

Call Meeting and Quarterly Meeting

Salem will hold our next quarterly meeting after worship on July 28th. We will extend another call for associate pastor. All members are encouraged to stay for the meetings.



Blood Drive in August

Every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood, and a single donation can save up to three lives. Despite the constant demand, only about 3% of eligible individuals donate each year, putting countless patients at risk. Join us on August 12 from 1:00 to 6:00 pm in the gymnasium to make a life-saving difference—your donation could be the one that saves a life. Sign up online [via the Red Cross website](#) or contact Laura Gruetzmacher at 651-491-5988 and she can guide you through the process to sign up.

July Food Drive for the Food Shelf

This July, join Salem's Caring Committee in supporting Valley Outreach through our food drive! We're collecting nonperishable food items and personal essentials, and monetary donations are especially appreciated to help purchase the most urgently needed items. Let's come together to spread the love and charity of Jesus—your generous contributions make a real difference!



Mark your calendars for the Back to School Bash

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend the opening worship service on Saturday, August 24 @ 5:00 pm to start our school year. After the service, brats and hotdogs will be served with a fun night of fellowship. Please bring a side dish to share. We look forward to seeing everyone there to start our school year with a bang!

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

- Sun, 7/28** 9:00 am Worship with Communion
10:15 am Quarterly Congregational Meeting
- Tues, 7/30 6:15 pm Salem Softball at Lily Lake Park
- Tues, 7/30 - Fri 7/2 National Conference on Worship
- Wed, 7/31 12:30 pm Women's Guild
- Sat, 8/3** 5:00 pm Worship
- Sun, 8/4** 9:00 am Worship
10:15 am Summer Bible Study

NOW HIRING

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 on the service-oriented career ladder. Contact Lynn Jay for more information. (lunch@salemlutheran.org)

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. Contact Lynn Jay for more information. (lunch@salemlutheran.org)

School Office Assistant

This position provides support to the school secretary and principal during the school year. Contact Diane Light for more information (school.office@salemlutheran.org).

Before-Care Supervisor

The before-after-school caregiver will create a safe, engaging, and nurturing environment for students before and after the school day, ensuring each child's well-being. Contact Ryan Klatt for more information (rklatt@salemlutheran.org)

Gifts Sought for New Mower

After many years of faithful service, Salem's trusty old lawn mower needs to be replaced. If members would like to make a special offering to help us purchase this much-needed piece of equipment you are invited to mark an envelope clearly and put your gift in the offering plate or bring it into the church office. Thank you to everyone who cares for our lawns and our lawnmowers!

Salem Scholarship Fund

Support Salem's Scholarship Fund! This year, three of our members are receiving scholarships matched by MLC. Your contributions to this fund not only support their education but also help reduce the strain on our general fund. Join us in making a difference—direct your offering to the scholarship fund today!

Prayer Partners with Salem Kindergarteners

Would you like a tiny pen pal? We're seeking members to join our Prayer Partners program, where you'll build a meaningful connection with a Salem student through letters, starting in Kindergarten. This program offers a wonderful opportunity to grow in faith and forge a lasting friendship. Sign up today or email rklatt@salemlutheran.org to get involved and help pass on a legacy of faith! For more details, see the explanation at the end of these announcements.

Thank you to our Lumberjack Volunteers!

It was a great day for a parade on Sunday. The rain held off, and we were able to pass out over 4,000 water bottles to our Stillwater neighbors. A huge thank you to everyone who helped with the parade. We had a crew who spent hours labelling the water bottles and a crew who decorating and marched in the parade on Sunday. We praise God for putting his fire in all of your hearts to spread His gospel!

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$15,521.25 for Current Expenses and \$905.15 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at [salemlutheran.org/donate](https://www.salemlutheran.org/donate).

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Funeral Pre-Planning Seminar

A funeral is usually a person's last chance to share their hope in Christ for salvation with the people they love and care about. Have you thought about what message you want to share? What hymns you'd like to have people sing? There are also significant decisions to be made on the earthly side of things.

On Monday, August 26th, Salem will hold a funeral pre-planning seminar at 6pm. Pastor Wolfe will speak to the spiritual and emotional aspects of the end of life. We also welcome guest speaker Eric Baumann, Prearrangement Specialist with Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels and Glen Haven Memorial Gardens. He'll speak to the "other" things and how planning for your final wishes may shield your family from unnecessary emotional and financial burden. Join us Monday, August 26th at 6pm to learn more about pre-arrangements, veteran benefits, cremations, burials, and more.



In Our Prayers

- ✝ Gratitude for blessings from the Lord, and faith to put them to use to serve others.
- ✝ Thankfulness for saving the life of 3 year old Elise Strong in a car accident. Asking for continued healing and recovery.
- ✝ Joy and unity in the fellowship of our church, as we teach and encourage one another in faith.

