

Worship Service Time Change

Our summer worship schedule begins May 26th, Memorial Day weekend. We'll have one service Sunday morning at 9am. Stay after worship for a half-hour Bible study and fellowship starting at 10:15 each week! The Saturday service remains at 5pm throughout the year.

Door Offering for Debbie Swanson

Debbie Swanson has served in the school and church offices for the past 28 years. Recently she suffered severe medical issues that required multiple surgeries and extended hospital stays in Rochester. The medical bills are starting to arrive and we would like to help offset some of the expenses not covered by insurance. Members may give a free-will offering and enjoy snacks after each service on May 18 and 19. If you would like to contribute but won't be at church, place your contribution in an envelope marked for Debbie Swanson Medical Bills. Please join us in thanking Debbie for her service to Salem with contributions for her medical bills.

Debbie and Steve asked us to share how thankful they are for all the support and prayers they've received, as well as for all the birthday cards and well wishes. Thank you Salem for letting your love and your light shine!

Olympic Day (May 22) Volunteers Needed!

We are ready for another fun day with all our student teams. Our teams will compete for fun in the following events:

Ball Throw/Shot Put, Run/Walk, Kickball Distance, Jumping Rope, Standing Long Jump, Zig Zag/ Potato Run, and Bean Bag Toss. We need volunteers!

Parents have been a huge help in the past and enjoy the day too. If you can help, please call the school office or sign up online by clicking this link: [Salem Olympic Day](#)



High School & College Graduate Recognition

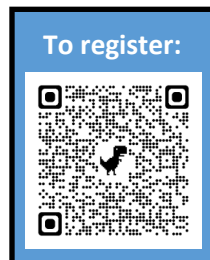
God brings his people together into churches to support each other in difficult times and to celebrate together in joyful ones. We would like to mark this milestone in your lives with you this year, but we need your help. If you are graduating (or have a child graduating) please email the church office (church@salemlutheran.org) to let us know when you graduate and from which school. Thank you!

May Youth Gathering

We're moving May's youth group gathering back a week, to May 19th from 11:30 am - 1 pm. We will hold an "end of the year" celebration and have hot dogs and hamburgers. Come join us to celebrate our seniors who will be graduating! Any "youth group alumni" are also invited to join us and we may play some alumni vs current youth games!

2024 Summer Vacation Bible School

Join our Miraculous Mission at Vacation Bible School (VBS)! Children 3 years old (must be toilet trained) through 6th grade are invited to join us on our mission: Jesus saves the world. Our adventures will include eating out-of-this-world snacks, playing a multitude of games, learning a whirlwind of Bible stories, raising our voices to sing praises, and crafting creations. The cost is \$10 per child. FAMILY FUN NIGHT is Thursday night, June 13 from 5-7:30 p.m. We will provide a complimentary grill with burgers, hotdogs, chips, and root beer floats. There will also be a jumpy house and rocket launchers! We invite you to come as a family and invite friends, family, and neighbors too! Online registration is now open. Don't forget to invite your friends!



5th-8th Grade Play - May 21 at 6:00 pm

The middle school students have been working hard to prepare "The Adventures of a Comic Book Artist". Please plan to attend this fun musical! The performance will be held at St. Croix Lutheran Academy, costing \$5 per adult/ \$3 per student. Stop in the school office or reserve your tickets online



Graduation Open House - You're invited!

Pastor and Jessie Wolfe invite all members of Salem to join them for an open house next Sunday (May 19th) to celebrate our daughter Chloe's graduation from high school. The open house will be at our home in Lake Elmo from 2pm to 6:30pm. (The address is 11439 34th St N, Lake Elmo, MN) Gifts are not expected for the occasion. As we said last year, being a called worker means leaving our extended families behind and adopting a church as our family. We simply want to celebrate with you. Plus, we'd love to get to know more of you outside the church walls! We hope you'll join us.

Save the Date: May 23 – Graduation Night Celebration!

Plan to attend the end-of-the-school-year graduation service on Thursday, May 23 at 5:30 pm. All of our students will sing at this service. Bring a salad, side, or dessert to share for the meal at 6:00 pm. Student awards will be given out after the meal.

Help Wanted for 2024-2025 School Year

Join us in the lunchroom for the 2024-2025 school year! If you're interested in learning more about working with us, contact Lynn Jay at lunch@salemlutheran.org. Available positions are:

Food Service Aide - *This position performs routine service-level duties to assist with food preparation, serving, and clean up of the lunchroom and school kitchen. The Food Service Aide is the first level in a service-oriented career ladder.*

Food Service Assistant Manager- *This position supervises and coordinates the activities of workers engaged in receiving, preparing, cooking, and serving food in the school lunchroom.*

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$23,453.14 for Current Expenses and \$1,865.75 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at salemlutheran.org/donate.

Contact Information

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THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Sun, 5/12	8:00 am Worship with Communion 9:15 am Sunday JAM & Bible Study 10:30 am Worship with Communion
Mon, 5/13	7:00 pm Community Men's Basketball
Tues, 5/14	10:15 Tuesday Morning Bible Study 11:30 am Caring Committee 4:30 pm Fellowship Committee 6:00 pm Elders Committee 6:30 pm Education Committee
Wed, 5/15	9:30 am School Chapel 9:30 am Women's Bible Study 12:30 pm Oak Ridge Place Bible Study 6:30 pm Evening Catechism
Sat, 5/18	5:00 pm Worship 6:00 pm Snack Benefit for Debbie 6:30 pm Teen & Adult Volleyball
Sun, 5/19	8:00 am Worship 9:00 am Snack Benefit for Debbie 9:15 am Sunday JAM & Guest Presentation 10:30 am Worship 11:30 am Snack Benefit for Debbie 11:45 am Youth Gathering - Hot Dogs & Burgers



In Our Prayers

- ✝ For comfort in knowing that our Ascended Lord rules over all things for our benefit.
- ✝ For straying and inactive members, that God might renew them in faith and faithfulness.
- ✝ For blessing and healing on all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.

