

Salem Lutheran Church

THE CHURCH BELL

December 2023

Rooted in Christ, to Love, Grow & Serve

DECEMBER WORSHIP

JOIN US SUNDAYS AT 9:00AM

Dec 3rd - 1st Sunday of Advent

Worship Leaders: Acoustic Group

Dec 10th - 2nd Sunday of Advent

Worship Leader: Mary Hagelie

Dec 17th - 3rd Sunday of Advent

Youth & Children's Christmas Worship

Worship Leaders: Diane V. & Garry G.

Dec 24th - 9am - 4th Sunday of Advent

Worship Leader: Tammy Devine

Dec 24th - 6pm - Candlelight Service

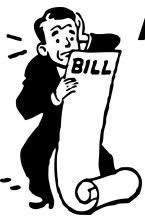
Worship Leader: Tammy Devine

Dec 31st - Lessons and Carols

Worship Leader: TBD



O Come Let Us Adore Him!



AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 2023 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Please note: The following information is
our projected financial situation as of
November 31, 2023.



We are projecting that our general fund will be
(Behind | Deficit | In-the-Hole) - \$4300.00
at the end of November.

Thank you for your generous support of the ministry we do together.

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEA

As the Christmas Holiday Season approaches
and you are looking for a Christmas Gift Idea,
please consider a charitable contribution gift
to the Endowment Legacy or Educational
Scholarship Fund to help continue the growth
of these funds. Your contribution and
generosity will be much appreciated.

Salem's Endowment Team



ENDOWMENT FUND

AARP TAX AIDES will be available at Salem on
Thursdays Beginning Feb 8th

Hours: 8:30am - 1pm

to help prepare your tax returns for Longville area residents.

By Appointment only - No walk-ins

For appointments call Ron at 218-675-6532



LONGVILLE FOOD SHELF FOOD
QUILT SILENT AUCTION

Stop at Tossed and Found and bid on Salem's Quilt offering. All funds raised support the Longville Area Food Shelf. Silent Auction ends December 29th. Non-perishable food items or personal care items can be left in the Salem grocery cart in the main entrance at church.

CONFIRMATION CLASS DECEMBER



WEDNESDAYS FROM 6:30PM - 7:30PM

No class **December 27th**

ALL 7TH - 12TH GRADE STUDENTS WELCOME

RUTH CIRCLE (Women's Bible Study)

Thursday, December 14th at 1pm

All women are welcome!

SNOW SHOVELERS NEEDED

Contact Mike Czeck (218-341-8931) to sign up for a week (or more) to help keep Salem's sidewalks safe from slippery snow.

Salem Lutheran Church
SOCK - DRIVE
for people who are homeless

WAYS TO GIVE

1. **Purchase** socks & bring to Salem.
2. **Donate money** to Salem (memo: Sock Drive) & deliver or send to Salem & we will purchase socks for you.
1. Purchase socks online & **have them shipped** to Salem.

DONATIONS DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 10TH

GOAL IS 200 + PAIRS OF SOCKS!

😊 Snowbirds - we will need your help to make this goal 😊

Socks will benefit people in our local area. Donations will be delivered to Wolfe Center (Bemidji), The Peoples' Church - ELCA (Bemidji), Grace House (Grand Rapids), & Lyman "DeDe" Losh Transitional Home (LLBO, Cass Lake) before Christmas Day.



GOOD GIFTS TREE

The Good Gifts tree will be set up in early November.

You can start your Christmas shopping early!

There will be catalogs for you to browse in.

How about a goal of \$1500.

Good Gifts are a good way to shop for the person who has everything. Good Gifts benefit those who really need some help and keep on helping for a long time.

For example, the gift of a pig can have baby pigs and so the gift multiplies.

There will be instructions for you to follow on the table with the tree. You can take an ornament corresponding to your gift and put it on your own tree or give it to the one to whom you are giving the gift.



**ELCA
GOOD
GIFTS**



**SALEM WEDNESDAY
COMMUNITY MEAL**

December 13th | 5pm - 6pm | Freewill Donations Appreciated

Menu: Danish Dinner

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Salem Women
**Christmas Cookie
Trays and Baskets**
To spread a bit of Christmas cheer

Wednesday December 6th at 9:00am

How you can help:

- Bake 2 dozen Christmas cookies or treats for cookie trays.
- Purchase 12 individually packed items for baskets.
(Place cookies and basket items on table marked in Fellowship Hall)
- Help prep trays and baskets on December 6th at 9am.
- Help us deliver trays and baskets during the week to neighbors and friends who have had a rough year.

Everyone is welcome!

SALEM'S GOOD SAMARITAN FUND, IS IN NEED OF FUNDS!

The Good Samaritan Fund (checks can be made to Salem/memo line: Good Samaritan Fund) is financed completely by generous designated giving. Please consider a monetary donation so we can continue helping our neighbors in need.





2 Harriet Mouw
 2 Brad Ferris
 4 Travis Wheeler
 5 Sandy Elison
 6 Colleen Moravek
 8 Lauren Hardinger
 10 Terry Daudt
 10 Alice Bruhjell
 11 Nan Ladehoff
 12 Randy Swanson
 13 Craig Anderson
 15 Shari Pretzer
 16 Gail Hanson
 17 Sandy Boring
 18 Sam Nordstrom
 18 Brent Weaver
 19 Curtis Haflund
 19 Doug Longnecker
 24 Tom Dollins
 24 Judy Bogard
 24 Trish Jorgenson
 24 Geri Staley
 29 Terry Rosen
 30 Dylan Daudt



1 Craig & Jamie Riendeau
 17 Tim and Jan Marr
 19 Ed and Judith Olson
 28 Ron and Jan Stadtherr
 31 John and Sandy Weins
 31 Denny and Diane Ploeger

Sunday, December 31, 2023

Usher/Greeters	Laura Flohaug, Beth Tobiason
Lay Reader	Colleen Moravek
Bread Server	Linda Bechtold
Wine/Grape Juice	Fred & Cris Smith
Communion Care	Laura Flohaug
Fellowship Team Leader & Treats	Laura Flohaug
Sound Technician	Craig Anderson
Video Technicians	TBD
Money Counters	Bob Vaughn, Roger Bechtold

December Worship Volunteer Schedule

Sunday, December 3, 2023

Usher/Greeters	Fred & Cris Smith
Lay Reader	Jan Stadtherr
Bread Server	Beth Tobiason
Wine/Grape Juice	Jo Gaffey, Jan Stadtherr
Communion Care	Jo Gaffey
Fellowship Team Leader & Treats	Mitch Jorgenson
Sound Technician	Egon Overgaard
Video Technicians	Mitch Jorgenson, Doug Williams
Money Counters	Dan Obey, Judy Saxerud

Sunday, December 10, 2023

Usher/Greeters	Barb McCuskey, Doris Schmidt
Lay Reader	Jim Fladmoe
Bread Server	Linda Bechtold
Wine/Grape Juice	Fred & Cris Smith
Communion Care	Barb McCuskey
Fellowship Team Leader & Treats	Doris Schmidt
Sound Technician	Bob Vaughn
Video Technicians	Bob & Nan Ladehoff
Money Counters	Bob Ladehoff, Don Falls

Sunday, December 17, 2023




Usher/Greeters	Laura Flohaug, Beth Tobiason
Lay Reader	Children & Youth
Bread Server	Youth
Wine/Grape Juice	Youth
Communion Care	Laura Flohaug
Fellowship Team Leader & Treats	Egon Overgaard
Sound Technician	Jim Fladmoe
Video Technicians	Mike & Hope Olson
Money Counters	Mike Olson, Mike Meagher

Sunday, December 24, 2023 | 9:00am

Usher/Greeters	Scott & Allison Magnus
Lay Reader	Mike Carlson
Bread Server	Allison Magnus
Wine/Grape Juice	Mitch Jorgenson, Diane Vaughn
Communion Care	Allison Magnus
Fellowship Team Leader & Treats	Mitch Jorgenson
Sound Technician	Craig Anderson
Video Technicians	Ron Stadtherr, Dan Obey
Money Counters	Dave Saxerud, Randy Swanson

Sunday, December 24, 2023 | 6:00pm

Usher/Greeters	Fred & Cris Smith
Lay Reader	Mike Carlson
Bread Server	Mike Carlson
Wine/Grape Juice	Nadja Jorgenson, Mitch Jorgenson
Communion Care	Mitch Jorgenson
Sound Technician	TBD
Video Technicians	TBD
Money Counters	TBD

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 9am Bone Builders 10am Learning Ministry Team (LMT)	2 Bread Ministry Baking
3 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 4pm LACC Christmas Concert <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	4 1pm Busy Needles	5 9am Bone Builders 9:30am Text Study 4pm Faith Formation (via video)	6 9am Cookie Tray & Baskets 6pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Confirmation Class	7 9am Community Meal Meeting	8 9am Bone Builders	9
10 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 11:30am - 1:30pm Sunday School <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	11 9:30am Men's Bible Sharing 12pm Curo Visitation 1pm Curo Memorial Service 1pm Busy Needles	12 9am Bone Builders 9am Endowment Team 9:30am Text Study 4pm Faith Formation (via Video)	13 5pm Community Meal 6pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Confirmation Class	14 9:30am Worship Ministry Team (WMT) 1pm Ruth Circle 4pm Finance Team 5pm Executive Mang. Team (EMT)	15 9am Bone Builders	16
17 9am Worship 10am Fellowship Youth & Childrens Christmas Worship <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>	18 1pm Busy Needles	19 9am Bone Builders 9:30am Text Study 4pm Faith Formation (via video)	20 6pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Confirmation Christmas Party	21 4:30pm Servant Leadership Council 	22 9am Bone Builders	23
24 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i> 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 6pm Candlelight Worship	25 OFFICE CLOSED 	26 9am Bone Builders 9:30am Text Study 4pm Faith Formation (via Video)	27 6pm Choir Rehearsal	28	29 9am Bone Builders	30
31 <i>Lessons & Carols</i> 9am Worship 10am Fellowship						