SALEM NEWS & NOTES

November 5-6, 2022

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with gifts last week of \$11,219.57 for Current Expenses and \$421.51 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at salemlutheran.org/donate.

Security System Update—Register your door fob!

In the last two weeks we improved our security system, updating our ability to control door locks and alarms. All members with key fobs are asked to speak to one of the pastors or principal Ryan Klatt to make sure that your fob is registered with the new system. Even if your fob works right now, we need to update it in the new software or it may stop working in the future. Thank you.

Greeters

Be the first to welcome people who come to Salem worship services. Every smile & greeting counts. Sign-up sheets for Nov. & Dec. & special services are on the information table.

Salem 2nd-4th Grade Musical

Salem 2nd-4th graders will present a musical on Thursday, November 10th in the gymnasium. All members and friends of Salem are invited to enjoy the show at 6:30pm

Stillwater Food Shelf is in great need!

Salem's Caring Committee collects items for our local food shelf. They reached out to them to see what they need most - They need any cooking supplies, oil, flour, sugar, spices, pasta, rice, hygiene products, dish soap, shampoo, tooth brushes & paste, toilet paper, diapers & monetary donations are of course the best .You can leave your donations in the entry. Thanks for your help!

Gentle Shepherd School and Orphanage in India

We are still collecting for the WELS India Children's

Homes and Gentle Shepherd School. They provide for over 400 needy children. Workers at the homes supply food, clothing, shelter, and God's Word to orphans and poor children. Gentle Shepherd School provides Christ-centered education for local impoverished children, most



from non-Christian backgrounds. If you would like to make a donation, give with a check made out to Salem or give electronically through EFT. Make sure either way to note your gift as "India mission." We have collected \$2,063.27 so far! We have always set a goal of \$3,000 to send to this mission (we sent over \$4500 last year) - May God provide so that we can send that again!

Family Fellowship Breakfast - Sunday, November 13

Every Sunday we enjoy time for worship and time for Bible study, but being a part of Salem means also taking time to enjoy being with each other. On November 13, we'll forgo our regular Bible study for a church family breakfast. Our fellowship committee will serve pancakes, sausage, OJ & coffee from 9am to 10:30am. You can stay for the meal or grab on the go if you must. We hope you can join us!

Bible Basics study...for all!

Pastor Wolfe's 10-week study is a perfect opportunity to refresh your understanding of what God tells us about ourselves, about him, and about our path to heaven. Designed for members and nonmembers alike, this class is perfect to invite a friend or neighbor to attend with you. The scheduling of the class can vary depending on availability of those interested. The class also serves as our path to membership at Salem. Talk to Pastor Wolfe if you want to attend or learn more.

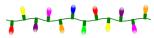
Devotion & Outreach

For some time, members Dave and Leah Bergemann have led a short devotion and hymn-singing for residents at Oak Ridge Place near Salem. The Bergemanns announced that they will be stepping down from teaching and that means we need someone to take over for this time of outreach and prayer to continue. If you would like to help and see these devotions continue, please talk to either pastor right away.

Families for the Caring Committee Giving Tree!

The Caring Committee is looking for needy families in our congregation. If you know of someone who will need a little help this Christmas, please contact the church office or email dswanson@salemlutheran.org and we will add them to our

list of families. Everything is anonymous and the families



that we have helped in the past have been so grateful! We will need names by November 10!

Special Advent Series Begins November 30!

Everyone is invited to a special series of services presented by the children of our school for the advent season. The services will be held at 4pm on Wednesdays beginning November 30th. The first service will feature the 5-8th graders. A fellowship meal will be served after service each week. We hope you'll join us!

Youth Lock-in at Salem

It's finally here. On November 11th-12th our youth lock-in is taking place from 6:30 PM to 8:00 AM. This event is for 7th through 12th graders. If you are interested, please sign up and fill out the required permission slips (found on the entryway table). **People attending must sign up or let me know 48 hours before the event!**

Thanksgiving Eve Service

Salem will hold a special Thanksgiving Eve service at 7pm on Wednesday, November 23rd. We hope you'll join us as we give thanks to the one who gives us every blessing.

Thanksgiving Dinner

The Salem Social Group is organizing a Thanksgiving dinner for Salem members with no plans for the holiday and for those not wanting to cook a large meal. Reservations are made at the Lowell Inn for 12:15 Thanksgiving Day. Each person pays for themself, with a meal costing approximately \$40/person. Previous attendees agreed that dining at the Lowell Inn is a very pleasant experience. You can find a sign-up sheet on the table in the entry. The deadline to sign up is November 20th. For those without thanksgiving plans but unable to afford the meal, a donor has offered to cover a very limited number of meals for those in need. Please talk to Pastor Wolfe if you would like financial help to attend. If you have questions, call George & Ruth Smolinski at 651-334-6055 or email gsmolin@earthlink.net. Please consider dining out with us for Thanksgiving!

Salem Social Group Christmas Dinner 2022

The Salem Social Group will host a Christmas Dinner on Sunday, December 11, at 12:30 PM. It will be held at the Afton House Inn. Please join us for some fun and fellowship. Arrival time for dinner is 12:00-12:30 PM. You do not need to be a member of Salem or the Social Group to attend this dinner or any SSG events. You just need to be college age or older and want to have fun. Please bring a wrapped white elephant gift. One gift per couple or single if attending alone. We will be sharing them while playing Christmas trivia. We will be ordering off a limited menu located on the information table in the narthex, alongside the signup sheet. Deadline for signup is Sunday, 12/4. If you have questions, please call (651-334-6055) or email us at gsmolin@earthlink.net We hope to see many of you at the dinner. George & Ruth Smolinski

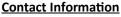
THIS WEEK AT SALEM	
Sun, 11/6	8am Worship
	9:15am Adult/Teen Bible St & Sun JAM
	10:30am Worship
Mon, 11/7	7 pm Harvest Committee Meeting
Tues, 11/8	Election Day! Be sure to vote!
	10:10am Bible Growth Group
	6:30 pm Education Committee
	6:30 pm Elders Board
	7pm Worship Committee
Wed, 11/9	9:30am Chapel
	6:30pm 6th-8th Grade Catechism
	6:30 pm Sr Choir
	7:15 pm Men's Chorus
Thurs, 11/10	6:30 pm 2nd-4th Grade Play
Fri. 11/11	Veteran's Day!
	6:30 pm Teen Lock-in
Sat, 11/12	5:00pm Worship w/communion
Sun, 11/13	8am Worship w/communion
	(with Confirmation Examination)
	9-10:30 am Fellowship Breakfast
	10:30am Worship w/communion
	(Grades 2-4 sing)

Adult Volleyball

After discussion and considerable interest,
Salem will begin holding open volleyball
nights for adults on Saturday evenings
November 19th. Salem adults of all abilities are invited
to play, and members can invite nonmember friends to
join in the fun as well.

Games will be played Saturday evenings at 6:15pm to allow those who wish to attend Saturday evening service to do so before we play. Get your kneepads and Tylenol ready—it'll be a blast! Questions can be directed to Outreach chair Dave Wurst or to Pastor Wolfe.

- ⊕ For Pastor Schram and Principal Ryan Klatt as they deliberate divine calls.
- ⊕ For family and friends of Sue Galler, called to eternal rest in heaven.
- ⊕ For blessings of unity and peace in our nation as we elect leaders to govern us this week. May God give wisdom and integrity to all who serve.



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