

# THE MUSTARD SEED



**Sunday School dates for Summer are July 28 and August 11.** They will be held after the prayer for the day during worship. Sunday School is for all children in grades K-12 and covers a different bible story each Sunday that the class is held. Classes include not only the bible story but often include crafts, games or other activities to make the time fun and educational for all.



**Mark Your Calendars - Salem Church Outdoor Service & Picnic—Sunday, August 4 at 11 a.m.**—Salem UCC will hold its annual outdoor worship service and picnic at the American Legion pavilion on Campbelltown/Palmyra Rd. Everyone who comes is asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share with everyone and please bring your own place settings and utensils. The Fellowship Committee will be preparing the main dishes and drinks. A sign-up sheet is posted on the Bell Tower Bulletin Board.



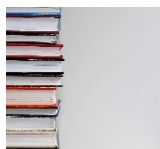
## **IT'S CHRISTMAS IN JULY AT THE CARING CUPBOARD!**

During the month of July, we will be collecting items needed to replenish supplies at the Caring Cupboard. The top needs are tuna, pasta, pasta sauce, mac & cheese, canned veggies, canned fruit, Progresso/Chunky Soup, canned pasta, and ketchup. Donations can be placed on the table in the West Narthex, or you can bring your donations out to the "Christmas" car in the Parking lot on the last Sunday in July (July 28th) before worship service begins. Look for the open hatchback and a Christmas

Stocking! Thank you for your support of the Caring Cupboard!



It's time for summer music while the choir is on hiatus. Please visit the sign-up sheet in the east narthex and choose your Sunday. Solos, duets, trios, quartets, vocalists and instrumentalists are greatly appreciated. Karen is available for accompaniment as needed. Please prayerfully consider sharing your talents with us in July and August!



**The Book Club will meet Monday, July 22 at 7 p.m.** in the library to discuss "Romantic Comedy" by Curtis Sitterfield. The next meeting is **Monday, August 26 at 7 p.m.** and the book to be discussed will be "The Perfect Marriage" by Jeneva Rose. Any questions, please contact Carin Kaag. Her e-mail is [cas207@yahoo.com](mailto:cas207@yahoo.com).



Thursday	July 4	Office Closed
Sunday	July 7	Family Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday	July 14	Family Worship 10:30 a.m.
Monday	July 15	Council 7 p.m. - Choir Room - Hybrid
Sunday	July 21	Family Worship 10:30 a.m.
Monday	July 22	Book Club 7 p.m.. - Library
Wednesday	July 24	Christian Education Committee 7 p.m. - Library
Sunday	July 28	Family Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School after Prayer of the day
Tuesday	July 30	PACC at Trinity UCC 7 p.m.

*All Worship Services will also be livestreamed on YouTube and our web page  
[www.salemucccampbelltown.org](http://www.salemucccampbelltown.org)*



**The Caring Cupboard** would like to thank you for your gift of \$140. In 2023, monetary & **In the Mailbag!** product donations enabled them to provide healthy foods for 12,348 visits by 906 households & 2,910 unique individuals in our community—a nearly 50% increase over the year prior.

They couldn't do this important work without congregations like ours.

**The Lancaster Seminary** thanks you for your gift of \$150 for the LTS Annual Fund. Your gift today is guiding their students as they join in God's redemptive and liberating work so that all creation may flourish.

**United Church of Christ Homes** would like to thank you for your gift of \$250 which was placed in their Benevolent fund. Your generosity will touch the lives of real people and enhance their mission to provide compassionate care and services.

**Church World Service** thanks you for your gift of \$152 toward shipping costs for emergency kits and supplies for those people who need them after a crisis.



# WORSHIP SCRIPTURES

**July 7, 2024**

**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

Psalm 48

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Mark 6:1-13

**July 14, 2024**

**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 6:105, 12b-19

Psalm 24

Ephesians 1:3-14

Mark 6:14-29

**July 21, 2024**

**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Psalm 89:20-37

Ephesians 2:11-22

Mark 4:26-34

**July 28, 2024**

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 11:1-15

Psalm 14

Ephesians 3:14-21

John 6:1-21

**August 4, 2024**

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 11:26—12:13a

Psalm 51:1-12

Ephesians 4:1-16

John 6:24-35

**August 11, 2024**

**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Psalm 130

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

John 6: 35, 41-51

**August 18, 2024**

**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

Psalm 111

Ephesians 5:15-20

John 6:51-58

**August 25, 2024**

**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

1 Kings 8:22-30. 41-43

Psalm 84

Ephesians 6:10-20

John 6:56-69

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### Praise for God's Handiwork

How wonderful, O Lord, are the works of your hands!  
The heavens declare your glory,  
the arch of sky displays your handiwork.  
In your love you have given us the power  
to behold the beauty of your world  
robed in all its splendor.  
The sun and the stars, the valleys and hills,  
the rivers and lakes all disclose your presence.

The roaring breakers of the sea tell of your awesome might;  
the beasts of the field and the birds of the air  
bespeak your wondrous will.  
In your goodness you have made us able to hear  
the music of the world. The voices of loved ones  
reveal to us that you are in our midst.  
A divine voice sings through all creation.



—from *Earth Prayers*

## SALEM COLLECTIONS -

**The Caring Cupboard** is a community food pantry, that has grown into a community necessity, that currently serves over 350 families living primarily in the Palmyra and Annville-Cleona School Districts. Products to be given to the Caring Cupboard may be placed on the designated shelves found at the end of the northwest hallway of Salem Church.

**Pop Tab Collection Program (Matt Waller) Ronald McDonald House.** The collection of aluminum beverage tabs began in 1996. The aluminum tabs are sold to a local recycling company and their proceeds help with daily operating expenses at the Ronald McDonald House. The generous amount from the tabs collected has been very beneficial to the House and the families they serve. They are averaging \$1,000 monthly just from these tiny tabs. You can help raise money by pulling tabs from any aluminum container. Pop Tabs may be placed in the designated box on the shelf above the coat rack in the bell tower entrance.

**Redner's Cash Register Receipts (Cindy Steger)** By using the Save-A-Tape card you picked up at Customer Service Desk each time you purchase merchandise at Redner's Warehouse Markets, your receipt will be designated as a Save-A-Tape customer receipt. When you come to Salem Church, place your **entire register/sales receipt (DO NOT CUT!)** in the designated box on the shelf above the coat rack in the bell tower entrance. Salem Church will receive a check for 1% of the total amount of tapes submitted, excluding items controlled by the government, such as tax, milk and tobacco products.

**Clothing Recycling** Old clothing and material that are too worn to use can be recycled. If possible, take to an H&M Store (they give you a coupon for each bag!), otherwise put it in the box in the west narthex and we'll take it for you. Thank you!

**Writing Tool Recycling** You can recycle old writing tools – crayons, markers, pens, and pencils. Staples Store will recycle these items as well as many other items (check their website!). Feel free to take to a Staples or place in the "Crayola marker" collection tube on the windowsill in the west narthex. Thank you!



### A declaration of interdependence

“Dependence does not destroy human personality,” writes Donald F. Baillie. Instead, people are “never so fully and so truly personal as when [they are] living in complete dependence upon God.” Jesus modeled this type of living by depending completely on his heavenly Father. In that light, let it be declared and hereby celebrated ...

- That all people everywhere depend on one another.
- That everyone needs everyone else for freedom, life, love and happiness.
- That all things in the natural order depend on everything else.
- That the Earth and all planets and stars are mutually dependent.
- That this universally shared dependence comes from God and is of God.
- And that each individual part of this relationship has its own role in fulfilling God's plan.