# **Table Talks: Parenting in a Digital World**

Don't miss the first session of our new Table Talks series! Cybersecurity expert Chris Gabbard will talk about digital literacy, online safety, and AI, followed by a Q&A and roundtable with Pastor Jon Pedersen and other guests. This is a great chance to get real tips for parenting in a digital world and it's just \$15 per family (free for Salem families or anyone you invite with the promo code SalemSaints). Childcare and snacks are on us!

Bonus: Invite a friend and you'll be entered to win a \$250 tuition credit! Register now: www.salemlutheran.org



#### Trunk or Treat on October 26th—WE NEED YOU

Our annual Trunk or Treat is happening Sunday, October 26th, 4–6 pm, and we need your help to make it a success! Right now, we only have 4 cars signed up to hand out candy and no volunteers for food, games, or activities.

Last year, over 1,000 people attended and this year we want to make it even bigger, but we can't do it without you. Hosting a trunk, helping with food, or running a game is a fun way to connect with families, share our joy in Jesus with kids, and welcome our community. Sign-up sheets are available in the entry or online.

#### Area Youth Night at Salem

Sunday, Oct 19 from 5–7 pm, join us in the Salem gym for Area Youth Night with games, a video devotion, and discussions. Looking ahead, the 2026 Youth Rally will be held July 14–17 in Bowling Green, Ohio—please sign up If you're interested in attending or chaperoning.

# Saturday Volleyball at Salem

Saturday evening (October 25th) Salem members and friends are invited to play volleyball in the gym starting at 6:15pm. Players of all skill levels are invited to join us for a few friendly games.

# This Week at Salem

Sun, 10/19 8:00 am Worship

9:15 am Adult Bible Study & JAM

10:30 am Worship

11:30 am Quarterly Congregational

Meeting

5:00 pm Area Youth Night at Salem

Tues, 10/21 10:15 am Tuesday Morning Bible Study

11:30 pm Parish Nurse Office Hours

6:30 pm Church Council

Wed, 10/22 9:00 am Chapel

5:30 pm Catechism Class

5:45 pm Praise Ensemble

6:15 pm Choir Practice

7:15 pm Handbell Practice

7:15 pm Men's Chorus

Thurs, 10/23 6:00 pm Bible Basics

6:00 pm Table Talk: Parenting in a

Digital World

Sat, 10/25 5:00 pm Worship with Communion

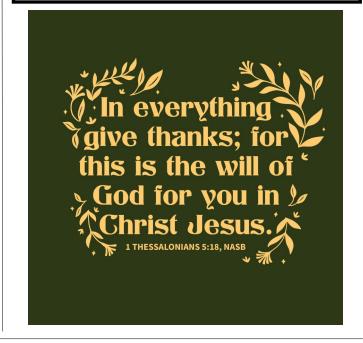
6:15 pm Adult Rec. Volleyball

Sun, 10/26 8:00 am Worship with Communion

9:15 am Adult Bible Study & JAM

10:30 am Worship with Communion

4:00 pm Trunk or Treat



#### **Special Movie Screening - November 1st**

This fall our Sunday Bible study has focused on a message delivered by Pastor David Rosenau, reminding us of the value and power of one Christian sharing faith with one friend or neighbor. Saturday, November 1st Salem is holding a special screening for a new movie based on Pastor Rosenau's life. Join us at 6:15pm to watch the film and enjoy some popcorn as we see God lead him from a career as an undercover narcotics detective to an unexpected pastor.

#### **October Food Drive for Valley Outreach**

This month, Salem is collecting donations for Valley Outreach—and every gift makes a difference! Some of the things they need most are:

- Cash gifts (these go far in bulk food purchases)
- Canned fruits, veggies, and meats
- Grains like pasta, rice, quinoa, and couscous
- Kid-friendly snacks like applesauce pouches, crackers, and granola bars
- Shelf-stable cooking essentials like sugar, oil, flours, and spices
- Hygiene and menstrual products like soap, shampoo, toothpaste, and tampons

Please check expiration dates—we can't accept expired items. Every donation helps provide food and care to people in our community. Thank you for sharing God's love in a tangible way this October!

## SCLA Fall Showcase, Tuesday, November 11, 6:00 p.m.

Thinking about high school for your student? Join us on Tuesday, November 11 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for our annual Fall Showcase. Meet teachers, explore activities, take a tour, and learn more about your Christian high school. Sign up at StCroixLutheran.org/showcase

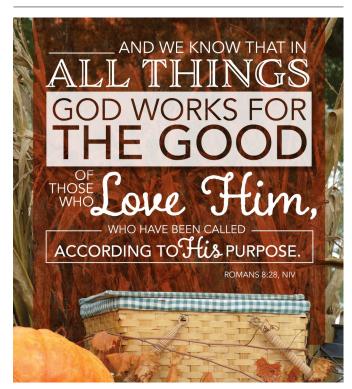
#### **Ministry Support**

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$23,748.13 for Current Expenses and \$1,445.15 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at <u>salemlutheran.org/donate</u>.

#### October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, and we've got two amazing pastors to celebrate—Pastor Wolfe and Pastor Pedersen! Say thanks in simple ways: drop a card in the appreciation box, bring a treat from your garden, share a gift card or note, or offer a few kind words (dad jokes welcome)

If you're bringing something in, please drop it off at the church office and note which pastor it's for. Let's make sure both of our pastors know how much we appreciate them and their sermons, encouragement, and occasional sarcasm!



#### **In Our Prayers**

- For harmony between our various branches of ministry here at Salem, that we may all share in the common goal of teaching Jesus, reaching out in Christian love to everyone we meet.
- Our members who are homebound that they may be comforted by their brothers and sisters in the faith.
- That we here who are at Salem may also be at peace when we leave Salem and head out into the world.

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