

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, 10/1	8 am Worship
	9:15 am Sunday JAM & Bible Study
	10:30 am Worship
	2 pm LWMS Rally at St. Croix Lutheran Academy
	6 pm Growth Group Leadership Meeting

- Mon, 10/25 pm Sunday JAM Teacher's Meeting<br/>6:30 pm Bible Basics
- Tues, 10/310:15 am Bible Study4 pm Parent/Teacher Conferences (5th-8th Grade)7 pm Outreach Meeting
- Wed. 10/4 9:15 am Chapel
  9:30 am Women's Bible Study
  1 pm Oak Ridge Place Devotion
  6:30 pm Catechism
  6:30 pm Church Choir Practice
  7:15 pm Men's Chorus & Handbells
- Thur, 10/512:30 pm Women's Guild4 pm Parent/Teacher Conferences (5th-8th Grade)6 pm Church Directory Organizational Meeting
- Fri, 10/6 No School
- Sat, 10/78 am Men's Bible Study at Gorman's in Lake Elmo5 pm Worship6:15 pm Teen & Adult Volleyball
- Sun, 10/8 8 am Worship w/Communion 9:15 am Sunday JAM & Bible Study 10:30 am Worship w/Communion 6 pm Area WELS Youth Night at Salem

### **Introducing Salem's New Parish Nurse**

Hello, my name is Kathy Smart. I'm excited to step into the role of parish nurse here at Salem. I have been a nurse for 36 years in long-term care, parish nursing, home care, school nursing, and now assisted living. My heart is in community nursing. The caring committee and I want to help offer education consulting, spiritual support, and resources for new or chronic health issues. I also look forward to finding opportunities for members to serve and support each other as part of a healthy congregation.

### Pastor Call

Salem has extended a call to Pastor Nicolas Schmoller, who is currently a professor at MLC. You are welcome to contact him at 507-766-8723 or by email at <u>schmolnc@mlc-wels.edu</u> Please keep him in your prayers as he deliberates.

# Growing in Faith

#### Sunday JAM This Week

Sunday JAM for kids ages 3 to grade 6 continues this week with a look at Genesis 6-8. All children are invited to see how God saved Noah and his family from the destruction of the flood all around them. God is serious about sin, and serious about saving believers from it! Sunday JAM starts at 9:15am in the church sanctuary.

#### Sunday Morning Study

Skeptics of Christianity often attack our faith by arguing that the Bible is so old we can't possibly know what was original. Unprepared Christians might not be ready to offer a defense. This year's Sunday study begins with a series on how the Bible came to be, how it was preserved through the centuries, and how to defend it when faced with challenges.

### **Mission Festival**

Salem will hold a Mission Festival this year on Sunday October 15. Pastor Mark Parsons from *Truth in Love* Ministries will be our guest preacher and presenter for the weekend, preaching for all services and giving a presentation about his mission to the Mormons Sunday between services. The Fellowship Committee will serve dinner following the 10:30am service Sunday morning. This one isn't a potluck! The meal will be Chicken Parmesan, Salad, Bread, and Fresh Apple Pie. Plan on joining us for this special celebration!

# Serving & Sharing in Faith

### **Church Picture Directory**

Salem will be taking pictures for a new photo directory in November. The new directory will be available for free to all members. Salem will also roll out a new app for phones and tablets to make it easy to stay connected to our church, share prayer requests, and watch our services online. We are looking for a few people to help us coordinate the picture schedule, work on the directory layout, and contact members. If you'd like to help, please talk to Pastor Wolfe today! An organizational meeting is scheduled 6pm Thursday.

### Trunk or Treat - October 29th

Salem's annual "Trunk or Treat" for church members and school families is scheduled Sunday afternoon (4-6pm), October 29th. We're looking for members to help decorate cars, hand out candy, and welcome visitors to our church campus. Talk to Pastor Wolfe, Ryan Klatt, or Outreach chair Dave Wurst to learn more. Sign up online at www.salemlutheran.org/trunkortreat.

### **Christmas For Kids Donations**

We will be having Christmas for Kids again this year and the craft organizer is looking for Christmas themed fabric for a wreath project they are planning. If you have some scraps of any size, please bring them to the church office. We will have a box for you to put the fabric in! Thanks so much for donating!

### WELS Youth Night - Stillwater

Salem is hosting a regional WELS Youth Night on **Sunday, October 8th**. High School students from Eastern MN/Western WI are invited to an inspiring evening of music, games, and discussion focused around God's Word. The event will run from 6:00 - 8:10 PM. Please enter through the school entrance. Students are encouraged to bring their friends and join us! Questions may be directed to Ross or Rachel Collins at r.acollins005@gmail.com or 612-483-9197.

### **October 15th Corn Maze Outing**

Salem's youth group is planning a fun fall outing on Sunday, Oct 15th to White Pine Berry Farms in River Falls, WI. The youth, along with any interested family and friends, will meet in Salem's upper parking lot at 1:30 pm and then carpool over to the farm together. Cost is \$9/person and includes access to the interactive corn maze, wagon rides, and the pumpkin patch (pumpkins available for purchase).

#### Youth Service Opportunity

Let's share the fruit of our faith by helping others this fall by helping rake yards! On Saturday, Oct 28th we will plan to rake a couple yards for older adults and adults with disabilities in our community. More details will be available after Oct 12th for this project. Please let Rachel Collins know if you are willing and able to help with this event.

### Camp Croix Fall Workday & Delegate Meeting

Salem members of all ages are invited to Camp Croix in Danbury, WI next Saturday (October 8th) for a fall workday to get the camp ready for winter. The workday is scheduled from 8am to 1pm, with a delegate meeting at 1pm. There is work for every ability and volunteers can stay overnight if they want. If you'd like to stay overnight, email info@campcroix.org.

# **Uniting in Faith**

#### Basketball & Volleyball Fellowship

Salem now has two "sporty" options for members to enjoy time with each other. Saturday evenings at 6:30pm teens and adults are invited to play coed indoor volleyball in the gym. Members of all skill levels are welcome. Men are invited to a men's pickup basketball night on Monday evenings at 7pm. Both of these activities are open to nonmembers too, so feel free to bring a friend to play too.

## **Giving in Faith**

#### **Ministry Support**

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$12,659.47 for Current Expenses and \$966.22 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at <u>salemlutheran.org/donate</u>.

### In our prayers this week

- For the blessing of children, including a new son born to Alex and Kallie Enter.
- For parents and grandparents, uncles and aunts, and all who carry their faith to the next generation.
- For sister churches in Germany and around the world as they take the Gospel to every nation.