



June 16, 2024

Sunday, June 16, 10:00 am Worship at Salford and on YouTube Live, Guest Preacher Kerry Hasler-Brooks will preach on Ezekiel 17:22-24

No Second Hour during Summer Season

Emmaus Road Sermon Discussion Class will be meeting following worship in the Church Library. Interested in talking about the sermon? The Emmaus Road group welcomes all.

June 9, 2024

Offering
\$4,885
ACH Electronic
Offering
\$1,980
Vanco Online Offering
\$4,079
Total Budget Offering \$10,944
Children's Offering: \$33

Future Salford Events

June 16 – Summer Worship Schedule Begins, 10:00 am worship start time and no Second Hour
June 16 – 20 – Peace Camp at Salford
July 7 – Monthly Communion
July 20 – 27 – Youth Service Trip to Healthy Ninos Honduras
July 28 – Annual

Peace Camp Will Welcome Over 60 Campers, Guided by 15 Youth Helpers and Many Wonderful Volunteers

The Peace Camp team invites your prayer this week as we welcome around 60 elementary schoolers, from Sunday to Thursday, around 40 from outside the congregation. During Peace Camp, campers follow the peaceable way of Jesus while playing and working together, engage in meaningful activities that teach conflict resolution skills and cooperation, foster awareness of self and others as beloved children of God and gifted persons, and cultivate confidence to work for peace, to appreciate differences, learn about injustices, and strengthen our care for God's creation.

Along with the usual favorites like cooperative games, thoughtful art projects, rock painting, and time in the garden and planting flowers for the Peace with Creation groups, there will be a few new additions this year.

These include inviting families to bring in items for the Keystone Opportunity Center summer food bags, and assembling the bags during Thursday's celebration, as well as some groups learning about and sending greetings to the Prometheus School for Special Needs in Zaporizhia, Ukraine.

Many thanks to the wonderful team of teachers, station leaders, helpers, youth and amazing kitchen team who will work diligently to prepare dinner for nearly 100 people each of the five nights. Next Sunday 6/23 during children's time we'll celebrate Peace Camp with a slideshow. On that Sunday, make sure to check out the area up front to see the painted rocks and prayers that various groups created, and the zinnias planted near the sign up Groffs Mill Road!

Welcoming the Child

This Sunday we have Welcoming the Child. It is a time for prayerful blessing and thoughtful commitment for the families and our community. We are thrilled to welcome 6 children to our Salford Community: **Eli Alderfer, Maisie Musselman, Ivan Sigmans, Grant Sigmans, Theo Williamson, and Sylis Zickefoose.** Please join us in celebrating and praying for these children and their families.

June/July Summer Outdoor Fellowship Opportunities

Throughout the summer we will have some informal fellowship and faith formation opportunities. **People of all ages are welcome to these gatherings!**

Opportunity #1: Informal bring-your-own picnic lunch after worship in the Grove at Salford—**July 7 & 21**

Opportunity #2: Wednesday outdoor potlucks with the [Soil and the Seed Project](#) Music & Liturgy from 5:30-8pm

June 26: Linda & Vernon Martin's Home

July 17: Bev & Dwight Alderfer's Home

July 31: Julie & Dean Wimmer's Home

Outdoor Worship and Fellowship Picnic
August 4 – Youth Reporting from Service Trip after Worship

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 your email address to alderferb@salfordmc.org

After eating, we will share in the interactive Soil and Seed liturgy, followed by free time. Friends from outside Salford are more than welcome!

Questions? Contact Jenn or Pastor Andrew.

This Week at Salford

Monday, June 17

5:00 pm Peace Camp

Tuesday, June 18

5:00 pm Peace Camp

7:00 pm Church Board Meeting (Friendship Room)

Wednesday, June 19

5:00 pm Peace Camp

Thursday, June 20

5:00 pm Peace Camp

Sunday, June 23

10:00 am Salford Worship Indoors and Streamed on YouTube Live

Preaching: Karen Bergey

No Second Hour on Summer Schedule

Our Church Family

Prayer Concerns

- For Carolyn Boyd who is home recovering from a more extensive back surgery than anticipated. Pray for a quick recovery.
- For **John Detweiler** who had a procedure at Jefferson on Friday. Please pray for a good recovery.
- For **Rose Martin** who moved into her apartment at Frederick Living early this week. Pray for an easy adjustment.
- For **Peace Camp** beginning this Sunday evening: For the 40+ Salford youth and adults supporting the program and for the over 60 campers registered. Nearly 40 of these campers are from outside our congregation. Pray as the leaders seek to answer Jesus' call to peacemaking by teaching conflict resolution, celebration of each person's unique gifts, care for creation, and ideas to address injustice.
- All congregations in Mosaic Conference are invited to pray for **Philadelphia Praise Center's and Salford's (Harleysville, PA) Peace Camps**, which begin this week, for the planning of **Ripple Church and Whitehall** (Allentown, PA) summer Garden Celebration in August, along with all congregations planning Vacation Bible Schools and camp experiences this summer.

Birthday Blessings...

To **Harlan Anders**, who celebrates his 89th birthday on June 17th, and to **Wilbur Bauman**, who celebrates his 81st birthday on June 21st.

Service & Mission

Donation of the Month for June – Kid Friendly Summer Food Bags for children facing food insecurity over the summer, to be distributed by Keystone Opportunity Center. In a large, reusable tote, please include...

- **Peanut Butter and Jelly**
- **Pudding or Fruit Cups**
- **6 pack Applesauce**
- **2 Chicken or Tuna Salad Kits**
- **2 Hormel Ready to Eat Meals**

- **Goldfish Crackers or Popcorn**
- **Microwave Mac and Cheese**
- **Juice Box (6-8 pack)**
- **Breakfast Cereal**
- **2 Cans of SpaghettiOs**
- **1 box of Granola Bars**
- **Box of Fruit Snacks**

Let's feed kids in need this Summer! Filled totes can be placed at the table by the infant nursery.

Support the MYF's Service Trip in Honduras!

The Senior MYF is traveling to Central America with Healthy Niños Honduras from **July 20-27**. We would love the congregation's support in three main ways.

1. Pray for us as we prepare for our trip and while we are away. Pray for our safety and the openness to experience the presence and movement of God in a new context.
2. Join us after the Sunday service on **August 4** in the Fellowship Hall for a time of sharing. We will have coffee and treats and the service team members will share their experiences in Honduras with small groups.
3. Donate items for us to take with us to the villages to give as gifts to the children and families we work with. Suggested items are listed below, can be dropped off at the welcome center, and should be donated no later than **July 15**.

Items Include:

- School supplies
 - Color pencils, crayons, markers
 - Coloring books
 - Pencils
 - Paper (Construction, drawings, lined)
 - Small backpacks or drawstring bags
- Deflated soccer balls (that we'll pump up once we arrive in Honduras)

*Any donated items we cannot transport to Honduras will be located to schools in our area this fall

Salford/Advent Garden Update, June 13,

Greetings fellow gardeners, this past week we ramped up our harvesting with Zucchini. Last Saturday we removed the insect netting from the zucchini, and it has been non-stop ever since. Around 30 lbs. harvested this week. Our early broccoli is finished, but the later broccoli is just starting the grow heads. Walking through the garden I noticed our early cabbage has some nice heads and maybe next week we harvest cabbage. Red beets will be on the menu this Saturday. We will remove the netting from the cucumbers and eggplant. I was able to start trimming some of the tomato plants. The corn seed from Oklahoma I planted has sprouted WOOHOO! It looks to be hot next week so I will be running water. The garden has been the center of many wonderful events to celebrate. This year is no exception. Two of our volunteers got married last week! Lewis Leiterman and Taylor (Tess) Strayer tied the knot and then came over to the garden to have pictures taken under the garden wedding trellis! Tess is the daughter of Gary and Sharon Strayer. Tess has been a volunteer ever since her Mom dragged her to the garden when she was in high school. When Tess met Lewis, she brought him along many Saturday mornings. Lewis is the Chef and co-owner of Rivertown Taps. A restaurant in Phoenixville. His time is focused on running a successful business, so his garden time is limited but he still is a big supporter of the garden. Congratulations and many blessings to our happy couple. Steve, rsblank@verizon.net 215-872-6616

Cards and posters to be available Sunday, June 16, to Support Students with Special Needs in Ukraine

On Transfiguration Sunday, Feb 11, 2024, Lisa Yoder, volunteer teacher and artist for the Hilltop second hour class designed an outline and Laura Stalter, Wendell Anders, David Fox, and volunteers, attached the tissue paper to the poster Lisa created. The "Be Transformed" art from this project has now been printed onto blank notecards and 18"x24" posters.

These cards and posters will be available of sale at Salford, This Sunday, June 16:

- **8 printed notecards (blank inside) will be available for \$12/pack**
- **18"x24" posters will be available for \$20/each**

This is an initiative of the Justice & Peace and Accessibility Ministry Teams, and the Hilltop class as a fundraiser for the Prometheus special needs school for children in Zaporizhzhia, Ukraine. Read more the special needs school, the students and activities see the Justice and Peace web page:

[Be Transformed Hilltop Art Fundraiser](#)

Mosaic Conference Spotlight

Mosaic Mennonite Conference has released a video update from the **Pathway Process Steering team**. "Our team is faithfully meeting several times a month. We're having hard, honest and caring conversations." You may view the [Pathway Steering Team video here](#).

Conference Executive Minister Steve Kriss also offers words of reflection [here on the fourth Anniversary of Mosaic Mennonite Conference](#).

Accessibility Spotlight

Young Adult Connections for those with Autism: Find events at: 1) PA Family Network, Vision For Equality: pafamilynetwork.org/events. 2) Autism-Friendly Activities in PA: belikebuddy.com 3) PAAutism.org, an ASERT Autism Resource Guide 4) FAN Club at Plains Mennonite 5) Calvary Church in Souderton [Wednesday night Bridge group](#) 6) [So Much to Give Inspiration Studio events and Nights Out](#)

Faith Formation Spotlight

Summer 2024 Faith Formation Practices Bingo

All are invited to use [this bingo card](#) to help spur some spiritual practices together as a family that help us draw closer to God, each other, creation, and our communities.

Printed copies were placed in mailboxes for families aged 5th grade and under. Contact Jenn for additional paper copies, or download a digital copy linked above.

Share your progress with others. Return your card at the end of the summer and we'll recognize all that we practiced together.

Families are encouraged to join the **Salford families WhatsApp group** to share their experiences (and photos) and also join in for parenting conversations. Contact Jenn Svetlik to get the invite link.

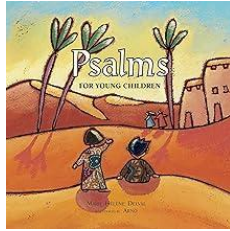
Plains Mennonite is hosting a Storytime in Plains Park at 11am on June 25th. Shayk Anwar Muhammed of the Black Reserve Bookstore in Lansdale will be reading stories to the community. A free book will be handed out to the first 15

families as well as snacks for all!

Church Library Spotlight

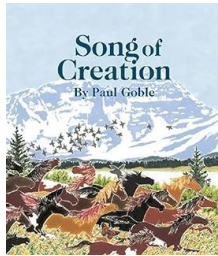
The church library has purchased many new books in recent weeks. Stop by and speak with a librarian to see what's new, or review the library catalogue on the Salford church website <https://smck-ind.kari.opalsinfo.net/bin/home>

Psalms for Young Children By: Marie-Helene Delval



The Psalms describe a whole range of emotions, from joy and wonder to sadness and regret. This collection of Psalms, paraphrased for young readers, uses simple yet powerful imagery to help children express their feelings. DONATED

Song of Creation By: Paul Goble



“Birds pray, trees pray, flowers pray, mountains pray, the winds and rain pray, rivers and the little insects pray as well. The whole earth is in constant prayer, and we can join with its great prayer,” says award-winning author and illustrator Paul Goble. Every element of creation — from the magpie to the minnow — glorifies God in its own way in this bold and brightly illustrated work, adapted from The Book of Common Prayer. Goble invites readers to join with the land and the animals in singing praise to

God. DONATED

News & Notes

It was great to see so many Salford people at Lansdale Pride – come and see the messages of hope and support we collected! They are hanging behind the Welcome Desk.