



*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, 7/16** 8 am Worship
9:30 am Worship
9 am Parade Participants Meet at Church
11 am Salem Float in Lumberjack Day Parade
- Mon, 7/17** 6:30 pm Bible Basics
- Tues, 7/18** 10:15 am Bible Study
6:30 pm Church Council Picnic at Pastor's House
- Wed, 7/19** 6 pm Handbells
- Thur, 7/20** 7 pm Young Adult Bonfire at Collins Home
- Sat, 7/22** 8:30 am New Member Seminar
5 pm Worship w/communion
6 pm Volleyball (At Lakefront Park in Hudson)
- Sun, 7/23** 8 am Worship w/communion
9:30 am Worship w/communion
10:45 am Manning Property Open House
4 pm Pastor Robert Beaver Installation at Salem, Woodbury

Church Updates

Pastor Call/Quarterly Voter's Meeting

We will extend another call on Sunday, July 30th at our quarterly meeting after the second service.

Salem Worship Survey – We'd Love to Hear from You!

As part of our congregation's strategic planning effort, (VTO: Vision-Traction Organizer) a worship committee task group wants to hear from you about all aspects of Salem worship services. If you receive church announcements by email, a survey on worship has been emailed to you. Paper copies of the survey are available in the church entry along with a box for completed surveys.

Your input is valued! Please take a few minutes to complete the survey and share your thoughts on Salem worship.

Last date to submit a survey is Tuesday, July 18. Your responses are important as together we continue to glorify and give thanks to God through meaningful worship. All adult members of a household (18 years+) are invited to take the survey. Thank you in advance for your help.

Spiritual Growth Task Force

A task force is being formed on spiritual growth ministries (Sunday School, VBS, Growth Groups, Bible Studies, etc.). The goal is to gather and summarize input on ways to improve and expand spiritual growth opportunities at our church. This group would operate for about 3 to 4 months with monthly meetings. If you would like to provide input on spiritual growth or volunteer for the task force, please contact Jason Kehren (jmkehren@gmail.com, 651-269-5736).

Serving & Sharing in Faith

Important Opportunities to Serve this Fall

As our leaders make plans for ministry this coming fall and school year, we find some important areas with significant needs. Some areas where you could make a difference for our church, our members, and our outreach include:

- Sunday school - teachers, assistants, and coordinators needed
- Communications - Social media, website maintenance, publications
- Technology - worship slideshow creation, audio/video during worship, set-up & takedown
- Outreach - worship greeters, visitor followup, activity participants

Talk to Pastor Wolfe if you are able to serve our Lord in any of the ways described here. Or, if you have some other way of serving you'd like to talk about. He'd love to help you find a way to put your faith into action.

Looking for Handbell Ringers

Salem's handbell choir is looking for new ringers this fall when some current ringers head off to school and college! Anyone who can read music is invited to join us for playing in worship, weekly practices, and a large bell festival that will be held at Salem next April. The bells are ringing at services this Sunday so it's a perfect time to talk to Jessie Wolfe and take a closer look!

July Food Drive for the Food Shelf

Salem's Caring committee is sponsoring a food drive in the month of July for the local food shelf. They contacted the food shelf and right now they are in need of salt, pepper, garlic powder, cumin, cinnamon, salad dressing, any condiments, and olive oil. They also are in need of personal items. They especially welcome monetary gifts so they can purchase what's most needed themselves. Thank you for helping us share the love and charity of Jesus!

Area Youth Night - Sunday, August 6

Salem will host another area WELS Youth Night on Aug 6th at 6 pm on our Manning Property. In preparation for the event, the planning committee is asking if any Salem members have portable canopies for shade or any yard games (i.e. spike ball, can jam, volleyball set up, ladder golf, bean bags, etc.) that we could borrow for the evening.

If anyone is interested in helping purchase and provide mini bottled water, fruit snacks, marshmallows, prize gift cards, or some other ideas, please talk to Katie Aumann (715-590-3715) or Rachel Collins (612-483-9197). Finally, if you are a college age/young adult and interested in being a youth leader that night, please reach out to Rachel Collins. High school age students can register at www.salemlutheran.org/youthnight.

Salem School Open Positions for 2023-2024 School Year

Salem Lutheran School is in need of someone for both Before School Care and After School Care for the upcoming school year. Before-care runs from 7am-8:30am and after-care runs from 3:30pm-5pm. The pay is \$30 for just before care or aftercare, or \$60 a day if you do both. Linked below is the position description.

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Another position opening at Salem is for a 1st and 2nd-grade aide. This would be for 6 hours daily and split between the 1st and 2nd-grade classrooms. Pay would start at \$15 an hour with yearly raises that will be shared during the interview process. Below is linked the position description.

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If you would like to apply, feel free to print off the application linked below and return to the school office. Applications can also be picked up in the school office. Feel free to contact Mr. Klatt (rklatt@salemlutheran.org) with any questions.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1p8pnG3QCFQYvB6pnnxBKcDnCiKDeFeuD/view?usp=sharing>

Yard Signs Available!

There are yard signs available in the church entry. Please take one home and put it in your yard! Help spread the word about our school!



SIGN UP NOW to donate blood at **Salem Lutheran Church**

DATE: August 14th **TIME:** 1:00 – 6:00 PM **LOCATION:** Gymnasium

Sign up online via the Red Cross website or go to www.salemlutheran.org/giveblood.

Contact Laura Gruetzmacher at 651-491-5988 and she can guide you through the process to sign up. *Thank you for making a difference!*

Uniting in Faith

Volleyball Group - Let's Play Outside in July!

We can't play volleyball in our gym in July due to floor maintenance, but we're still going to play. All Salem teens and adults are invited to join us outdoors at Lakefront Park in Hudson for sand volleyball Saturdays in July at 6:15pm.

Manning Property Open House

Many, if not most, of our members have never had a chance to see Salem's property on Manning Avenue. Next Sunday plan to join us there for an open house after the 9:30 am worship service. Members will be able to explore the 77 acre property and visit with church leaders. Cold sandwiches, chips, cookies and water will be served by the Fellowship Committee. We'll have a variety of lawn and outdoor games to play as well.

Church Picnic/BBQ/Potluck/School Kickoff

On Saturday, August 19, Salem will hold our annual church picnic and school kickoff, also serving as a welcome to school families before the start of the new year. Salem's Fellowship committee will provide grilled brats, hot dogs, sweet corn (if the drought hasn't ruined it), and 1919 root beer floats & bottled water. Members are encouraged to bring a potluck dish to share. Everyone is invited for some fellowship and good food!

Salem Young Adults

Some of Salem's younger adult members would like to start a fellowship group of their own and we've scheduled two activities to get it started. First, members 18-30ish years old are invited to meet at Salem at 3:45 on Saturday, July 15th to go together to Lumberjack Days for demonstrations, food, and exploration. If you'd like to go earlier and meet the group there, just let us know. Second, we'll have a bonfire on Thursday, July 20th at the home of Ross & Rachel Collins for all interested. We'll meet at 7pm at 643 Laurie Ln, Hudson.

Robyn Collins is helping us get organized. If you have questions, suggestions, or need to RSVP call/text Robyn at 715-781-1106 or email robyncollins003@gmail.com.

Giving in Faith

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$11,948.95 for Current Expenses and \$1,149.62 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 faithfulness in hearing, obeying, and sharing God's Word.
- For blessing on our outreach and fellowship activities coming up (parade, Manning open house, Youth Night, etc.)
- For Jane Grobe's friend Randy, starting chemo for stage 4 lung cancer, and for all in need of prayers for health and wellness.
- For thankfulness at rain received and prayers answered, and for future trust in God's perfect plans.