

Summer Worship Schedule

Next Sunday marks the beginning of the summer worship schedule at Salem. Saturday services will continue at 5pm, but Sunday morning changes to one service at 9am instead of two services. Plan to stay after the service each week for a 19-minute Bible study on the Bible's Best Chapters. We'll continue where we left off last fall, beginning with Joseph's coat of many colors in Genesis 37.

Summer Office Hours

Beginning the week of May 26, the church office will be open from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Tuesday through Friday. You are welcome to call at any time and leave a message—staff members can retrieve voicemail remotely. If you require assistance outside of regular office hours, please call or email us at church@salemlutheran.org and we will respond as soon as possible.

Bible Basics New Session

Pastor Wolfe will offer the next session of Bible Basics on Thursday evenings beginning June 5th. 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).

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

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Sun, 5/18	8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Adult Bible Study and JAM 10:30 am Worship 11:30 am Diane Light & Debbie Hansen Appreciation Dinner 7:00 pm MLC Wind Symphony Concert
Mon, 5/12	7:00 pm Community Men's Basketball in Gym
Tues, 5/20	10:15 am Tuesday Bible Study 11:30 am Caring Committee 6:30 pm Church Council 6:30 pm Salem School Play at SCLA
Wed, 5/21	9:30 am Women's Bible Study 8:30 pm Salem Softball Games
Thurs, 5/22	10:00 am Seminary Call Service Streamed in Sanctuary 5:30 pm Salem School Graduation & Potluck Dinner
Fri, 5/23	9:30 am Salem School Closing Chapel
Sat, 5/24	5:00 pm Worship with Communion
Sun, 5/25	9:00 am Worship with Communion 10:15 am Adult Bible Study

Ascension Worship at Crown of Life, West St. Paul

Crown of Life Lutheran Church in West St. Paul is holding an Ascension service with special music, as well as an Ascension message from MLC Professor David Scharf, Thursday, May 29, 6:30pm (115 Crusader Avenue).

Request for Seminary Graduate

Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary's Assignment service will be streamed live at church at 10am this week Thursday. Our church and our sister church (Christ in North St. Paul & Hugo) are among many churches hoping to be assigned a new pastor. We'll have the service on the big screen here at church for a group viewing or you can watch it on your own. Find a link at www.wisluthsem.org.

Now Hiring- Summer Ministry Intern (10 weeks)

Join Salem Lutheran in Stillwater, MN, for a hands-on gospel ministry internship! You'll help plan and lead youth events, outreach programs like VBS and Summer Tuesdays, and assist in worship and member care. \$5,000 stipend + housing. Applications open through Monday, May 17. To apply visit our website.

50th Anniversary Celebration of Salem School

Mark your calendars for a joyful two-day celebration on **Saturday, May 31, and Sunday, June 1, 2025**, as we thank God for 50 years of Christian education at Salem Lutheran School!

Saturday, May 31 | 3:00-7:00 PM

The festivities kick off with a family-friendly **outdoor car-nival**—complete with games, activities, and fun for all ages! We'll gather for a **devotional service** and enjoy a **delicious meal** together as we reconnect with friends old and new.

Sunday, June 1

Join us for a special **anniversary worship service** featuring guest preacher **Pastor Marcus Birkholz**. After the service, enjoy a warm and welcoming **reception with cake and coffee**, and take a walk down memory lane with **guided tours of the school**.

Help Us Celebrate your Graduate!

Do you have a graduating senior (high school or college) this year? Please send us a picture, your child's name, school, and future plans to church@salemlutheran.org. At the end of May, they'll be featured in our worship slides.

Parish Nurse Availability

The Parish Nurse is available by phone until May 18th. Tuesday office hours resume on May 19. If you need anything email Kathy Smart at nurse@salemlutheran.org.

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$21,654.31 for Current Expenses and \$944.15 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at <u>salemlutheran.org/donate</u>.

<u>Vacation Bible School: June 9–13, 2025 | 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.</u>

Get ready for an epic adventure at Keepers of the Kingdom: Standing Strong in Today's Battle for the Truth! Kids ages 3 (must be toilet trained) through 6th grade are invited to join us for a week full of excitement, discovery, and fun.

Each morning will be packed with:

- Bible stories that come to life
- Creative, hands-on crafts
- High-energy games
- Delicious snacks
- Music that gets everyone singing!

Cost: Just \$10 per child (paid during online registration). Register now: <u>salemlutheran.org/vbs</u>. Whether you're signing up your kids or volunteering to help, we can't wait to see you there!



In Our Prayers

- for blessing and rest to students graduating from elementary, high school, and college.
- † For Caleb Raasch, as he is assigned into pastoral ministry from our Seminary this Thursday..
- ⊕ For thankfulness and appreciation for the ministries of Diane Light (retiring) and Debbie Hansen (accepted a call).
- ♣ For God's compassion and help to all who suffer and call on him for deliverance.

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