SALEM NEWS & NOTES

<u>Save the Date - Regional Handbell</u> <u>Festival</u>

On Sunday April 21st, Salem hosts the WELS Western Region handbell festival. Save the date and praise the Lord with music by a dozen handbell choirs all playing at once, with instruments and choir as well. The concert begins



at 2pm and is open to the public as well. There is no cost to attend but a free-will offering will be taken to help cover expenses.

Regional WELS Youth Night

Salem is hosting the next regional WELS Youth Night on **Sunday, April 21st from 6-8 pm**. This is a great opportunity for High School students from Eastern MN/Western WI to bring friends and hang out with other young people for an interactive evening of music, games, and discussion focused around God's Word. Please enter through the school entrance. Register to attend at Salem's website: www.salemlutheran.org.

Salem History on View

Attention Salem members! Did you know our church is 142 years old? We've unearthed a treasure trove of historical documents and artifacts! Join us April 27-28 in the entry to view these incredible finds. We'd love to capture as many stories as we can and figure out everything we can about the items we found. Long-time members, your stories are vital! New members discover Salem's rich history. After this Sunday, we'll go through a process of figuring out which items to keep on-site, which to potentially send to the historical society, and how to best preserve them. Want to be involved? Leave your name in the church office or email church@salemlutheran.org. Let's preserve Salem's legacy together!

Trivia Night Fundraiser

Join us for an electrifying Trivia Night extravaganza, where the thrill of friendly competition meets the excitement of supporting a great cause! Mark your calendars for **Sunday, April 28th, at 4 pm**. Our youth are gearing up to host



an unforgettable evening packed with brain-teasing fun, all in the spirit of raising funds for the Youth Rally. Whether you're a trivia enthusiast or a first-timer, everyone is welcome to participate! Come and be matched to a team or bring your team of 4 to compete. Cost is \$50 per team or \$15 a person. Childcare is available!

Altar Guild Meeting

The Altar Guild will meet on May 4 at 3:30 pm. Everyone is invited! Whether you're experienced, brand new, or just interested, this meeting is for you. Serving on the Altar Guild is a wonderful way to volunteer. We tidy up the altar area, fill the candles with oil, see to any flowers for the altar if relevant, put up or take down the communion rail (which is easier with two people), a little light dusting, and a bit of vacuuming and tidying up in the sacristy. We'd like to review our schedules and make sure that everyone is aware of what supplies we have available. We'll also go over our policies and procedures to make sure everyone is on the same page. Please mark your calendars now! If you can't attend this meeting, please email church@salemlutheran.org.

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. There is a sign-up sheet in the information center.



Campus Ministry Tour

What is college really like? Join the youth group on **Wednesday, April 10th** for a visit to the U of MN campus ministry. We will leave Salem at 6:15 pm, arrive at the U of MN campus for a welcome and introduction with Pastor Lor. Then meet some college students and join them for their Bible study and socializing. Please let Rachel Collins know if you plan to attend, so we can have cars ready to drive/carpool to the U of M.

Spring Fling for Seniors

Join us for Spring Fling at Salem on Saturday, April 27, from 11:00am to 1:30pm. We're inviting residents of Oak Ridge Place and our Salem members aged 80 or older. If you haven't received your invitation, reach out to Janet Rider at 651-361-3146 or <u>ridersUSA@comcast.net</u>.

Volunteer opportunities include assisting with meal service and hosting duties, starting bright and early at 10:00 am. Sign-up sheets will be at the information center as well as further details.



2024 WELS Women's Ministry Conference

Save the date for the 2024 WELS Women's Ministry Conference on Sunday, July 28-30, 2024, at the Ingleside Hotel in Pewaukee, Wis. This conference is for any woman who is passionate about spreading the Good News of Jesus in our world today, no matter her age and background. New to the faith or seasoned, married or single, the keynotes and wide variety of breakout sessions will encourage, equip, and empower you in your walk of faith. Early-bird registration of \$150 is open until April 30. General registration of \$175 is open May 1-31. Learn more at welswmconference.net.

Spring Cleanup at Camp Croix

It's almost time for spring cleanup at our conference's "home away from home," Camp Croix. Many hands, young and old are needed to get camp ready for the season. Camp Croix and its programs are a great blessing from God and we can show our appreciation by helping prepare the camp. You have your choice of jobs and the amount of time you can spend helping. The workday is scheduled for May 11th and will begin around 9 am. Lunch will be provided. Please email <u>info@campcroix.org</u> if you plan to help so we can have enough food for everyone. We hope to see you there!

Guest Bible Study - Next Sunday

Next Sunday we welcome Mr. Gary Jeffers from Grace in Action Ministry as a guest Bible study leader between services. Grace in Action is working with the WELS Commission on Lutheran Schools on a program to support and



encourage the teachers of our Synod. Mr. Jeffers will talk about that program and lead us in a study of Exodus 17, in which God blessed his people through two men who held up the arms of Moses.

Ministry Support

Contact Information

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$14,174.15 for Current Expenses and \$4,218.90 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at salemlutheran.org/donate.

THIS WEEK AT SALEM Sun, 4/7 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Sunday JAM & Bible Study 10:30 am Worship Mon, 4/8 6:30 pm Bible Basics with Pastor 7:00 pm Community Men's Basketball Tues. to Thurs. Pastor Wolfe at District Conference Tues, 4/9 NO Revelation Bible Study 6:00 pm Elders Committee 7:00 pm Worship Committee Wed, 4/10 9:30 am School Chapel 6:15 pm Youth Group visit to Univ. of **MN** Campus Ministry 6:30 pm Choir Practice 7:15 pm Handbells & Men's Chorus Fri, 4/12 11 am Funeral for Eunice Rosenow at **Bradshaw Funeral Home** Sat, 4/13 5:00 pm Worship w/Communion 6:15 pm Teen & Adult Volleyball Sun, 4/14 8:00 am Worship w/Communion 9:15 am Sunday JAM & Bible Study 10:30 am Worship w/Communion 12:00 pm Budget Meeting 6:30 pm Youth Gathering



In Our Prayers

- ✤ For thanksgiving and peace in Jesus' Easter victory.
- ✤ For blessings on all the members who work together to serve our Lord at Salem.
- For healing for our members and friends who suffer in some way and look to God for help and deliverance.

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