

## Quarterly Meeting and Call Meeting

Salem's quarterly meeting is next Sunday, January 19 at noon. Please plan to attend to hear ministry and facility updates. Our next call meeting is on February 2, so mark your calendars and pray!

## Croixaliers Sunday

Next Sunday, we'll welcome the Croixaliers to Salem as they lead our worship on Sunday. The Croixaliers are an advanced 24-voice choral ensemble, serving as ambassadors of St. Croix Lutheran Academy. This year, Salem has two members in this choir- Serenna Hartsock and Ellie Ross. Join us to worship with them and thank our Lord for the excellent education that they receive at St. Croix Lutheran Academy.



## Area WELS Youth Night

Salem Ev Lutheran in Stillwater, MN is hosting a regional WELS Youth Night on **Sunday, January 19th**. The event will run from 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Please enter through the school entrance. Students are encouraged to bring their friends and join us!

Our first youth group of the new year will be this Sunday, January 12 at 6:30 pm. We will be continuing our study and discussing plans for upcoming outings and our next fundraiser. See you there!

## Re-Enrollment Open For Salem School

We are now accepting enrollments for all current Salem Families for the 2025-2026 school year! Our 2025-2026 academic calendar will be shared soon, but we can confirm school will start on August 20, 2025, and end on May 22, 2026. Tuition agreements will be sent in early April, with awards finalized by April 15. If you're interested in tuition assistance, K-8 families should apply by March 1 at [Blackbaud Financial Aid](#) using Salem ID 15459. We look forward to another wonderful year at Salem!



## THIS WEEK AT SALEM

- Sun, 1/12** 8:00 am **Worship with Communion**  
9:15 am Pancake Breakfast  
10:30 am **Worship with Communion**  
6:30 pm Youth Group
- Mon, 1/13** 7:00 pm **Community Men's Basketball**
- Tues, 1/14** 10:15 am Bible Study  
11:30 am Caring Committee Potluck & Meeting  
3:45 pm B Team Basketball at Home  
6:00 pm Elders Board  
6:30 pm Education Committee  
7:00 pm Worship Committee
- Wed, 1/15** 9:20 am Midweek Chapel  
6:15 pm Choir  
6:30 pm Catechism Class  
7:15 pm Handbells & Men's Chorus
- Fri, 1/17** 5:30 pm B Team Basketball at Home  
6:30 pm A Team Basketball at Home
- Sat, 1/18** 5:00 pm **Worship**
- Sun, 1/19** 8:00 am **Worship- Croixaliers Sunday**  
9:15 am Bible Study and JAM  
10:30 am **Worship- Croixaliers Sunday**  
12:00 pm Quarterly Congregational Meeting

## Thank You for Supporting the Caring Committee's Christmas Gift Program!

Thank you for your generous response in supporting nine families from our church, school, Christian Life Ministries, and Birchwood Townhomes through the Christmas gift program. Together, our congregation donated 87 gifts, sharing Christ's love and making Christmas extra special for these families!

Looking ahead, please save the front of your religious Christmas cards to repurpose as gift tags next year. Drop them off in the Caring Committee mailbox in the church office. Your support makes a difference!

### **Opportunities to Support Graduates**

With this year's high school graduation, we have several of our members continuing with higher education. Reece Collins and Alexis Gosch will be attending Martin Luther College to study to become teachers and Andy Raasch a pastor in our synod. Noah Ross is attending Wisconsin Lutheran College for Nursing. Both schools have matching fund programs set up for congregations to give toward their tuition. We also have Caleb Raasch at Seminary and Chole Wolfe at Bethany for finance. If you would like to help support these students, you can give a special offering. In the memo, please write: Congregation College Fund. The money will then be divided among the 6 students. Thank you for your consideration. For any questions, please see Jeff Ross.

### **SAVE THE DATE: Potluck and New Member Welcome**

On Sunday, February 2, we're throwing a potluck to officially welcome our newest members to the Salem Lutheran Church family. It's our chance to celebrate their fellowship with us, get to know them, and share a meal. So grab your best hot dish, your secret family recipe (or that dessert from the grocery store you can totally claim as homemade), and join us for food, faith, and fellowship. Let's celebrate how God has brought us together in His grace—no matter what's in your crockpot. We can't wait to see you there!

### **January Parish Nurse Office Hours**

Our parish nurse will be available in the Fireside Room on January 14 (11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m., Caring Committee Meeting with BP checks available), January 21 (11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.), and Friday, January 31 (11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.). No appointment is needed. To schedule a home visit, email Kathy Smart at [nurse@salemlutheran.org](mailto:nurse@salemlutheran.org).

### **Ministry Support**

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$22,511.90 for Current Expenses and \$2,000.15 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).

### **Contact Information**

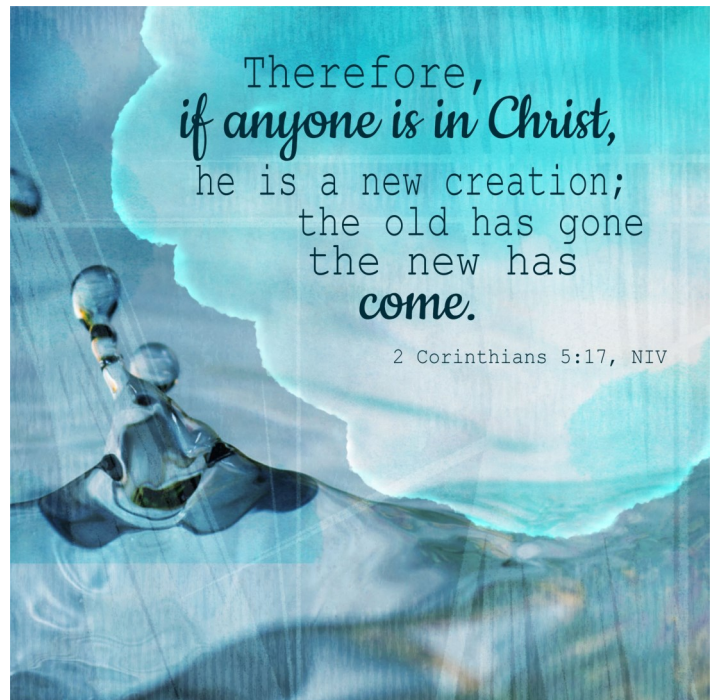
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### **Bible Basics New Session**

Pastor Wolfe will offer the next session of Bible Basics beginning the week of January 20th. (Mondays or Thursdays by participants' choice) Bible Basics is a great refresher for members of all ages and a perfect introduction to what we believe for your family and friends. If you would like to attend or want to invite someone you know to attend please contact Pastor Wolfe ([rwolfe@salemlutheran.org](mailto:rwolfe@salemlutheran.org)).

### **Salem Buy Nothing Facebook Group**

Have you heard of a Buy Nothing group? This group is a wonderful way to share items you no longer need with your church family. You can use the church office for item pick-up and drop-off, making it even easier to participate. To join, search for [WELS Greater St. Croix Area Sharing Site](#) on Facebook.



### **In Our Prayers**

- ✝ For families celebrating new life during pregnancy or at the birth of children.
- ✝ For families and members looking to comfort in eternal life as they face illness or injury
- ✝ For the gift of faith and the sacrament of baptism, where our life is tied to Christ's for forgiveness.

