



*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**

<b>Sun, 5/26</b>	<b>9:00 am Worship with Communion</b>
Mon, 5/27	7:00 pm Community Men's Basketball
Tues, 5/28	10:15 Tuesday Morning Bible Study 6:15 pm Church Softball Team @ Lily Lake Park
Wed, 5/29	9:30 am Women's Bible Study 12:30 pm Oak Ridge Place Bible Study
<b>Sat, 6/1</b>	<b>5:00 pm Worship</b> 6:30 pm Teen & Adult Volleyball
<b>Sun, 6/2</b>	<b>9:00 am Worship</b>

### **Call Update & Meeting Scheduled**

Thursday morning, Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary held its assignment service. This year there were 27 candidates graduating from the seminary and 97 requests for a pastor. We thank God for each man willing to stand before the Lord and serve God's people full-time in pastoral ministry. Salem did not receive a graduate so we will return to calling for a pastor from the field. A pastor call meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 3rd at 6 pm.

### **Summer Office Hours**

For the summer the church office will be open every weekday from 9 am to noon. If you need help outside of those times, please email [church@salemlutheran.org](mailto:church@salemlutheran.org) or give us a call.

### **High School & College Graduate Recognition**

God brings his people together into churches to support each other in difficult times and to celebrate together in joyful ones. We would like to mark this milestone in your lives with you this year, but we need your help. If you are graduating (or have a child graduating) please email the church office ([church@salemlutheran.org](mailto:church@salemlutheran.org)) to let us know when you graduate and from which school. Thank you!

## ***Growing in Faith***

### **Bible Basics New Session**

Pastor Wolfe will offer the next session of Bible Basics on Thursday evenings beginning June 6th. In this 10 to 12-week study we'll cover the most important teachings of the Bible, as well as look for God's answers to questions participants bring themselves. Bible Basics is a great refresher for members of all ages and a perfect introduction to what we believe for your family and friends. This study also serves as Salem's membership intro class. If you would like to attend or want to invite someone you know to attend, please contact Pastor Wolfe ([rwolfe@salemlutheran.org](mailto:rwolfe@salemlutheran.org)).

### **Summer Growth Group Opening**

Are you looking for a relaxed, kid-friendly, summer Bible Study? We have one growth group that is poised to restart for the summer in early June. Meetings would be every other Friday evening at the Ibis home in Mahtomedi. Families

with kids are encouraged to come. We'll order pizzas and let the kids play while the adults pray, study, and just hang out. If you are interested in the opportunity, please email [aibisch@salemlutheran.org](mailto:aibisch@salemlutheran.org).

### **WELS Taste of Missions**

Register today for Taste of Missions, a hybrid event that will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2024, at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon, Wis. Attend in person OR online to get a "taste of missions." Registration is \$15 per person, with children 13 and under attending for free. Those attending in person will receive food tickets to sample ethnic food and will have the ability to purchase additional food from the food trucks. Or attend virtually for free and watch all events via live stream, view additional video updates from missionaries, and try your hand at making one of the many ethnic recipes shared on the website. Learn more and register at [www.tasteofmissions.com](http://www.tasteofmissions.com).

### **Register for Summer Vacation Bible School**

Join our Miraculous Mission at Vacation Bible School (VBS) June 10-14 from 9 am to noon! 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 dinner 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. [Click here to register](#). Don't forget to invite your friends and neighbors!

## ***Serving & Sharing in Faith***

### **Door Offering for Debbie Swanson**

A big thank you from the Caring Committee to all who helped make this past weekend's fundraiser for Debbie Swanson a success. A total of \$4,902 has been raised as of May 20th. Cards and donations were delivered to Debbie on Monday. She was very grateful and said that the money was going to go a long way towards helping them out. She also passed along thanks for the gas cards from earlier this year. Donations are still being accepted. Checks should be made out payable to Debbie Swanson and can be dropped off or mailed to the church office. You can also donate online at <https://www.givesendgo.com/DebbieSwanson>.

### **Vacation Bible School Help**

Vacation Bible School is returning to Salem June 10-14 from 9am to noon. The theme this year is Miraculous Mission (space theme). We encourage you to sign up for children 3 years old (must be potty trained) through 6th grade and invite family and friends. More information and sign up can be found at [www.salemlutheran.org/vbs](http://www.salemlutheran.org/vbs).

More volunteers are needed to make this program a success. Please contact Naomi Gumbrell ([ngumbrell@gmail.com](mailto:ngumbrell@gmail.com) or 763-234-5036, text preferred) or sign up at the link provided above. Additionally, if anyone has rocket launchers or water balloon launchers they would be willing to lend for Family Fun Night, please contact Naomi.

### **Stillwater's Food Truck Extravaganza**

Join Salem's Outreach Team at the ultimate foodie adventure, the Food Truck Extravaganza 2024 at the Washington County Fairgrounds in Lake Elmo on June 15! We need volunteers to help host our tent at this fun-filled event featuring 40 food trucks, live music, and family-friendly activities. This is a fantastic opportunity to meet our community, spread the gospel, and enjoy a day of delicious bites and entertainment. Rain or shine, bring your smiles, family, and appetite and help us share the joy of our Church. Sign up today [here](#) or at the information center.

### **Help Wanted for 2024-2025 School Year**

Join us in the lunchroom for the 2024-2025 school year! If you're interested in learning more about working with us, contact Lynn Jay at [lunch@salemlutheran.org](mailto:lunch@salemlutheran.org). Available positions are:

**Food Service Aide** - This position performs routine service-level duties to assist with food preparation, serving, and clean up of the lunchroom and school kitchen. The Food Service Aide is the first level in a service-oriented career ladder.

**Food Service Assistant Manager-** This position supervises and coordinates the activities of workers engaged in receiving, preparing, cooking, and serving food in the school lunchroom.

## ***Uniting in Faith***

### **Growth Groups Invitation**

All Salem members are encouraged to connect 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 of good and bad. To get connected to a growth group email, send an email to [growthgroups@salemlutheran.org](mailto:growthgroups@salemlutheran.org).

## ***Salem School***

### **End of a Successful School Year**

With the Lord's blessing, we celebrated the end of another school year with a graduation service and dinner Thursday evening and a half day of school on Friday. Thank you to the Fellowship Committee for serving families and making this a special event for our families and students. We thank the Lord for all of the faculty and staff who poured their hearts into these children this year. We also thank you for all of your prayers, encouragement, and time spent serving the Lord with us. We are so proud of the outreach we do at Salem School and it wouldn't be possible without your help!

## ***Sister Ministries***

### **Martin Luther College is Hiring**

Now accepting applications for a full-time Early Childhood Assistant Teacher, a full-time Accountant, a full-time Resource Development Counselor, a full-time Administrative Assistant for Mission Advancement, a regular part-time Administrative Assistant for Academic Deans, a part-time Athletics Equipment Manager, a part-time Men's Basketball Assistant Coach, and a part-time Women's Basketball Assistant Coach. Interested individuals should apply online at [mlc-wels.edu/hr/](http://mlc-wels.edu/hr/).

## ***Giving in Faith***

### **Ministry Support**

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$22,050.15 for Current Expenses and \$745.75 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).

## ***In our prayers this week***

- For thankfulness for another year of school, Sunday JAM, and Bible study now completed.
- For safe travels and rest to all who travel during the summer for vacation and family visits.
- For faith to trust those truths of God that can only be believed by the Holy Spirit's gift.