

New Member Celebration & Potluck Dinner

Sunday, February 4th, Salem will celebrate the new members who joined our church in 2023 with a welcome at the 10:30am service. After that service we'll hold a potluck dinner for all members. If you are able to join us, please let us know on the signup sheet in the church entry. If you are able to help set up, serve, or clean up please contact fellowship chairman Tim Sinclair at debtim-klh88@netzero.com or 651-430-3415.

Congregational Meeting

This Sunday (Jan. 28th) Salem will hold our congregational meeting after the late service. In addition to our regular business, we'll review and vote on the proposed new constitution & bylaws, consider suggestions from our worship committee, and extend a pastoral call. All members are encouraged to attend and participate.

Can you help a child at Salem?

One of the greatest assets our Salem school has is the support our members show for our staff and students. A number of students and classrooms at this time would benefit from a volunteer giving students one on one time to help them focus. If you are able to help a student by just being there, please talk to Principal Ryan Klatt (rklatt@salemlutheran.org) or 3rd grade teacher Jessie Wolfe (jwolfe@salemlutheran.org).

Diaper Drive

Once again it's time for a diaper drive at Salem to support WELS Christian Life Ministries New Day Pregnancy & Family Resource Center in Little Canada. We will be collecting donations from **Sunday February 4 through Sunday February 25**, and are asking for diaper sizes 2, 3, 4, & 5 as well as unscented wipes. These can be dropped off in the playpen in the church entry. Thank you!



WELS Youth Night Tonight!

Salem is hosting a regional WELS Youth Night **Sunday, January 28th**. High School students from Eastern MN/Western WI will enjoy an interactive 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!

Bible Basics Study Group

The newest session of Bible Basics began last Tuesday evening at 6:30pm. If you'd still like to join our group for this session please talk to Pastor Wolfe right away or email at rwolfe@salemlutheran.org.

Altar Guild is Looking for some new Members!

A group of about 20 Salem women faithfully prepare our church for service by changing and filling candles, dusting, and caring for the altar. Some have been serving in this way for 18 years! We would like to add members to the rotation for this important work. There will be training. Please contact the church office if you would like to join our altar guild. We would love to have you on board!

Hearing Assistance in Worship

If your hearing aid is equipped with a T-Coil, set your device to that source for sound directly from our audio system using our loop system. Or ask an usher to use one of our headsets to get amplified sound in a similar way.

Growth Groups Invitation

All Salem members are encouraged to connect with one another in one or more Growth Groups. Growth Groups meet away from our church campus in people's homes, at coffee shops, or even online. Members talk about what they heard in worship, pray for each other, and take time to be there for each other in times good and bad. To get connected to a growth group email, send an email to growthgroups@salemlutheran.org.

Congratulations Salem A Girls Basketball

Congratulations to Salem's Girls A Basketball Team! They took home the championship at the Mount Olive Lutheran Charger Classic. Congratulate these ladies if you see them. It was a tremendous day. Thank you to Mount Olive Lutheran Church and School and Bethany Lutheran College for hosting! The team is 12-0 on the season.



The final games of the season are this Friday (February 2nd) at 5:30 and 6:30pm. All are invited to come cheer on our Salem Saints!

CAMM – Central Medical Africa Mission

Thank you to all who have contributed donations. Please keep bringing your bottles (no labels). Washcloths, pill bags, infant caps & socks are appreciated too. The Donation box is located at the donation center. Send an email to RidersUSA@comcast.net for pill bags instructions or other questions.

Summer Softball Team

Salem is looking to put together a softball team for the upcoming season in Stillwater. The season runs from May through August and all players must be out of high school to play. We have the option of having a men's league or coed league and we will pick the team based on the number of people interested. If we get enough, we could even have two teams. Please sign up in the church entryway. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Tom Forster, tforster16@gmail.com, or Ryan Klatt, rklatt@salemlutheran.org.

February Youth Group Event

The Youth Group's regular February meeting is being moved to noon-1:30 pm on February 11th so we can celebrate with a Super Bowl theme before the big game that evening! Salem's youth are invited to join us for lunch (hamburgers, hot dogs, and sub sandwiches!), a football themed devotion, and of course some "super" games!

Youth Group Lock In

It's back! The request was heard and Salem will be hosting a youth lock-in February 23-24. The event begins at 6:30 pm on February 23 and ends at 8 am on February 24. A rules sheet, signed by the youth, must be given to Pastor Wolfe or Rachel Collins by February 21st in order to participate in the lock-in. A permission form, signed by a parent, must also be provided before a student is allowed to attend. Please pick up these forms in the entryway.

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$17,378.16 for Current Expenses and \$574.62 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at salemlutheran.org/donate.

Contact Information

Church office (Debbie Swanson): 651-439-7831 | dswanson@salemlutheran.org
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School Office (Diane Light): 651-439-7831 | school.office@salemlutheran.org

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

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| Sun, 1/28 | 8 am Worship w/communion 9:15 am Sunday JAM & Bible Study 10:30 am Worship w/communion 12:00 pm Quarterly Congregational Meeting 6:00 pm East Metro WELS Youth Night at Salem |
| Mon, 1/29 | 6:30 pm Bible Basics with Pastor 7 pm Community Men's Basketball |
| Tues, 1/30 | 10:15 am Bible Study |
| Wed, 1/31 | 9:30 am Chapel 6:30 pm Catechism 6:30 pm Choir Practice 7:15 pm Handbells & Men's Chorus |
| Fri, 2/12 | NO SCHOOL - Teacher Inservice Day 5:30 pm Girls/Boys A-Team Basketball Game at Home vs Crown of Life |
| Sat, 2/13 | 8 am Men's Bible Study & Breakfast at Gorman's 5 pm Worship 6:15 pm Teen & Adult Volleyball |
| Sun, 2/4 | 9:15 am Sunday JAM & Bible Study 10:30 am Worship 11:30 am New Member Potluck |

In Our Prayers

- ✚ For moments of peace that remind us of our earthly and heavenly blessings.
- ✚ For moments of joy that encourage us through this world to eternal joy in heaven.
- ✚ For healing and hope to all who struggle in health and heart and mind.
- ✚ For opportunities to love as we carry out our roles as Christ's witnesses to the world.

