



*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, 2/19** 8 am Worship  
9:15 am Teen & Adult Bible Study and Sunday JAM  
10:30 am Worship  
11:30 am Pastor Call Meeting

**Mon, 2/20** **NO SCHOOL**  
6:30 pm Bible Basics  
6:30 pm Sr Choir  
7:15 pm Men's Chorus

**Tues, 2/21** 10:15 am Group Bible Study  
5:30 pm Handbell practice  
6:30 pm Church Council Meeting

**Wed, 2/22** *Ash Wednesday*  
9:30 am Chapel  
1 pm Oak Ridge Place Devotion  
4 pm Ash Wednesday Service w/communion  
5 pm Lenten Supper  
6:30 pm Catechism  
7 pm Ash Wednesday Service w/ communion

**Sat, 2/25** 5 pm Worship w/communion  
6:15 pm Adult/Teen Volleyball

**Sun, 2/26** 8 am Worship w/communion  
9:15 am Bible Study & Sunday JAM  
10:30 am Worship w/communion  
1 pm Youth Gathering

## ***Growing/Sharing***

### **February Youth Gathering, Sunday, Feb 26 from 1-2:30 pm.**

Ross and Rachel Collins are working with John Thompson and Griffin Paulsen to plan the Bible Study. John did a great job last time! We are planning on having a "pizza challenge" event. (Teens try different pizzas and have to guess which places they are from!) We are hoping for better weather to go sledding!

### **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! Registration is open at <http://www.salemlutheran.org/vbs>

We're just beginning our VBS planning. If you'd like to be part of the VBS team, contact Pastor Wolfe or VBS coordinator Debbie Hansen ([dhansen@salemlutheran.org](mailto:dhansen@salemlutheran.org)). Sign up to volunteer at [www.salemlutheran.org/vbshelp](http://www.salemlutheran.org/vbshelp).

### **Easter for Kids Invitation**

Salem Lutheran Church invites your whole family to a special family event coming up – Easter for Kids! At Christmas, we celebrated the gift of Jesus coming into the world. At Easter, we see Jesus give us the gift of victory over sin and death. Christmas was the beginning but Easter is the finale! Children (and families) ages 3 years old to 6th grade are invited to celebrate all that Jesus did for us on Saturday of Easter weekend (April 8th) from 10am-noon. Easter for Kids is a little different from some of our other events. Instead of dropping kids off, we invite you to stay with your children to do crafts and songs, and stories together. You are invited to register at [www.salemlutheran.org/easter](http://www.salemlutheran.org/easter).

If you'd like to help us put on this great family event, contact coordinator Jessie Wolfe ([wolfeja6@gmail.com](mailto:wolfeja6@gmail.com)).

## ***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.

### **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.

### **LWMS Information**

Lutheran Women's Missionary Society has some information about their organization and their upcoming Spring Rally in April. Look for a flier in the entry. More information to come.

### **Easter Flower Order Envelopes**

There are envelopes with options to order flowers for the altar for Easter. The choices & prices are listed on the envelope. The orders must be received by March 19. There is a place to list "in memory of" - you do not need to order flowers to list someone.

## ***Uniting***

### **Pastor Call Meeting**

Salem voters are encouraged to attend a pastor call meeting February 19th AFTER the second service. At this meeting, we'll extend a call to another pastor to potentially serve as associate pastor. This meeting is scheduled after the late service to allow us to hold Bible study at the regular time and to allow the circuit pastor or district president time to get to Salem to present the candidates.

## ***Giving***

### **Ministry Support**

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$12,128.94 for Current Expenses and \$2,255.00 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at [salemlutheran.org/donate](http://salemlutheran.org/donate).

## *In our prayers this week*

- For hearts of humility as we see the blessing of Jesus' glory contrasted with our sin in Lent. Praise God for grace and forgiveness!
- For blessings on those who serve the church in worship: musicians, greeters, ushers, cleaners, tech, and staff.
- For Christians living in Ukraine, that God give them strength to fix their eyes on Christ and shine the light of his grace to others even in a time of war.
- For Jessie Wolfe, as she deliberates Salem's call to teach 3rd grade in our school.
- For members and friends with health challenges, including several members recovering from knee and hip surgeries, friends with various heart issues, and Ken Smart's father who suffered a stroke. God grant healing and peace.

## *Congrats Salem Girls "A" Basketball!*

**SALEM SCHOOL  
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A-BASKETBALL  
TOURNAMENT  
CHAMPIONS!**



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