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AUGUST IS
FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION
MONTH!



# Salem Lutheran Church "Sharing the love of Christ"

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## Pastor's Corner

August transitions us from summer to fall.

There are summer activities such as swimming, vacations, and the Hardhead Derby. There are the fall activities of shopping for school supplies, figuring out the school routines and the start of school.

The Hardhead Derby puts both of those together with fishing, popcorn and a cake walk with school supply bags and socks. One of the themes for the derby is for every kid to be able to fish. It is free and there are no requirements or restrictions. The same is true for the school supplies and socks. If you need school supplies, take a bag. If you need socks, grab some. It puts Jesus' generosity out front and center.

Thank you for being part of that generosity. One never knows the transition in someone's life that such generosity can bring. Keep up the good work.

Blessings, Pr. Nancy





## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ATTENTION:

the first day of school is August 14, 2023.

On August 13th we will be blessing the backpacks, brief cases, book-bags and totes!

Teachers and ALL Students (college, grad-school, pre-med!) you are invited to bring them to worship to be blessed. After worship, we are having a Back to School Breakfast, "Pot-Luck" style, a sign-up sheet is being passed around during worship.

### HELP NEEDED!

We are looking for Volunteers to help hand out socks during the Hard-head Derby on August 5th. Please ask Pastor for all the details, thank you in advance!

# AUGUST IS SALEM'S TURN TO COLLECT FOR THE LOCAL FOOD PANTRY

## This is what is packed in every bag they give out:

Dry Milk (box with individual packs)

Canned Spinach Pork & Beans

Mixed Vegetables Spam

Dry Beans Canned Carrots
Small Peanut Butter Refried Beans

Mac & Cheese Canned Potatos
Boxed Jello Toilet Paper

Pasta Sauce Bar Soap





# OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

### AUGUST

Time to start thinking about Operation Christmas Shoeboxes! These boxes go all over the world. Some stay here in the USA for children affected by disasters. Please try to include some new socks and a new T-shirt. Hard to believe socks are a big deal.

We have the boxes available after church services on July 23. They will also be available in the church office. The boxes are free of charge. Please pick up one and fill it! Please do NOT include toothpaste, liquids of any kind and NO food. Apparently different countries have different shipping rules.

The boxes are due Nov. 12, 2023.

School supplies are in plentiful supply now. There are so many neat items available. The main items needed in each box are notebook paper, pencils, pencil sharpeners, erasers, pens, crayons, markers, mini-staplers, staples, ruler, glue stick, notepads, highlighters, school scissors, paper clips, and composition books. All children need these supplies. Some are able to go to school for the first time because these items were in their shoebox. We take crayons for granted, but in other countries, crayons are very expensive. Most families cannot afford to buy them, so please include a box in your shoebox. Shipping is \$10.00 per box. You may donate money for shipping if you wish.

It is a lot of fun to go shopping for these items and know they are appreciated and needed.

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## FROM THE SLC COUNCIL

Thank you for your continued support and generousity with all the school supplies for the local Hardhead Derby.

Look at what we have been given so far!

The derby is scheduled for August 5th, so keep them coming and we will get them there!



Next Council Meeting -Sunday, September 10th at 10:00AM.



## "Sharing the Love of Christ" ATTENDANCE:

<u>SUNDAYS of July:</u> <u>02</u> <u>09</u> <u>16</u> <u>23</u> <u>30</u> Worship Service: 53 48 53 38 N/A

## August



4th:: Glenda Franke

13th: Pam Bales

Linda Hahn

Mark Howell

Al Nielsen

26th: Nicholas Yarborough

27th: Wesley Hahn28th: Leigh Burton



August 4th:

Marty & Holly Strakos

August 16th:

Joel & Katie Anderson

August 21st:

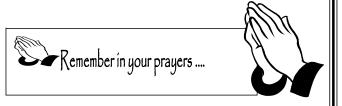
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Please call the church office for any additions or corrections.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

July's offering currently totals - \$17,355. We need roughly \$18,000 per month to meet our monthly expenses.

A complete expense report was not finalized for the August newsletter.



#### **ANSWERED PRAYERS:**

### **NEW PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Ida Rubin Clay Bates Matt Bates Billy Guenther Altus Aschen Harlen Aschen Regina Jordan Keith Ueckert Cathy Raven

Kyle & Paula Boyd-Robertson

#### **CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Jason Bales Tyler Tesch William Witt Oliver Kluna Leah Sparks Nelson Scroggins Ruthie Boyd-Robertson Joyce Schaefer Rita Boudreaux

Cecil Boyd Shelton Albrecht

Deborah Machicek Lloyd Bales

MORADA SENIOR LIVING RESIDENT: Ruth Hahn

### THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY:

Shaughnessy Howell - Assigned in Korea Joe Workman (nephew of Kay Ham)

#### THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES:

Please help us keep our Prayer list up to date and call the church office at 361-552-9379 with Answered Prayers, New prayer concerns or Continued prayer concerns.

Our Prayer list helps us focus on those with specific needs whether they are members, family or friends.