

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

Sat, 11/15 5:00 pm Worship (Sinclair Usher Team)

Sun, 11/16 8:00 am Worship (Crowder Usher Team)

9:15 am Adult & Teen Bible Study and Sunday JAM

10:30 am Worship (Raleigh Usher Team)

4:00 pm Bingo Night

Mon, 11/17 1:30 am Spiritual Growth Committee

6:00 pm Bible Basics

Tues, 11/18 10:15 am Tuesday Morning Bible Study

11:30 am Parish Nurse Office Hours

6:30 pm Church Council

Wed, 11/19 9:00 am Chapel

9:30 am Women's Bible Study5:30 pm Catechism Class5:45 pm Praise Ensemble6:15 pm Choir Practice

7:15 pm Handbell & Men's Chorus Practices

Sat, 11/22 5:00 pm Worship with Communion (Gruetzmacher Usher Team)

6:15 pm Recreational Volleyball

Sun, 11/23 8:00 am Worship with Communion (Crowder Usher Team)

9:15 am Adult & Teen Bible Study and Sunday JAM

10:30 am Worship with Communion (Youth Usher Team)

Call Announcements

Salem principal Ryan Klatt announced this week that he has returned the call to Trinity Lutheran School in Waukesha, WI. We are thankful that he will continue to shepherd our school and its ministry. Regular guest preacher Jon Enter has received a call to serve as pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Muskego, WI. Please keep him and his family in your prayers as they deliberate where they might best serve the Lord.

Thank You

It is a privilege to serve as shepherd to God's people in any place, but your two pastors here are especially blessed to have so much love and support from the members and families of Salem. Thank you for all the kind words, cards, and gifts shared with us for pastor appreciation month. May God bless us all as we live and work together in the Lord! Pastors Ryan Wolfe and JonAlden Pedersen.

Bingo Night This Sunday

The youth group invites congregation members to a night of fun at Bingo Night this Sunday (Nov 16) at 4:00 pm (\$15/person or \$50/family of four; includes cards, desserts, and lemonade). Dinner, snacks, and extra bingo cards will be available for purchase, and free childcare is included. Register online or purchase tickets at the door. Cash, Check, or Venmo accepted. Youth volunteers, please be at church for setup at 3pm. Youth families, please bring desserts and small prizes. Funds raised at Bingo Night help lower the cost for teens of Salem to attend next summer's national youth rally in Ohio. Email youthgroup@salemlutheran.org for more info.

Growth & Worship

New Sunday Bible Studies

Pastor Wolfe continues our new adult Bible study looking at the Bible's teachings on gender, sexuality, and God's plan for the roles of men and women. All are invited to join us as we study and grow together!

Pastor Pedersen begins a youth Bible study on the topic of digital health and using technology to serve God instead of sin. Teens and their parents are invited to this study held in the youth room.

Serving & Outreach

Christmas for Kids - December 14th (9am-12:30pm) - Registration Open

Children ages 3 years old to 6th grade are invited to spend the morning at Christmas for Kids. Everyone should arrive between 8:30-8:45 am to register so we can start the fun at 9 am! We will share the Christmas story in devotions, crafts and other activities. At noon, adults are invited to join us for cookie decorating. There is no cost to attend. If you would like to help, please email church@salemlutheran.org. Online registration and volunteer scheduling is open at www.salemlutheran.org/christmasforkids. Don't forget to invite friends and neighbors!

Part-Time School Office Administrator Position Available

Salem is seeking a friendly and professional Part-Time School Office Administrator to join our team! This position offers 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM hours on school days at \$20 per hour. We're looking for someone with excellent communication skills, strong organizational abilities, and a heart for serving in a faith-based educational environment. The ideal candidate will manage school communications, greet visitors, handle administrative tasks, and support school events throughout the year. A high school diploma is required, and administrative experience along with familiarity with Google Workspace and other office software is preferred. For complete details about responsibilities and qualifications, please see the attached job description. Applications can be found in the school office or by contacting Ryan Klatt at rklatt@salemlutheran.org.

Connecting & Sharing

Salem Social Group Holiday Gatherings

Join the Salem Social Group for two festive holiday gatherings this season! First, attend the Thanksgiving Buffet at the Lowell Inn in the Banquet Room at 1:00 PM for \$39.25 per person. Second, mark your calendar for the Christmas Dinner on December 7th at the Afton House Inn, arriving between 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM, which costs \$29.95 per person. The sign-up sheet and more detailed information for both events will be available starting November 1st on the information table in the Narthex. If you have any questions about either event, please contact George or Ruth Smolinski at gsmolin@earthlink.net or 651-334-6055.

Women's Guild Christmas Party

Our annual Women's Guild Christmas Party/Potluck will be Thursday, December 4 at 12:00 in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies of the congregation are invited whether you are a member of Guild or not. We are requesting a freewill offering for Valley Outreach, and if you write a check, please indicate Food Shelf in the memo section. Look for the red sign-up sheet on the information table. There will be food, fun, music, games, door prizes, and lots of Christian fellowship.

Giving in Faith

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$28,548.45 for Current Expenses and \$1,785.15 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at salemlutheran.org/give.

In Our Prayers This Week

For comfort in knowing that we are safe in the care of the Lord on Judgment Day and every day.

- For unbelieving or straying family and friends, that God would give us opportunities and words to call them back to an active and living faith.
- For all who struggle in the holiday season, that all would have peace in knowing the Lord's love and presence.

Ministry Partners

Christian Life Ministries is Hiring!

New Day Thrift Store in Little Canada is looking for an Assistant Manager. This position will be between 30 and 35 hours a week. For more information, please call Penny Frenz at 651-649-3538 or email penny.frenz@clmonline.org.

Grade School Basketball Day, Sat, Dec 6

Grade school students and their families are invited to attend Grade School Basketball Day on Saturday, December 6. Admission is free! Mention "basketball day" at the ticket desk. SCLA Girls Varsity vs. Trinity at 2:00 pm and SCLA Boys Varsity vs. Trinity at 3:30 pm. Games and prizes!

New Friends, Sun, Dec 7, 1:00-3:00p

SCLA's New Friends program welcomes people with special needs for an afternoon of fellowship and fun. No pre-registration needed. <u>StCroixLutheran.org/newfriends</u>

High School Christmas Concert, Thu, Dec 18

End the year right as we celebrate Christ's coming through music on Thursday, December 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the SCLA gym. Come and hear the seasonal sounds of the Croixaliers, HS Choirs, Jazz Band, and Crusader Band. Everyone welcome! Livestream StCroixLutheran.org/christmas

Anniversary of Emmanuel-Hudson

You are cordially invited to help Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Hudson celebrate their 50th anniversary on November 16. The worship service will be at 10 am with a meal to follow. If you are attending the meal, please RSVP to pastorpete@emmanuelhudson.org.