

## Quarterly Congregational Meeting

Members are encouraged attend our church's quarterly meeting after the 10:30 service this weekend. We'll hear updates from our leaders on regular ministry and special projects, elect leaders for next year, and approve next year's ministry budget.

## Altar Guild Meeting

Altar Guild meeting on May 4, 3:30 pm. Open to all! Join us to volunteer—no experience necessary. Tasks include altar tidying, candle maintenance, and sacristy cleanup. Review schedules, supplies, and policies. Can't make it? Email [church@salemlutheran.org](mailto:church@salemlutheran.org)

## Called Worker Appreciation Lunch

Teacher Appreciation Week is coming soon, and we need your help! We're planning a week of small tokens of appreciation for all of our called workers and on May 8th, we're hosting a special staff lunch. We need volunteers to assist with setup, clean up, and supervising classrooms for an hour. We would love to show our appreciation to the called workers who serve the Lord on our behalf. If you're interested in volunteering, donating, or dropping off goodies, email [abigaileibisch@gmail.com](mailto:abigaileibisch@gmail.com). Remember that more than anything our staff need our prayers and encouragement, so take a moment to thank them for their time and talents! *From Salem Parents Meg Bicek, Abigail Ibisch, and Jenny Bye*

## Card Shower for Debbie Swanson

As many of you are aware, Debbie Swanson recently spent an extended period in the hospital and is now recovering at home. Debbie's birthday is on May 5th, and we'd like to show our appreciation for her dedicated work at Salem with a card shower. If you'd like, please send a birthday card or note to Debbie at 304 State Rd 35, Osceola, WI, 54020.

## Preschool Play - May 9 at 6:00 pm

The Preschool spring play on May 9th is titled "Friendly Neighborhood Helpers". Please plan to attend this musical that tells us about the helpful people who serve us in our community. This free performance will be held in our school gym at 6:00 pm. Hope to see you there!

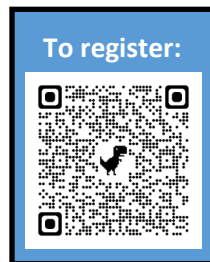


## 2024 WELS Women's Ministry Conference

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. 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](http://welswmconference.net).

## 2024 Summer Vacation Bible School

Join our Miraculous Mission at Vacation Bible School (VBS)! Children 3 years old (must be toilet trained) through 6th grade are invited to join us on our mission: Jesus saves the world. Our adventures will include eating out-of-this-world snacks, playing a multitude of games, learning a whirlwind of Bible stories, raising our voices to sing praises, and crafting creations. The cost is \$10 per child. FAMILY FUN NIGHT is Thursday night, June 13 from 5-7:30 p.m. We will provide a complimentary grill with burgers, hotdogs, chips, and root beer floats. There will also be a jumpy house and rocket launchers! We invite you to come as a family and invite friends, family, and neighbors too! Online registration is now open. Don't forget to invite your friends!



## Pizza for 8th grade class trip

Salem's 8th-grade students are finalizing their upcoming class trip to the Dells, but before that takes place we have a fundraiser planned and we saved the best for last. IT'S THE HEGGIES PIZZA FUNDRAISER! Order yourself a couple of pizzas for the freezer (who doesn't need a couple in the freezer), and take the opportunity to help these kids reach another goal they have set for themselves. Seek out an 8th grader, place an order in the back of the church, or order in the school office. Orders are due by May 1st for a May 14th delivery at 1:15 pm. The Eighth Grade Class thanks you!

### Crisis Fund for Haiti

A fund is urgently needed to address emergencies that fall outside the usual budget for Branch Lutheran Day Schools of Haiti. This necessity became apparent when one of the schools had to temporarily close amid the ongoing violence in Haiti. This fund would cover unforeseen expenses like medical costs, food, and urgent transportation. We aim to raise \$5000 by May 7th, and donations are tax-deductible. To contribute, visit [www.branchlutheranschoolshaiti.org/donate](http://www.branchlutheranschoolshaiti.org/donate) or send a check payable to Branch Lutheran Schools of Haiti, Inc. c/o Kathleen Menker, Treasurer, 1627 Dunlap Street N., Saint Paul, MN 55108. Let's also pray for our schools in Haiti, ensuring students can continue studying God's Word despite challenges.

### Camp Croix Announcements

It's not too late to register for our summer youth camps. Space is limited, so sign up soon at [campcroix.org](http://campcroix.org)

May 11<sup>th</sup> will be our annual spring cleanup day. Help for the day and stay for the weekend for free if you like. Lunch will be provided.

### 2024 WELS National Conference on Worship

Save the date for the 2024 National Conference on Worship, Music, and the Arts, held July 30-August 2, 2024, at Carthage College, Kenosha, Wis. The worship conference offers something for everyone. It's not only for pastors and musicians but also for lay people who love worship and want to encourage worship enrichment in their congregations. The theme of the conference is Sing a New Song to the Lord. While the song of the gospel is always new, this conference will make extensive use of new songs from the 2021 WELS hymnal and beyond. Early-bird rates are until April 30. Regular conference rate is May 1-July 21. Learn more at [welsworshipconference.net](http://welsworshipconference.net).

### Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$10,051.40 for Current Expenses and \$640.91 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).

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## THIS WEEK AT SALEM

- Sun, 4/28** 8:00 am **Worship with Communion**  
9:15 am Sunday JAM & Bible Study  
10:30 am **Worship with Communion**  
12:00 pm **Quarterly Congregational Meeting**  
4:00 pm Trivia Night
- Tues, 4/30** 10:15 Tuesday Morning Bible Study
- Wed, 5/1** 9:30 am School Chapel  
9:30 am Women's Bible Study  
6:30 pm Evening Catechism  
7:15 pm Handbells
- Thurs, 5/2** 12:30 pm Women's Guild
- Sat, 5/4** 8 am Men's Bible Study and Breakfast at Gorman's  
3:30 pm Altar Guild Meeting  
5:00 pm **Worship w/Communion**
- Sun, 5/5** 8:00 am **Worship**  
9:15 am Sunday JAM & Bible Study  
10:30 am **Worship (with Youth Confirmation)**



### In Our Prayers

- ✠ For thanksgiving in this Easter season, and hearts moved to active faith and service.
- ✠ For the blessings of rain and sunshine, and God's guiding of the changing seasons.
- ✠ For Debbie Swanson, Marilyn Wegge, Pastor Jake, and all our members and friends looking for healing.

