

SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Recognizes the value of memorials and gifts in honor of special occasions:

- ⓐ That God may be glorified.
- ⓐ That we may be reminded of our loved ones and honor their memory or special occasions.
- ⓐ That the church mission shall continue to prosper.



MEMORIALS OR HONORARIUMS

- ⓐ May be given at any time by sending them to the Financial Secretary of the church.

- OR -

- ⓐ They may be marked and put in the Sunday offering.

USE OF MEMORIALS OR HONORARIUMS

- ⓐ Gifts to an Undesignated Memorial Fund are encouraged.
- ⓐ Undesignated gifts are then used when the church has a specific need for an item.
- ⓐ Your loved one's name is listed (with that item) in the Memorial Book or Honor Book. If it is a memorial, your loved one's name also will be listed on the Memorial Board.
- ⓐ For memorials, the family member will be sent a letter shortly after receiving the gifts.
- ⓐ A list of needed items will also be sent and the family may choose a memorial from that list.
- ⓐ Memorials may be selected that are not on the list, but approval must be given by the Memorial Committee, (who need time to discuss it with the Property Committee and the Church Council) to make sure the item fits with the Church needs.
- ⓐ If a family chooses an item that costs more than the designated gifts, the Memorial Committee has the option of waiting for other memorials to come in, or using undesignated funds for a needed item.

DEDICATION OF MEMORIALS

- ⓐ A special service will be held to dedicate all memorials.
- ⓐ Family members are invited to this service.
- ⓐ The Memorial Book with each person's name will be displayed at this service.
- ⓐ This book is kept in the Memorial Parlor at all other times and is open to display.

RETIREMENT OF MEMORIALS

- ⓐ Recognizing that even the most enduring memorials may wear out, all memorials will be retired in a dignified manner with a special motion passed by the Church Council.

GIFTS BESTOWED IN WILLS SUCH AS, BEQUESTS, LIVING ANNUITIES, OR TRUSTS

- ⓐ Are governed by other policies.
- ⓐ These kinds of gifts are also used for church needs of the present, or future as determined by the Church Council who may ask for a vote of the entire Church.
- ⓐ Policies governing these gifts may be picked up in the church office.

*Not to us, O Lord, not to us,
but to your name give glory,
for the sake of your steadfast
love and your faithfulness.*

Psalms 115:1

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

**Brenda Schlechte, Chair
Wilma Blom
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*We always give thanks to God
for all of you and mention
you in our prayers,
constantly remembering
before our God and Father
your work of faith and labor
of love and steadfastness of
hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.*

I Thessalonians 1: 2-3

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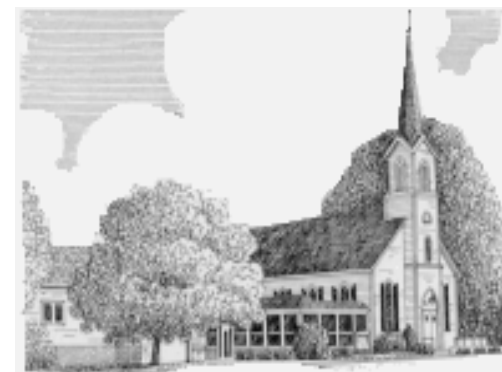
*Gone yet not forgotten,
although we are apart,
your spirit lives within me,
forever in my heart.*

*I thought of you with love today
but that is nothing new.
I thought about you yesterday
and days before that too.
I think of you in silence.
I often speak your name.
All I have are memories
and your picture in a frame.
Your memory is my keepsake
with which I'll never part.
God has you in His keeping,
and I have you in my heart.*

*When someone you love
becomes a memory,
the memory becomes
a treasure.*



Memorials and Honorariums at Salem United Church of Christ



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