

## **Salem to host regional Youth Night**

Salem is hosting a regional WELS Youth Night on April 30 from 6 - 8:15 pm. Experience an inspiring evening of games, music, God's Word, small group discussion, and fun with fellow high schoolers (9th–12th grade) from all over the area. Contact Ross and Rachel Collins ([r.acollins005@gmail.com](mailto:r.acollins005@gmail.com), 612-483-9197) with any questions.

## **New Ministry - Prayer Partners!**

Prayer Partners is a new ministry program beginning next year that matches students of our Salem school with an adult in our congregation. This match-up provides an opportunity to use letter-writing skills (remember having a pen pal?), exchange thoughts and stories, and encourage our children to pray for others. Students and prayer partners can form special, even life-long, relationships with each other and this program helps make connections between church members and school families.

We intend to start with the Kindergarten class next year, and add first grade if we have enough members. We want every student at Salem to have a prayer partner eventually. If you would like to know more about prayer partners, talk to Principal Ryan Klatt.

## **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!



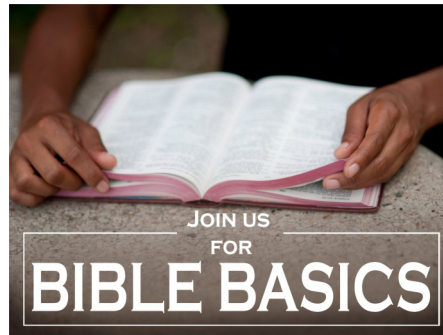
## **Attention, High School & College Graduates**

God brings his people together into churches to support each other in difficult times and to celebrate together in joyful ones. We would like to mark this milestone in your lives with you this year, but we need your help. If you are graduating (or have a child graduating) please email the church office ([dswanson@salemlutheran.org](mailto:dswanson@salemlutheran.org)) to let us know when you graduate and from which school. Thank you!

## **Congregational Meeting**

Salem will hold our quarterly congregational meeting after the 10:30am service today. This is an important meeting, not only hearing about ministry past and future but also electing leaders to serve for the next year and approving the church budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. All Salem members are encouraged to attend.

## **Bible Basics - New Session begins in April**



Pastor Wolfe will begin a new session of the Bible Basics study April 24th.

This 10-week study will meet Monday evenings for about 1.5 hours each night.

Topics covered include human nature, how sinners can hope for heaven, what the Bible says about Lord's Supper and Baptism, the end of the world, heaven and hell, and more. The study serves as a great refresher for members, a great intro for friends and neighbors who don't know much about the Bible at all, and everyone in between. This study also serves as Salem's membership class. If you would like to attend, you must pre-register with Pastor Wolfe as class size is limited.

## **Vacation Bible School**

Have you signed up for Vacation Bible School (VBS) at Salem June 12th-16th from 8:30-11:30am? If not, you can register at [www.salemlutheran.org/vbs](http://www.salemlutheran.org/vbs). All children ages 3 to entering 6th grade are invited to join the fun.

Thank you so much to those who have already signed up to serve with us. There are many more areas that need to be filled such as lead teachers, assistant teachers, game leaders, and registration. 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).

## **MAP Testing Help Needed**

We need someone to read the MAP test to a student in 4th grade. You do not need to help with the test, but just read the questions and answers. MAP testing will take place this coming week. If you have some time, please reach out to Mrs. H at [nhasselquist@salemlutheran.org](mailto:nhasselquist@salemlutheran.org) or call the school office.



### **Hiring for Administrative Assistant**

Salem is looking for a member to serve as a part-time (10 hours/ week) Administrative Assistant for the church office. This person will assist in performing secretarial, clerical, records maintenance, church related correspondence, and receptionist duties of the church in support of pastor(s), staff, and lay leaders of the church.

#### **Requirements and Qualifications:**

- > Be a current member of Salem or another WELS congregation.
- > Must be enthusiastic, have good human relation skills, and good communication skills.
- > Must have experience with, or able to learn, computer productivity software including Windows, Microsoft Office, and Google Suite.

If interested, please contact either Pastor ([rwolfe@salemlutheran.org](mailto:rwolfe@salemlutheran.org)) or Debbie ([dswanson@salemlutheran.org](mailto:dswanson@salemlutheran.org)) in the church office for more information.

### **Support a family in need**

You may recall the prayers we've had in worship for Lucas Schroeder, a student at St. Croix Lutheran Academy who suffered a significant car accident this winter. Lucas remains in the hospital in very serious condition. If you would like to help the family with expenses in their time of need they've set up an online donation site. To make it easier to find we've created a web shortcut. Just go to [www.salemlutheran.org/Lucas](http://www.salemlutheran.org/Lucas).

### **Ministry Support**

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$14,013.01 for Current Expenses and \$2,205.90 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).

### **Contact Information**

Church office (Debbie Swanson): 651-439-7831 | [dswanson@salemlutheran.org](mailto:dswanson@salemlutheran.org)  
 Pastor Ryan Wolfe: 701-989-9721 | [rwolfe@salemlutheran.org](mailto:rwolfe@salemlutheran.org)  
 Principal Ryan Klatt: 763-898-6273 | [rklatt@salemlutheran.org](mailto:rklatt@salemlutheran.org)  
 School Office (Diane Light): 651-439-7831 | [school.office@salemlutheran.org](mailto:school.office@salemlutheran.org)

## **THIS WEEK AT SALEM**

<b>Sun, 4/23</b>	8 am Worship w/communion 9:15 am Sun JAM, Adult/Teen Bible St 10:30 am Worship w/communion 11:30 am Quarterly Congregational Mtg
<b>Mon, 4/24</b>	6:30 pm Bible Basics
<b>Tues, 4/25</b>	10:15 am Bible Study 6:00 pm Handbell Practice
<b>Wed, 4/26</b>	9:30 am Salem School Chapel 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm Catechism 6:30 pm Sr Choir 7:15 pm Men's Chorus
<b>Thurs, 4/27</b>	6:30 pm Harvest Strategy Meeting
<b>Sat, 4/29</b>	5 pm Worship 6:15 pm Teen & Adult Volleyball 6 pm Confirmation Rehearsal and Pictures
<b>Sun, 4/30</b>	8 am Worship 9:15 am Sunday JAM & Adult & Teen Bible Study 10:30 am Worship 6 pm Area WELS Youth Night



- ✚ For faithfulness to hearing Jesus' Word, that he opens our eyes and stirs our hearts with the gospel
- ✚ To joyfully share with Gordie and Beverly Erickson as they celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary
- ✚ For Branch Lutheran Schools in Haiti, that God would bless their work to help those in worldly and spiritual need.
- ✚ For Cindy Durow, Debbie Swanson, and others looking to the Lord for healing after surgery, illness, or injury.

