# **Jesus Cares Sunday**

This Sunday, we're hosting our monthly Jesus Cares, a new ministry designed for members and friends with disabilities. Join us Sunday, November 2, at 12:30 pm.

## **New Sunday Bible Studies Coming November 9th**

Beginning November 9th, Pastor Wolfe will lead an adult Bible study looking at the Bible's teachings on gender, sexuality, and God's plan for the roles of men and women. We'll use the synod's 2024 pastoral brief to guide our discussion as we look at God's Word and God's will.

That Sunday our youth Bible study will begin with Pastor Pedersen teaching on the topic of digital health and using technology to serve God instead of sin. Never before has technology provided greater temptations and challenges for our teens. But never before have they had the opportunity to use some of that same technology for their own spiritual growth and to be a blessing to others.

#### **Teacher Call Received**

The window for teachers to receive calls to serve in other schools opened in mid-October. Salem principal Ryan Klatt received a call last week to serve as principal at Trinity Lutheran School in Waukesha, WI. Keep his family in your prayers as they deliberate where to serve the Lord.

#### **Help Connecting to Community Resources**

If you or someone you know is facing a loss of SNAP benefits (food stamps) this month, please know that Salem is here to help. Please contact the church office at church@salemlutheran.org to confidentially discuss how we can assist you with accessing necessary resources. You may also reach out directly to our Parish Nurse, Kathy Smart, at nurse@salemlutheran.org. Kathy is also available for in-person support during her office hours on Tuesday mornings at 11:30 AM.

## Bingo Night is Back!

It's Bingo Night on November 16! From 4 to 6 pm, enjoy snacks, win prizes, and support our Youth Group. Entry is \$15 per person or \$50 for a group of four. 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.

# This Week at Salem

Sun, 11/2 8:00 am Worship

9:15 am Adult Bible Study & JAM

10:30 am Worship

Tues, 11/4 10:15 am Tuesday Morning Bible Study

11:30 am Parish Nurse Office Hours

6:00 pm Outreach Committee

Wed, 11/5 9:00 am Chapel

9:30 am Women's Bible Study

12:30 pm Oak Ridge Place Study

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

Thus, 11/6 12:30 pm Women's Guild

6:00 pm Bible Basics

Sat, 11/8 5:00 pm Worship

6:15 pm Adult Volleyball

Sun, 11/9 8:00 am Worship

9:15 am Adult Bible Study & JAM

10:30 am Worship

11:45 am Youth Group



## **Bookkeeper Position**

For the last year and a half Debbie Sinclair has faithfully served as bookkeeper for our church, but she plans to step down at the end of the fiscal year. (June 30th) We are looking for another member interested in this paid position of 10 hours per week with very flexible schedule. The position requires accounting experience and computer skills. To learn more, inquire at the church office or email Debbie directly at finance@salemlutheran.org.

### 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.

## Save the Date! - A Salute to Our Veterans

Join us on Tuesday, November 11 at 2:35 p.m. in the Salem Gym for a celebration of Veteran's Day! The program will feature patriotic songs, poems, and a guest speakers. We love to take this opportunity to thank all those who have served and sacrificed for our country and constitution. Watch for more information in the coming weeks!

## Saturday Volleyball at Salem

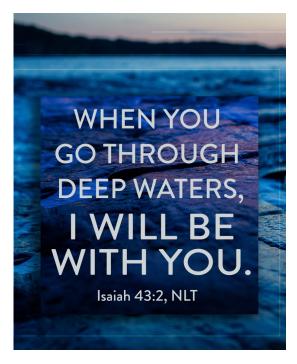
On November 8, Salem members and friends can play volleyball in the gym starting at 6:15pm. Players of all skill levels are invited to join us for a few friendly games.

#### **Ministry Support**

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$24,787.20 for Current Expenses and \$1,667 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at salemlutheran.org/donate.

#### **Fall Youth Events**

The youth group invites congregation members to upcoming events! Bowling – Sunday, Nov 2 at 2:00 pm at Stillwater Bowling Alley (\$8/person, includes shoes and a game). 2026 Youth Rally Planning Meeting – Sunday, Nov 9 at 11:45 am in the youth room (meal provided). Bingo Night – Sunday, Nov 16 at 4:00 pm (\$15/person or \$50/family of four; includes cards, desserts, and lemonade). Youth volunteers are needed for setup at 3:00 pm, and families are asked to bring desserts and small prizes. Sign up for Bingo is on Salem's website, and questions can be sent to youthgroup@salemlutheran.org.



## **In Our Prayers**

- Our preschoolers who courageously shared their love of Jesus this morning, may we all find such faith and courage.
- For parents who dedicate themselves to raising up the next generation, that they may be equipped to tackle any challenge that they face with the full confidence in the gifts God has bestowed on them.
- Those who are grieving the loss of a loved one, that their grief may be turned into joy over the blessed reunion that takes place between our heavenly Father and his dear children.

## **Contact Information**

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