Mission Statement

The mission of Salem Walmers Union Church is to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ and minister to the communities in and around the Indiantown Gap area, as well as the entire body of the Christian church. Our mission involves creating and maintaining a place where people of all types and backgrounds can be nurtured and discipled into faith in the Trinity of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We will accomplish this by staying true to our heritage, history, style of worship and study, and the simple values of honesty, hard work, faithfulness, humor, financial support and dedication that have kept us going since our founding. We pledge our lives to the support of our leaders and pastors, in covenant with each other, and Jesus Christ our Lord, to demonstrate and share our experiences and faith with all those we come into contact with now and in our future. Amen.

Historic Salem Walmers Church January 11, 2015

Epiphany, noun: plural noun: epiphanies
1. the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles as represented by the Magi (Matthew 2:1–12). the festival commemorating the Epiphany on January 6. a manifestation of a divine or supernatural being.
Church Directories Are Still Available for $24 Each. Contact Dottie Krall

Cookbooks for Sale
See any Sunshine Class Member

Guys NIGHT Out

The Next Guys Nite Out will be on February 2nd and will be at 7pm at Moose’s LZ on the edge of the Gap. All Guys and their Gals are invited.

Ash Wednesday Service
7:30 pm on February 10th

SAFE ZONE
How can we help you?

SARCC
Sexual Assault Resource & Counseling Center
visit http://www.salemwalmers.com/compassion-corner-do-you-need-help/ for more information, or ask any member to forward your information to Pastor Bob.

new members class
April 2016

Please Don’t Forget

SAFE CHURCH PRACTICES
We’re searching for Volunteers

What is God calling you to do? Teach, Acolyte, Read, Sing, VBS, Something else? Whatever it is, you owe it to God to use your talents. Please contact Pastor Bob for your opportunity.

Do you have old treasures gathering dust in your closets? DONATE them to the Church, and we will sell them on ebay! One man's trash is another's treasure.
All monies go to the church.
The Bible says to do unto others as others have done unto you...

Okay then, here goes!

DO UNTO OTHERS

HAVE THEM

Do unto YOU

Walmer’s Church Meets and Prays Together Every Tuesday 6pm In The Church Basement. All People That Pray Are Welcome! All Prayer Concerns Are Addressed. (Please Contact Kathy Steiner For Additional Information)
For 2016, The Dutch Dispatch will no be published according to the Church Seasons instead of monthly. You can expect the following editions:

EPIPHANY (this issue)
LENT
EASTER
RESURRECTION/PENTECOST
ORDINARY
HARVEST HOME/WWCS
ADVENT
CHRISTMAS

As always we welcome your feedback on the changes.

Epiphany is an ancient church festival celebrating the magi’s visit to the Christ Child (Matthew 2:1-12). It is kept on January 6. Epiphany is also called “Three Kings’ Day” and “Twelfth Day”—the latter name because January 6 is twelve days after Christmas; the eve of Epiphany is called “Twelfth Night.” It is celebrated mainly in Orthodox, Catholic, Anglican, and other liturgical churches. The word epiphany means “manifestation” or “revelation.” Thus, the holiday celebrates the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles, represented by the magi (see Simeon’s prophecy in Luke 2:32). For some, Epiphany also commemorates the baptism of Jesus (Luke 3:21-22) and His turning water into wine (John 2:1-11)—manifestations of Christ’s divinity to the world.

Pastor Office Hours
Pastor Bob is in his study in the church basement every Thursday from 4pm - 6pm. You can enter by parking around back and coming to the back door of the basement. Other appointment times available upon request.
To Contact Pastor Bob
717-215-3328 salemwalmers@hotmail.com

Meet in Pastor Bob’s Office
January 17th and 31st
February 14th
IF YOU EVER GET CAUGHT SLEEPING AT WORK, JUST SLOWLY RAISE YOUR HEAD AND SAY "IN JESUS' NAME I PRAY"

JUST BECAUSE I CAN!
BABY J AND HIS FATHER

HENRIETTA PROVIDES US WITH EGGS AND WHEN SHE STOPS LAYING, WE'LL EAT HER.

PICKING UP ANOTHER DOZEN EGGS, HENRIETTA?

... and that is WHY the chicken crossed the road.

WINTER WEATHER

WARNING

There is an email going around offering processed pork, gelatin and salt in a can.

If you get this email, do not open it. It's spam.

WLBR, WHP21, WHTM27, Wgal8, FOX43 or Phone/Website/Email
The Wise Men
The wise men's journey Matthew 2:7-11 (ASV)

Use the key to complete the verses below about the three wise men.

1. Then Herod privily called the Wise-men, and learned of them exactly what time the
   appeared. 2. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search out
   exactly concerning the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word, that I also may
   come and ____________
   him. 3. And they, having heard the king, went their
   way; and lo, the star, which they saw in the ____________
   went before them, till it came and
   stood over where the young child was. 4. And when they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding
   great ____________
   . 5. And they came into the house and saw the young child with
   Mary his mother; and they fell down and worshipped him; and opening their treasures they offered
   unto him ____________, gold and frankincense and myrrh. 6. And being warned of
   in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own
   country another way.

Copyright © 2014, BibleWise. All Rights Reserved. Activity by Kathryn Wojno.
The Dutch Dispatch is published Monthly as a communication conduit to our membership and associates. Submissions from members are always welcome and can be included in the next issue if they are submitted by email or hard copy before the 4th Sunday of each month. The Editors

*************

If you know anybody who you think would like to receive our newsletter, please clip the coupon below, fill it out and place in the offering plate. They will be added to our list at no cost!

Name
Street
City
State/Zip

@

US MAIL EMAIL

Circle One Please

PLEASE ADD THIS PERSON TO THE DUTCH DISPATCH MAILING LIST

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>E</th>
<th>D</th>
<th>E</th>
<th>E</th>
<th>G</th>
<th>A</th>
<th>M</th>
<th>O</th>
<th>H</th>
<th>T</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>H</td>
<td>L</td>
<td>K</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>D</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>T</td>
<td>S</td>
<td>E</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>H</td>
<td>T</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>N</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>H</td>
<td>H</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>G</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I</td>
<td>N</td>
<td>H</td>
<td>N</td>
<td>H</td>
<td>H</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>S</td>
<td>T</td>
<td>E</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>T</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>R</td>
<td>G</td>
<td>F</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>L</td>
<td>O</td>
<td>R</td>
<td>A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>F</td>
<td>R</td>
<td>O</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>H</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>N</td>
<td>Y</td>
<td>L</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>L</td>
<td>T</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>S</td>
<td>O</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E</td>
<td>I</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>D</td>
<td>R</td>
<td>S</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>R</td>
<td>R</td>
<td>H</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>S</td>
<td>K</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>T</td>
<td>A</td>
<td>D</td>
<td>B</td>
<td>D</td>
<td>Y</td>
<td>I</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>R</td>
<td>B</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>T</td>
<td>L</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>M</td>
<td>E</td>
<td>M</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

BETHLEHEM
EAST
INFANT
KING
STAR
HOMAGE
LEADER
DATE
CHILD
DELIGHT
GOLD
MYRRH
Jesus tells the disciples a story about a man who will be going away on a journey near the end of his ministry (Matthew 25:14-30). This man shares his wealth with his servants before departing, offering them no explanation as to what they are supposed to do with this entrusted property. The amount of wealth he entrusts to his servants is a huge sum. To the first he offers five talents, to the second, two, and to the third, one. A talent is just short of an annual salary for a day laborer, so this amount entrusted to the servants is more money than they’ve ever possessed at one time.

The first and the second servants invest their master’s property, and the sum doubles with each. The third returns the master’s investment neither gaining nor losing any value saying, “Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.” This third servant is called “lazy,” and “wicked,” and he is thrown out in the darkness where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth. Yikes!

This parable is about money, but then again it isn’t. Sharing our wealth is an important spiritual discipline. In the early church the disciples shared all of their possessions with each other (going well above the typical tithe!) so that all might be filled (Acts 2:45). We also share our wealth as a statement of faith, trusting that God will produce a kingdom from our earthly gifts in much the same way that simple bread is transformed into the body of Christ during Holy Communion. In other words, if we alone control our wealth, we will only produce what the earth will allow; however if we offer our gifts to God, transformation of the earth is the fruit the Kingdom will yield.

But the parable isn’t so much about money as it is about God’s abundance and how much God shares with us. We each have been given talents to share in the body of Christ. A friend of mine adopted this parable as a means of church growth. Everyone who comes to his church is asked three questions:

1. What do you do well enough that you could teach someone else to do it?
2. What do you want to learn?
3. Other than God, who is walking with you on your journey?

In other words, what talent has God offered to you, and how can you invest that talent within the community? What would you like to learn from other talented people? With whom do you choose to walk on this one wild adventure we call life?

Sunday School meets every Sunday at 9:15am. Adults meet in the sanctuary and the children meet in the basement classrooms.

We have a rotating teaching staff for adults that includes Fred Weirbach, Doris Ditzler, Kathy Steiner, Justin Swingholm, Morris Coleman and Pastor Bob.

Superintendents include Fred Weirbach and Dick Nye for adults, Dottie Krall for the Primary classes. We are always seeking new volunteer teachers.

Consider joining us or even volunteering to be a teacher.

I found this in a Walmers Sunday School book from 1911:

WHY I GO TO SUNDAY-SCHOOL
To strengthen my faith in my Savior
To learn to carry out his will in my life as set forth in the scriptures.
And thus prepare myself for full membership in the Christian Church

SO THE OPPOSITE WOULD BE:

WHY I DON'T GO TO SUNDAY-SCHOOL
I don't want to strengthen my faith in my Savior
I don't want to learn to carry out his will in my life as set forth in the scriptures.
I don't want to prepare myself for full membership in the Christian Church

Which are you? --Pastor Bob--
Epiphany - Twelfth Night Word Search

Find the hidden words associated with January 6, the Feast of the Epiphany also known as Three Kings Day or Twelfth Night.

X P P B E P I P I PH A N Y T O T S A E F
I U L Y Q B N H T M O V D L E V W N F
W M I W Z A A G D T A E J U G B I M G
N A P M C L S V T L E N E G N V S L N
U R P A C T N Y Y R O S G B I F E M I
Y Y K T M H I U H U N G E E K X M J R
M C Z T K A G T B E S T F A R M E L E
O S T A R S H H C N H U U D C Q N Q F
T E V Y E A T N A L E I S W T K B L F
H Z E H K R I R E M Q E N E Z N J R O
E I L U H K R H K E T V U A J M A Z O
R M Z P N J E H K Y A N K Q F Y R E U
S X Q A M M N L O S R E Y E S A B G L
E R R A C H R I S T M A S T I D E A O
R F G G O D W E C U H X G G H A X M B
U I N U D L I H C L F T H I L C R O H
S U U G G Y O M V Y K H F U F A Y H D
A S X H Q I T A C Z R C L P T O I W
E S V H A N A F E B A L M S E N S M Y
R R O I H C L E M Y J L A G R W X Q D
T Q M Y R R H B A X Y C T V M E T E J

BABYJESUS
BALTHASAR
BETHLEHEM
CASPAR
CHILD
CHRYSTMAS TIDE
EPIPHANY
FEAST
FRANKINCENSE
GIFTS
GOLD
HOMAGE
KING
LABE FANA
LOSREYES
MAGI
MANGER
MARY
MOTHER
MELCHIOR
MYRRH
NIGHT
OFFERING
QUEEN
STAR
THREE
TREASURE
TWELFTH
WISEMEN

All About Puzzles
puzzles.about.com