

Salem Lutheran Church Bell

May 2025

Rooted in Christ to love, grow & serve



Education Sunday | June 1st | 9:00am Worship

One of the best gifts we can give someone is the gift of an education.

**JOIN
US**

Please consider a one-time, occasional, or on-going financial support for Salem's Endowment Legacy Fund or Education Scholarship Fund. Your support is greatly appreciated!

2025 High School Seniors

Ella Wheeler

Addison Johnson

will receive a special blessing and quilt.

2025 Scholarship Recipients

Brittney Wolter

Paige Nornberg

Lacey Erickson

Julia Schock

will join us in person or via video as they receive a special blessing and catch up on what they are doing.

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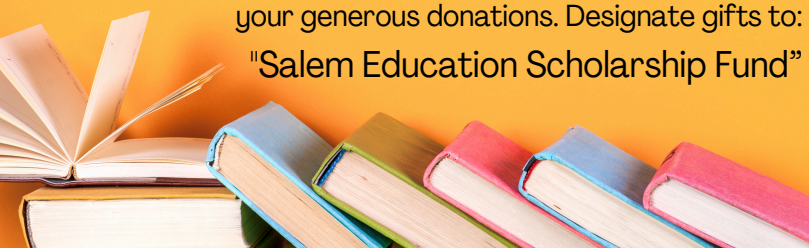
Taylor Johnson

will "take ownership" of the promises to live a life of faith; reaching out to those in need with compassion and love, and continue to worship, work and fellowship with the beloved community (the church) through Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Salem's Education Scholarship Fund

A fund designed to enhance & enrich lives through education and outreach in our community.

This fund uses monies from both the principal and interest generated from investment income, which is funded solely by your generous donations. Designate gifts to:
"Salem Education Scholarship Fund"



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
4 9am - 3pm NE MN Synod Assembly at Cragun's 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 4pm Baptism: Dixie Rice	5 1pm Busy Needles	6 9am Bone Builders 9:30am Text Study 4pm Faith Formation 6:30pm Healthy Boundaries Training (Online)	7 6pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Youth & Confirmation Class	8 9:30am Worship Ministry Team (WMT) 3pm Finance Team 4pm Exec. Mang. Team (EMT)	9 9am Bone Builders	10 9am Bone Builders 8am Bread Ministry Baking 9am - 9pm NE MN Synod Assembly at Cragun's
11 Mother's Day 9am Worship 10am Fellowship	12 9:30am Men's Bible Study 1pm Busy Needles	13 8am Men's Fellowship Breakfast (Turtle Town Cafe) 9am Bone Builders 9am Spring Clean Up 9:30am Text Study 4pm Faith Formation	14 5pm Community Meal 6pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Youth & Confirmation Class	15 4pm Servant Leadership Council	16 9am Bone Builders	17 9am - 12pm Remember, Reflect, Discover Retreat
18 9am Worship 10am Fellowship 11am - 1:30pm Sunday School	19 1pm Busy Needles	20 9am Bone Builders 9:30am Text Study 4pm Faith Formation	21 9am Defensive Driving Class 6pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Youth & Confirmation Class	22	23 9am Bone Builders	24
25 9am Worship 10am Fellowship	26 Memorial Day Office Closed	27 9am Bone Builders 9:30am Community Meal Team Meeting 9:30am Text Study 4pm Faith Formation	28 6pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Youth & Confirmation Class	29 9am Salem Women Meeting	30 9am Bone Builders	

May Worship Volunteers

May 4 | Third Sunday of Easter

Ushers/Greeters	Scott & Allison Magnus
Lay Reader	Linda Ferwerda
Bread Servers	Pastor Alley, Fred Smith
Wine/Grape Juice	Cris Smith, Barb Anderson
Communion Care	Barb McCuskey
Sound Technician	Egon Overgaard
Video Technicians.	Mitch Jorgenson, Doug Williams
Money Counters	Greg Peters, Jim Fladmoe
Fellowship Servers & Treats	HELP NEEDED

May 11 | Fourth Sunday of Easter

Ushers/Greeters	Beth Tobiason, Laura Flohaug
Lay Reader	Linda Bechtold
Bread Servers	Pastor Trish, Janna Williams
Wine/Grape Juice	Jo Gaffey, Linda Bechtold
Communion Care	Jo Gaffey
Sound Technician	Craig Anderson
Video Technicians	Bob & Nan Ladehoff
Money Counters	Don Falls, Dennis Hagen
Fellowship Servers & Treats	HELP NEEDED

May 18 | Fifth Sunday of Easter

Ushers/Greeters	Mark & Pat Wrucke
Lay Reader	Jim Fladmoe
Bread Servers	Pastor Trish, Allison Magnus
Wine/Grape Juice	Beth Tobiason, Laura Flohaug
Communion Care	Laura Flohaug
Sound Technician	Jim Fladmoe
Video Technicians	Mike & Hope Olson
Money Counters	Mike Meagher, Dennis Zuelke
Fellowship Servers & Treats	Flohaug Team

May 25 | Sixth Sunday of Easter

Ushers/Greeters	Greg Peters, Janna Williams
Lay Reader	Doris Schmidt
Bread Servers	Pastor Trish, Beth Tobiason
Wine/Grape Juice	Allison Magnus, Diane Peters
Communion Care	Allison Magnus
Sound Technician	Pat Wrucke
Video Technicians	Ron Stadtherr, Mark Wrucke
Money Counters	Judy Saxerud, Randy Swanson
Fellowship Servers & Treats	HELP NEEDED

May Birthdays

1	Joni Varner
3	Katie Daudt
8	Marilyn Lilyquist
8	Mary Schmid
8	Becky Nordstrom
9	Hayes Pfarr
9	Terry Dutton
10	Alyson Wicks
11	Shelly Raines
12	Idelle Eide
19	Doug Williams
21	Marlys Kriesel
22	Caedey Stein
22	Chester Bandemer
25	John Bogard
25	Beth Hardinger (Raines)
26	Scott Raines
26	Lois Allen
27	Dave Halver
28	Don Stein
31	Carol Zahn

May Anniversaries

5	Ron and Margit Tormondsen
6	Tim and Denise Wolter
16	Ken and Mary Jo Schleif

Thank You

Dear Friends at Salem,
My sincere thank you for
your thoughts, prayers,
cards, phone calls, flowers
and visits during my
healing process of a
broken ankle.

A special thank you to the
Women of Salem for the
beautiful prayer shawl.

I am blessed to be a
member of Salem!
Jan Stadtherr

Worship Fellowship Help Needed STAT!!

Please call the church office to volunteer to provide treats, serve coffee & clean up for fellowship time following worship or we cannot have fellowship.



Men's Fellowship

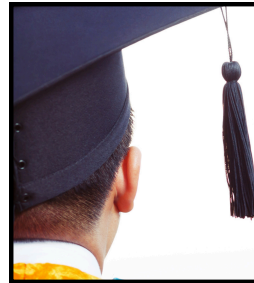
Monday May 12th | 9:30am

Bible Study

Tuesday May 13th | 8:00am

Breakfast at Turtle Town Cafe

All men are welcome!



Give a gift that keeps on giving!

Endowment Legacy Fund & Education Scholarship Fund

Spring Church Yard Clean Up

Tuesday May 13 | beginning 9am

Salem's Property Team needs additional help from us to get the church yard cleaned up. Please bring rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, backpack blowers or other yard clean up tools. All help is greatly appreciated. Alternate date in case of rain will be Wednesday May 14 beginning at 9am.

Salem Community Meal

Wednesday May 14th

5pm - 6pm

No Cost | Donations Appreciated

Menu: TBD

Everyone is welcome



Memorial Gift Wish List



Often families ask if we have any special needs or wants they can specify memorial monies toward. We would like to generate a list of items for a Memorial Gift Wish List. If you or a Salem Ministry Team have ideas to be included in a Memorial Gift Wish List in order to help individuals desiring to give a gift in honor or memory of someone, please call the church office.



NEMN Synod 2025 Women's Convention | June 16-17

Zion Lutheran Church

2901 S Hwy 169 Grand Rapids

Early Bird Registration: postmarked prior to May 25:

One Day Attendee - \$45 for either Monday or Tuesday

Two Day Attendee - \$65 for both Monday & Tuesday

Two Day Attendee: 1st Time - \$35 for both days

****Starting May 25 - a late fee of \$10 added** to the Early Bird rate. Lodging is not included.

Registration & information packets are available at the church

Salem Financial Update

We currently have a positive dollar amount in the General Fund; however, this is due to the congregation's vote at the 2024 Annual Meeting to utilize \$17,000.00 from LUG 8.29.22. The motion was to use these funds to make up for months or times when our General Fund giving did not meet our expenses. Without the utilization of these monies, our General Fund would be -\$9,067.16.

All unnecessary spending from the General Fund has

been frozen since 2021. We have done office supply and cleaning, toilet paper type drives in order to keep costs down, but the reality of the situation indicates that our General Fund giving is just not enough to meet our bills. Prices of just about everything has gone up and we recognize we are all a bit anxious about finances whether at work, church or in our homes. so we want you to know how grateful we are for every dollar we receive to keep doing the ministry through Salem God has called us to do and we will continue to look for creative and thrifty ways to stretch your dollars as far as possible.

There are however, a couple areas we already anticipate our 2025 budgeted General Fund line item amounts will be insufficient. These include our property insurance, electricity, propane, and new accounting software (QuickBooks). We are doing everything we can to cutback, make do, and trust in God's abundant giving, but we need your help. If current giving does not increase, what is left of the \$17,000 cushion will not last the year. Please prayerfully consider an increase in your General Fund giving. Big gifts or small all matter and are greatly appreciated. Salem is not Pastor Trish's church, nor the council, nor any one family's but is God's church. We are God's caretakers of Salem and an important presence for so many in our community and the world. We give thanks to God for you and for your generous giving. - Salem's Servant Leadership Council

SAVE THE DATE

Vacation Bible School

July 21 - 25 | 9am - 12pm

Preschool - 6th Grade

No Cost | Everyone is welcome!

Volunteers needed!

Call Laurel Fladmoe to sign up

