



*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, 4/2**      ***Palm Sunday***  
8 am Worship  
9:15 am Bible Study & Sunday JAM  
10:30 am Worship
- Mon, 4/3**      6:30 pm Bible Basics
- Tues, 4/4**      10:15 am Group Bible Study  
5:30 pm Handbell Practice  
7:00 pm Outreach Committee
- Wed, 4/5**      9:30 am Chapel  
1 pm Oak Ridge Place Devotion
- Thur, 4/6**      ***Maundy Thursday* NO SCHOOL**  
12:30 pm Women's Guild  
7 pm Worship w/communion
- Fri, 4/7**      ***Good Friday* NO SCHOOL**  
10 am Worship w/communion  
7 pm Worship w/communion
- Sat, 4/8**      10 am Easter for Kids  
6:15 pm Teen & Adult Volleyball
- Sun, 4/9**      ***Easter - He Is Risen!***  
7 am Easter DAWN Worship w/communion  
8 am to 10:30 am Easter Breakfast  
9 am Easter FESTIVAL Worship w/communion  
10:45 am Easter FESTIVAL Worship w/communion

#### **Call Announcements**

Debbie Hansen (Salem 1st grade teacher) is holding a call to teach at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Wisconsin Rapids. Please keep her in your prayers as she considers where she can best use her gifts and experiences to serve the Lord.

Our next Pastoral Call Meeting will be Sunday, April 16 after the 10:30 am Service.

## ***Growing/Sharing***

#### **Holy Week Devotions**

Did you know that Martin Luther College (our college for pastor and teacher training) produces Holy Week devotions every year? This year faculty writers explore the seven words of Christ from the cross—plus an additional word from the risen Christ for Easter. You can access the devotions this week online, download them as a PDF, or request that they be sent directly to your email. Find out more at the MLC website using the link [www.salemlutheran.org/devotions](http://www.salemlutheran.org/devotions).

### **Easter Morning Fellowship**

Please plan to join us for Easter breakfast served from 8 to 10:30. There are opportunities to serve and donate on a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **Easter for Kids Invitation**

Easter for Kids is next weekend! Have you invited your unchurched neighbors and friends? Families with children 3 years old to 6th grade are invited to celebrate all that Jesus did for us next Saturday (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 parents to stay with their children to do crafts, 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)).

### **Youth News**

Salem will host a regional WELS Youth Night on April 30. If you have an interest in helping host a fun event where 9-12th graders are encouraged to enjoy the faith they share with others and dig into tough topics for their everyday lives, please reach out to Ross and Rachel Collins ([r.collins005@gmail.com](mailto:r.collins005@gmail.com), 612-483-9197). We've got a plan, we just need some adult and college-aged volunteers.

## ***Serving***

### **Praise Group Forming**

We are looking for singers and instrumentalists to help us add variety to our praise music in worship. For those of you who participated in Path of Peace, the music style will be familiar! Musicians must be able to read music and practice independently. If you are interested or would like more information please contact Carolyn Forster at [ckforster18@gmail.com](mailto:ckforster18@gmail.com).

### **Photographer Needed**

We would like to get pictures of our members to help our elders, leaders, and pastors (current and future!) get to know everyone better. We don't need a professional photographer. If you're comfortable with a phone camera and able to take pictures after services from time to time please talk to Pastor Wolfe.

### **LWMS Information**

This is a letter to the women of Salem. Please consider attending the LWMS Rally on Saturday, April 15th. I will be going as I am the current St. Croix Circuit Secretary. I could take a few women with me. I hope you looked at the information in the church entry about what LWMS is and the Rally information. It is a morning presentation with lunch provided. Our WELS missionaries greatly appreciate what we provide for them, including sending cards and letters. Sometimes they feel so alone. We want to keep this group vibrant and active. LWMS is a national group and extends far beyond our small congregation. LWMS has a website with information and videos to check out. Each circuit has a fall and spring rally and there is a yearly national convention that will be held in Lacrosse, WI this summer. Although it is a women's group, a few husbands do attend. I would love to have you join me. Contact me at church or by phone at 651-338-4876. We will leave from church at 8am. *Barbara Miller*

### **Welcome, Happy Morning!**

Every weekend church greeters show visitors & fellow members how happy we are to see them joining us for worship. Will you add your happy smile to the face of our church? A sign-up sheet for greeters can be found in the entry near the communion sheet. Our Easter joy moves us to great others with a "Happy Easter" or "He is Risen." Greeters get that opportunity!

### **High School Graduates**

Would you like a prayer shawl to take with you after you graduate? Please contact JoAnn Ecker at 651-295-4369. If you request one, they will be ready by the end of May.

# ***Giving***

## **Ministry Support**

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$11,443.04 for Current Expenses and \$1,105.00 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 thanksgiving and joy at our annual remembrance of Jesus' Holy Week suffering and victory
- For boldness and words to share our faith and invite our neighbors to see Jesus this Easter season
- For Debbie Hansen, Salem 1st Grade teacher, who holds a call to teach in Wisconsin Rapids.
- For sister churches in our area (Woodbury, Hugo, North St. Paul, River Falls, Hudson) calling for pastors and teachers to lead in ministry and share in service.