



Salem Chimes



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Dear Friends,

November is my favorite month. For one thing, I am able to make use of one of my favorite English word: autumnal. I also find several opportunities to throw in one of my favorite Spanish words: *guajolote* (turkey). Mostly I love November because it begins with my favorite day in the Church year: The Feast of All Saints.

There are many saints of God who have earned individual recognition by the Church and over the centuries some have dropped off the current list to make room for more current saints with whom we can relate and look to as role models. And then there is the Feast of All Saints which encompasses all those saints who are a part of the Church Triumphant, of whom we have never heard.

In my student church I met a kindred soul who shared his love of the Feast of All Saints with me. Jim, talking out of his Methodist Church background, said that he envisioned the horse-shoe balcony of the church filled with all the saints who ever attended the church looking down, praying for all the current, and future, church members. What a powerful image!

In 2011 Salem will be celebrating her 175 Anniversary. Imagine, if you will, a steep balcony filled with all of the saints who have ever been a part of Salem Lutheran Church. Now, imagine all of them praying for the present Salem, and for the future Salem which God has yet to reveal.

We can do all things in and through our God. As we move into a significant anniversary year, let us give thanks for all of those saints who have walked before us. Then let us pray that we shall emulate so that in twenty-five years future saints will thank God for the perseverance we showed so they might persevere to be enabled to celebrate the 200th Anniversary of Salem Lutheran Church.

Blessings,
Pr. Bonnie
Sunday Supply Pastor

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Sunday School 9:00 a.m

Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m

Vacancy Pastor: Rev. Mel Schroeder 317-430-2083

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The Sharing Place Wish List

Pantry and clothing bank supplies are low at The Sharing Place, Lutheran Child & Family Services' material assistance ministry for families in need. The current wish list includes: canned meats, canned vegetables and fruit, pasta and spaghetti sauce, macaroni & cheese mix, crackers, cereal, and underwear and socks, **especially adult sizes.**

Please deliver your donations to: Sharing Place East 7049 E. 10th Street. For directions or for additional information, please contact Mary Beth Trotter, Manager at 359-5467, ext. 215 or mtrotter@lutheranfamily.org.

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church Mission Statement

Created by God to make Christ known, and filled with the Holy Spirit,

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church shall be a ministry of Jesus that, through word and sacrament:

- † Strengthens and energizes individuals and families in the Christian faith;
- † Contributes to the growth of fellowship;
- † Equips and affirms individuals in their acts of ministry;
- † Encourages freedom of expression;
- † Encourages all members to participate in the tasks of common life; and
- † Is dedicated to bringing the strength of individual and collective Christian commitment to community involvement.

Volunteering at The Sharing Place=Discipleship!

Now, more than ever, families are in need of assistance to help make ends meet. You can make a difference in the lives of others by donating your time and talent to The Sharing Place, a ministry of Lutheran Child & Family Services providing food and clothing to families in need. By helping "the least of these," you will discover new opportunities for discipleship as you outfit a family with gently used clothing or guide them through the pantry menu options.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Leslie McCotry, Volunteer Resources Coordinator, at volunteer@lutheranfamily.org or 359-5467, ext. 242.

Feast of All Saints

Salem Lutheran Church will celebrate the Feast of All Saints on November 7, 2010 and we invite you to participate. In addition to remembering the Saints of God who were birthed to Eternal Life from Salem, we invite you to remember your loved ones and friends who have passed away from your life.

Please fill out the form below and return it to the church office so we may be able to join with you in keeping alive their memory on earth. You may also call the office with names.



Feast of All Saints

Name

Submitted by

All Saints Service Veterans Day Service

Our Music and Worship Team has given thought to the responsibility we have to those who trusted Salem Lutheran Church to care for the remains of their loved ones. This year is one of the flukes of the calendar when the Feast of All Saints and Veterans Day fall during the same week. Therefore, a special service will be held on November 11, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. to remember those who are buried at Salem Cemetery and additionally to recognize the veterans among them as best we can.

We invite everyone who is able to join us at the 62nd and Guion location for the service. Beautiful as the location is, there is no seating available; we ask you to please bring your own lawn chair with you. If God chooses to bless us with the much needed rain, the service will be moved to our sanctuary.

As you consider what events you would suggest for the celebration of Salem's 175th anniversary in 2011, you might enjoy reading this history, which was presented in October to eighty second graders by Rosemary Rader.

A Brief History of Salem

In 1835, the Rev. Ezra Keller was sent by the missionary society of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania on a journey to the 'western states.' During that trip he found about twelve Lutheran families living near Little Eagle Creek in Marion County, IN. Those settlers had come from Pennsylvania and North Carolina.

In 1836 Rev. Abraham Reck organized Hopewell Evangelical Lutheran Church in the log cabin farmhouse of John Klingensmith. At that time, there were twelve members: John and Susan Klingensmith, Joseph and Esther Klingensmith, George Klingensmith, Celesta Klingensmith, Michael and Polly Kepple, Jacob and Elizabeth Sourwine, Isaac and Catherine Myers.

Those families continued to meet at the Klingensmith home for church services, or in good weather in the nearby woods, until 1840. That house was located on land just south of the present Salem cemetery.

A log cabin, the first of three churches to be built by the congregation, was erected in 1840 on a one acre plot of land donated by John Klingensmith for a church and cemetery. This building was located at the site of the present cemetery, at 62nd St. and Guion Rd. Stones from the foundation of that building are still to be found in the cemetery. The land on the west side of the cemetery was given by the heir of Oliver Klingensmith.

In 1859 a second house of worship was built at New Augusta Station on land donated for "church purposes" by Joseph Klingensmith. That church building was located on the east side of what is now 72nd Street and New Augusta Road. At that time the name of the congregation was changed from Hopewell Evangelical Lutheran Church to Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church. That building was a wooden or frame building. When the congregation of Salem reached about 100 people and outgrew the old church, the congregation planned a new church. The old frame structure was sold to Jacob Sourwine, who moved it to Dobson Street, north of the Odd Fellows building and north of the old New Augusta Post Office. At one time it served as Wagle's store.

The present brick church building was constructed between 1876-1880. The lot on which this building sits was purchased for \$100 from Valentine Cress and his wife, Lydia. The date on that deed is May 11, 1876. This 'new' church building was dedicated on May 9, 1880.

Materials for this "new" church building were contracted from church members and neighboring firms whenever possible. Part of the handmade brick was purchased from Augusta Brick Yard (in Old Augusta) at a cost of \$6 per thousand bricks. The stone for the foundation and other stone parts of the building were purchased from Lowe and Thomas, a firm located south of Indianapolis. Sand came from three local farmers. The flooring and rafters came from virgin timber bought in the area. Much of the carpentry work was done by members Simon and Elias Klingensmith. They made the pews we still use.

Many of the church families subscribed generously to the building fund. Much of that money was "worked out." The men who did the work or furnished teams of horses or building materials were credited with a certain dollar amount toward the payment of their subscriptions. We don't have an exact figure for the cost of the building at its completion, but one local history of Marion County states that the church cost \$5,000.

There have been several remodelings of the church building. The first was in 1912. It included the installment of the stained glass windows you see today, a basement and a gas furnace for the building. Until that time the church was heated by two pot-bellied stoves, one on either side of the sanctuary. A single church entry door was built, though the north door was kept and that is now our entry for the handicapped.

In 1923 another piece of ground was purchased just north of the building, which allowed for a lawn with landscaping. The ivy and trees and shrubs around the north end of the building were planted between 1928 and 1930.

In 1937 and 1938 the building was modernized by putting in a plumbing system and cabinets, cooking equipment, sink and cooking stove in the basement kitchen.

The 1940 remodeling included redecorating much of the church building, refinishing the floors, and creating the present narthex. A church member named Cecil Good did the plastering of the narthex.

There have been several other remodelings to this original building over the years, which brought about decor and lighting changes. The lights you see overhead were made by church member Kenneth Zimmer, Sr., with the help of some of the other men in the congregation and installed in 1950. During that 1950 remodeling, the Parish Hall was added, which is where our office, nursery, Pastor's study and conference room are now. At that time a parsonage, or home for the pastor, was also built at 4701 West. 71st St. Though the church no longer owns that building, it still stands.

In 1973 the Fellowship Hall was built and dedicated, which was to be used for Sunday school classroom space and intended for use for community affairs. The contractor for that building was a church member named Mel Cunningham.

With the centennial celebration of the church building in mind, remodeling and improvements were begun in 1978 which included new carpet in the nave, the purchase of red velvet seat cushions for the pews, refinishing of the pews and woodwork, and painting of the interior walls, outside trim, and doors. Storm windows and insulation were added to the church building, ceilings were lowered in the Parish Hall, new lighting was installed in various places in the building, and our parking lot was paved for the first time. Since then there have been remodelings in the nave, chancel area and in the Parish Hall.

These notes are from the Salem Centennial Book, 1980.

Prepared for the Pike Township Historical Society annual tour of New Augusta by Pike school children; presented 10/8/10.

Rosemary Rader

A way to remember loved ones in honor of and in memory of is by dedicating a poinsettia for our Christmas celebration.....

POINSETTIAS FOR THE CHANCEL

Add to the beauty of the Christmas Service by placing a poinsettia in the Chancel. Please place your order no later than **Monday, November 22** and be generous with your order. Complete the form and give your sheet to any usher or send to the church office. Please enclose payment with your order.
COST - \$13.00 each.

I wish to place _____ poinsettias in the Chancel
in memory of ... / in honor of ... (circle one)

Presented by _____

Please fill in blanks with names and wording to be used in the Christmas Eve bulletin. Checks should be made out to SALEM and marked *poinsettias*.

____ I will pick up my poinsettia after the service.

____ Leave for church use.

Any questions, call the church office.
291-5004

Poinsettias Christmas 2010

This year we need to put in our Poinsettias order before Thanksgiving. So, please complete the form as shown as soon as possible and return to the church office or place in offering plate or call the office direct.

It is such a joy at Christmas, along with all the decorations to have the chancel filled with poinsettias that will last long after the season is gone.

A remembrance of Christ's birth.

Combined Holiday Meeting

November 17, 2010

Cookies Exchange

Place: Fellowship Hall

Time: 1:00 pm

**Bake or buy your favorite cookies.
Bring three (3) dozen to share and spare.**

Everyone Welcome

The Guys Too

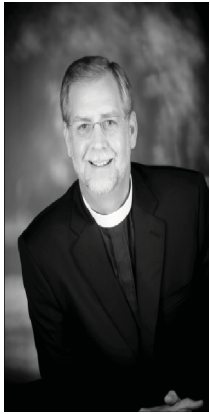
I-K Lutheran

Where mission meets the road

Empowering, Equipping and Encouraging the People of God to make Christ Known

Nov.
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From I-K Synod Bishop Bill Gafkjen



I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

Isaiah 43:19

In these early days of my time as bishop of this great synod, I find myself turning again and again to the book of Isaiah, especially the 43rd chapter. Through this great prophet God speaks promise and hope to people who have been displaced and find themselves wondering how in the world they can sing the Lord's song in a radically new and unfamiliar place (see Psalm 137).

Do you find yourself wondering the same thing these days, in your personal or family life or in the life of your congregation?

All around this synod and with a variety of individuals and groups I am engaging in "Isaiah 43" conversations and I invite you to join in.

Read through Isaiah 43 – at home, with your Bible study group, at church council or committee meetings, at the coffee shop – and allow this stirring proclamation to connect to your life right now, wherever you sense discouraging dislocation and unfamiliarity. Spend some time reflecting and discussing questions like these:

- What are the signs of exile or dislocation in and around your life and congregation?
- Where do you see signs of God's "new thing" springing forth?
- What are your hopes and fears about God's new thing?
- How might you and/or your congregation welcome, nurture, encourage, and be transformed by God's new thing? What might you need to change in order to do this?

Point out to others the new things that you see springing forth. Find ways to empower, equip and encourage one another to welcome the new things God is doing.

If you think of it, drop me a note describing the new things you see springing forth and the ways we all might be called to welcome and nurture it.

God is making a way in the sea, sisters and brothers, giving rivers in the desert, that we might declare God's praise.

Do you see it?

Bishop Bill Gafkjen

I-K Synod Congregations Sharing Faith Stories:

A boy with Asperger syndrome is a member of our church. A second grader, he recites the sermon and liturgy to his parents during the week. On a recent Sunday after the children's sermon, the boy lost his sense of order and had a panic attack. The congregation had sung the hymn of the day before the child was ready and the pastor had begun the sermon before he was really listening. He shouted at the pastor to start over as his mother led him out of the sanctuary. With most of the congregation in tears, the pastor softly spoke into the microphone, explaining the boy has Asperger syndrome, that he loves church, memorizes what he hears, and has a strong sense of order. He continued, "Wouldn't it be wonderful if the rest of us loved church with that passion?" After a time the pastor started the sermon again. As he preached the sermon for the second time, an usher walked in and said, "Could we please go back to the sermon hymn"? We sang "Earth and All Stars" again through our tears. The boy came back in to the front of the church, singing and ready for the sermon. The congregation helped a boy with special needs last Sunday and we were all changed. ***How is God working in your congregation to deepen your sense of community?***

Shared by Shirley Ziemer

ELCA News - ELCA Presiding Bishop: Time to Move Forward

CHICAGO (ELCA) -- In a report to leaders of the ELCA, Presiding Bishop Mark S. Hanson said it is time for the church to move forward and get over being "timid" about mission and ministry.

"In the name of Jesus Christ our days of timidity are over," Hanson told the ELCA Conference of Bishops, ELCA synod vice presidents and ELCA seminary presidents Oct. 2. "I just think we have to say it. And we have to say it with the confidence that's implied in that declaration."

In recent months the ELCA has been affected by losses of members, declining financial resources and disagreements over sexuality decisions of the 2009 ELCA Churchwide Assembly, Hanson said.

Hanson said he has been thinking about a Bible verse featured at the Sept. 18 installation of the Rev. Wolfgang Herz-Lane as bishop of the ELCA Delaware-Maryland Synod. That verse, 2 Timothy 1:7 (NIV), says: "For God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline."

"I've been pondering that a lot. Have we become a timid church?" Hanson asked the ELCA leaders. A sign of a timid church is one that describes itself by what it has lost and what it lacks, he said. Such a church is one that tries to hold onto the past and preserve what was, Hanson said.

A church that defines itself by controversies and partisan divisions "will become a weary and timid church," Hanson said. A timid church has lost confidence in the power of the Holy Spirit to work through the gospel, he said. There is plenty of evidence that the church should be confident in the power of the Holy Spirit through the gospel, he said.

2010 I-K Synod Events & Opportunities

ABC Vision & Values

December 24, 2010

Service of Lessons and Carols from Historic Trinity Church on Wall Street
Presented by the National Council of Churches USA
Favorite Christmas carols and hymns are featured, sung by the Trinity Choir and congregation
www.interfaithbroadcasting.com/liturgical.aspx



Learn how to be a Book of Faith Bible study leader at the Book of Faith Leader Retreat!
November 19-20, 2010

6:00 p.m.-8:00Camp Lutherwald, Howe, IN

Contact Ed Seykowski at edseykow@juno.com 0 p.m.



This past May, I-K South Central conference youth prepared health kits to send to the I-K Synod Assembly in Covington. They also participated 24-hour famine experiment at Christ Lutheran Church, Jeffersontown,



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God's work. Our hands.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH, NEW ORLEANS

This is the only predominantly African-American ELCA congregation in New Orleans. It is located in the Garden District, one of the poorer sections of the city. Rebuilding will go on for years. Since Katrina the focus of Bethlehem's mission and ministry is to help its nearby neighbors restore their lives, homes and businesses. Upwards of 1600 volunteers from congregations across the United States, including 6 teams from the Indianapolis Conference have joined the rebuilding effort. Your presence and financial support will greatly enhance this ongoing ministry Bethlehem has in restoring broken hearts and in repairing broken homes of its members and others in the community.

Friday, November 19, 2010

Pleasant View Lutheran Church

801 W. 73rd Street, Indianapolis, IN 46260

6:30 P.M. Soirée

7:00 P.M. Dinner

**Jambalaya, Red Beans and Rice,
Chili Cheese Etouffee' & Chicken Creole
Pecan Pie**

Keynote Speaker:

Rev. Dr. Patrick Keen, Pastor

Bethlehem Lutheran Church, New Orleans

*"Good News for Struggling
Congregations Comes from Bethlehem!"*

Tickets \$25 per person

Limited seating

This dinner price allows a donation of \$15 per person to Bethlehem's ministry. Attendees will have an opportunity at the benefit to make a direct monetary gift to Bethlehem in the form of a check made out to the Indianapolis Conference. The goal is to raise \$7,000 for Bethlehem's ministry.

Purchase your tickets by mailing in the form below postmarked by November 12 to:

The Indianapolis Conference

c/o Pat France, Treasurer

PO Box 20169

Indianapolis, IN 46220

Tickets also available at the door for \$30 per person.

For more information contact: Hope Moran,

Conference Coordinator (317) 910-6080

Thank you to YATS Restaurant

for their contributions toward the meal.

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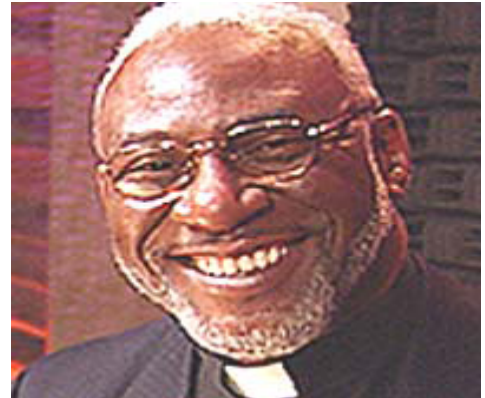
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City: State: Zip Code:

Phone Number:

Please send me _____ tickets at \$25 each. I have enclosed a total of \$_____ in the form of a check made out to the "Indianapolis Conference".



To the Ministerium

You may have noticed in the IK Synod weekly email newsletter that a benefit was being held for Jillian Apel, baby daughter of Pastors Heather and Wade Apel of Bethel, Noblesville. Regretfully, the Indianapolis Conference Council was unaware of all that is going on in the life of the Apel family until now.

On Sunday, November 21 when we have our fall assembly at Lutheran Child and Family Services, the offering will be given to the Apel's for Jillian's care. Possibly your congregation would like to take up a special offering before that time and bring it on the 21st. We will also be sending a gift of \$500 from our treasury. Please add the Apel's to your congregation's prayer list.

If anyone wants to keep up with the progress of Jillian, check out our CaringBridge website for "babyapel" - www.caringbridge.org/visit/babyapel

From Hope Moran
To the Ministerium

The men of your congregation are invited to hear a presentation about men's ministry on Saturday, November 13 from 9am - 11am at First Trinity Lutheran Church, 5321 E 42nd Street, Indianapolis, IN 46226. A representative from the ELCA's Men in Mission will be leading the discussion. A full breakfast with eggs, bacon, biscuits, gravy, carmel rolls, coffee and juice will be available beginning at 8:30am. No firm registrations are needed; however, if you have an idea if people will be attending, it would be good to email me a ball park figure of about how many so we have enough food.

More information about Men in Mission is available at lutheranmeninmission.org

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Good morning,

The Foundation for Lutheran Child and Family Services is pleased to invite you to join us for a free luncheon and lecture with Christian Theological Seminary professor, The Rev. Dr. Matthias Beier. **Dr. Beier will be speaking about the German theologian and psychoanalyst, Eugen Drewerman, who has been heralded by TIME Magazine as a "new Luther".**

Looking forward to seeing you on November 10th!

Christina Schelle

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS	
Karl Grimme	11/1
Amy Sceniak-Varela	11/2
Sara Jacob	11/7
JoAnna Mae Haverstick	11/27
Rosemary Rader	11/28

SEPTEMBER VISITORS	
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November Worship Serving Schedule

November	LAY ASSISTANT	LECTOR	ACOLYTE	NURSERY	USHER	GREETER
7	Sean Rice	Sean Rice			Julie Rice	Julie Rice
14	Keith Kunze	Diann Ryan			Bel Hedlund	Harry Bowden
21	Ralph Oberlander	Devoe Slisher			Keith Kunze	Susan Kunze
28	Laura Morgan				Burt Hall	

Please make a note in your personal calendar so that we may count on your availability to serve. If for some reason you are unable to serve, please call the church office (291-5004) so that we can find a replacement.



NOVEMBER 2010



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Karen Anttila	2 Aileen Blue	3 Daniel & June Bowden	4. Harry Bowden	5 David & Sandra Brandenburg	6 Ismay Broomes; David
7 Peter Bush	8 Maria Childers	9 Bill & Jennifer Christie	10 Johanne Ely	11 Mary Etchison	12 Eldon Forthum	13 David Gooderum
14 Reuben & Anita Gooderum	15 Keith & Angelina Grimme	16 David & Rhunell Gruender	17 Susan Grymonpre	18 Burton & Janet Hall	19 Candace Harcourt; Lindsay	20 Cynthia Haverstick
21 Isabel Hedlund	22 Bethel Hendrix	23 James & Marian Hightshue	24 Rosanne Iles	25 Sara Jacobs	26 Constance Kadyole	27 Nancy Kampovsky
28 Sherman King	29 Lee Kolumbus	30 Joshua Kunze				



NOVEMBER 2010



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Election Day	3	4 Council Meeting 6:30	5	6
7 Christian Education 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am All Saints Sunday	8	9	10	11 Veterans Day Memorial Service Salem Cemetery 11:00 a.m.	12	13
14 Christian Education 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am Worship & Music Committee Meeting After Worship	15	16	17 Ladies Luncheon Combined Holiday Meeting 1:00 pm (FH)	18	19	20 Game Night Food—5:30 Games—6:00
21 Christian Education 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am	22	23 Chimes Deadline	24	25 Thanksgiving Office Closed	26	27
28 Christian Education 9:30 am Worship 10:30 am	29	30				

NOVEMBER 2010

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