

# WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

**January 15 – 21**

### Seeing and Telling Who Jesus Is

The time after Epiphany is the church's time to invite us to come and see who this one born in a manger will be, and to discover what this one born to a young woman might mean for us and for the world. Today's gospel tells us that Jesus is the "Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world," "the Son of God," and "the Messiah." These appellations show us that the coming of Jesus has meaning not just for those who follow him, but for all people and all the world. In the gospel, neither John nor Andrew can contain their testimony about who Jesus is. They have had an encounter with Christ that has had such an impact on their lives that they cannot help but tell others about it. John tells his disciples and everyone else within earshot about Jesus. Andrew runs to find his brother, Peter, and brings him to Jesus so that Peter might have the same life-changing encounter he himself has experienced.

We are invited to "come and see" who Jesus is. We are reminded that God's forgiveness and love proclaimed in Jesus Christ is meant to be good news for us and for all people. As we encounter Christ, our lives are changed. Like John and Andrew in today's gospel, we are called to share with others who we have seen Jesus to be.

#### THIS WEEKS TEXTS

[Isaiah 49:1-7](#)

[Psalm 40:1-11](#)

[1 Corinthians 1:1-9](#)

[John 1:29-42](#)



#### NEXT WEEKS TEXTS

[Isaiah 9:1-4](#)

[Psalm 27:1, 4-9](#)

[1 Corinthians 1:10-18](#)

[Matthew 4:12-23](#)

**Each week we will lift up five church families/members in prayer.**

**THIS WEEK WE WILL PRAY FOR:** Roger & Linda Rogstad, Bill & Jean Rondeau, Lynn & Kathleen Rosen, James & Deb Rygh, Connie Sabin

**This week the following members will be celebrating their birthdays and we would like to wish them a HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!** Please call the office if you have an upcoming birthday, to ensure we have it in our records. 641.592.1771

15-Jack Ramaker

18-Heather Brainerd

21-Landyn Christian

18-Jackson Rice

18-Nate Lorensen

21-Linda Tweeten

18-Stephanie Steffens

20-Danielle White

21-Becca Holtan

21-Daniel Swanson

### **-WEEKLY GIVING-**

**LAST SUNDAY:** 12/25/22      \$ 12,047      (no update due to the financial

**YEAR-TO-DATE:** 12/26/22      \$ 218,941      secretary being on vacation)

**LAST YEAR:** as of 12/26/21      \$ 253,132

**DIFFERENCE YEAR TO DATE:**      \$ - 34,132

**Last Weeks Attendance: 82**

**Annual Meeting:** Salem's Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be on January 22nd, 2023 at 10:00am in the Sanctuary. There will be coffee fellowship to follow in the Fellowship Hall. No Faith Formation or Confirmation on that day. A quorum of 30 members are required in order to hold this meeting.

**Supplies:** There are face masks, disinfecting wipes and hand sanitizer on the high top table in the Narthex. Please leave them on the table; they must be accessible to anyone who may want to use them. Thank you!

-Shannon Bruhns, Council President & The Board of Property & Management

**Live Stream Sponsorship:** Call the office to reserve your special date. Cost is \$40.

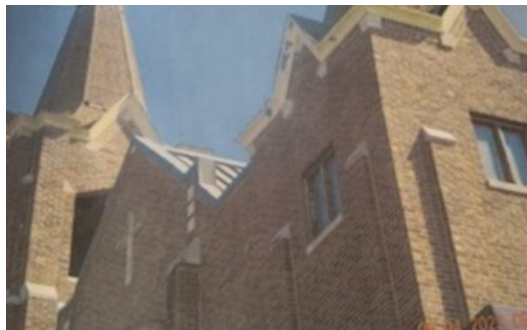
**2023 Dates available:** Jan. 15, Jan. 22, Jan. 29, Feb 12, March 12, March 26, April 16, April 30, May 7, June 11, June 18, July 9, July 16, July 23, July 30, Aug. 6, Aug. 13, Aug. 20, Sept. 3, Sept. 17, Oct. 8, Oct. 15, Oct. 22, Oct. 29, Nov. 5, Nov. 12, Nov. 19, Dec. 10, Dec. 31

## TUCKPOINTING PROJECT UPDATE

Total received as of 1/12/23

**\$69,080**

All contributions towards this project are greatly appreciated! Please remember to note "TUCKPOINTING PROJECT" when submitting your contribution. Thank you!



## Lake Mills Community Blood Drive at Salem

Thursday, January 19th; 1:00pm-6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall

Appointments Are Encouraged-- Call: 800-287-4903

Text: LIFESERVE to 999-7777 or visit: [lifeservebloodcenter.org](http://lifeservebloodcenter.org)



**Weather Policy:** Just a reminder that the weather may not be as friendly this time of year as this snowman! Should there be an emergency schedule change an announcement will be made via the following:  
 --Salem Lutheran Church, Lake Mills Facebook page  
 --KIOW Radio 107.3 (Forest City) --KIMT TV Channel 3  
 Contact Shannon Bruhns at 641-592-5978 / 641-590-1532

**Pastoral Visits:** If you or someone you know would like a visit from Pastor Joel, please call the office to make an appointment. 641.592.1771

**Salem Office: 641.592.1771** (Marci) Mon-Thurs: 10am-5pm, Fri: 10am-4pm

## **Pastor Joel Guttormson**

Mon: Off, but on-call

Tues: 10am-Noon, 1pm-5pm (2:30pm Text Study)

Wed: Noon-8:00pm (10am Adult Bible Study)

Thurs: Noon-8pm (1pm Mills Harbour Bible Study, 4pm Life/Growth Meeting)

Fri: 8am-Noon, 1pm-5pm

Sat: 10am-Noon (service prep)

Sun: 8am-Noon (9am Worship)

**All are invited downstairs after the worship service for fellowship, coffee and a sweet treat. Fellowship is the perfect opportunity to get to know your fellow members of Salem and make connections.**

### **SUNDAY 1/15**

9:00am Worship Service-Sanctuary  
10:00am Fellowship-Fellowship Hall  
10:00am Faith Formation-Chapel  
10:00am Confirmation-Youth Room  
11:00am Call Committee Meeting-Salem Library

### **MONDAY 1/16**

2:00pm-4:00pm Clothes Closet is OPEN (South entrance at Salem)  
(To schedule a different time, call 592.5085)  
2:30pm-5:00pm Lake Mills Food Shelf is OPEN (South entrance at Salem)  
3:15pm Daisies-Room 2  
6:30pm Quilt Club-Fellowship Hall

### **WEDNESDAY 1/18**

10:00am Adult Bible Study-Fellowship Hall  
3:15pm Brownies-Room 2

### **THURSDAY 1/19**

1:00pm Mills Harbour Bible Study  
1:00-6:00pm Blood Drive-Fellowship Hall  
3:15pm Juniors-Room 2  
3:30pm Life & Growth Board Meeting-Library

### **SUNDAY 1/22**

9:00am Worship Service-Sanctuary  
10:00am Annual Congregational Meeting-Sanctuary  
Fellowship following the congregational meeting