

## **New Sunday Bible Studies Coming November 9th**

Beginning Sunday, Pastor Wolfe will lead an adult Bible study looking at the Bible's teachings on gender, sexuality, and God's plan for the roles of men and women. We'll use the synod's 2024 pastoral brief to guide our discussion as we look at God's Word and God's will.

This Sunday our youth Bible study will begin with Pastor Pedersen teaching on the topic of digital health.

## **Bingo Night is Back!**

It's Bingo Night on November 16! From 4 to 6 pm, enjoy snacks, win prizes, and support our Youth Group. Entry is \$15 per person or \$50 for a group of four. Dinner, snacks, and extra bingo cards will be available for purchase, and free childcare is included. Register online or purchase tickets at the door. Cash, Check, or Venmo accepted.

## **Save the Date! - A Salute to Our Veterans**

Join us on Tuesday, November 11 at 2:35 p.m. in the Salem Gym for a celebration of Veteran's Day! The program will feature patriotic songs, poems, and a guest speaker.

## **Christmas for Kids - December 13th (9am-12:30pm)**

Children ages 3 years old to 6th grade are invited to spend the morning at Christmas for Kids. Everyone should arrive between 8:30-8:45 am to register so we can start the fun at 9 am! We will share the Christmas story in devotions, crafts and other activities. At noon, adults are invited to join us for cookie decorating. If you would like to help, please email [church@salemlutheran.org](mailto:church@salemlutheran.org). Online registration and volunteer scheduling is open at [www.salemlutheran.org/christmasforkids](http://www.salemlutheran.org/christmasforkids). Don't forget to invite friends and neighbors!



## ***This Week at Salem***

<b>Sun, 11/9</b>	<b>8:00 am Worship</b> 9:15 am Adult Bible Study & JAM <b>10:30 am Worship</b> 11:45 am Youth Group, Youth Rally Planning Meeting
<b>Tues, 11/11</b>	10:15 am Tuesday Morning Bible Study 11:30 am Parish Nurse Office Hours 2:30 pm Veteran's Day Program 4:30 pm Fellowship Committee 6:00 pm Elders Board 6:30 pm Building&Grounds Committee 7:00 pm Education Committee 7:00 pm Worship Committee
<b>Wed, 11/12</b>	9:00 am Chapel 12:30 pm Oak Ridge Place Study 5:30 pm Catechism Class 5:45 pm Praise Ensemble 6:15 pm Choir Practice 7:15 pm Handbell Practice 7:15 pm Men's Chorus
<b>Thus, 11/13</b>	6:00 pm Bible Basics
<b>Sat, 11/15</b>	<b>5:00 pm Worship</b>
<b>Sun, 11/16</b>	<b>8:00 am Worship</b> 9:15 am Adult Bible Study & JAM <b>10:30 am Worship</b>

## **Teacher Call Received**

Salem principal Ryan Klatt continues to hold a call to serve as principal at Trinity Lutheran School in Waukesha, WI. Keep his family in your prayers as they deliberate where they might best serve the Lord.

## **Thank You**

It is a privilege to serve as shepherd to God's people in any place, but your two pastors here are especially blessed to have so much love and support from the members and families of Salem. Thank you for all the kind words, cards, and gifts shared with us for pastor appreciation month. May God bless us all as we live and work together in the Lord! Pastors Ryan Wolfe and JonAlden Pedersen.

### **Help Connecting to Community Resources**

If you or someone you know is facing a loss of SNAP benefits (food stamps) this month, please know that Salem is here to help. Please contact the church office at [church@salemlutheran.org](mailto:church@salemlutheran.org) to confidentially discuss how we can assist you with accessing necessary resources. You may also reach out directly to our Parish Nurse, Kathy Smart, at [nurse@salemlutheran.org](mailto:nurse@salemlutheran.org). Kathy is also available for in-person support during her office hours on Tuesday mornings at 11:30 AM.

### **Salem Social Group Holiday Gatherings**

Join the Salem Social Group for two festive holiday gatherings this season! First, attend the Thanksgiving Buffet at the Lowell Inn in the Banquet Room at 1:00 PM for \$39.25 per person. Second, mark your calendar for the Christmas Dinner on December 7th at the Afton House Inn, arriving between 12:00 PM – 12:30 PM, which costs \$29.95 per person. The sign-up sheet and more detailed information for both events will be available starting November 1st on the information table in the Narthex. If you have any questions about either event, please contact George or Ruth Smolinski at [gsmolin@earthlink.net](mailto:gsmolin@earthlink.net).

### **Women's Guild Christmas Party**

Our annual Women's Guild Christmas Party/Potluck will be Thursday, December 4 at 12:00 in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies of the congregation are invited whether you are a member of Guild or not. We are requesting a freewill offering for Valley Outreach, and if you write a check, please indicate Food Shelf in the memo section. Look for the red sign-up sheet on the information table. There will be food, fun, music, games, door prizes, and lots of Christian fellowship.

### **Ministry Support**

God blessed Salem with offerings this past week of \$44,325.20 for Current Expenses and \$3,435 for Missions. We pray God leads us to generous giving. You can give digitally if you prefer at [salemlutheran.org/donate](https://www.salemlutheran.org/donate).

### **Contact Information**

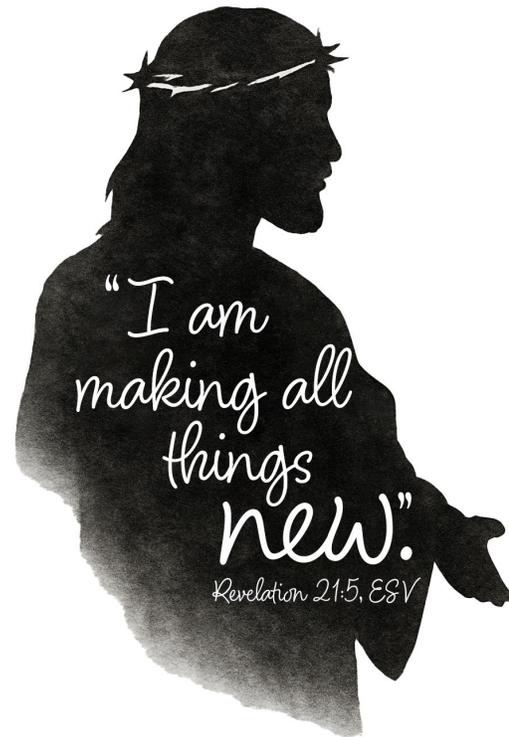
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### **October Food Drive for Valley Outreach**

During October, Salem members and school families generously donated food and other necessities for those in need. We were able to donate 840 pounds of supplies to help our community. Thank you and praise the Lord!

### **Sharing the Christ of Christmas**

SCLA is looking for 12 more hosts over Christmas break (Dec 19-20 to Jan 3-4) for international students hoping for an "American" (Christ-focused) Christmas experience. Would you consider opening your home to one or more students? Email [TJulian@StCroixLutheran.org](mailto:TJulian@StCroixLutheran.org) or apply [StCroixLutheran.org/Homestay](https://www.StCroixLutheran.org/Homestay) by Nov 17. \$700 stipend.



### **In Our Prayers**

- ✝ For this family of faith at Salem - for those who gather regularly and those who need our loving outreach.
- ✝ For members and friends facing surgery, illness, and loneliness, that God would deliver them in his time.
- ✝ For blessing on our nation, that God would use every government leader to foster stability and peace to all.

