

SALEM NEWS & NOTES—August 21, 2022

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with gifts last week of \$18,009.99 for Current Expenses and \$3,141.85 for Missions. We pray God will bless us again this week. EFT or credit card service is available for giving on the mobile-friendly page of salemlutheran.org/donate

Salem Kickoff August 27th

Salem members and school families are invited to celebrate a new year for our church and school. Saturday, August 27th, we'll have a shortened special worship service at 5pm followed by games and a picnic. Salem's fellowship committee will grill hot dogs and brats and provide the main meal about 6pm, with members invited to bring side dishes and salad to share. You can eat outside or at limited seating inside. Help us start our year off AND show school families the friendly face of Salem. We hope you'll join us!



Sunday Children's Ministry

We're excited to announce that Salem will offer a children's ministry Sunday mornings 9:15-10:15, though it won't be a traditional Sunday school. Children ages 3 yrs to 6th grade will learn about Jesus and the blessings God gives with a whole new curriculum and a whole new style. Pastor Wolfe and coordinators Amy Stilwagon and Alli Dorn will be happy to tell you more. We're looking for people to help with crafts, snacks, and group assistants. Let us know if you can help us share Jesus with his little lambs.

Card Shower for new teachers

Teachers Luke and Alli Dorn will be installed at the late service September 11th. After the service, we'll have a reception in the church entry and outside. Members who would like to welcome them with a card are invited to bring one that Sunday or place it in the designated basket in the church entry until then. Help us give thanks to God by showering our new teachers with support!



Twins Game

Faith Lutheran in Excelsior, MN is inviting Salem Lutheran to join them, Christ Lutheran in Eden Prairie, and Mt Olive Lutheran in Shakopee to a Twins game on Friday, September 23 at 7:10 pm. The Twins will be playing against the Los Angeles Angels and tickets are \$18 each. If you are interested, please contact the school office no later than August 26th to order tickets. school.office@salemlutheran.org



Council meeting highlights: You spoke, we listened!

Last Tuesday, church council members reviewed results from the church survey and approved two proposals connected to it. The council approved the worship committee's proposal to resume Saturday worship beginning September 17th. They also approved a proposal to reinstate the common cup for Lord's Supper. Be sure to read the next monthly newsletter for a fuller explanation of survey results and considerations for midweek worship. Thank you to everyone who completed the survey. These decisions needed to be made quickly but the survey is still open for those who want to share their thoughts yet. www.salemlutheran.org/survey

Attention Salem Men!

There are two men's retreats coming up in the next two months. The first is sponsored by our church and held at Camp Croix in Danbury, WI. This year's Men's Retreat features Pastor Don Patterson from Austin, TX sharing insights on peace from the book of *Psalms*. This retreat is September 16-18th. See the full schedule and register at www.mensretreat.org.



A one-day men's retreat will be held October 22nd in Rochester at the Mayo Civic Center. This "Men of His Word" conference features Pastor Joel Heckendorf from Reno, NV as keynote speaker and the band Koine will lead worship. Attendees choose breakout sessions on topics like marriage, service, science, and parenting. The cost of this retreat is \$50 for adults and \$30 for students, plus hotel if needed. Learn more and register at www.menofhisword.org.



Member workshop
 Saturday, September 24th
 9am-2pm

We call pastors and teachers to help us reach out with Jesus to school families and children. But what role do members have in outreach through our schools? What roles **could** members have? Members of all ages are invited to this important workshop, led by WELS national coordinator of Early Childhood Ministries Cindi Holman.

We hope to have fifty members or more attend the workshop as we seek to use our school as a tool for outreach. A video after worship today will explain more.

Talk to principal Ryan Klatt, outreach chair Dave Wurst, education chair Karl Paulsen, or one of the pastors to learn more. Sign up on the sheet in the church entry to help us plan for lunch and refreshments.

Youth Gathering

The next Youth Gathering will be held on September 25th at the church from 1 PM to 2:30 PM (note the change in duration). There will be a devotion, snacks, and games. All 7th through 12th graders are welcome. Upcoming youth gatherings are also planned for October 30th and December 18th. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for future events. If any families are interested in hosting future gatherings at their house, please contact Pastor Jake (jschram@salemlutheran.org) or Tom Forster (tforster16@gmail.com).



Youth Lock-In

A youth lock-in is scheduled at the church for the night of November 11th. More info to follow in the coming weeks.

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THIS WEEK AT SALEM

TODAY (August 21st)

Worship Service..... 8:00am
 Worship Service 9:30am

MONDAY

Meet The Teachers.....8:00am-Noon

TUESDAY

Bible Growth Group/..... 10:10am
 Meet The Teachers.....3:00pm-7:00pm

WEDNESDAY

Sunday JAM Meeting6:30pm

SATURDAY

Kickoff Service and picnic.....5:00pm

NEXT SUNDAY (August 28th)

Worship Service w/Communion8:00am
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Thank you

Thank you to everyone who has shared their smiles with others as a welcome to our house of worship. Our true peace and joy in our Savior sure give us a fantastic reason to smile. We have the Sept. sign-up sheet all set for your names as greeters.



Saturday Worship Help

With Saturday worship returning September 17, at 5 pm we are looking for ushers, livestream & slide help. Contact the church office or worship coordinator Joe Covelli if you would like to help out! (jcovelli@salemlutheran.org)

Trading muscles for pizza—Help Pastor Wolfe move in

Pastor Wolfe’s family will finally be moving into their new house on Labor Day Weekend. If any members want to help unload boxes on Saturday, Sept. 3rd we will trade you pizza for muscles! We’ll start unloading the pods around 9am. Members of all ages are invited to come hang out even if you can’t unload. Talk to Pastor Wolfe.



- ✝ For members with health issues
- ✝ For schools and teachers as they prepare for a new year
- ✝ For opportunities for members to share their faith in the coming week

