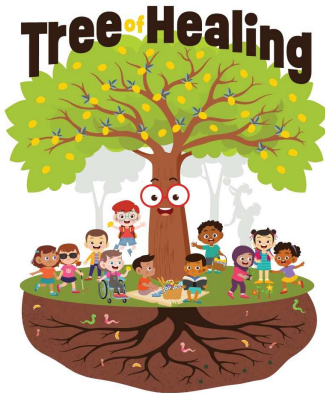


Salem Lutheran Church

THE CHURCH BELL

July 2023

Rooted in Christ, to Love, Grow & Serve



SALEM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2023 & MINISTRY FOCUS

Theme: "Tree of Healing" July 24 - 28 | 9am - Noon

Growing together as we learn about God's love for us and for all of creation, and God's design that we and all creation live in health and joy.

Ministry Focus: ELCA World Hunger

We will travel around the world with stories and our imaginations to see how ELCA World hunger is helping communities grow and stay strong.

Please join us during the month of July as we help our children and teachers raise money and awareness for ELCA World Hunger and the amazing ways we are changing the world for good. See the display under the tree near the fellowship hall for more information.

It is not too late to volunteer or sign children up for VBS 2023! Call or text Laurel Fladmoe at 320.266.6550 or email her at Laf@centurylink.net. Registration forms available through the church office.



PRELIMINARY AS OF JUNE 2023 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Please note: The following information is our projected financial situation as of June 2023.

We are projecting that the general fund will be **\$6300.00 behind** at the end of June.

This is considering expenses paid and income received toward the general fund only.

Bills received in June that contributed to the sudden deficit: Snowplowing \$3100.00; Weed control \$235.00; Gazebo Repairs \$500.00. Other factors include general fund income not meeting regular expenses.

WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF THE MINISTRY WE DO TOGETHER.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Ushers (Greeters) | Lay Readers | Communion Servers (Bread & Wine) | Communion Care (Set Up & Clean Up) | Fellowship Servers | Fellowship Treats (Baked items, Fresh Fruit, etc.) Sign up to be on a rotation in which you will be scheduled for a given Sunday but can trade Sundays with others on the rotation.

Contact: Laura Flohaug 218.566.4755 | lauraflohaug@hotmail.com
Church Office 218.363.2011 | salem@arvig.net

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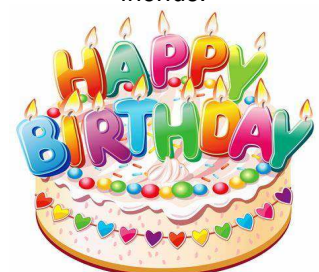
All Church Birthday Fellowship Party

Sunday, August 6th

Sign up sheets available to bring cakes or cupcakes.

Sit at tables during fellowship with those who share your birthday month.

This is a fun way to make new friends.



SALEM WEDNESDAY COMMUNITY MEAL

July 12th | 5pm - 6pm

Menu: Pulled Pork Picnic (indoor)

RUTH CIRCLE

(Women's Bible Study)

Thursday, July 13th

1pm

All women are welcome!

LONGVILLE FOOD SHELF FOOD TRUCK UNLOADING HELP NEEDED

Help needed **Wednesday, July 5th - 8:30am** -
Let's meet at the food shelf and make the world a little bet-

FUTURE OF AREA LAKES DNR PRESENTATION ON JULY 13TH

Doug Schultz, Area Fisheries Supervisor, Minnesota DNR, will discuss the latest research on the effects of climate warming and new species introductions on our lakes and the fish populations they support along with some of the management implications on **Thursday, July 13 at 6:30pm** in Salem's Fellowship Hall. Meet and Greet with refreshments at 6pm. System changes in our lakes are just around the corner! This men's fellowship sponsored presentation is open to men and women in the community.

SAVE *the* DATE

ANISHINAABE ART FESTIVAL FIELDTRIP!!

The Faith Formation group has been reading about and discussing the Ojibwe culture of our indigenous neighbors. Consider joining members of this group in understanding more about this rich culture by attending the Anishinaabe Art Festival with us.

When: July 21 & 22, 2023

Where: Sanford Center, Bemidji, MN

Cost: FREE Admission

(food and goods available for purchase)

Website: www.ArtFestivalBemidji.com

OUTDOORS TV PRODUCER AND STORY TELLER RON SCHARA TO SPEAK ON JULY 19

National award winning outdoors writer, TV producer, and story teller Ron Schara, producer of Minnesota Bound on KARE-TV, will be our speaker on **Wednesday, July 19 at 6:30pm** in Salem's Fellowship Hall.

Meet and Greet with refreshments at 6pm.

This men's fellowship sponsored event is open to men and women in the community.



CHRISTMAS IN JULY AT SALEM

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox
and Hat & Mitten Tree

Pick up your Christmas Child box at Salem, fill it with gifts for children around the world. Instructions with the box. Purchase or make warm hats and mittens for children and youth in our area schools. More information on the "Christmas in July" display table.

SALEM SUNDAY SUPPERS

It's time to restart the Salem Sunday Suppers on the last Sunday of the month. We'll have the first one at an area restaurant on **Sunday, July 30**. During July there will be a sign-up sheet for names and number of persons attending. The men's fellowship action team will select the restaurant for the first supper, then the group attending the supper will select the restaurant options for the next one. Watch for the announcement in July!

Worship IN JULY!

July 2 - Join us for worship with the joy of baptism for
Cash Warren Winkleblack.

June 9 - 'Surprise' worship accompanist.

July 16 - Join us for worship with our friends, Amy & Adams
and their uplifting musical gifts.

July 23 - Join us OUTSIDE by the gazebo for Worship.
(Bring your own chair)

July 30 - Worship with guest accompanist Mary Hagelie.

Communion every Sunday (except when outdoor).

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Over 800 million people in the world are hungry - 40 million in the US. ELCA World Hunger works in over 60 countries as well as in the US in many ways to help meet the needs of those who are food insecure.

Often they provide teaching and tools to help people grow more of their own food.

Our VBS children will be learning about the needs of people who experience hunger so expect to hear more about this in July.

You can donate now by making checks out to Salem Lutheran and putting "ELCA World Hunger" in the memo line. You can make a difference...

"I was hungry and you gave me food" [Matthew 25:35]



2 Roberta Larson
 2 Evelyn Burley
 2 Kay Ferris
 4 Greg Peters
 7 Beth Holmdahl
 9 Chris Nornberg
 10 Sheila Dutton
 11 Rod Fedalen
 11 Bob Ladehoff
 12 Donald Edwards
 12 Don Falls
 12 Jackie Hanson
 14 Ron Tormondsen
 14 Eunice Benson
 14 Marlene Olson
 14 Tim Bruhjell
 14 Mary Jo Lindstrom
 14 Jeff Hol
 16 Sandy Cross
 17 Jamie Riendeau
 21 Greg Gilsrud
 21 Margit Tormondsen
 22 Tammy Devine
 23 Tempra Hausken
 24 Martha Limburg
 24 Diane Ploeger
 25 Owen Higgins
 27 Dorianne Smith
 27 Linda Ferwerda
 28 Alyssa Wheeler
 28 Reg Callies
 30 Doug Sandstrom
 31 Felicia Murtley
 31 Skip Rosen
 31 Avery Hardinger



5 Greg and Dawn Gilsrud
 7 James & Colleen Moravek
 11 Bob and Avis Savre
 14 Steve and Sharon Hanson
 14 Steve and Gerise Thompson
 22 Don and Joan Falls
 30 Ben and Mary Jo Lindstrom
 31 Tom and Norma Jansen
 31 Garny & Joleen Gaffey

JULY Worship Volunteer Schedule

Sunday, July 2, 2023

Usher/Greeters	Beth Tobiason, Aiden Weigert
Lay Reader	Greg Peters
Bread Server	Allison Magnus
Wine/Grape Juice	Linda Bechtold, Laura Flohaug
Communion Care	Laura Flohaug
Fellowship Team Leader	Laura Flohaug
Fellowship Treats NEW	Laura Flohaug
Sound Technician	Egon Overgaard
Video Technicians	Mitch Jorgenson, Doug Williams
Money Counters	Roger Bechtold, Dale Kriesel

Sunday, July 9, 2023

Usher/Greeters	Dave & Judy Saxerud
Lay Reader	Colleen Moravek
Bread Server	Linda Bechtold
Wine/Grape Juice	Laura Flohaug, Beth Tobiason
Communion Care	Barb McCuskey
Fellowship Team Leader	Carol Zahn, Randy & Bonnie Anderson
Fellowship Treats NEW	Andersons and Zahn
Sound Technician	Bob Vaughn
Video Technicians	Bob & Nan Ladehoff
Money Counters	Judy Saxerud, Dennis Zuelke

Sunday, July 16, 2023

Usher/Greeters	Doris Schmidt, Allison Magnus
Lay Reader	Denny Ploeger
Bread Server	Beth Tobiason
Wine/Grape Juice	Dave & Deb Halver
Communion Care	Jo Gaffey
Fellowship Team Leader	Doris Schmidt
Fellowship Treats NEW	Peters and Nelsons
Sound Technician	Jim Fladmoe
Video Technicians	Mike & Hope Olson
Money Counters	Bob Ladehoff, Dennis Hagen

Sunday, July 23, 2023 (Outdoor Service)

Usher/Greeters	Dennis & Elsie Hagen
Fellowship Team Leader	Linda Bechtold
Fellowship Treats NEW	Linda Bechtold
Sound Technician	Jim Fladmoe
Money Counters	Mike Olson, Elise Hagen

Sunday, July 30, 2023

Usher/Greeters	Barb McCuskey, Ilean Moore
Lay Reader	Mary Jo Schleif
Bread Server	Fred Smith
Wine/Grape Juice	Cris Smith, Jan Stadtherr
Communion Care	Linda Bechtold
Fellowship Team Leader	Mitch Jorgenson
Fellowship Treats NEW	Mitch & Trish Jorgenson
Sound Technician	Craig Anderson
Video Technicians	Ron Stadtherr, Dan Obey
Money Counters	Dave Saxerud, Randy Swanson

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Bread Ministry Baking
2 9am Worship 10am Fellowship	3 OFFICE CLOSED	4 OFFICE CLOSED 	5 6pm Choir Rehearsal	6	7 9am Bone Builders	8
9 9am Worship 10am Fellowship	10 9:30am Men's Bible Sharing 1pm Busy Needles	11 9am Bone Builders 9:30am Text Study 4pm Faith Formation (via Video) 5pm SLC Special Meeting	12 9:45am Learning Ministry Team (LMT) at Barb A. 5pm Community Meal 6pm Choir Rehearsal	13 9am Endowment Team 9:30am Worship Ministry Team (WMT) 1pm Ruth Circle 4pm Finance Team 5pm Money Counter Meeting 6pm DNR Presentation	14 9am Bone Builders 9:30am Resource Development Ministry Team (RDMT)	15
16 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 11am VBS Volunteer Safe Boundaries Class	17 1pm Busy Needles	18 9am Bone Builders 9:30am Text Study 4pm Faith Formation (via video)	19 6pm Choir Rehearsal 6pm Ron Schara Presentation	20 5pm Servant Leadership Council (SLC)	21 9am Bone Builders <div>Annishinaabe Art Festival Field Trip (Bemidji)</div>	22
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