to do this necessary church improvement as soon as possible so we do not incur any increase in the cost. Please consider this important project and respond by June 1.



I/We wish to help in the replacing of the windows beneath the Sanctuary and in the Education wing.

I/We would like to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ casement window(s) at a cost of \$375. each.

I/We would like to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ window openings at a cost of \$1100. each.

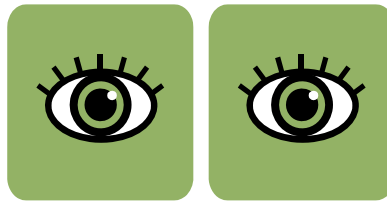
I/We would like to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_ toward the replacing of the windows.

Given By: \_\_\_\_\_

Please remember: All donations are due by June 1, 2010.

The "Salem Spotlights" present

# CHILD'S PLAY



A Comedy by Jacqueline Lynch

Friday, April 23 Saturday, April 24

Thursday, April 29 - Friday, April 30 - Saturday, May 1

**DINNER AND SHOW \$20.00**

**For tickets contact Cindy Carter at (410) 931-1672**

### March/April Usher Schedule

March

Doug DeLeo, David Frisch, Bettie Heacock & Jerry Sersen

April

Scott Shelton, Tony Auth, Bob Iannucci, & Henry Spinner

### Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, March 27th

4-8 pm

Adults-\$12

under 12-\$8



NEWSLETTER May/June Newsletter Deadline is  
**DEADLINE** April 12th .

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## Sunday School

It's hard to believe but the Lenten season has already begun. For our Sunday School community it means that Palm Sunday and Easter celebrations are being planned. Our Sunday School Children's choir will be singing at the 10:45 a.m. worship service on Palm Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Please come out to hear their beautiful voices and welcome their new director, Vicki Saxon.

I would like to say thank you to Krista Ports who has been working with our Sunday school children's choir for the past year and a half. She has shared her gift of music with us and we will always be thankful.

Easter Sunday we will be celebrating the Resurrection with our annual egg hunt. We are asking you to help in stuffing our eggs with goodies. Your donations of wrapped Easter candy can be placed in the narthex box from March 7<sup>th</sup> through March 28<sup>th</sup>. The middle school class will be stuffing and hiding the hundreds of eggs for all of our students to find during the Sunday school hour Easter morning. All children are welcome to join us for this celebration. Thank you for your continued support of our Sunday school program. If you would like more information please feel free to contact me at 410 592-5222.

Carole Webner  
Sunday School Superintendent

### Blithe Spirits:

Folks, let's try again on Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, to have our own Salem Antique Road Show, hosted by Louise "Pete" Clark. We were whited out in February so let's make it a go this month.

Bring a sandwich for lunch— 11:30 a.m. in the Salem parlor—dessert and beverage will be provided. If you have an item of interest you would like to share with us or to find out more about...bring it with you and Pete will give us her expert opinion. She usually has some interesting items to share with us, also!

Our Blithe Spirits will meet in April on Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 in the Salem Parlor. It will be a Soup Luncheon and all will be provided, no need to bring anything.

We haven't enjoyed a good old "Yankee Swap" for awhile, so find one of those delightful "treasures" you are ready to pass on, put it in a brown store bag and bring it along. You may be sure we'll be in for a lot of laughs! And you know what they say...."Someone else's junk may be your treasure!"

Remember....anyone home in the daytime is welcome to come! Any questions, call the church office.

Bettie Heacock

# MARCH 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Trustees, 7:00 pm Prayer group, 6:30 pm Dinner Theater rehearsal, 6:30 pm Clergy Discipled	3 CAN, 6:00 pm Bible study, 10 AM Boy Scouts, 7 PM Kitchen cleanup H&O	4 Cub Scouts, 7:00 PM Choir, 7:30 pm Kitchen cleanup H&O	5 World Day of Prayer Kitchen cleanup H&O	6 Ham & Oyster Dinner 1-7 pm Thrift Shop, 12-6 pm
7 3rd Sunday in Lent Bell Choir, 9:30 AM Dinner Theater rehearsal, 12:30 pm	8 SPRC, 7:00 pm	9 Prayer group, 6:30 pm Dinner Theater rehearsal, 7 pm	10 Boy Scouts, 7 pm Bible study, 10 am Blithe Spirits, 11:30 am Lent Bible study, 7 pm	11 Cub Scouts, 7:00 PM Choir, 7:30 pm	12 Welcome One Shelter, 4:30 pm	13
14 4th Sunday in Lent Bell Choir, 9:30 am Dinner Theater rehearsal, 12:30 pm Daylight Savings Time begins	15 Dinner Theater rehearsal, 7 pm	16 Prayer group, 6:30 pm Finance mtg. 7 pm	17 Bible study, 10 AM Lent Bible study, 7 pm Boy Scouts, 7 pm	18 Cub Scouts, 7:00 pm Choir, 7:30 pm	19	20 Wedding Reception, 12-5
21 5th Sunday in Lent Bell Choir, 9:30 am Dinner Theater rehearsal, 12:30 pm	22 Dinner Theater rehearsal, 7 pm	23 Prayer group, 6:30 pm	24 Boy Scouts, 7 pm Bible study, 10 am Lent Bible study, 6:30 pm Ad. Council, 7:30	25 Cub Scouts, 7:00 pm Choir, 7:30 pm	26	27 Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner, 4-8 pm
28 Palm Sunday Bell Choir, 9:30 AM Dinner Theater rehearsal, 12:30 PM Sunday School Singing, 10:45 service	29	30 Prayer group, 6:30 pm Dinner Theater rehearsal, 7 pm	31 Bible study, 10 am Boy Scouts, 7 pm Lent Bible study, 7 pm			

# APRIL 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 Easter Communion 6:30, 8:00, 1045 AM Worship	5 Dinner Theater rehearsal, 7 pm	6 Dinner Theater rehearsal, 7 pm Prayer group, 6:30 pm Trustees, 7 pm	7 CAN, 6:00 pm Bible study, 10 am Boy Scouts, 7 pm	1 Holy Thursday Worship, 7pm Cub Scouts, 7:00 PM Choir, 7:30 pm	2 Community Cross Walk, 1 pm	3 Thrift Shop, 9-12 Altar Guild deco- rating, 9 am
11 Bell Choir, 9:30 am Dinner Theater rehearsal, 12:30 pm	12 Welcome One Shelter, 4:30 pm Dinner Theater rehearsal, 7 pm	13 Prayer group, 6:30 pm	14 Boy Scouts, 7 pm Bible study, 10 am Blithe Spirits, 11:30 am	15 Cub Scouts, 7:00 PM Choir, 7:30 pm	16	17
18 Bell Choir, 9:30 am Tech Week	19 Tech Week	20 Prayer group, 6:30 pm Tech Week	21 Bible study, 10 am Boy Scouts, 7 pm Tech Week	22 Cub Scouts, 7:00 PM Choir, 7:30 pm Tech Week	23 Dinner Theater	24 Dinner Theater
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Noah's Ark News

Although there is still snow on the ground and we have missed a few days of school due to the weather, Noah's Ark students and teachers are looking forward to our warmer weather activities that will be approaching in the next couple of months.

On Friday, February 26, both classes are invited to attend a Kids First Swim School field trip where they will spend an hour in the pool for some swim time. On Thursday, April 22, the students will have the opportunity to ride on a school bus (some for the first time!) for a trip to the Plumpton Park Zoo.

We look forward to having the fathers (and grandfathers) join us in class for Father's Night on Monday, March 15 (4's) and Tuesday, March 16 (3's). Class pictures will be taken on March 4 (3's) and March 5 (4's), and Vision Testing will take place in mid-April.

Class Easter parties at the end of March will lead up to our Spring Break beginning on March 27 and ending on April 5. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 6.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our January Pizza Hut Night. Thanks to your support, we raised close to \$150 for Noah's Ark.

Registration for the 2010-2011 school year is currently full for the four-year-old class, and there are minimal openings available in the three-year-old class.

Mary Ellen Wehr

### CAMPING INFORMATION

We just received booklets with information on all of the summer camps for kids and adults offered at the two United Methodist camps here in Maryland, West River and Manidoken. There is a wide variety of camp themes for all ages, from sailing to rocketry to grandparents camp. Pick up a booklet from the church office and take a look at all the exciting things being offered this summer.

### SALEM COOKBOOKS

Salem cookbooks are still available in the church office or from Lauren Simpson. Cost is \$10.

### Acolytes

If you are in 3rd grade or up and are interested in serving as an acolyte please contact Cindy Carter at [cartermc5@verizon.net](mailto:cartermc5@verizon.net) or call her at 410-931-1672.

**March Birthdays**

1- Maximo Caratini  
 Preaw Hutton  
 Terry McKenny

3- Emily Frisch  
 Rachel Ports  
 Jason Simpson

4- Jamie List

5- Gayle Glasser

8- Sean McFadden  
 Sandy Mitchell

9- Scott Harris  
 Steve Kahler  
 Mary Kramer  
 Steve Mazza

10- Katie Seymour

11- Olivia Butler

12- Laurie Lewis

13- Melissa Butler  
 Mary Reynolds

14- Ryan Carter  
 Gavin Rayner  
 Vicki Stewart

18- Stephanie Lambros  
 Sam Mazza  
 Sara Salvo

19- Scott Taylor

21- Danielle Mattheu  
 Julianne Mattheu

24- Bob Knight  
 Amelia Osbourne

25- Ryan Altenburg  
 Lorraine Howlett

28- Jane Hill  
 Patrick Norton  
 Dennis Yurek

29- Tah Boyce  
 Stephen Fisher

30- Phil Sause

31- Cindy Carter  
 Tim Fisher  
 Mason Rayner

**April Birthdays**

1- Dru Salvo

2- Wayne Cunfer  
 Dawn Osborne

5- Amy Taylor

7- Olivia Osborne  
 Mary Ellen Wehr

9- Bryce Kahler

10- James Fisher

11- Rachel Glasser  
 Lizanne Quinn  
 Irina Shelton  
 Charlie Taylor

13- Ellen Klages

14- Janet Aker  
 Nicole Bolling  
 Brian Shomo

15- Laura Kurrle

17- Erika Boin  
 Nancy Davis

18- Robert Bruce

19- Jessica Rohe  
 Mark Smith

20- Renee Hudnet  
 Abby Quinn  
 Melissa Stover  
 Jessie Schroeder

21- Bob Heacock  
 Tom Seymour  
 Charlotte Spinner  
 Millie Wagaman

22- Nicholas Belkoff

23- Becky McKenny  
 Ethel Zechman

24- Tom Dziecichowicz

25- Jamie Bowers  
 Andy Reider

26- Laura Hudnet  
 Rody Jaeger

27- Sandy Danker  
 Karen Sersen

28- Benjamin Jantz

**March Anniversaries**

2- Ed & Gayle Glasser

3- Tim & Emily Frisch  
 John & Carol Kramer

12- Ron & Lee Maglov

13- Dennis & Susan Yurek

15- Bob & Carol Kimball

24- Susan & Craig Rayner

25- Warren & Marlene Dillon

**April Anniversaries**

3- Warren & Lizanne Quinn

4- Tanya & Henry Smith

9- Ben & Martha Bates  
 Shawn & Preaw Hutton  
 Scott & Melissa Lambros

10- Alexander & Janet Aker

13- Randall & Irene Mattheu

14- Earl & Gail Bolling

17- Chris & Jessica Rohe

23- Bob & Bettie Heacock

24- Manuel & Janet Gomes

29- Jeff & Peggy Johnson

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## **Holy Week Schedule**

March 28- Palm Sunday 8 & 10:45 Worship  
9:30 Sunday School

April 1- Holy Thursday Service 7:00 PM

April 2- Good Friday Cross Walk 1PM

April 3- Holy Saturday

April 4- Easter with Communion,  
6:30 AM Sunrise Service  
8:00 & 10:45 services  
9:30 Sunday School

Continental Breakfast All Morning



Holy Week