

September 4, 2022

Sunday, September 4, 10:00 am Worship at Salford and on YouTube Live, Lead Pastor Dave Greiser will preach on Mark 15:42-16:8; *The Beginning*

No Second Hour for Children or Adults during Summer Schedule

Sunday, August 28, 2022

Offering
\$8,435

ACH Electronic

Offering
\$1,915

Vanco Online Offering
\$994

**Total Budget Offering
\$11,344**

Future Salford Events

September 11 – Start of new Second Hour Year, Worship 9:30 am, Second Hour 10:45 am

September 24 – 25 – Gardening For Peace Event at Salford

October 30 – Ordination of Maria Hosler Byler

If you have information or prayer requests for our newsletter, please submit this to the church office by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoon.

If you would like to receive this newsletter by email, please submit

An Update from the Path Forward Design Team, 9/2/22

The Path Forward Design Team has prepared another video update for the congregation.

You can access the video, transcript of the video, past videos and transcripts and all the information related to the Path Forward Process on the Salford website here: <http://www.salfordmc.org/path-forward.html>

Fall Schedule & Second Hour Classes begin September 11th

On September 11th we return to our regular schedule of worship at 9:30 am followed by Second Hour for all ages beginning at 10:45 am. There will be a bulletin insert next week describing our continuing Second Hour options and a few exciting new Second Hour options for you to consider.

Also on September 11th we eagerly anticipate welcoming seven new members at Salford. Please plan to be here to join in with all the exciting things happening at Salford as we strive to be followers of Jesus and his hands and feet in this world!

Table Fellowship Groups for Fall

This fall we are offering an opportunity for all congregational members and participants to join a table fellowship group. Being “at the table” is a powerful way to meet God and each other. Around a table we share food and conversation, we can make simple time for praying together and encouraging and serving each other. Around a table we are able to *connect* more deeply with God and each other, *grow* in our relationships and in our faith, and *serve* together in basic ways. ***We are encouraging as many congregational members and participants as possible to Come to the Table.*** The hope is for these groups to meet 3 times between October and December. While we know some previous table fellowships are still meeting, our goal is to form new groups for a season as we embrace new members of the congregation and others who have started attending Salford since our last congregation-wide table fellowship groups met. You can sign up by filling out a bulletin insert and returning it to the church office, or you can complete an online form by clicking [here](#).

This Sunday, September 4, 2022 is the last Sunday to sign up for a fall Table Fellowship Group.

This Week at Salford

Monday, September 5

Church and Child Care Offices closed for the Labor Day Holiday.

Wednesday, September 7

8:30 am Sewing Circle (Gathering Room)

Sunday, September 11

9:30 am Salford Worship Indoors and Streamed on YouTube Live
Preaching: Dave Greiser

your email address to alderferb@salfordmc.org

10:45 am Second Hour for all Ages

Our Church Family

Prayer Concerns

- For **Dave Greiser** who is anticipating a knee replacement this fall, that he would have relief from pain and swelling until then.
- For **Sanford Alderfer** who was moved to Skilled Nursing at Peter Becker following a fall and fractured hip. Pray for peace and comfort as he adjusts to his new space.
- For all who are **Caregivers** pray for strength and peace and wisdom in decision-making.
- For **the people of Pakistan** as they experience unprecedented flooding which has damaged homes, roads, crops, and lives.
- All Mosaic congregations are invited to pray for the work of **Peace Proclamation Ministries International**, a Conference-Related Ministry of Mosaic Conference. Currently, Pastor Paulus and Sumatha Thalathoti are leading a mission team in India with PPMI. Pray for relationships that are being developed and for people to be receptive to Jesus in their lives.

Anniversary Blessings...

To **Glenn & Elizabeth Frederick**, who celebrates their 62nd wedding anniversary on September 10, 2022.

Cesar & Mimi Marin send their greetings and prayer concerns from their ministry in Mexico. You can read their [updates here](#). Salford supports Cesar & Mimi's ministry in Mexico with Global Mission funds from the church budget.

Service & Mission

Donation of the Month for September - Campbell's Chunky & Progresso Soups: Basic flavors, some gluten free soups & broths. NO CAMPBELL'S CHICKEN NOODLE OR TOMATO SOUP, PLEASE Cereals: Any type, preferably low sugar and some gluten free, Oatmeal – packages or containers.

Donations can be placed on the donation of the month table by the infant nursery in the main foyer.

Justice. & Peace Ministry Team

Gardening for Peace

September 24, 2022

Salford Mennonite & Advent Lutheran Church



The Justice and Peace Committee needs support from volunteers. There is significant set up, preparation and clean up for the GARDENING for PEACE event. Volunteers can sign up on Sunday. Simply, stop by the G4P table set up in the lobby.

For those of you that are sending out postcards to families here is a list of children's activities. These activities are planned and organized during the workshop hours. In short, if parents want to attend the workshops, we have organized fun activities for the children.

Activities planned for children entering 1st – 6th grade. Use the Gardening for Peace event registration form to sign up!

Fun games and activities planned, including:

Peace Catapult game, Pollinator Activity, Bees and Flowers game, Salsa

making, Scarecrow making, Water relay game

Garden update, 9/1/22: Greetings fellow gardeners, these last 2 weeks have seen the tomato harvest peak for the season. Over the past 7 days we have harvested over 2,000 lbs. of tomatoes. That's a TON of tomatoes. Last Saturday we harvested over 600 lbs. and on Tuesday I harvested over 600 lbs. again, in fact it was 606 lbs. PRAISE GOD FOR WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW>>>>Oh that is a different 606. Boy is my back soar! Not sure why so many ripened so quickly at the same time, but we have homes for all of them. The deer have found the garden again and have been square dancing their way through the red beets and new string beans MUNCH MUNCH MUNCH, They also like our sweet potato leaves for dessert. This week I had to treat the cabbage, cauliflower and broccoli for cabbage moth caterpillars. They were having a real banquet on our new plants. Always something wanting to eat our garden. The pole beans and a lot of the new string beans are flowering and soon we will have new string beans ready for harvest. This week Zucchini, Lima beans, Green and hot peppers will be on the menu.

We are all very saddened by the news of Linda Johnson's passing. Her husband Harry has been a volunteer at the garden for many years. Linda and Harry are members at Advent. Each week after our break time we always have a closing prayer and for the past year Linda and Harry have been included in those prayers. We will continue to remember Harry as Linda is laid to rest this time with no pain or discomfort. Thank you to all who help with this mission Blessing to all of you. Steve, 215-872-6616 rsblank@verizon.net

Garden Produce Recipes

We thought it would be fun to feature recipes using Salford/Advent garden produce. We will feature one recipe each week. Please submit your favorite recipe featuring garden produce grown in the Salford/Advent garden (past or present) to Church Administrator Brad Alderfer and we will publish as appropriate. We may assemble them for a Salford/Advent garden recipe collection at a later time.

Cheese-Stuffed Jalapenos, submitted by Brad & Sonni Alderfer

6 ounces cream cheese, softened
1 cup grated sharp cheddar or cheddar/monterey jack blend cheese
Coarse sea salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
12 jalapeno peppers, halved lengthwise, ribs and seeds removed

Preheat oven to 450 degrees. In a bowl, mix cream cheese and cheddar, season with salt and pepper. With a small spoon, fill each jalapeno half with 1 tablespoon cheese mixture. Place peppers on a non-stick baking sheet until cheese is brown and bubbly, about 10 minutes. Let cool slightly before serving. Serves 4-6.

Faith Formation Spotlight

Lunchbox Blessings: If you'd like 30 notes (affirmations, jokes, and blessings) to include in your kid's (or grandkid or friend's) lunchbox this year, let Jenn know! She'll put a copy in your mailbox. Copies are also available at the Welcome Center.

September "Taste the Story" Activity from Building Faith: This month you are invited to read the story of Ezekiel being asked by God to swallow a scroll, reflect on God's presence in laughter, and make crepes! Check it out here: <https://www.buildingfaithfamily.com/ezekiels-scroll.html>

Junior and Senior MYF Parent and Family Contact List. If you have not been receiving messages and updates from Pastor Andrew regarding the Junior and Senior Mennonite Youth Fellowships and would like to be added to the contact list,

please email him at zetsa@salfordmc.org with your name and e-mail address.

Kids' Club will be starting once again in October for children in grades 1-5. Kids' Club is held once a month from October through May. Look for upcoming emails and notices in the Salford Newsletter. Any questions, email **Melissa Heise** at mheise@eastern.edu.

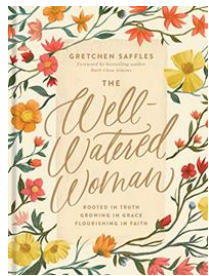
Church Library Spotlight

The church library has purchased many new books in recent weeks. Stop by and speak with a librarian to see what's new, or review the library catalogue on the Salford church website <https://smck-ind.kari.opalsinfo.net/bin/home>

Here is a sampling of new materials:

The Well-Watered Woman: Rooted in Truth, Growing in Grace, Flourishing in Faith By Gretchen Saffles

Discover the bottomless, refreshing Well of God's Word—and experience a fullness and peace beyond your circumstances. In the chaos of our everyday, it can be difficult to live out and apply the truths of Scripture. We want more of Jesus, but we find ourselves looking to our own lives and accomplishments for our worth and identity. And while that may buoy us for a time, we're often left feeling dried up, discouraged, and longing for more.

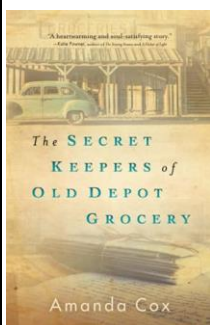


Gretchen Saffles knows what it's like to feel overwhelmed and unable to flourish. In *The Well-Watered Woman*, Gretchen leads us to the Well of fullness, the Word of freedom, and the Way of fruitfulness. She teaches that God's Word will satisfy us for all

eternity.

Using Scripture and her own personal story of surrender, Gretchen offers spiritually hungry women tangible tools to not only know Jesus more but to live a life that thoroughly enjoys Him, seeks Him, and follows Him into freedom.

The Secret Keepers of the Old Depot Grocery by Amanda Cox



Present Day. After tragedy plunges her into grief and unresolved anger, Sarah Ashby returns to her childhood home determined to finally follow her long-denied dream of running Old Depot Grocery alongside her mother and grandmother. But when she arrives, her mother, Rosemary, announces to her that the store is closing. Sarah and her grandmother, Glory Ann, make a pact to save the store, but Rosemary has worked her entire life to make sure her daughter never follows in her footsteps. She has her reasons--but she'll certainly never reveal the real one.

1965. Glory Ann confesses to her family that she's pregnant with her deceased fiancé's baby. Pressured into a marriage of convenience with a shopkeeper to preserve the family reputation, Glory Ann vows never to love again. But some promises are not as easily kept as she imagined.

This dual-timeline story from Amanda Cox deftly explores the complexity of a mother-daughter dynamic, the way the secrets we keep shape our lives and the lives of others, and the healing power of telling the truth.

News & Notes

All Salford friends at the Souderton Mennonite Home please join us for our monthly gathering on **Monday September 12 from 7-8** in the Friendship Room. Questions? Call Karen at 215.237.7367. Hope to see you there!

The fall edition of **Rejoice Devotional** has been placed at the welcome center for anyone who is interested.

A few weeks ago **Mosaic Conference** published [this update](#) following the 2021 misconduct allegations at Dock Mennonite Academy. Salford also received a letter from Doylestown Mennonite Church about the conference's response. Salford leadership are in conversation about what next steps Salford might take as we relate closely with both Mosaic Conference and Dock. Feel free to reach out to the pastors if you would like to speak more about this.

Hiring a new Music Director: Rod Derstine will be retiring from the Music Director position on September 25. As we search for a new music director, we would like to consider candidates from within the congregation. If you are interested in this position or have someone to recommend, please contact [Dave Greiser](#) by September 19.

We are in need of a **Nursery Ministry Team Chair** for a small amount of coordination to keep the nursery running. This is a simple position which is vital to our welcome of young families. **Would you be this person, or recommend someone?** Please contact [Maria Hosler Byler](#) as soon as possible. This position requires a couple hours per month of coordinating and does not include creating the nursery schedule.

Joe Landis will lead a book discussion on Shane Claiborne's book **Beating Guns: Hope for People Who Are Weary of Violence** in Gospel Herald on 9/11 and 9/28. All are invited. Books are available now at the welcome desk.

Beyond Salford

Ripple is having a **Silent Auction** on September 24, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm at First Presbyterian Church of Allentown (3231 Tilghman St, Allentown, PA 18104). The proceeds from the auction will go toward the capital campaign for purchasing the building. The auction will take place both in-person and online. If you would like to donate items, please contact the pastors at 484-602-5038 or ripplepastors@gmail.com.

All are invited to **Frederick Living's Fall Festival** on Saturday, October 8 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. This family-friendly event features games and fall crafts for children, activities for adult, a costumed pet parade plus food and entertainment. Bring a canned good for the Salvation Army or pet food for Animal House. For more information, call 610-754-7878.

You're invited to the **MEDA Global Farm Party** at Spring Creek Farm (near Peddler's Village) on October 9 from 12:00 to 5:00 pm rain or shine. This event is free, and will offer interactive, hands-on activities for all ages, live music – including The Brunners, local and international food, hayrides and much more. Learn more at meda.org/farmparty.