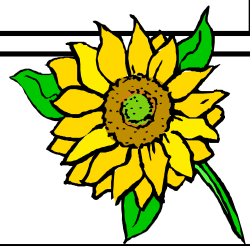
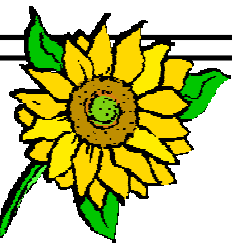


# THE PARISH COMMUNICATOR

NEWSLETTER FOR FALUN/SALEMSBORG LUTHERAN PARISH

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## Pastors notes

*Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.*

*Worship the LORD with gladness;*

*Come into his presence with singing.*

*Know that the LORD is God.*

*It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people,  
and the sheep of his pasture.....*

*For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.*

Psalm 100:1-3, 5

The summer months are upon us. A time when some of us will be busier than ever while others can take it a little easy. A time when harvest of wheat and hay take place, we hope. Summer is a time that just means different things to all of us.

I hope that all of us will remember the words of Psalm 100 as we go about our summer stuff. I hope and pray that we don't forget who is our God. I hope we don't forget who made us and whose we are. We are God's sheep and God has given us good "pasture." A lot of times taking time out for God during the summer months may not enter our minds. Or, it may enter our minds, but there are other things that crowd it out.

We owe God our praise for everything we have! Our LORD is good!!! God's love never fails us and it never ends. It endures forever! During the summer months, and all year, God is always there for us. God never fails us. God was faithful to death on a cross! God was faithful to rise from the tomb! God has promised to walk with us till the end of the age. God is faithful to all generations! When we harvest, when we work, when we play, God is the provider!

I pray that your summer goes well whatever you may be doing. I also pray that all of us remember to give credit where credit is due—to our LORD God whose steadfast love endures forever and whose faithfulness continues on and on and on to all generations! Let's remember to make a joyful noise to the LORD in return for all that God has given us and continues to give us!

God's Peace,  
Pastor Ethan

### Pastor on Vacation

Pastor Ethan and Family will be on vacation from June 3-14th. In case of an emergency, please contact your council president, thanks.

### Special Thanks

The United Youth Group would like to say "Thank You" to everyone who helped make the Taco Bar/Servant Auction a great success! It was a great day with over \$3,000 being raised! The money will go towards UYG events and mission projects. Once again, thank you so much for your support, it is greatly appreciated!!!!

### UYG Campout

The Annual UYG campout is scheduled for July 26th-29th at Lake Kanopolis. If anyone would like to volunteer a boat and driver for those days, the youth group would pay for the fuel. Youth group members, you will be receiving more information about the campout in a future mailing along with a permission slip that will have to be signed by your guardians/parents. If you would like to volunteer a driver and a boat or if you have any other question, please contact a UYG sponsor: Wayne and Nita Kay Carlson, Kendall and Karla Pihl, Joel and Jeri Wimer or Pastor Ethan and Kellie Feistner.

### "Maintenance Monday"

The Salemsborg Church Council decided to begin what they call "Maintenance Mondays." It will be the third Monday of each month that will be set aside to do work around the Salemsborg property. The day will begin at 9:00 am. A list of projects that will need to be done will be in the bulletin the Sunday prior so everyone will know what tools will be needed and what projects need to be done. Volunteers are asked to be good stewards and come to Salemsborg and help take care of the property God has given all of us. **The first "Maintenance Monday" will be June 18th beginning at 9:00 am.** The test period for this idea will be through September. We hope we get a great turn out with great fun had by all! If you have any questions, please contact a council person, thanks

### Salemsborg Lutheran Mission Statement

**"We at Salemsborg have so benefited from the gifts of God's love, peace, strength and joy through Jesus, that we seek to share these same gifts with others in grateful response!"**

### Falun Lutheran Mission Statement

**"As children of God, we strive to love, care for, and inspire one another as we extend the grace of Christ to all."**

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## Congratulations Graduates

Congratulations to all who are graduating this year from Falun/Salemsborg Parish. Those names given to us are:

### Smoky Valley High School

**Darous Allton**--attending K-State in the General Engineering program.

**Ashley Taylor Scott**--attending K-State studying Elementary Education.

**Jordan Nicole Oborg**--attending K-State studying Elementary Education.

### Southeast of Saline

**Clinton MacDonald**--attending K-State on a scholarship studying pre-med and active on track teams.

### K-State University

**Sarah Tjaden** graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design.

### Bethany College

**Ellen Kampfe** receiving her 2nd Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education.

## Parish Vacation Bible School

The Parish Vacation Bible School will be held July 9 --13 at Salemsborg from 6:30 -- 8:30 p.m. The theme this year will be "The Great Bible Reef". Children aged 3 yrs to 6th grade are welcome to attend. If you are interested in teaching or helping with this special event for our young people, please contact Melanie Barnett or Robin Roets.

## Notes from the Choir

I wish to give a big "thanks" to the Salemsborg Adult Choir. You worked long and hard, often going the "extra mile" to give a great performance. If the 2nd season is anything like the first, we can only achieve more. My goal is to give good music the best we have, hoping to give our church service added meaning and enjoyment. Thank you everyone for making my first year here the best! Until we meet again by the river, Kathy Gordon.

## Special Music Needed

We need YOUR talent! We want to provide special music each Sunday this summer. If you have talent, whether it's vocal or instrumental, solo or quartet, trio or duo.....please let us know. My email is [ablegordon@yahoo.com](mailto:ablegordon@yahoo.com) or call me at 785-225-6752, or let any member of the staff know you're interested. Particularly, we know that our young people have enormous talent in so many areas. We want to hear from you!! Thanking you, Kathy Gordon

## Congregational Picture

The congregational picture which was to have been taken in May has been rescheduled for July 22nd. All Falun members should plan to attend.

## Ice Cream Social

An ice cream social sponsored by the Evangelism Committee at Salemsborg will be held at the Fellowship Center on July 15th at 6:30 p.m. A sign up sheet will be placed at the back of the church so folks can sign up for ice cream or cake.

## Parish Pool Party and Potluck

The Parish Pool Party will be held on July 22 from 8-10:00 p.m. at the Lindsborg Pool. Admission will be \$1.00 per person. Prior to swimming, a potluck meal will be held at the park next to the pool beginning at 6:30 p.m. All members of the Parish are welcome and encouraged to attend.

## Joint Parish Service and Potluck

A joint Parish Service will be held at Salemsborg on Sunday, July 29th. Coffee time will be held at 10:00 a.m. and the service at 10:30 a.m. Following worship a true potluck will be held at the fellowship center. Please bring a dish or two to share. Table service and drinks will be provided.

## More Thanks

**Thanks so much** for all your prayers, concern, phone calls and cards. My knee surgery went just fine and took care of the problem. God bless all of you. Dolly Nelson

**Thanks to all** who helped with Red and Vickie Everhardt's house. Your help and kindness are greatly appreciated!

## Food Bank Sunday

Food Bank Sunday is the first Sunday of each month. Below is a list of items suggested as possible donations each month. However, any item you would like to give will be greatly appreciated. A basket is located next to the front door of the church for your convenience.

January--shampoo

February--Ramen Noodles

March--canned meat stew

April--coffee & tea bags

May--sugar

**June--baking mixes**

**July--instant potatoes**

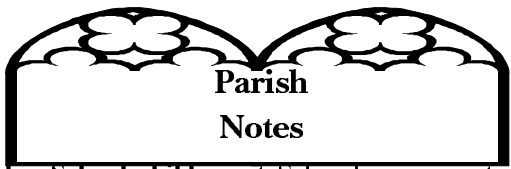
August--dish soap

September--tooth brushes & toothpaste

October--toilet paper

November--salt & pepper

December--laundry soap



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Notes

**The Sunday School children** at Salemsborg presented the Easter mini-musical, "Alive! Alive!" during worship on Sunday, May 6th. Many thanks to the students and all those helping present this musical for us to enjoy!

**Darous Allton** invited all of his church family to his commencement exercises on May 12th at 7:00 p.m. at Presser Hall, Lindsborg, KS., and his luncheon reception at the Salemsborg Lutheran Church Community building May 12th from 11 a.m.--1 p. m. Thank you for all your teaching, guidance and support through my growing years here at Salemsborg Church. Hope to see you there.

**The potluck meal** to honor all the new members at Salemsborg was to have been held Sunday, May 6th, around noon at the Salemsborg Fellowship Center. However, this event was cancelled due to severe flooding in the area.

**The game night** which was scheduled for May 19th at the Salemsborg Fellowship Center has been cancelled. The event has been discontinued for now.

**Clinton MacDonald** invited his Salemsborg family to share in his graduation. Commencement was on Sunday, May 20th at 2:30 p.m. in the S.E.S. Gymnasium. A pre-graduation celebration was held in the Salemsborg Fellowship Center on Saturday, May 19th from 2-4:00 p.m. Thank you, Salemsborg, for your support and the opportunity you have given me over the years. Clinton MacDonald

**Vivian & Ruth Johnson** celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary. They invited the parish to join them for a piece of cake and a cup of coffee on Sunday, May 20th from 2-3:30 p.m. in the Activities Center at Bethany Home. No gifts please. Congratulations!

**Congratulations** to Larry & Ilene Lamer who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on May 20th from 2-4 p.m. at Villa Ro Center in Lindsborg. The Lamers were married on May 29, 1957 at Falun Lutheran Church.

**The Salemsborg Choir** held their annual potluck picnic after church on May 20th at John & Pat Anderson's. The event was for the bells, choir and their families.

**The flowers in front** on May 20th at Falun Lutheran were in memory of Frank Johnson's 90th birthday. They were placed by Seretha Johnson and family.

**Bible Studies** were held at Falun Lutheran on May 6, 13, and 20 at 7:00pm in the evening. Studies were led by Scott Miller.

**Salemsborg** will continue their noisy offering on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Any funds left over after the final completion of the Fellowship Center will be used toward a major maintenance project on the church building.

**The Noisy Offering** at Falun for the month of June/July will be the Food Bank and the United Way.

**If you need to contact** Donna Swanson with information for the bulletin or newsletter, you can call 668-2600 or email her at donlee@hometelco.net. Thanks

**If you would like** to access information regarding Bethany College and/or events taking place there go to [www.bethanylb.edu](http://www.bethanylb.edu) on the web.

Please contact Pastor Ethan or Donna Swanson if there are names that can be removed from our prayer list. Contact them as well if you would like to add someone

We remember in prayer those who have been brought to our attention: Dolly Nelson, Myrl Swanson, Lois Peterson, Mary Holmquist, Ray Applequist, Rosalee Nelson, Anita Neilson and her family, Pete Rickert & family, Michell Lemon's friend, Valerie Rush, the Barnett family, Gerald Walter, Mary Tillberg's aunt, Mindy Graham's mother, Pastor Steven Little, Leigh Heller, Norma Oborg, families grieving a loss, people recovering from surgery, Joan Garman, Bill Robinson, families in conflict, Jay Cromwell, Kathy Sadey, Deb Meyers, Brenda Kent, A.J. Holmquist, Tina Peterson's cousin, Major Sheldon Horsfall, Jade Pihl, Shane Tunison, Janet Rowland, Dean Wahl, Connie Gratney, Diane Williams, Beth Reed, Carolyn Johnson, Marjorie Oleen, Viola Miller, Wayne Goodell, Karen Miller, Rosella Oleen, Irene Dauer and many unspoken requests. If we have forgotten anyone, we apologize. Please let us know so we can include them next time.

**The deadline for August Newsletter Information is Friday, July 20th.**

**Care Boxes for Soldiers**

The Evangelism Committee at Salemsborg is putting together care boxes to be sent to members of the military. A list of items that can be donated for these boxes will be posted at the back of the church. Contact Diana Faribanks for more information.

**The "U" in Jesus**

**Before U were thought of or time had begun,  
God stuck U in the name of His Son.**

**And each time U pray, you'll see it is true,  
You can't spell out JesUs and not include U.**

**You're a pretty big part of His wonderful name,  
For U, He was born; that's why He came.**

**And His great love for U is the reason He died.  
It even takes U to spell crUcified.**

**Isn't it thrilling and splendidly grand,  
He rose from the dead, with U in His plan?**

**The stones split away, the gold trUmpet blew,  
and this word resUrrection is spelled with a U.**

**When JesUs left earth at His upward ascension,  
He felt there was one thing He just had to mention.**

**"Go into the world and tell them it's true,  
That I love them all—Just like I love U"**

**So many great people are spelled with a U,  
Don't they have a right to know JesUs too?**

**It all depends now on what U will do,  
He'd like them to know,  
But it all starts with U**