



*Salem Lutheran Church exists to glorify God by teaching His timeless Truth,
that all may grow in grace and faith to share tomorrow's eternity.*

This Week at Salem

- Sun, 2/5** 8 am Worship
9:15 am Adult & Teen Bible Study & Sunday JAM
10:30 am Worship
- Mon, 2/6** 6:30 pm Bible Basics
- Tues, 2/7** 10:15 am Group Bible Study
11:30 am Caring Committee Meeting
5:30 pm Handbell practice
7 pm Outreach Committee
- Wed, 2/8** 9:30 am Chapel
1 pm Oak Ridge Place Devotion
6:30 pm Catechism
6:30 pm Senior Choir
7:15 pm Men's Chorus
- Thurs, 2/8** 6:00 pm Harvest Planning Team
- Sat, 2/11** 5 pm Worship w/communion
6:15 pm Games and Adult/Teen Volleyball
- Sun, 2/12** 8 am Worship w/communion
9:15 am Sunday JAM
9:15 am Open Forum & Teacher Call Meeting
10:30 am Worship w/communion

Growing/Sharing

Save the Date! Vacation Bible School

Summer weeks fill up fast, so be sure to save the date for this summer's Vacation Bible School (VBS) June 12th to 16th. VBS will meet in the mornings. Share the dates with your friends and neighbors so they can join in the fun and Scripture too! (We're just beginning planning. If you'd like to be part of the VBS team, contact Pastor Wolfe or VBS coordinator Debbie Hansen (dhansen@salemlutheran.org)).

MLC Wind Symphony

The Wind Symphony of Martin Luther College will hold a concert on campus in New Ulm at 3 pm on Sunday, February 12th. The concert's theme is "Let the Light Shine: A Sacred Concert for Wind Band." Salem members and friends are invited to attend in person, or watch a livestream of the concert accessible at www.mlc-wels.edu/streams.

Serving

Diaper Drive

Once again it is time for a diaper drive at Salem. As we have done in the past, half will go to WELS Christian Life Ministries New Day Pregnancy & Family Resource Center in Little Canada and half to the Options for Women Center in St. Croix Valley. We will be collecting donations from **Sunday February 5 through Sunday February 26**, and are asking for diaper sizes 2, 3, 4, & 5 as well as unscented wipes. These can be dropped off in the narthex (in the playpen) at church. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Manning Property Exploration Committee

The Buildings and Grounds committee is putting together a committee of 4-8 members to explore the opportunities and challenges facing ministry use of the Manning Property. It will likely be a 6-12 month commitment. We are looking for people with skills or experience in the following areas:

- Real Estate Development
- Commercial Project Finance
- Residential, Commercial, Worship Facility, or K-12 Construction
- Land Sales and Valuation
- Working with Municipalities on Land Use
- Communication and Presentation

If interested, please send Name, Email, and Phone to Jeff Lefto. Call 612-508-6304 or email

JeffL@ClimateMakersinc.com.

Social Media Help Wanted

Pastor Wolfe would like to find someone to help manage and run Salem's social media presence. Responsibilities would include sharing information through our Facebook and Instagram accounts, directing responses to Salem staff as needed, and keeping the page up to date. If you are interested in helping with this part of the "face" of our congregation please talk to Pastor Wolfe. Experience in managing social media would be nice, but is not necessary. Thank you!

Greeters Needed

"For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:26) Knowing we are brothers and sisters of Jesus, we want to smile and greet each other at the door. You may sign up as a greeter for services now through March at the information table. Please wear a name tag & arrive 15-20 minutes before the service(s) you picked. Questions? Janet Rider 651-261-3146 or RidersUSA@comcast.net

Moving Help Needed

Susan Bacholke is needing to move to a new apartment within the current building she is living in. She needs some help in order to move. She lives in Hudson. She needs to move starting Feb 17 and be done by Feb 25. If anyone could help her out, please call her at 651-329-1738.

Members are also invited to help Pastor Jake and Sarah pack up their Uhaul in Somerset for their move on Saturday, February 11th at 11am. Please text or call Pastor Schram at 715-218-2719 if you are able to help them.

Lenten Meals

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on Feb 22. Fellowship organizes groups to serve a delicious meal in between the Lenten Services for everyone to enjoy, We have the following weeks covered and are looking for a couple more groups to serve...

Ash Wednesday 2/22 Fellowship is serving pork tenderloin, potatoes, carrots and ice cream

3/1 Caring Committee is serving Sloppy Joe's

3/22 Council-meal TBD

3/29 Youth is serving spaghetti

March 8th and 14th are still open. We are looking for groups to serve those days.

Salem's groups thank you for your continuing support. The free will offering at these meals is used to offset the costs of the meal and to support the sponsoring group's work.

Uniting

Church Potluck for “New” Members

When a person joins a church, they become a part of our family. It’s a big deal! On February 5th at the 10:30am service Salem will invite all new members from 2022 to the front of church to publicly welcome and introduce them. After the service, we’ll have a church potluck dinner. Please join us as we welcome all our new church family members!

Call Meeting & Open Forum

Salem will have a short call meeting Sunday, February 12th between services to extend a call for a 3rd grade teacher. We will use the rest of the hour to hold an open forum to share the latest updates on finances, parish nursing, and future building possibilities that we didn’t get to discuss at the quarterly meeting. All members are invited and encouraged to attend.

Giving

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$10,107.29 for Current Expenses and \$384.31 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at salemlutheran.org/donate.

In our prayers this week

- For new members at Salem, that they might find community and unity among us as we walk together in serving our Savior.
- For blessing on our nation, and for the gospel to change hearts so that life may be preserved at all stages.
- Thanksgiving for members after successful treatments and surgeries, and for blessing on those facing procedures this week.