

## Sunday JAM & Bible Study Resume Next Week

Join us on Sunday, September 21 for Sunday morning faith opportunities for all ages! Kids (ages 3–6th grade) can explore Sunday JAM (Jesus and Me) with Bible stories, songs, and hands-on activities—pre-register at [www.salemlutheran.org/SundayJam](http://www.salemlutheran.org/SundayJam). Teens and adults can join a six-part Bible study inspired by Pastor David Rosenau, discovering how every soul is a treasure in God's eyes and uniquely equipped to share the Gospel.

## New Ministry for those with Disabilities - Jesus Cares

This October, Salem—together with our sister churches—will launch Jesus Cares, a new ministry for members and friends with disabilities. Through monthly worship, Bible studies, and fellowship events, participants will find meaningful ways to connect with others and with Christ. The first gathering will be Sunday, October 5 at 12:30 pm. We are looking for volunteers to join the team, especially someone to coordinate snacks for each event. If you have a heart for serving individuals with disabilities and their caregivers, we invite you to get involved. To learn more, talk to Pastor Wolfe (email: [rwolfe@salemlutheran.org](mailto:rwolfe@salemlutheran.org)), or talk to Jesus Cares leader Sara Shah ([sshah@salemlutheran.org](mailto:sshah@salemlutheran.org)).

## Grandparent's Day Volunteers

Salem invites grandparents to a special Grandparents Day on September 26, celebrating the joy of seeing their grandchildren's school life up close. The day begins with breakfast in the gym, followed by chapel and classroom visits to experience learning firsthand.

Not all students have a grandparent available and we need some church members to step in as "church grandparents" and make this day memorable for every child. If you can help, sign up today by emailing [school.office@salemlutheran.org](mailto:school.office@salemlutheran.org).

## LWMS St. Croix Circuit Fall Rally

All are invited to the LWMS St. Croix Circuit Fall Rally on Saturday, October 4, 2025, at Christ Lutheran Church (2475 17th Avenue East, North St. Paul). Registration begins at 9:00 a.m., followed by the Opening Devotion at 9:30 a.m. Light refreshments will be provided.

Sun, 9/14	<b>8:00 am Worship with Communion</b> 9:15 am Mission Presentation by Pastor Joel Naumann <b>10:30 am Worship with Communion</b> 11:30 am Mission Festival Dinner
Tues, 9/16	10:15 am Tuesday Morning Bible Study 11:30 am Caring Committee 12:30 pm Parish Nurse Office Hours 4:30 pm Volleyball Home Game 6:30 pm Church Council
Wed, 9/17	9:00 am Chapel Service 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 12:30 am Oak Ridge Place Bible Study 1:00 pm Spiritual Growth Committee 5:30 pm Catechism Class 5:45 pm Praise Ensemble 6:15 pm Choir Practice 7:15 pm Men's Chorus & Handbells
Fri, 9/19 - Sun, 9/21 Men's Retreat at Camp Croix	
Sat, 9/20	<b>5:00 pm Worship</b>
Sun, 9/21	<b>8:00 am Worship</b> 9:15 am Adult Bible Study and Sunday JAM <b>10:30 am Worship</b> 11:45 am Youth Group

*But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the* **HOPE** *that you have. But do this with* **GENTLENESS & RESPECT**

*1 Peter 3:15*

### **Thank You for a Wonderful Ministry Fair**

A big thank you to everyone who joined us for Salem's Ministry Fair! We were blessed with a great turnout and wonderful conversations. Eleven committees, boards, and groups were represented, and many members took the opportunity to sign up and explore new ways to serve. If you weren't able to attend or if you're still looking for ways to get involved there's still time! Fill out our volunteer survey or email [stewardship@salemlutheran.org](mailto:stewardship@salemlutheran.org) to learn more about where your gifts can be used.



### **Piano for Sale**

Salem is selling a Yamaha CVP-309 Clavinova piano. This high-quality digital piano features an 88-key graded hammer keyboard with the feel of a grand piano, hundreds of instrument voices and accompaniment styles, a built-in LCD screen, USB and recording options, a powerful sound system, and an elegant polished cabinet design. We are asking \$500 or best offer. Bidding is open until Sunday, September 21, after the 10:30 am service, and the winning bidder will be notified on September 22. The piano should be removed from the sanctuary by October 1. For questions, please email [ldorn@salemlutheran.org](mailto:ldorn@salemlutheran.org), and to place a bid, email [worship@salemlutheran.org](mailto:worship@salemlutheran.org).

### **Fall Fun at White Pine Berry Farm- September 28**

Grab your friends and family and join our youth group Sunday, September 28 for a fun fall outing at White Pine Berry Farms in River Falls, WI! Enjoy the interactive corn maze, wagon rides, and pumpkin patch (pumpkins and other treats available for purchase). We'll meet at 12:30 pm in Salem's upper parking lot, or you can join us directly at the farm at 1:00 pm. The cost is approximately \$10 per person. This event is open to all Salem members, families, and friends.

### **Ministry Support**

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$29,709.91 for Current Expenses and \$9,712 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at [salemlutheran.org/donate](https://salemlutheran.org/donate).

### **Fall Youth Group**

It's back-to-school and fall schedule time! Salem's youth group (grades 7–12) will kick off the year after the second service on September 21, join us in the new youth room (old school library) from 11:45 am–1:15 pm for Pizza, Pop, and Pastor Pedersen, including fellowship and a devotion. On October 5, Christ Lutheran hosts a Kickball & Worship event from 4–6 pm with games, pizza, a devotion, and campfire worship. Looking ahead, the Youth Rally will be July 14–17, 2026, in Bowling Green, OH. Teens and chaperones can sign up now, with planning and fundraising beginning this fall. For questions or more information about any activity, contact [youthgroup@salemlutheran.org](mailto:youthgroup@salemlutheran.org).



### **In Our Prayers**

- ✚ To focus on our role as God's ambassadors, appealing to all, even our enemies, to be reconciled with God.
- ✚ For the family of Ed Simo, called into glory, that they would find comfort in the rich promise of glory that awaits all of God's children after death.
- ✚ The Engman household as they celebrate the baptism of Soren, Ivar, and Sven, and for all the new members joining our congregation this weekend.
- ✚ All those who are anxious, that their anxiety might turn into anticipation for the Lord's return.
- ✚ For our country that offers us the opportunity to gather and call on the name of the Lord in public, and that we take advantage of that blessing.

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