

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

Sun, 7/9	8 am Worship w/communion 9:30 am Worship w/communion
Mon, 7/10	6:30 p, Bible Basics
Tues, 7/11	4:30 pm Fellowship Committee Meeting 6:30 pm Elders and Education Meeting 7:30 pm Worship Committee
Wed, 7/12	1 pm Bible Study at Oak Ridge Place 6 pm Handbells
Thur, 7/13	6 pm Constitution Review Meeting
Sat, 7/15	10 am Parade Float Prep 2 pm Bob Bacholke Funeral 5 pm Worship 6 pm Volleyball (At Lakefront Park in Hudson)
Sun, 7/16	8 am Worship 9:30 am Worship 9:30 am Parade Participants Meet at Church 11 am Lumberjack Day Parade

Church Updates

Pastor Call Returned

Pastor Benjamin Berger has returned the call Salem extended to him to serve as associate pastor. We will extend another call on Sunday, July 30th at our quarterly meeting after the second service.

Salem Worship Survey – We'd Love to Hear from You!

As part of our congregation's strategic planning effort, (VTO: Vision-Traction Organizer) a worship committee task group wants to hear from you about all aspects of Salem worship services. If you receive church announcements by email, a survey on worship has been emailed to you. Paper copies of the survey are available in the church entry along with a box for completed surveys.

Your input is valued! Please take a few minutes to complete the survey and share your thoughts on Salem worship. Last date to submit a survey is Tuesday, July 18. Your responses are important as together we continue to glorify and give thanks to God through meaningful worship. All adult members of a household (18 years+) are invited to take the survey. Thank you in advance for your help.

Church Office Hours this summer

During the summer there will be someone in the church office every weekday morning from 8am to noon. If you need to come in the afternoon, please call first to see if someone is here.

Open Position: Parish Nurse

Salem is currently seeking a Parish Nurse to provide whole person health promotion and disease prevention services for our members. Major job responsibilities are: health educator, personal health counselor, referral agent, support to caregivers, and health advocate. This position is a casual/flexible status, working up to 10 hrs/week. If you are a RN who may be interested in this position, or would just like to find out more information, please contact Barb Miller at 651-338-4876. To apply to this position, please go to this link: www.salemlutheran.org/parishnurse

Serving & Sharing in Faith

Lumberjack Days Parade Float - Next Week (UPDATED)

Thank you to everyone who is helping make our church known to the community in the Lumberjack Days parade next Sunday. We'd love to have even more people walk/ride with us! Next Sunday parade participants will meet at church at 9:30am (please worship Saturday or at 8am). We're still waiting for the parade lineup but we'll carpool from church to the gathering area at the Middle School parking lot. After the parade we'll ride back to the middle school in shuttles. Please wear a Salem shirt if you have one and dress comfortably for the weather. If you have a garden wagon or kids wagon for us to carry water bottles please let Pastor Wolfe know. (rwolfe@salemlutheran.org)

Important Opportunities to Serve this Fall

As our leaders make plans for ministry this coming fall and school year, we find some important areas with significant needs. Some areas where you could make a difference for our church, our members, and our outreach include:

- Sunday school teachers, assistants, and coordinators needed
- Communications Social media, website maintenance, publications
- Technology worship slideshow creation, audio/video during worship, set-up & takedown
- Outreach worship greeters, visitor followup, activity participants

Talk to Pastor Wolfe if you are able to serve our Lord in any of the ways described here. Or, if you have some other way of serving you'd like to talk about. He'd love to help you find a way to put your faith into action.

Frozen Meals for Mrs. H.

The caring committee is trying to help Nancy Hasselquist out as she recovers from her fall and upcoming surgery. They are asking for frozen meals for two people through mid-July. There are no food restrictions and meals can be put in the fridge in the old kitchen. If you would like to help, contact Melinda Wells (715-494-0537) or the church office and let us know when you have brought a meal to church. We will make arrangements for delivery. Thank you for your help!

July Food Drive for the Food Shelf

Salem's Caring committee is sponsoring a food drive in the month of July for the local food shelf. They contacted the food shelf and right now they are in need of salt, pepper, garlic powder, cumin, cinnamon, salad dressing, any condiments, and olive oil. They also are in need of personal items. They especially welcome monetary gifts so they can purchase what's most needed themselves. Thank you for helping us share the love and charity of Jesus!

Area Youth Night - Sunday, August 6

Salem will host another area WELS Youth Night on Aug 6th at 6 pm on our Manning Property. In preparation for the event, the planning committee is asking if any Salem members have portable canopies for shade or any yard games (i.e. spike ball, can jam, volleyball set up, ladder golf, bean bags, etc.) that we could borrow for the evening.

If anyone is interested in helping purchase and provide mini bottled water, fruit snacks, marshmallows, prize gift cards, or some other ideas, please talk to Katie Aumann (715-590-3715) or Rachel Collins (612-483-9197). Finally, if you are a college age/young adult and interested in being a youth leader that night, please reach out to Rachel Collins. High school age students should watch for registration to come out soon!

Salem School Open Positions for 2023-2024 School Year

Salem Lutheran School is in need of someone for both Before School Care and After School Care for the upcoming school year. Before-care runs from 7am-8:30am and after-care runs from 3:30pm-5pm. The pay is \$30 for just before care or aftercare, or \$60 a day if you do both. Linked below is the position description.

Another position opening at Salem is for a 1st and 2nd-grade aide. This would be for 6 hours daily and split between the 1st and 2nd-grade classrooms. Pay would start at \$15 an hour with yearly raises that will be shared during the interview process. Below is linked the position description.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RRMsCopCcU4h16SxR3NY7MN5_XP37ys8CLfL9dNH5YM/edit?usp=sharing

If you would like to apply, feel free to print off the application linked below and return to the school office. Applications can also be picked up in the school office. Feel free to contact Mr. Klatt (rklatt@salemlutheran.org) with any questions. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1p8pnG3QCFQYvB6pnnxBKcDnCiKDeFeuD/view?usp=sharing

Yard Signs Available!

There are yard signs available in the church entry. Please take one home and put it in your yard! Help spread the word about our school!



SIGN UP NOW to donate blood at Salem Lutheran Church

DATE: August 14th **<u>TIME:</u> 1:00 – 6:00 PM** <u>**LOCATION:**</u> Gymnasium **Sign up online via the Red Cross website** or go to <u>www.salemlutheran.org/giveblood</u>. Contact Laura Gruetzmacher at 651-491-5988 and she can guide you through the process to sign up. *Thank you for making a difference!*

Uniting in Faith

Volleyball Group - Let's Play Outside in July!

We can't play volleyball in our gym in July due to floor maintenance, but we're still going to play. All Salem teens and adults are invited to join us outdoors at Lakefront Park in Hudson for sand volleyball Saturdays in July at 6:15pm.

SAVE THE DATE: Manning Property Open House

Many, if not most, of our members have never had a chance to see Salem's property on Manning Avenue. Mark your calendars for an open house there July 23rd after the 9:30am worship service. Plans for the day are still being arranged, but we'll have food of some kind and members will be able to explore the 77 acre property and visit with church leaders.

Salem Young Adults

Some of Salem's younger adult members would like to start a fellowship group of their own and we've scheduled two activities to get it started. First, members 18-30ish years old are invited to meet at Salem at 3:45 on Saturday, July 15th to go together to Lumberjack Days for demonstrations, food, and exploration. If you'd like to go earlier and meet the group there, just let us know. Second, we'll have a bonfire on Thursday, July 20th at the home of Ross & Rachel Collins for all interested. We'll meet at 7pm at 643 Laurie Ln, Hudson.

Robyn Collins is helping us get organized. If you have questions, suggestions, or need to RSVP call/text Robyn at 715-781-1106 or email <u>robyncollins003@gmail.com</u>.

Giving in Faith

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$14,387.77 for Current Expenses and \$1,223.28 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at <u>salemlutheran.org/donate</u>.

In our prayers this week

- For appreciation for the blessing of rest, both physical and spiritual.
- For an awareness among Salem members to serve and lead in faith and in church.
- For Mary Richert's daughter Wendy, diagnosed with Parkinson's, and for all who suffer from chronic, long-term

diseases.

• For blessing on our church's growth groups and on the new young adult group just forming.