



*Glorify God by teaching His timeless Truth to today's people that,
by God's Grace, all may grow in faith and share tomorrow's eternity.*

This Week at Salem

- Sun, 9/18** 8 am Worship
9:15 am Adult/Teen Bible Study & Sunday JAM Children's Ministry
10:30 am Worship
- Tues, 9/20** 10:10 am Bible Growth Group
6:30 pm Church Council Meeting
- Wed, 9/21** 9:30 am School Chapel (*members welcome!*)
9:30 am Women's Bible Study
1 pm ORP Bible Study
6:30 pm 6th-8th Grade Catechism
6:30 pm Sr Choir Rehearsal
7:15 pm Men's Chorus Rehearsal
- Sat, 9/24** 9 am Telling the Next Generation Workshop
5:00 pm Saturday Worship w/communion
- Sun, 9/25** 8 am Worship w/communion
9:15 am Adult/Teen Bible Study & Sunday JAM Children's Ministry
10:30 am Worship w/communion
1 pm Youth Gathering

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$10,138.02 for Current Expenses and \$910.00 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

Member workshop - Walk-ins welcome or watch online (Saturday, September 24th, 9am-2pm)

Thank you to all the nearly 40 people that pre-registered for our school and outreach workshop next Saturday. We're looking forward to a great day learning how we can all help to share Jesus through our school. Walk-ins are still welcome. We have received permission to stream the workshop for those unable to attend. You won't be able to participate but will be able to watch and/or listen. You can go right to it from the event on our church calendar or go directly to www.salemlutheran.org/workshop. You can also call in using this information: (US) +1 413-893-3464 PIN: 804 743 344#

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. A youth lock-in is scheduled at the church for the night of November 11th. Learn more at the gathering next weekend.

Thank you

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

Singers, Ringers, Musicians!

Our worship committee would like to know what kinds of musical variety we can add to our services. Do you play an instrument? Like to sing but can't make it to choir practices? Can you rock out on a kazoo? Please let us know if God has given you a musical gift that we could add to our list of worship options. We're looking for musicians of all abilities playing all kinds of instruments. Sharing your info doesn't obligate you to play, but we hope to make our music as varied as God allows us. (Well, maybe not that kazoo!) You can email your info to worship music coordinator Luke Dorn at ldorn@salemlutheran.org.

Grandparent Day Substitutes

Salem's education and outreach committees are looking for volunteers to be "surrogate grandparents" for our school's Grandparent Day Friday, September 30th. On that day children are invited to bring their grandparents to school for special chapel and activities, but not all kids have grandparents that are able to come. If you are available that morning and would like to show your Christian love to a lonely little one, please email school principal Ryan Klatt (rklatt@salemlutheran.org) or call the school office (651-439-7831) to speak to him or leave a message. Thank you for letting your light shine!

The second WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership

The second WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership will be held January 16-18, 2023, at the Hilton Chicago. This conference is not only for those who serve in formal leadership positions in their congregation: called workers, church council members, school board members, and the like. This conference is for anyone who is passionate about the mission of the church. It is for everyone who, by encouragement and example, wants to lead others to engage in that mission. So, all are welcome—called workers and laity, men and women, retirees and high school students, lifelong WELS members, and those new to the church. We hope to see a number of Salem members attend the conference. Learn more at www.lutheranleadership.com. If you would like to attend, please talk to Pastor Wolfe or church president Clay Raasch (651-231-3237 or raasches@gmail.com).

Hymnal Prayer Inserts

Some eagle-eyed members may have noticed that a page is missing from the new hymnals that was in the old ones. The page of prayers, including for before and after Lord's Supper, was mistakenly left out due to a printing error. If you have a hymnal of your own, feel free to pick up a prayer insert from the counter under the TV in the church entry.

In our prayers this week:

- For members and friends struggling with physical, mental, and emotional health challenges. God grant them healing and help.
- For open eyes to see opportunities to show Christian love to friends and neighbors.
- For the men of our congregation, that God would bless the men's retreat this weekend and that our men would lead with humility and faithfulness

Hello Fellow Salem Social Group Members,

We've waited patiently for two things to happen and now we can enjoy both of them. First is the return of the Saturday Evening Service. Ruth and I look forward to seeing old friends and familiar faces, and joining in worship with you. Second is the opening of the Golden Crown Restaurant dining room. The SSG has enjoyed a few meals together there when they were open and now we can do it again. We would like to make reservations for dinner after the Saturday service on September 24. We will make reservations for 6:30 PM. There is no sign up sheet. Please contact us to sign up,

either by phone or text 651-334-6055, or email gsmolin@earthlink.net Deadline for contact/sign up is 9/19. There will only be seating for those who notify us. We hope to see you on the 24th at church and the restaurant afterwards.

Mrs. Stillwagon Needs Help

Her husband's children need someone to be with them as they wait for the bus each school morning from 8:40 to 9am. They get picked up on the corner of 62nd street and Oxboro Ave (right by the corner of the church parking lot. Mrs. Stillagon needs to be in her classroom to greet her preschoolers. If anyone can help her out, please let her know!

Lutheran Women's Missionary Society Fall Rally - Sunday, October 2nd

Women of Salem (and interested men) are invited to attend the Fall Rally of the Lutheran Women's Missionary Society held at St. Croix Lutheran Academy October 2nd. Our guest speaker will be Professor Tingting Zhang Schwartz, who moved to our country from Southeast Asia and now serves as the international services coordinator at Martin Luther College (MLC). She will speak about her work at MLC's Cultural Engagement Center and will discuss the topic "**The Journey to Belong: Finding Commonalities and Bridging Differences.**" Registration for the rally begins at 2pm on October 2nd, with the rally itself starting at 2:30pm. Talk to Pastor Wolfe if you'd like to go and potentially carpool.