

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, 6/16 9:00 am Worship

10:15 am Summer Bible Study

Tues, 6/18 11:30 pm Caring Committee

6:15 pm Church Softball Team @ Lily Lake Park

Thur, 6/20 6:30 pm Bible Basics

Sat, 6/22 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

6:15 pm Teen/Adult Volleyball

Sun, 6/29 9:00 am Worship with Communion

10:15 Summer Bible Study

Call Extended

Pastor Matthew Holtz continues to hold the call to serve as associate pastor. Pastor Holtz currently serves at St. Paul Lutheran in Appleton, WI. If you'd like to contact him, please email mholtz@stpaulappletonwi.com. Keep Pastor Holtz and his family in your prayers as he deliberates.

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 or give us a call.

Growing in Faith

Vacation Bible School Thank You

Once again Salem had a fantastic Vacation Bible School program. We shared God's miraculous mission with over a hundred kids during the week and welcomed over 250 people to Thursday's family fun night. All of this was only possible because Salem members stepped out in faith and did the work God calls us to do. I wish I could thank everyone who helped by name, but I'd surely forget someone. So whether you taught the Bible story, danced with a kid, poured a glass of juice, launched a rocket, swept a floor, or any of a thousand other things - thank you for answering God's call. May God bless our work and give you satisfaction in a job well done. Way to go Salem!

Serving & Sharing in Faith

Lumberjack Days Parade Float

Salem will once again have a float and hand out water in Stillwater's Lumberjack Days parade July 21st. We'd like to know who is able to help us assemble the float, prep outreach materials, and ride and/or walk in the parade. If you'd like to be involved and help us get our name and invitation out into the community please sign up in the church entry or email Pastor Wolfe.

Prayer Partners with Salem Kindergarteners

Would you like a tiny pen pal? We're looking for some new people to join our prayer partners program. Prayer Partners is a program that pairs a church member with a Salem student. The church member and the student will write letters throughout their time at Salem, beginning in Kindergarten. The objective is that the partnership will be an opportunity to grow in faith and develop a lasting friendship. The prayer partner will write a letter to the student, leaving the letter in the Prayer Partners box near the commons area in the Church and the student will write back. It's a great way to pass on a lasting legacy of faith. For more information sign up here or email rklatt@salemlutheran.org. You can learn more in the explanation at the end of these announcements.

Help Wanted for 2024-2025 School Year

Lunchroom: 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. 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 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.

Before Care Supervisor Needed

Salem School is in need of a supervisor for our before-care program for next school year. Care will be provided from 7:00am-8:30am and the pay would be \$30 a time. For more information, feel free to look at the <u>position description</u>. If you or someone you know are interested in filling the position, please fill out the application found in this <u>link</u>.

Blood Drive in August

SIGN UP NOW to donate blood at Salem Lutheran Church
DATE: August 12th TIME: 1 – 6 pm LOCATION: Gymnasium
Sign up online <u>via the Red Cross website</u> or contact Laura Gruetzmacher at 651-491-5988 and she can guide you through the process to sign up.



Uniting in Faith

Summer Saturday Volleyball

Salem's Saturday volleyball for teens and adults will continue through the end of June. Salem members and friends are invited to join us at 6:15pm every Saturday. We won't host volleyball in July due to gym floor maintenance. Watch announcements for when it will resume later this summer or fall.

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.

St. Croix Lutheran Academy & Friends at St. Paul Saints Baseball

Score a night of fun with fellow alumni and SCLA supporters when the St. Paul Saints take on the Omaha Storm Chasers on Sunday, July 28, 2:07 p.m. Bring the whole family! Tickets are \$20 each and are right off of third base. Reserve your seats at www.StCroixLutheran.org/Saints before they're all gone. Sign up by July 14. You'll pick up your physical tickets from us right outside the gate on game day.

Christ Lutheran NSP Golf Classic

You're invited to participate in the 25th annual Christ Lutheran School Golf Classic! Join us on Friday, July 12 at the beautiful Applewood Hills Golf Course near Stillwater for a fun day of golf, a delicious lunch, prizes and fellowship, all for \$100. Proceeds go to help us upgrade our CLS playground. More information and registration sheets available at the Information Center

Giving in Faith

New Scoreboard Needed

This past spring, some of the lights on the gymnasium scoreboard burned out. Due to the age of the scoreboard and part of the board that went out, we cannot repair it. It needs to be replaced. A new scoreboard has been chosen to replace the one that we have. It is similar to the current one but updated. The new scoreboard will serve us well for our school's different sports and activities in the same way or better than the one we have had for almost 30 years. The price of the new scoreboard is \$6,500. We will be fundraising during the school year to cover the cost, but welcome any additional donations if members wish to give to the new scoreboard. Thank you for your continued support.

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$15,465.60 for Current Expenses and \$1,605.15 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

- Thankfulness for blessings on great VBS opportunities to share Jesus.
- For Christian fathers, who seek to imitate our Heavenly Father's love to wives and children.
- For Bill Galler, Roger & Ella Antonson, and all in our hearts who look for help and healing.



Greetings,

We are looking for Salem members who are interested in participating in participating in Prayer Partners beginning in the 2024-2025 school year. If you are interested please submit your interest using this <u>form</u>. You will be paired with a student in early September. Please see additional information below:

What is Prayer Partners?

Prayer Partners is a program that pairs a church member with a Salem student. The church member and the student will write letters throughout their time at Salem, beginning in Kindergarten. The objective is that the partnership will be an opportunity to grow in faith, and develop a lasting friendship. Often, these relationships continue well after the student graduates.

How will it work?

Each child will be paired with one adult. The prayer partner will write a letter to the student, leaving the letter in the Prayer Partners box near the commons area in the Church. The letters will be collected by the Kindergarten teacher and distributed to the students. The student can then return their letter to their teacher to be returned to their prayer partner. This will happen several times throughout the school year.

| We are excited to offer this program to Kindergarteners at Salem Stillwater. Please contact Mr. Klatt with any questions or concerns. |
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