

# The Bugle

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 SUNDAY  
 IN LENT  
 Turning to Love

## Easter Flowers

We invite you to add to the spirit of celebration and victory that is experienced by all Christians on Easter by placing a Spring flower in Salem's Chancel on Easter morning.



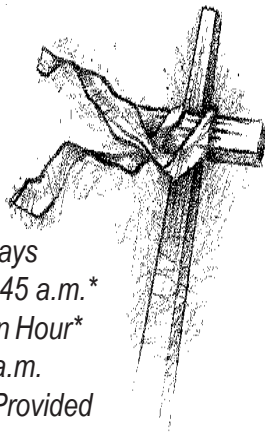
This year we will have a variety of Spring flowers - lilies, azaleas, mums, begonias and more. We hope this will add to the festive experience of Easter morning. To order your flower(s) for the Salem Chancel Memorial Garden, please complete the order form that was in the Lenten mailing and is available in the pew racks. The cost for each flower is \$12.00 and must be paid with the order. So that acknowledgments can be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin, orders must be received in the church office no later than Friday, March 26.

## Way of the Cross

Catekids will present the annual Way of the Cross performance on Palm Sunday, March 28, between services, and again on Good Friday morning at 10:30 a.m. We will start in the Sanctuary and make our way around the church to listen to the stories and enact different scenes from the week of Christ's passion.



## Worship With Us



Sundays  
8:00 & 10:45 a.m.\*  
Education Hour\*  
9:15 a.m.  
\*Nursery Provided

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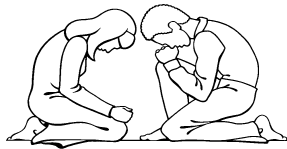
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## Thank you from ...

...Marjorie Fanning - "Thanks to the first and second graders and to the young-at-heart Salem folks for the cheerful valentines and candy. I read the cards to Bill so he enjoyed them too. Also, thanks for my birthday calls and cards, making it a happy day."



## ON BENDED KNEE

Have you experienced the Easter Prayer Vigil? If not, why not try it this year? Sign-ups begin Sunday, March 14, and continue through Maundy Thursday, April 1. The Easter Prayer Vigil will begin on Good Friday, April 2, at 9:00 p.m. and continue until Easter morning, April 4, ending at 12:00 a.m. We need people to both pray and monitor the doors. If you are interested, please sign up for a 1 hour time slot to pray or a 2 hour slot to monitor the doors. If you are a couple signing up you might want to take a 2 hour slot and trade prayer time and door monitor time. We would also like to encourage everyone to submit prayer requests for the vigil. These will be placed in Faith Chapel for participants to use as they pray. There will be meditation music and materials available for you to use as you spend time in prayer. Mark your calendars now and sign up in the Gallery for prayer time.

## Prayer Requests

...Dick Peterson and family on the death of his mother Jean  
...The Passie family  
...Lois McRaven (sister of Janet Jones) - lung disease  
...Brice Turner - deployed to Afganistan  
...Salem members celebrating their birthday this week  
...Our country and those defending it  
...Those of our congregation serving in the military

To add your prayer concern to the Prayer Chain (or to join the Prayer Chain) please contact Norma Hartman at 682-6782 or send an e-mail to:  
[nkhartman@comcast.net](mailto:nkhartman@comcast.net), or  
[prayerchain@salemofpeoria.com](mailto:prayerchain@salemofpeoria.com).

# Census Reminder

The 2010 Census is more than a count of everyone in the United States; it will shape the future of our community. Faith-based organizations use Census data to apply for grants that fund important programs and initiatives. In addition, community services that you depend on are made possible by funding based on Census data.

The 2010 Census is safe and easy! A new short form includes only 10 questions for each individual in the household, taking approximately 10 minutes per person to complete. The information cannot be shared with anyone, including federal agencies and law enforcement.

You will receive a Census Questionnaire by mail in the middle of March. Complete and mail back your Census Questionnaire in the postage paid envelope by the beginning of April, 2010. Taking just a few minutes to fill out the 10 questions on the Census Questionnaire will lead to better healthcare, schools, roads, public transportation, community services, and more.



## The Armor of God

Our March theme is **Praying in the Spirit.**

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication --



Ephesians 6:17

Read Luke 18:1 - Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.

## Tri-M Dinner Theatre

Adults of Salem are invited to a terrific dinner and a night of guaranteed laughs as Tri-M attends the Conklin Dinner Theatre presentation of "Shady Business". The event is Saturday, March 27, and tickets are \$35 per person, which includes dinner and the show. The Salem bus will leave church at 5:30 p.m., the dinner buffet is from 6:30 p.m. till 7:30 p.m., and the show starts at 8:00 p.m. Contact Suzanne Ellis at (309)243-5719 for more information.



## Spring Work Day

Please plan to lend a hand on Spring Work Day, Saturday, April 17. The Churchmen will serve breakfast beginning at 7:30 a.m. and work will be from 8:00 a.m. until noon. A sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Center in the Gallery.



### February YTD Giving

Actual	\$104,167
Budget	\$100,109
Ahead/(Behind)	\$ 4,058

**WRITE NOW!** pen pal letters are due Sunday, March 14.

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED



**SALEM FAMILY**

Growing People in Christ



## March 17

6:30 a.m. -- Lenten Prayer Breakfast and Study at Salem with Grace and Peace Lutheran Church; topic - "How do we handle the Pain?"

11:00 a.m. -- Worship Service\* using traditional Morning Matins with Holy Communion; lunch served afterwards

1:00 p.m. -- Seniors' Movie -- Finnian's Rainbow

6:00 p.m. -- Soup Supper hosted by Lydia Circle

7:00 p.m. -- Worship Service\* using Marty Haugen's Evening Prayer with Holy Communion

\* "The God of the Second Chance"  
- Jonah 3:1-4 - presented by Dave Griffith

*Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin. Psalm 32:5*



**Daylight Savings  
Time begins  
Sunday, March 14**

## Larry Olson at Salem

Mark your calendar for Sunday, March 21, as Larry Olson returns to Salem to share his music and lead both worship services.