

## Nurturing Church Family

### Birthdays This Week:

Angie Walker, Brent Mobley-Oorthuys

### Anniversaries this Week:

Tony & Brenda Kauffman (Sept. 10)

## For the Record

### Attendance August 21, 2022:

In person: 44

Zoom: no data

**August 28, 2022** Church Picnic: 48

### General Offering received:

August 7 \$6,271

August 14 \$2,710

August 21 \$2,641

August 28 (picnic) \$na

General Fund Total for Aug: \$11,622

Total monthly requirement \$14,691

## Training to use the new AED

(Automatic External Defibrillator) will be on **Tuesday, Sept. 13 at 7 pm in the church foyer.** Please let Marlene Bogard know if you are interested in attending.

## Our new church year begins in September.



New officers and committee persons started September 1. In-person Sunday School will resume next Sunday, September 11.

**Adult Sunday School** is 9:30 to 10:30 in person and on Zoom, with a book study of "Anabaptist Essentials: Ten Signs of a Unique Christian Faith" by Palmer Becker.

**Children's Sunday School** is 9:30 to 10:30 in person only, and they are also learning about the Anabaptist faith using the book "Let The Children Come to Me" by Lisa Weaver and Elizabeth Miller.

## Salem Mennonite Quilters

first meeting will be **Wednesday, Sept. 14, 9:30 am - 1:00 pm.**

Become part of the projects that benefit people around the world. Projects include cutting blocks, piecing blocks for relief comforters, tying and binding comforters. Fabric, tools and sewing machines are available. There will be a new big quilt for hand quilting, for next year's MCC Relief Auction. Of course, there is also a lot of visiting.....and coffee.

# Rejoice at God's Grace



## Salem Mennonite Church

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

Salem Mennonite invites all to join us for worship and fellowship. Our prayer is that everyone who enters here may be received as Christ. We celebrate the image of God in all people and publicly affirm that persons of every gender identity and sexual orientation are welcome to participate in our life and ministry.

**Mission Statement:** Salem Mennonite Church commits to hear and live God's call to be followers of Jesus Christ and to grow as a worshipping community of faith and reconciliation, where peace, joy and healing are experienced in the church and shared with others.

## Salem Mennonite Church Worship Service September 4, 2022

### We Gather

Prelude -Jeannette Flaming  
Hymn **VT 37** "Be Still and Know" -Trudy McKinnell  
Call to Worship and Invocation -Beth Sell  
Hymns **VT 91** "We Praise Thee O God"  
**VT 556** "I Bind My Heart This Tide"

### We Confess

Prayer of Confession -Beth Sell  
Assurance of Pardon  
Hymn **VT 653** "Nothing is Lost on the Breath of God"

### We Hear God's Word

Message for Children **VT 511** "Come on Children" -Chris Lehman  
Scripture 1 Peter 5:1-14  
Message *We All Must Play Our Part* -Rev. Jerrell Williams  
Hymn **VT 297** "You are Salt of the Earth O People"

### We Respond

Offering /My Coins Count -Beth Sell  
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 **VT 586** "All Will Be Well"  
Sending Words

Ushers today: Dennis Kauffman & Florence Gingerich Sound/Zoom Tech: Jim McKinnell

**Oregon Mennonite Relief Sale - October 8!** The fall festival is on **Saturday, Oct. 8 at the Expo Center in Albany**, where you can shop to support the work of MCC and mingle with the valley's Mennonite community. The week prior, there will be an **online auction, beginning on Saturday, Oct. 1, closing at 9 pm on Wednesday, Oct. 5.**

FESTIVAL SCHEDULE:

**8 - 10 am: Pancake Breakfast**

**8 am - 2 pm: Shops open** *Just Cause* (fair trade items), *Menno Marketplace* (hand-crafted items, plants, artisan gifts), *Sew Much* (fabric remnants and sewing related items), *Used Book Store*, plus fresh apple cider, specialty cheeses and sausage, pies and baked goods.

**10 am - 1 pm: Live auction** with Paul Schultz, auctioneer.

**10 am: Food Booths** open

**10:30 am - 2 pm: Chicken Lunch** served

**2 pm - Festival ends**

**My Coins Count:** The coins we have been collecting all year will go to the relief sale on Oct 8. MCC will use your coins to boost nutrition and income for families in Cambodia, with families receiving training and supplies so they can start a garden, raise fish, and raise chickens.

### Coming Up.....

#### This Week: September 4-10, 2022

Wed 7 am Women's Breakfast Meeting (Zoom)  
Thurs 9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Zoom)  
Friday 6:00 pm Community Center (in Fellowship Hall)

#### Sunday, September 11, 2022

9:30 am Sunday school classes resume today for all ages  
10:20 am Coffee Time  
10:45 am Worship Service, message, Rev. Jerrell Williams

#### Sunday, September 25, 2022

following the service Meet in fellowship hall to help pack the school kit bags for MCC.

**Full calendar of events available on the church website:  
[www.salemmennonitechurch.org](http://www.salemmennonitechurch.org)**



## 1 Peter 5:1-14 (NRSV)

Now as an elder myself and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as one who shares in the glory to be revealed, I exhort the elders among you <sup>2</sup>to tend the flock of God that is in your charge, exercising the oversight, not under compulsion but willingly, as God would have you do it—not for sordid gain but eagerly. <sup>3</sup>Do not lord it over those in your charge, but be examples to the flock. <sup>4</sup>And when the chief shepherd appears, you will win the crown of glory that never fades away. <sup>5</sup>In the same way, you who are younger must accept the authority of the elders. And all of you must clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another, for ‘God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.’ <sup>6</sup>Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup>Discipline yourselves; keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. <sup>10</sup>And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen. <sup>12</sup>Through Silvanus, whom I consider a faithful brother, I have written this short letter to encourage you, and to testify that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it. <sup>13</sup>Your sister church in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings; and so does my son Mark. <sup>14</sup>Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

## Menno Snapshots

- Mennonite World Conference has proposed changes to its “fair share” funding system that will impact Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) constituents. These proposed changes include an increase in the assessment of MC USA’s fair share per person and no longer crediting denominations for direct donations from individuals. Read more about the changes here: [mennoniteusa.org/news/mwc-funding](https://mennoniteusa.org/news/mwc-funding)
- This summer, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade, a 49-year precedent that protected the freedom to have an abortion. Glen Guyton, the executive director of MC USA, answers the question, “How should we respond?” in his blog “Abortion and the third way” here: [mennoniteusa.org/abortion-third-way](https://mennoniteusa.org/abortion-third-way)

## Prayer Corner

- **Mennonite Mission Network** Kate Widmer, who is serving with Mennonite Mission Network in France, continues to build relationships with children and people fleeing violence in their home countries. Pray that she will receive the documents she needs to live in France long term.
- **Prayers for Faith and Learning (Mennonite Education Agency):** Please pray for the staff of Western Christian School, Salem, OR and their preparations to meet and serve their students.

## Have you donated to the MCC School Kit Fund yet?

Funds are still being collected online and in the morning offering.

## 1 Pedro 4:1-14 (RVR1995)

Ruego a los ancianos que están entre vosotros, yo, anciano también con ellos y testigo de los padecimientos de Cristo, que soy también participante de la gloria que será revelada: <sup>2</sup>apacentad la grey de Dios que está entre vosotros, cuidando de ella, no por fuerza, sino voluntariamente; no por ganancia deshonesta, sino con ánimo pronto; <sup>3</sup>no como teniendo señorío sobre los que están a vuestro cuidado, sino siendo ejemplos de la grey. <sup>4</sup>Y cuando aparezca el Príncipe de los pastores, vosotros recibiréis la corona incorruptible de gloria. <sup>5</sup>Igualmente, jóvenes, estad sujetos a los ancianos; y todos, sumisos unos a otros, revestíos de humildad, porque «Dios resiste a los soberbios, y da gracia a los humildes.» <sup>6</sup>Humillaos, pues, bajo la poderosa mano de Dios, para que él os exalte a su debido tiempo. <sup>7</sup>Echad toda vuestra ansiedad sobre él, porque él tiene cuidado de vosotros. <sup>8</sup>Sed sobrios y velad, porque vuestro adversario el diablo, como león rugiente, anda alrededor buscando a quien devorar. <sup>9</sup>Resistidlo firmes en la fe, sabiendo que los mismos padecimientos se van cumpliendo en vuestros hermanos en todo el mundo. <sup>10</sup>Pero el Dios de toda gracia, que nos llamó a su gloria eterna en Jesucristo, después que hayáis padecido un poco de tiempo, él mismo os perfeccione, afirme, fortalezca y establezca. <sup>11</sup>A él sea la gloria y el imperio por los siglos de los siglos. Amén. <sup>12</sup>Por conducto de Silvano, a quien tengo por hermano fiel, os he escrito brevemente, amonestándoos y testificando que ésta es la verdadera gracia de Dios, en la cual estáis. <sup>13</sup>La iglesia que está en Babilonia, elegida juntamente con vosotros, y Marcos mi hijo, os saludan. <sup>14</sup>Saludaos unos a otros con un beso de amor. Paz sea con todos vosotros los que estáis en Jesucristo. Amén.