Call News

Last Sunday, Salem called Pastor Timothy Priewe to serve as associate pastor. You can read his acknowledgement letter at the end of these announcements. Please keep him and his family in your prayers. If you'd like to contact him, his email is pastor.priewe@mountoliveappleton.com

Salem teachers Luke and Allison Dorn have returned their call to LaCrosse and will be staying at Salem. We thank God for their service here!

Youth Group Meeting

We are having a **Super Bowl/Football themed meeting on Sunday, February 9th**. We will begin right after the second service (between 11:30 am - noon). There will be an activity using chips, food provided, a devotion on being champions, and some games in the gym. We will be done in plenty of time for the big game that evening (approx 1:30 pm), so join us!

Puzzles and Pizza Competition

Join us for the Puzzles & Pizza Competition on Friday, February 21, at 5:00 PM. This event is a fundraiser to support the youth attending the July 2026 WELS Youth Rally in Bowling Green, Ohio. All ages are welcome, including families, friends, members, and non-members. The registration fee is \$75 for a team of four, or \$20 for individuals who will be matched with others. Each team will receive a 500-piece puzzle to take home, a pizza, and soda. The first teams to complete their puzzle, pizza, and drinks will win prizes. Register on our website to reserve your spot and select your pizza and soda flavors.

Annual Mission Convention

Salem members are invited to the 62nd Annual LWMS Convention this summer (June 26-29) in Tulsa, Oklahoma. LWMS stands for Lutheran Women's Missionary Society but the convention is open to men and women of all ages. Hear from missionaries and their families, enjoy daily worship and devotions, and learn about God's work in WELS missions around the world. Details can be found at <u>www.lwms.org</u>. A bus has been reserved to travel to Tulsa from our area. If interested in the bus talk to Pastor Wolfe or LWMS liaison Barb Miller. Hotels are filling fast so don't wait to register.

THIS WEEK AT SALEM

Sat, 2/8	5:00 pm Worship with Communion
Sun, 2/9	8:00 am Worship with Communion 9:15 am Bible Study and JAM 10:30 am Worship with Communion 11:30 Youth Group
Mon, 2/10	7:00 pm Community Men's Basketball
	NO Morning Bible Study 4:30 pm Fellowship Committee 6:00 pm Elders Board 6:30 pm Education Committee 7:00 pm Worship Committee 9:20 am Midweek Chapel 6:15 pm Choir 6:30 pm Catechism Class 7:15 pm Handbells & Men's Chorus
Sat, 2/15	5:00 pm Worship
Sun, 2/16	8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Bible Study and JAM 10:30 am Worship

Buy Greeting Cards and Support our Altar Guild

Take a look at the expanded collection of greeting cards on the rack in the narthex! Boxed sets are priced as marked, and select cards are now available for individual purchase at \$1 each. If you prefer, these can also be purchased by the box. All proceeds support Salem's Altar Guild.

Camp Croix Winter Campout

Join us for a weekend of winter fun and faith at Camp Croix! Enjoy exciting indoor and outdoor activities, including meaningful devotions and the thrilling Klondike Race. Registration is \$40 per child/chaperone or \$100 per family (for three or more) and includes lodging, meals, and activity materials. Don't miss this opportunity to grow in faith and experience the beauty of winter together! Register at <u>campcroix.org</u>.

February Diaper Drive

The Caring Committee is coordinating our annual diaper drive for Christian Life Ministries in Little Canada. We will be collecting diapers sizes 3, 4, 5 and 6 and unscented baby wipes. Look for the baby Pack N Play in the Narthex to collect your donations!

Minnesota Ministry Conference Registration Open!

The 2025 Minnesota Ministry Conference will be held Saturday, March 15, 2025 at St. Croix Lutheran Academy in St. Paul. This event is open to all WELS members who are looking for personal inspiration or new ministry ideas. Registration is only \$35 per person, with an early-bird rate of \$30 before March 1st. Go to <u>www.mnworkshop.com</u> for more details and to register.

Youth Lock in - February 21

Salem's highly anticipated Youth Lock-In for grades 7-12 will take place Friday, February 21, starting at 8:00 p.m. with check-in in the church entryway. The lock-in will end at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 22, and for safety reasons, all youth must be picked up rather than driving themselves home. <u>Register online</u> or submit the required youth and parent forms to the church office by February 21. Chaperones are needed throughout the night, with shifts from 7:30-11:30 p.m., 11:30 p.m.-4:00 a.m., and 4:00-8:00 a.m. If you're available to help, let us know!

We're Hiring: School Office Administrator

After many years of dedicated service, we bid farewell to Mrs. Light. Salem is now seeking a dedicated and organized individual to fill the Office Administrator position starting June 1. For any questions, please contact Mr. Klatt at rklatt@salemlutheran.org.

Ministry Support

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$17,961.85 for Current Expenses and \$940.15 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at salemlutheran.org/donate.

MLC Concert Choir

The MLC College Choir will present a full concert at Christ Lutheran, North St. Paul, on Saturday, March 22, at 7 pm. You are invited to attend and also invited to consider how you can help! Please contact Ann Ponath (annponath@christlutheran.us) if you are interested in hosting two or more MLC choir members from Saturday night to Sunday morning.

Family Story Night and Book Fair

Join us on Tuesday, February 18, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. for a special family event featuring snacks, storytime, and storybook characters. There will also be a book fair from February 15 to 26, offering faith-based books from *I:55 Where Faith Matters*. In a world filled with challenging content, I:55 ensures all books align with Christian values. The fair will be located at the church entrance and open before and after Saturday and Sunday services, as well as weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!



In Our Prayers

- For opportunities, boldness, and words to share our faith in Jesus.
- For blessing on those who celebrate on Valentine's and encouragement to those who look for it.
- For blessing on members struggling with health and peace to a member soon entering heaven.

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