

For the Record

Attendance March 12, 2023:

In person: 65

Zoom: 18 devices (est.24 people)

General Offering received:

March 5 \$2,931

March 12 \$1,772

Month to date \$4,622

Total monthly requirement \$14,691

Nurturing Church Family

Birthdays This Week:

Glenn Yutzie, Cesia Olvera

Birthdays Last Week (missed getting printed last week): Pedro Olvera, Stan Steffan, Donna BreMiller, Ashlynn Nisly, Ryan Nisly.

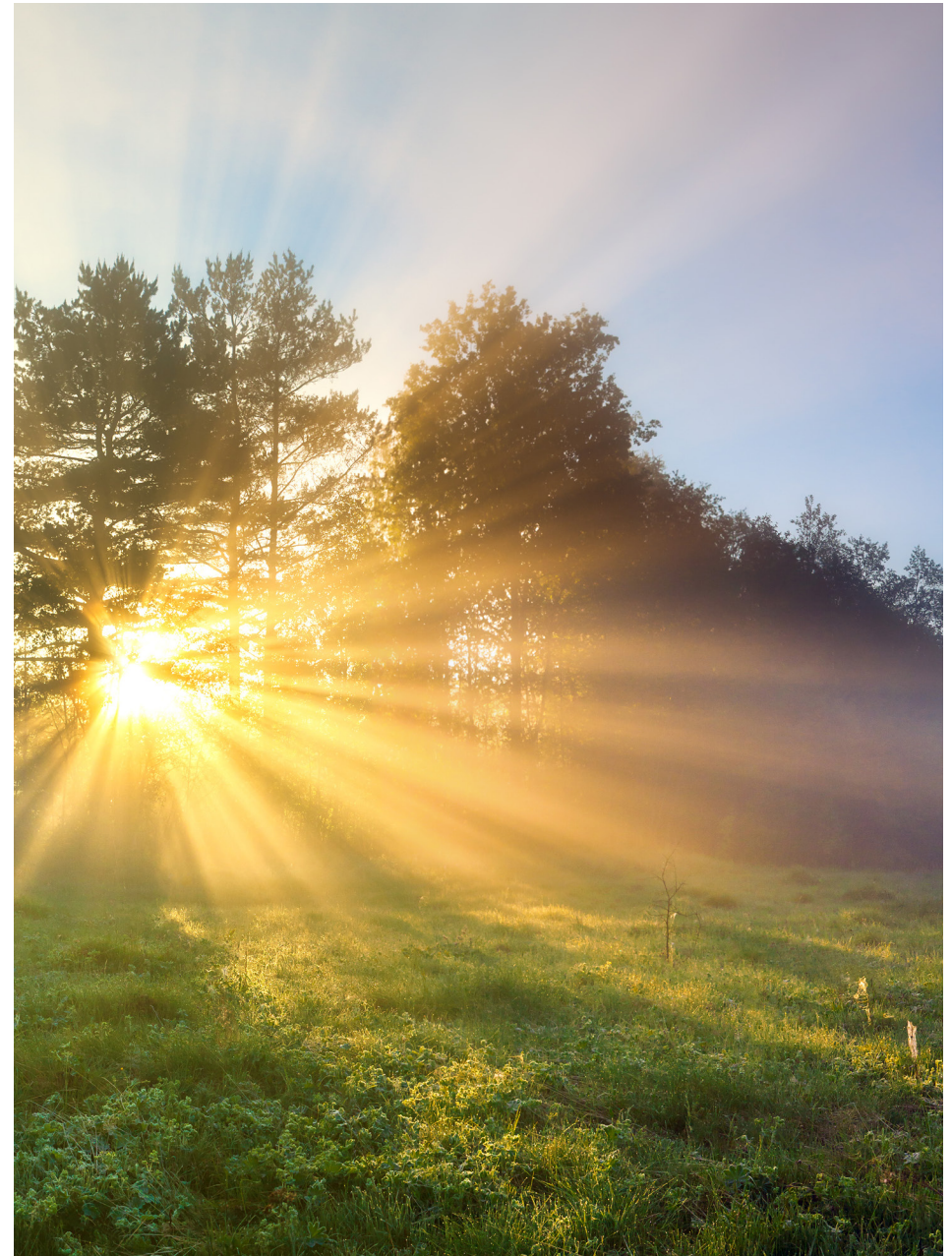
Anniversaries this Week:

none this week

Nursery Volunteer this week:

Karen Perez

Everyone is invited to a **wedding reception for Mallory and Mitchell** on Sunday, April 23 in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service. Come and celebrate with them, offering congratulations, best wishes and cards. You may want to check out their interesting gift registry at www.sokindregistry.org/registry/mandm



Salem Mennonite Church

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Education Hour: Sundays at 9:30 am • Worship: Sundays at 10:45 am

Salem Mennonite Church Worship Service

March 19, 2023 - Forth Sunday of Lent

We Gather

Prelude -Paul Lehman

Hymn -Chris Lehman

Call to Worship and Invocation -Beth Sell

Leader: The Lord is our shepherd.

People: We shall not want.

Leader: God makes us lie down in green pastures.

People: We shall not want.

Leader: God leads us beside quiet waters.

People: We shall not want.

**All: Restore us through your Holy Spirit,
the love of Jesus Christ,
and the comfort of your presence.**

Hymns

We Confess

Prayer of Confession (responsive reading on back page) -Beth Sell

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn

We Hear God's Word

Message for Children **VT 511** "Come on Children" -Lori Christy

Scripture John 9:1-17

Message *Shaped by our Experience* -Rev. Jerrell Williams

Hymn

We Respond

Offering /My Coins Count -Paul Lehman

Sharing and Prayer Ending with Lord's Prayer*

* forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us

We Go Forth

Closing Hymn

Sending Words

Responsive Reading for Confession

Leader: Lord, we long for light, but all is darkness, and we walk in deep shadows.

We have driven back justice.

Truth has stumbled into the streets,
and thick darkness is over the people.

We confess our sinful deeds.

We confess to the Lord....

(silent prayer)

Leader: As everything exposed to the light become visible,

we walk from darkness into light.

**All: Open our eyes, Jesus,
that our lives may radiate your glory. Amen.**

Coming Up

This Week: March 20-25, 2023

Wed 7:00 am Women's Breakfast (Zoom)

Wed 9:30 pm Quilting

Thurs 9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Zoom)

Thurs 6:30 am Inclusion Workshop (Fellowship Hall and Zoom)

Friday 6:00 pm Community Center (in Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, March 26, 2023

9:30 am Sunday school classes for all ages

10:15 am Coffee Time

10:45 am Worship Service, message Rev. Jerrell Williams.

EASTER EVENTS:

Thurs, April 6 at 6:30 pm: Maundy Thursday Service at SMC

Sunday, April 9 at 9 am: Easter Breakfast (Worship at 10:45)

Full calendar of events at www.salemmennonitechurch.org

Ushers today: Jon & Shawn Newswanger Sound/Zoom Tech: Chad Hochstetler

John 9:1-17 (NRSV)

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. ²His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” ³Jesus answered, “Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him. ⁴We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. ⁵As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” ⁶When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man’s eyes, ⁷saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see.

⁸The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, “Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?”

⁹Some were saying, “It is he.” Others were saying, “No, but it is someone like him.” He kept saying, “I am the man.” ¹⁰But they kept asking him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” ¹¹He answered, “The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ Then I went and washed and received my sight.” ¹²They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

¹³They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. ¹⁴Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. ¹⁵Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, “He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see.” ¹⁶Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?” And they were divided. ¹⁷So they said again to the blind man, “What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened.” He said, “He is a prophet.”