

Join Our Softball Team!

Batter up! Spring is just around the corner, and we're looking for players to join our men's slow-pitch softball team in the Woodbury Parks and Rec League. Game nights are Wednesday doubleheaders at Health East Sports Center in Woodbury, with the season running from early May through early August. Some experience is helpful, but all are welcome to inquire. For more information or to sign up, contact Tom Forster at 651-303-3548 or tforster16@gmail.com.

Education Night — March 12, 5:30–7:15

Come see what Salem students have been working on. Every classroom will be showcasing something different—hands-on science experiments, biblical studies, foundational learning, and more. Finish the evening in the gym with our annual Music Concert, featuring student band, choirs, and small ensembles performing a mix of sacred and secular music. All are welcome!

Youth Ministry — March Updates

After a fantastic lock-in with over a dozen youth, March is packed! Join us for Youth Group on March 8 at 11:45 AM (after second service) for pulled pork, a devotion, and games. On March 25, our youth will be serving a spaghetti Lenten meal. On March 28, we're bagging groceries at Cub Foods to raise funds for the Youth Rally! Finally, we're still seeking an adult male for our Youth Council position. Please let us know if you're interested.

Member Need

A member of our Salem family is currently in need of a reliable vehicle. If you have a dependable, modest car you are considering selling, we would be grateful if you would contact the church office at church@salemlutheran.org.

Minnesota Ministry Workshop - Registration open!

Saturday, March 14, 2025 at St. Croix Lutheran Academy in St. Paul. This year's conference brings leaders from across the country to speak on timely topics like enhancing worship, celebrating 175 years of WELS ministry, and keeping focus in our Lutheran schools. Registration is only \$35 per person, with an early-bird rate of \$30 before March 1st. Go to www.mnworkshop.com for more details and to register.

This Week at Salem

Sun, 3/8 8:00 am **Worship with Communion**
9:15 am Adult Bible Study & JAM
10:30 am **Worship with Communion**

Mon, 3/9 7:00 pm Education Committee

Tue, 3/10 9:30 am Veterans Coffee Club
4:30 pm Fellowship Committee
6:00 pm Board of Elders
6:30 pm Building and Grounds Committee
7:00 pm Worship Committee

Wed, 3/11 9:00 am Midweek Chapel
4:00 pm Lenten Worship
5:00 pm Lenten Supper
5:30 pm Catechism Class
5:30 pm Choir
6:30 pm Lenten Worship
7:15 pm Handbells & Men's Chorus

Thurs, 3/12 9:45 am Group Bible Study
10:45 am Parish Nurse Office Hours
5:30 pm Education Night
6:00 pm Bible Basics

Sat, 3/14 9:00 am District Discipleship Worship at St. Croix Lutheran
5:00 pm Worship
6:15 pm Adult Rec Volleyball

Sun, 3/15 8:00 am **Worship**
9:15 am Adult Bible Study & JAM
10:30 am **Worship**



May the Lord direct your
hearts into God's love and
Christ's perseverance.

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Track Coach Needed

We're looking for Head and Assistant Track coaches for our 5th–8th graders, and you don't need to have kids to apply. Twice a week, you'd be helping young athletes discover a love for running, jumping, and just moving their bodies. Season kicks off April 13th and it's a genuinely fun way to spend a couple evenings doing something that matters. Interested? Drop Tom Stob a note at tstob@salemlutheran.org.

Celebrate WELS Missions!

Salem members are invited to save the dates for some special opportunities to grow in faith and celebrate the work God is doing. The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) will hold its spring rally at Crown of Life Lutheran Church in West St. Paul. on April 11th. This rally is free to all and will feature Tammy Leyrer talking about WELS humanitarian and mission work in Indonesia. The LWMS national convention will be held in Madison, WI June 25-28. Find out more about the national rally by clicking the convention link at www.lwms.org.



Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$17,971.17 for Current Expenses and \$1,515.89 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at salemlutheran.org/donate.

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Built Stronger Together – 2026 Salem Marriage Retreat April 17–18 | St. Croix National Golf Course

Salem couples, you're invited! Join us April 17–18 for our 2026 Salem Marriage Retreat, Built Stronger Together, a weekend designed to help you discover your God-given strengths and intentionally build one another up in faith and love. Using the *CliftonStrengths* assessment, couples will gain practical tools to strengthen their marriage, friendship, and everyday life together. Registration is open now exclusively for Salem members. Public registration begins March 1. To learn more or reserve your spot, visit salemlutheran.org/retreat.

Easter for Kids is almost here!

Mark your calendars- Saturday, March 28th, 10 AM to noon for a fun-filled morning for kids ages 3 through 6th grade with crafts, games, and Bible stories centered on the best news ever: Jesus is risen! It's a really sweet morning and a wonderful way to celebrate Easter as a family. Head to salemlutheran.org/easterforkids to learn more or to register, and reach out to church@salemlutheran.org if you'd like to volunteer. We'd love your help!

Hudson Easter Vigil

Join us for a continuous vigil of prayer and reflection from Good Friday evening until Easter dawn, as we keep watch over a replica of Christ's tomb through the night at Emmanuel in Hudson, WI. Participants sign up for two-hour slots at hudsoneastervigil.com. Couples and friends are welcome to sign up together, and drop-in visitors are always welcome. Good Friday worship is April 3 at 7:00 PM; Easter Sunday worship is April 5 at 9:00 AM followed by breakfast. Minors must be accompanied by a responsible adult. All are welcome.

In Our Prayers

- ✚ For the blessing of faith that satisfies us in times of joy and struggle.
- ✚ For opportunities, words, AND boldness to share our faith and hope with those who thirst for salvation.
- ✚ For resurrection peace to Renee Nair and her family, at the passing of her mother Carmen Ponath.

