

# The Sonlight

SALEM'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2022 Edition



## From the Heart

Hey Salem Family!

About a month ago I had the opportunity to preach to you all and spoke on finding a rhythm of rest in our lives. This past week I was reading in Mark 1:21-34 which

records what I like to call Jesus's busiest day and it reminds me of where we find our rest. He starts his day teaching in the synagogue, then he casts out a demon. Talk about an exciting church service! After synagogue he goes to Peter's house, maybe for a nice post church lunch and ends up healing Peter's mother-in-law. By now his fame is starting to spread and people want some of that miracle action. Verse 33 says "the whole city was gathered together at the door." He had no time for a Sunday nap that day.

I imagine that if it was any of us in his situation, we would do one of two things. Some of us might grumble the whole time, because we just wanted our Sunday afternoon to go the way we wanted it to. Others might ride the high of a super fruitful day of ministry and look to keep the train rolling while we have the crowds. Yet Jesus does neither. What he does might surprise some of us. "And rising very early in the morning, while it was still dark, he departed and went out to a desolate place, and there he prayed." (v. 35) This was a common habit for Jesus. He often withdrew to deserted places and prayed. He knew that powerful ministry was fueled by purposeful time with the Father and he knew that true rest is found in His presence.

What "crowd" do you need to step away from in order to spend time with God this week? Take time this week to spend time just talking with God. You'll walk away from that more rested.

*Grace be with you,*  
*Mike Cooper*  
*Pastor of Student Ministries*

## Hello Salem Family!

We look forward to worshipping with you this **Sunday, October 2 at 8:30 AM or 11:00 AM.**

***At Salem our mission is to glorify God, make disciples who pursue Jesus, and share His story!***

## DEACON ORDINATION SERVICE

### This Sunday Evening at 6 PM

We will have a deacon ordination service on Sunday, October 2 at 6 PM in the chapel. During the service we will be ordaining 7 new deacons:

Justin Bandholz  
Jeremy Hogan  
George Hucks  
Shane Moore

Frank Navy  
David Wells  
John Zacharias

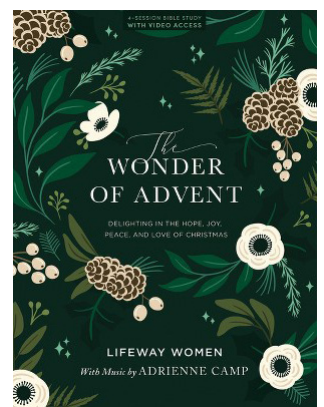
## WOMENS MINISTRY

### New Women's Bible Study Starting October 26

Christmastime is filled with wonder and awe, with memories and festivities. Behind all the beloved traditions of the season is the most wonderful truth of all: Jesus, the Son of God, came to earth once, and He's coming back again. Advent is a time to reflect on the good news of the Christmas story—the hope, joy, peace, and love found in Jesus. Join us for "The Wonder of Advent," a four-session

Bible study that will trace these themes of Advent through the Bible, from God's prophets in the Old Testament to Jesus' return in Revelation. Beginning **Wednesday, October 26 from 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM in Room D124.** Led by Tammy Pressley

Registration is open now in the [Salem Hub \(saalem-bc.org/hub/\)](https://saalem-bc.org/hub/)!



## COMMUNITY

### Church Office Renovation

The church offices at 1205 Salem Church Rd. are closed for renovations. During this time, the displaced support staff will be working from the first floor of Building B and pastoral staff will work remotely.

### New Member's Class

Our next New Member's Class will be held **October 2** starting at **9:40 AM**. Come and learn about what it means to be a member of Salem, including our core beliefs and mission. This class is for adults, but we also offer classes for students and children.

Register in the Salem Hub: [Salem-BC.org/hub](https://Salem-BC.org/hub)

## Get Involved! Missions & Service

### Transportation for West Haven

Mission Apex is looking for individuals who would be willing to help with transporting children/youth from and to West Haven Apartments on Wednesday nights for Salem's Wednesday Night Activities. Currently, 16 children/youth are signed up to come on Wednesday nights. One van can carry 15 individuals. That also includes the driver and assistant. If you are interested in being part of this wonderful team for transportation or need more information, please **contact Debbie Barnes at 919-656-8821**.

### MissionApex Produce Ministry

A thriving produce co-op that delivers fresh and very affordable produce to local communities we serve. This ministry is made possible by the subsidized funding donated by several BFG classes and backed by the missions committee.

Volunteer as often as you'd like to sort and pack produce for delivery in Apex every other Friday from 9:00 – 10:00 AM or 11:30 AM if assisting with delivery. If interested, sign up here: [bit.ly/3Bbqupr](https://bit.ly/3Bbqupr). If you have more questions, contact Pastor Mike or Debbie Barnes.

## HARVEST DAY



### Harvest Day is October 23

Harvest Day is a time when our church celebrates the faithfulness of God and focuses on our vision for the future.

It's a tradition for our church that dates back to when Apex was an agrarian community and the congregation would bring a portion of their harvest in to the church.

We honor that tradition with a special Harvest Day offering each year. This year the offering will go towards renovating classrooms for the Precious Jewels' ministry.

We also share a meal together as a church. Lunch will be provided after the 11AM service in the Fellowship Hall. All church members are invited to attend. If you can, we ask that you bring a dessert to share! (Dessert dishes can be dropped off at the Fellowship Hall before service).

### Volunteers Needed for Harvest Day

It takes many people to make the Harvest Day festivities happen! The Harvest Day Committee is asking for volunteers to help setup and serve in various areas on October 22 and 23. If you are able to help, please sign up **in the Hub ([Salem-bc.org/hub](https://Salem-bc.org/hub))** or using the sign-up form in your BFG folder.

## WOMENS MINISTRY

### Women's Ministry Fall Retreat

Pack your bags! We are headed to Camp Caraway (Asheboro, NC) for a Fall Retreat just for us gals. It begins **Friday November 11 at 3 PM** and ends Sunday November 13 at noon. The retreat includes lodging and meals (except lunches on your own), music, plenty of good fellowship, bonfire with s'mores, and worship sessions nestled in the hills of NC. The focus will be "Blooming Where God Plants Us." Shared rides available.

Cost is \$250 and \$100 deposit is required to hold a spot until November 1.

Registration is open in the [Salem Hub \(salem-bc.org/hub\)](https://Salem-bc.org/hub)!

## SALEM KIDS

**GLORIFYING GOD** by partnering with families in training children to be **DISCIPLES WHO PURSUE JESUS** and teaching them to **SHARE HIS STORY** with the world.

### Family Resource Tables Are Available

Tables with family focused resources are available at the Canopy Entrance of Building C and near the kids check-in station of Building D. Instructions for using the resources are located on the tables.

### SalemKids BFG Volunteers Meeting

On October 16 following the worship service there will be a SalemKids BFG meeting in the fellowship hall. It is only for those who serve during the BFG hour from birth up to fifth grade. It would include regular teachers and subs

### You Are Invited!

SalemKids invites you to join us on mission each Sunday as we glorify God by partnering with families in training children to be disciples who pursue Jesus and teach them to share His story with the world. If you would like to know how you can invest in eternity contact Pastor Jamie at [jhyden@salem-bc.org](mailto:jhyden@salem-bc.org) or call the church office.

Visit the Hub to sign-up at: [Salem-BC.org/hub](http://Salem-BC.org/hub).

### Children's Church Schedule

There will be no Children's Church on **Sunday, October 23** (for Harvest Day) and on **Sunday October 30** (5th Sunday of the month). Children are invited to attend worship with their parents on those days.

## WEEKDAY PRESCHOOL

### Spirit Night at Chipotle

Salem Baptist Preschool is

hosting another spirit night at Chipotle on **Tuesday, October 4 from 4-8 PM**. Chipotle is located at 1081 Pine Plaza Drive, Apex, NC 27523 near Costco. You must show the Chipotle flyer in store or order online for pickup using code **ZPEZRPJ** for SBP to receive credit. Flyers are available at the children's ministry check in desks.

CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER FOR  
**SALEM BAPTIST PRESCHOOL**  
33% OF EVENT SALES GET DONATED TO THE CAUSE

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH | 4-8PM**  
1081 PINE PLAZA DR, APEX, NC, 27523

## STUDENT MINISTRY

### 2022 Student Fall Retreat

We are so excited for Fall Retreat this year! We are returning to Camp Caraway again for the weekend from Friday November 18 through Sunday November 20. We are looking forward to growing in faith together and having awesome worship times. At Camp Caraway we will have free time most of the day on Saturday where you can play bazooka ball, tackle the ropes course, go rock climbing, and meet some new friends! This is a great weekend to join us if you haven't gotten plugged in as we kick-off our new year of Student Ministry. The cost is \$185! Any friends are welcome. We have plenty of room!

Registration is in the Salem Hub: [Salem-BC.org/hub](http://Salem-BC.org/hub)

## PRECIOUS JEWELS

### Helpers Are Needed

We are in critical need of help in the PJ room, especially at the 11:00 hour. It is a great opportunity for couples to volunteer together as well as any others interested!

The Precious Jewels Program is an exciting time on Sunday mornings! During the BFG hour we teach a lesson, do a craft and other activities that support the day's teaching. Helpers sit beside one of our PJ's, help them do their activities and have fun!

At the 11:00 hour, more fun with the PJ's comes with individual time with the PJ's of your choice! You can do whatever they feel like doing such as puzzles, coloring, playing games, throwing the ball, doing puppet shows or just rocking in a chair beside a PJ and reading a book etc.

Before you start you will be properly trained so you will feel safe and comfortable before you volunteer.

Visit [Salem-BC.org/volunteer](http://Salem-BC.org/volunteer) to respond to this and other volunteer opportunities at Salem!

### We Need Volunteers!

You can learn more about a variety of ministries in need of help at Salem by visiting our website at [Salem-BC.org/volunteer](http://Salem-BC.org/volunteer).

## GIVING

### HOW YOU CAN GIVE

If you prefer checks, lock boxes are located in the Multi-Purpose Room for you to place your offering into. You can also mail your contribution to our office address or place it in the lock box located on the side porch of the church office. Please mail checks to:

**1205 Salem Church Road | Apex, NC 27523**

### ONLINE GIVING

To give online, click on [Salem-BC.org/give](https://Salem-BC.org/give), or go to our website and click "Giving" and scroll down to the online giving button.

If you Create an Account, look for emailed instructions on creating a password to sign in to manage your gift.

### TEXT GIVING

Did you know that we have text giving at Salem? Just text **SALEMBCAPEX** to **73256** and follow the prompts.

## STAY CONNECTED

### Contact Us

Please contact one of our pastors or deacons should you, or another member, be in need of prayer or urgent need. You may reach our deacons at [deacons@salem-bc.org](mailto:deacons@salem-bc.org).

#### Pastor Contacts:

Pastor Brian Jennings . . . . [bjennings@salem-bc.org](mailto:bjennings@salem-bc.org)

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*Sonlight, website additions/corrections, ministry promotion.*

Tammy Pressley . . . . . [tpressley@salem-bc.org](mailto:tpressley@salem-bc.org)  
*Weekday preschool questions.*

## This Week at Salem

### Sunday, October 2

8:30 AM	Traditional Worship (MPR)
9:45 AM	BFG Hour ( <a href="https://Salem-BC.org/small-groups">Salem-BC.org/small-groups</a> )
11:00 AM	Contemporary Worship (MPR) also <b>streamed online</b>
11:15 AM	Children's Church (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 PM	Deacon Ordination (Chapel)

### Tuesday, October 4

6:30 PM	Women's Workout Class (MPR)
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### Wednesday, October 5

5:15 PM	Fellowship Meal (Fellowship Hall)
6:15 PM	AWANA Clubs (MPR)
6:30 PM	Pastor's Bible Study (D136)
	Women's Bible Study (D124)
	Wednesday Night Youth (Student Worship Rm)

### Thursday, October 6

7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study (D132)
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## Financial Snapshot: September 25, 2022

	Last Week's Giving: \$22,615.57
	2022 Weekly Budget: \$29,617.29
	August Giving: \$113,227.92
	August Expenses: \$108,513.34
	YTD Giving as of August: \$955,942.89
	YTD Expenses as of August: \$985,306.64
	Planned 2022 YTD Budget: \$1,057,949.86
	Building Debt Retirement Fund (Given Last Week): \$2,817.00



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