



# Salem Lutheran Church Bell

## February 2024



Rooted in Christ to Love, Grow & Serve



## Ash Wednesday

marks the beginning of the church season known as Lent. We worship together on Sundays during Lent as usual but add an extra time of worship on the Wednesdays in Lent leading up to Palm Sunday and Easter as a way of honoring God's grace through Jesus's death on the cross. No gimmicks or enticing titles to convince you to join us for worship for that is God's job - our job is to extend the invitation.

### Ash Wednesday Worship February 14 at 6:30pm

All are welcome. All are invited.  
Please come.

## WEDNESDAYS IN LENT

Join us Wednesdays (2/21, 2/28, 3/6. & 3/13), at **6:30pm** in the Fellowship Hall for worship. This year we will have music, scripture, & prayer as always but are excited to include members of Salem who will be sharing their **Faith Stories** and **Bread and Broth Suppers**. **Sign up** to bring soup, serve and help clean up by calling the church office today!

## COMMUNITY MEAL

Wednesday February 14 | 5pm -6pm  
Menu: Tater Tot Hotdish

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- ✓ Volunteer to be an Audio or Video Technician (training provided)
- ✓ Donate to Salem's "New Projector" Fund
- ✓ Help us review and update Salem's Constitution and Constitution By-Laws
- ✓ Laity Home Visitation with Holy Communion Training
- ✓ Chaperone our Youth Lock In

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursdays Feb. 8 - April 11**

AARP Free Tax Aide

**February 11**

Souper Bowl of Caring  
Sunday School

**February 14**

Community Meal  
Ash Wednesday Worship

**February 21 & 28**

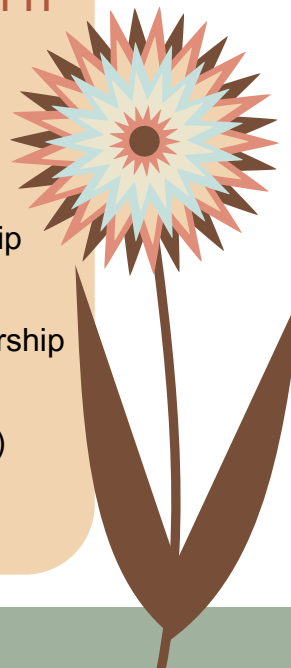
Bread & Broth Supper  
Wednesday Lenten Worship

**February 22**

Ruth Circle  
(Women's Bible Study)

**February 23-24**

Youth Lock-In



# FEBRUARY 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				<b>1</b> <b>9am - 12pm</b> Salem Quilters	<b>2</b> <b>7am</b> Bread Ministry Baking <b>9am</b> Bone Builders <b>10am</b> Learning Ministry Team (LMT)	<b>3</b> <b>8am</b> Bread Ministry Baking
<b>4</b> <b>9am</b> Worship <b>10am</b> Fellowship	<b>5</b> <b>1pm</b> Busy Needles	<b>6</b> <b>9am</b> Bone Builders	<b>7</b> <b>6:30pm</b> Confirmation	<b>8</b> <b>8:30am</b> Tax Prep <b>9am - 12pm</b> Salem Quilters <b>4pm</b> Finance Team	<b>9</b> <b>9am</b> Bone Builders	<b>10</b>
Pastor Trish Vacation Monday February 5 - Monday February 12						
<b>11</b> <b>9am</b> Worship <b>10am</b> Fellowship <b>11am - 1:30pm</b> Sunday School	<b>12</b> <b>9:30am</b> Men's Bible Sharing <b>1pm</b> Busy Needles	<b>13</b> <b>9am</b> Bone Builders <b>9:30am</b> Text Study <b>4pm</b> Faith Formation	<b>14</b> <b>5pm</b> Community Meal <b>6:30pm</b> Ash Wednesday Worship	<b>15</b> <b>8:30am</b> Tax Prep <b>9am - 12pm</b> Salem Quilters <b>4:30pm</b> Servant Leadership Council (SLC)	<b>16</b> <b>9am</b> Bone Builders	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> <b>9am</b> Worship <b>10am</b> Fellowship	<b>19</b> <b>1pm</b> Busy Needles	<b>20</b> <b>9am</b> Bone Builders <b>9:30am</b> Text Study <b>4pm</b> Faith Formation	<b>21</b> <b>6:00pm</b> Bread & Broth and Lenten Worship	<b>22</b> <b>8:30am</b> Tax Prep <b>9am - 12pm</b> Salem Quilters <b>1pm</b> Ruth Circle	<b>23</b> <b>9am</b> Bone Builders <b>6pm</b> Youth Lock-in BEGIN	<b>24</b> <b>1pm</b> Youth Lock-in END
<b>25</b> <b>9am</b> Worship <b>10am</b> Fellowship	<b>26</b> <b>9:30am</b> Men's Bible Sharing <b>1pm</b> Busy Needles	<b>27</b> <b>9am</b> Bone Builders <b>9:30am</b> Text Study <b>4pm</b> Faith Formation	<b>28</b> <b>6:00pm</b> Bread & Broth and Lenten Worship	<b>29</b> <b>8:30am</b> Tax Prep <b>9am - 12pm</b> Salem Quilters		

# February Birthdays

- 1 Shelly Fanth
- 3 Ilean Moore
- 6 Dawn Gilsrud
- 6 Kirk Dodds
- 7 Brenda Mullenmaster
- 8 Neil Tobiason
- 10 Dillon Loren
- 10 Jean Nagorski
- 11 Fred Smith
- 12 Bob Alley
- 12 Barb Nordstrom
- 13 Rod Mouw
- 14 Louise Daudt
- 15 Linda Bechtold
- 16 Toni Drum
- 17 Scott Wicks
- 18 David Saxerud
- 19 Baylor Riendeau
- 23 Jo Gaffey
- 24 Gerald Meeks
- 24 Paige Nornberg
- 25 Karen Lehmann
- 25 Mark Houghton
- 27 Gene Olson
- 28 Andrea Semmler
- 28 Trevor Johnson
- 28 Heidi Johnson
- 28 Gordon Hess
- 29 Egon Overgaard

# February Anniversaries

- 17 Chris and Michelle Nornberg
- 23 Mark and Patty Lange
- 25 Mike and Rosann Wold
- 28 Paul and Gail Hanson

# February Worship Volunteer Schedule

Sunday, February 4, 2024

Usher/Greeters	Roger & Linda Bechtold
Lay Reader	Doris Schmidt
Bread Server	Pastor Trish
Wine/Grape Juice	Linda Bechtold
Communion Care	Linda Bechtold
Fellowship Team Leader & Treats	Kathy Dollins
Sound Technician	Egon Overgaard
Video Technicians	Mitch Jorgenson, TBD
Money Counters	Dan Obey, Judy Saxerud

Sunday, February 11, 2024

Usher/Greeters	Laura Flohaug & Beth Tobiason
Lay Reader	Greg Peters
Bread Server	Pastor Trish
Wine/Grape Juice	Allison Magnus
Communion Care	Allison Magnus
Fellowship Team Leader & Treats	Greg & Diane Peters
Sound Technician	Bob Vaughn
Video Technicians	TBD
Money Counters	Bob Ladehoff, Don Falls

Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024

Usher/Greeters	Roger & Linda Bechtold
Wine/Grape Juice	Cris Smith
Communion Care	Linda Bechtold

Sunday, February 18, 2024

Usher/Greeters	Barb McCuskey & Doris Schmidt
Lay Reader	Linda Bechtold
Bread Server	Pastor Trish
Wine/Grape Juice	Beth Tobiason
Communion Care	Barb McCuskey
Fellowship Team Leader & Treats	Doris Schmidt
Sound Technician	Jim Fladmoe
Video Technicians	Mike & Hope Olson
Money Counters	Mike Olson, Mike Meagher

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Usher/Greeters	Laura Flohaug
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Sunday, February 25, 2024

Usher/Greeters	Dave & Judy Saxerud
Lay Reader	Mitch Jorgenson
Bread Server	Pastor Trish
Wine/Grape Juice	Laura Flohaug
Communion Care	Laura Flohaug
Fellowship Team Leader & Treats	Egon Overgaard
Sound Technician	Craig Anderson
Video Technicians	Ron Stadtherr, TBD
Money Counters	Dave Saxerud, Randy Swanson

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

Usher/Greeters	Laura Flohaug
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## THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

Thrivent members can still direct their 2023 choice dollars until March 2024. Call your Thrivent Rep. or go online to direct your dollars to any charity you chose - including Salem.

Questions? - contact  
Doris Schmidt or Linda Bechtold

## SALEM QUILTERS

**Thursdays from 9am to 12pm  
February and March**

NO quilting or sewing experience needed.  
Help cut material, tie quilts, design layouts, make treats, coffee or just have fun.

Everyone (men and women) welcome!

## SOUPER BOWL OF CARING February 11th

Let's change the game!

Your donations will help tackle hunger in our community. Together we can turn the nation's largest weekend of football into the largest weekend of caring.

**Cash donations this year will go  
to the Longville Food Shelf.**

## AARP TAX AID FREE TAX PREPARATION ASSISTANCE

at Salem for Longville area residents

**Thursdays beginning February 8th**

Hours 8:30am - 1pm

**By appointment only - No walk-ins**

For appointments call Ron at 218-675-6532

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

The Good Samaritan Fund is financed completely by generous designated giving and helps our neighbors in need. Check memo line: Good Samaritan Fund.

## LAITY HOME VISITATION WITH HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING

**Sunday, March 10th | 11:30am**

Sign up in the church office or call Pastor Trish for more information. All are welcome as we begin this important ministry again!

## INCLEMENT WEATHER WORSHIP & CHURCH CLOSINGS

Worship Cancellations Check our website or tune to:

KLIZ 107.5 (Brainerd)

KTIG 102.7 (Pequot Lakes)

KBLB 93.3 (Brainerd)

Office & Church Closings *other* than Worship:

Check our website - [salemlongville.org](http://salemlongville.org)  
or call Pastor Trish (320-248-9479)

## MINNESOTA FOOD SHARE MARCH CAMPAIGN

Your contributions - no matter how small - help us to wage the war against hunger. Most of our monies come to us in the March Campaign.

**Remember - 100% of your donations are used  
to benefit food shelf clients!**

ALL overhead costs are covered by proceeds from Tossed & Found Boutique. Donations can be given through Salem (memo line: Longville Area Food Shelf), sent to the

Longville Area Food Shelf, Inc. | PO Box 308  
Longville, MN 56655

or dropped off in person, or you can  
give online at [GiveMN.com](http://GiveMN.com).

Thank you for your support and generosity!  
Andrea Richard, Food Shelf Manager

## GROWTH GROUP MINISTRY

A place where we can foster meaningful relationships and grow in faith as we are gathered in fellowship around the Word of God. Groups will consist of 8-12 people who meet 1-2 times a month in participant's homes or via GoToMeeting/Zoom.

Call or email the church office to sign up to:

- 1) Be a Growth Group Ministry Leader  
(Leader Meeting in March 2024)
- 2) Be part of a Growth Group  
(Growth Groups begin April 2024)

## GENERAL FUND UPDATE

As of January 31, 2024 our projected balance is  
**(Positive/Ahead) \$4385.77**

Thank you for your generous support of the ministry God has called us to through Salem.

