

## 2023 Salem Scriptures

February Issue
Salem UMC
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023 11:00—1:00 PM / IMPOSITION OF ASHES 7:00 PM ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

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#### **Lenten Cluster Services**

5:00/ Potluck Dinner & Fellowship 6:00/Holy Communion Service

Feb 26—Oak Grove Baptist Church / Pastor Kevin Milcarek

March 5—Salem UMC / Pastor Chuck Moseley

March 12—Back Bay Christian Assembly Church / Pastor Christa Springstead

March 19—Tabernacle United Methodist Church / Pastor Stephen Lee

March 26—Charity UMC / Pastor Nancy Vaughan

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Souper Bowl / Chili Cookoff Update

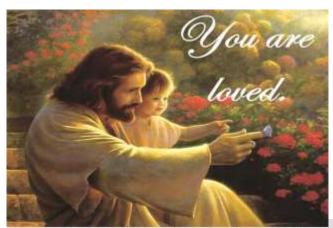
When: Sunday, February 12, 2023

Where: SUMC Social Hall

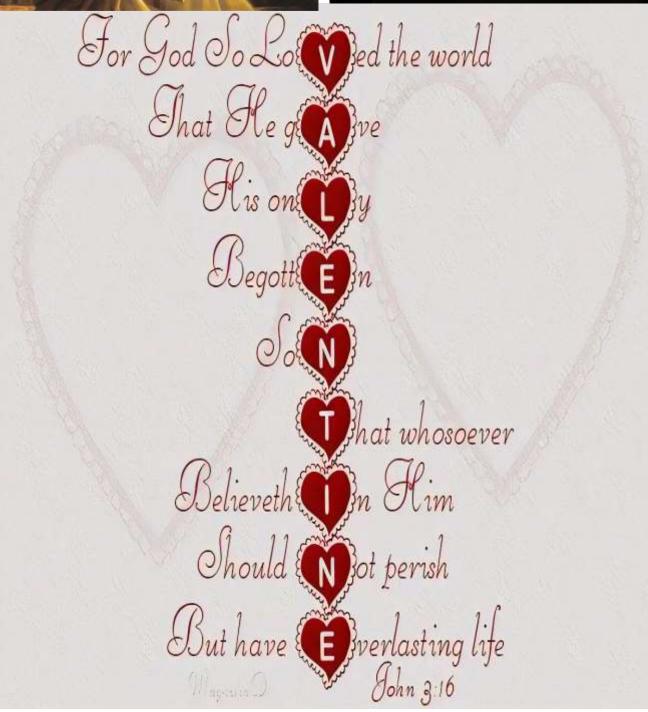
Canned foods collection Sundays, Feb 5 & 12

#### **Altar Flower Sign-Up Chart**

A new 2023 flower chart is up in the Narthex. Sign up for your special dates: birthdays, anniversaries, memorials, or just because. Bring your flowers in on Sunday morning, they can be store bought or from your garden. Contact Evelyn Swanberg at 757-471-4957 or more information.







### February MEETINGS

# Finance and Church Council

February 20, 2023 at 6:00 pm

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The Quilters meet on
Wednesdays
in the Quilt Room from
10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Bring a fellow quilter, your lunch,
your needle/thread,
and join this happy group!
We have great discussions,
laughs,fellowship, and truly enjoy

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Saturday, February 4, 2023 @ 8:00 am UMM Breakfast in the Social Hall

Sunday, February 5, 2023 / 1:00 pm Atlantic Shores Worship Service

Sunday, February 12, 2023 / Social Hall Souper Bowl/Chili Cook Off / Following service

Sunday, February 19, 2023

Women of Faith will meet in the Adult SS Class following the service

Monday, February 20, 2023 @ 6:00 pm

The Finance/Church Council will meet in the Social Hall

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Sunday, February 26, 2023 / Girls Scouts / 1:15-3:30

Meals on Wheels / Feb 27-March 2, 2023

Need to use the church building for a meeting, or special event? Contact the office to request a Facility Use Form, or pick one up from the folder outside the office door.

#### February Birthdays

2-2 Killian Reddy 2-3 Nancy Vaughan 2-16 Donna Smith 2-25 Caroline Marks 2-27 Kierston Quick



#### WELCOME to our VISITORS

We are so very glad you have chosen to worship with us here at Salem UMC.

We would love to get to know you better!

Perhaps you have a desire to become part of the church family here.

Pastor Nancy will contact you if you like and set up a time to get together for coffee or lunch.

Of course, you may contact her (leave a message) at 757-630-7136.

#### **LIFE EVENTS**

NAME: Elliana Codrescu

DOB: January 7, 2023

WEIGHT: 7 lbs

(Debbie Burks' third great grandchild. They reside in Dallas, TX)



The United Methodist Men
will meet in the Social Hall for
breakfast on Saturday,
February 4, at 8:00 am.
Come enjoy some Christian
fellowship and delicious food.





The UMW will meet in the Adult Sunday School class following the service on Sunday, February 19.

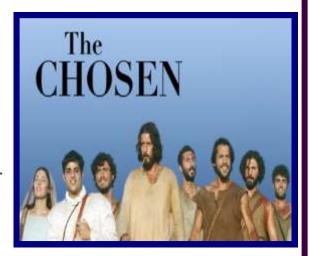
#### HISTORIC PICTURES

Merium Hutchison &
Frances Bradberry
Salem UMC
Social Hall
Groundbreaking!!





SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY / We will begin Sunday, February 5, 2023 with the continuation of The Chosen, Season 3. Class will be held on Sunday mornings at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Make it a New Year's Resolution to dive deeper into scriptures in 2023. All are welcome. Coffee and Pastries served!



1 Corinthians 13:4–8a (ESV) Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.



Please send any church event pictures to <u>salemumcvb@gmail.com</u> to include in our newsletter. We love to see your smiling faces!!



February has begun and we are in the month that many say is the coldest and dreariest of the year. Even though it's the shortest month, February is just not a favorite month. Football ends, basketball just plods along, no baseball, etc. and no big holiday except for Valentine's Day. And everyone isn't a fan of that holiday. Some refer to it as "Single Awareness Day."

Anyway, here's a thought: Let's make February all about LOVE. Don't you like those little candies with sayings on them? The ones in this picture are about love.

1 Corinthians 13 is the Love Chapter in Scriptures and says "...without love, I am nothing..... now abides Faith, Hope, and Love, and the greatest of these is Love." It's all about Love, really. God sent his Son, Jesus, to teach us about Love. Jesus showed us how to love and when we love like Jesus, we're doing pretty well! It isn't always easy because there are sometimes people in our lives that are not too easy to love. But Jesus loves them. We need to try!

Practice showing God's love this month. Start with one day at a time. Make

someone's day by extending a smile, or a small gift, a letter, or a phone call, or even a visit. Let's warm up February with God's Love!

