

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

April 2 – April 10

Facing Death

Mary of Bethany recognizes Jesus' mission: he has come to die. Perceiving the new thing God is doing, she embraces his death and pours out her devotion to Jesus in an extravagant act. The prophet beseeches the Israelites to forget the old pattern of salvation—the dry way through the Red Sea. Now God will make a new way, a wet way, in a dry, barren, and death-filled place.

On this Sunday in Lent, salvation lies not behind us but before us, through the death and resurrection of Jesus. Mary's action in the face of death is bold. She anoints a corpse, and in so doing honors Jesus' vulnerability and his life. She models love for the other disciples and for us.

By honestly facing the reality of death, we are more fully able to live honoring our own vulnerability and the humanity of others. We live with gratitude. We are more able to love one another and God extravagantly. However, in our culture, mortality is often avoided. The stench of death is removed through chemicals, and deceased bodies are cosmetically enhanced to appear as life-like as possible.

Each day, we the baptized boldly face death, trusting that God has made a new way, a wet way, to travel from death to life. God in Christ has honored human vulnerability by becoming flesh and by laying down his own life. He is the new way through a dry, barren, and death-filled place. Because Christ Jesus has made them his own, the baptized walk wet through the desert places of this life, pouring out the whole of their lives, down to the very last hair, in extravagant love for God and for the people God has formed.

CELEBRATING GENEROSITY:

- By Mail (Salem Lutheran Church 401 S. Lake St. Lake Mills, IA 50450)
- By "Simply Giving"- Sign up for weekly or monthly ACH withdrawals. (call the office)
- By PayPal- Go to our website home page (www.salemlakemills.com) and scroll to the bottom left- there is a Donate button.

-WEEKLY GIVING-

LAST SUNDAY: 3/27/22	\$ 2,940
YEAR-TO-DATE: 3/28/22	\$ 45,551
LAST YEAR: as of 3/28/21	\$ 52,386
DIFFERENCE YEAR TO DATE:	\$ - 6,835

THIS WEEKS TEXTS

Isaiah 43:16-21

The LORD gives water in the wilderness to the chosen people

Psalms 126

Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy. (Ps. 126:5)

Philippians 3:4b-14

To know Christ and his resurrection, to share in his sufferings

John 12:1-8

Mary anoints Jesus for his burial

NEXT WEEKS TEXTS

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The servant of the LORD submits to suffering

Psalms 31:9-16

Into your hands, O LORD, I commend my spirit. (Ps. 31:5)

Philippians 2:5-11

Humbled to the point of death on a cross

Luke 23:1-49

The passion of the Lord

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

Each week we will lift up five church families/members in prayer. We ask that you also remember them in your daily prayers.

THIS WEEK WE WILL PRAY FOR: Shawn, Julie, Tyler, Karli and Carter Helgeson, Steven, Scott, Kyle Helgeson and Ellie Redig, Elaine Helgeson, Charles, Kathy and Logan Helland, Keith and JoAnne Helland

This week the following members will be celebrating their birthdays and we would like to wish them a HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

3-Sue Miller	6-Whitney Thompson	7-Emily Severson
4-Andrew Lauen	6-Alison Bezanson	7-Daniel Bromley
5-Kristin Mannes	7-Bradley Freeman	7-Annette Hanson
5-Ema Anderson	7-Kalli Budach	8-Nathan Sullivan
5-Bart Winter	7-Jan Belica	9-Jade Okland

If you have an upcoming birthday and want it to be listed, please call the office to make sure we have your birthday in our records. There are a lot of birthdays missing in our computer system. 641.592.1771

Memorials Given In March:

Norma Thompson--\$1,325 General, \$50 WELCA, \$20 Salem Quilters
Joan Olson-- \$75 General

Easter Eggs & Candy: The Board of Youth is asking for donations of Plastic Eggs (used or new) and Candy to fill the eggs, for Easter. There is a tote for donations by the office. Thank you!



Personal Care Kits: The Board of Life & Growth is collecting donations to make Personal Care Kits. The most needed item is **4 oz. bars of soap**. Donations can be left in the narthex. Thank you!



Radio Sponsorship: Reserve your special date to sponsor an 8:30am radio broadcast. The service is heard on **KIOW (107.3 FM) radio and cable channel 2.**

Radio sponsorship costs \$83 per Sunday. (Live Stream Sponsorship is \$40)

2022 RADIO BROADCAST DATES AVAILABLE: May 1, July 17, July 24, July 31, Aug. 7, Aug. 14, Aug. 21, Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Oct. 30, Nov. 6, Nov. 13, Nov. 27, Dec. 4, Dec.11 **Call the office to reserve your date. 641.592.1771**

Bake Sale: The Board of Youth is hosting a Bake Sale Fundraiser on **April 10th** from 8:30am-10:30am in the Narthex to support the activities, events and supplies provided to our youth. (Will also be set up on April 9th at 5:30 service)



Baked Donations: If you are able to donate baked goods for the Youth Fundraiser, please sign up in the Narthex or call the office, then drop off items in the **Lounge by Noon on Saturday April 9th**. We are especially asking Youth Families to donate baked goods since the proceeds are for the youth.

Special Music: The Faith Formation Kids will be singing April 10th during the Palm Sunday Worship Service.



Volunteers Needed: There is an urgent need for drivers to deliver meals on wheels to local residents. If you are able to help out, please contact Margaret Okland at 641.592.9841 before noon or 641.590.2891 afternoon. Thank you!!!

Worship Volunteers: If you are willing to usher, acolyte, read or sing in the liturgical choir, please sign up in the Narthex or call the office. If you would like to learn how to help with sound, monitors or live stream, call the office.

Devotionals: There are copies of the April/May/June devotionals in the Narthex, by the south entrance and by the office.

Collections: We collect used stamps, pop tabs, eye glasses and receipts from David's Marketplace. The WELCA group receives 1 tenth of 1% of all receipts collected. This can really add up and help. They ask that receipts do not get rolled up. Collection baskets are in the Narthex.

Holy Week: 4/10 Palm Sunday: Kids Sing/Bake sale
 4/14 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm in the Sanctuary
 4/15 Good Friday Service 7:00pm in the Chapel
 4/17 Easter Sunday: No classes



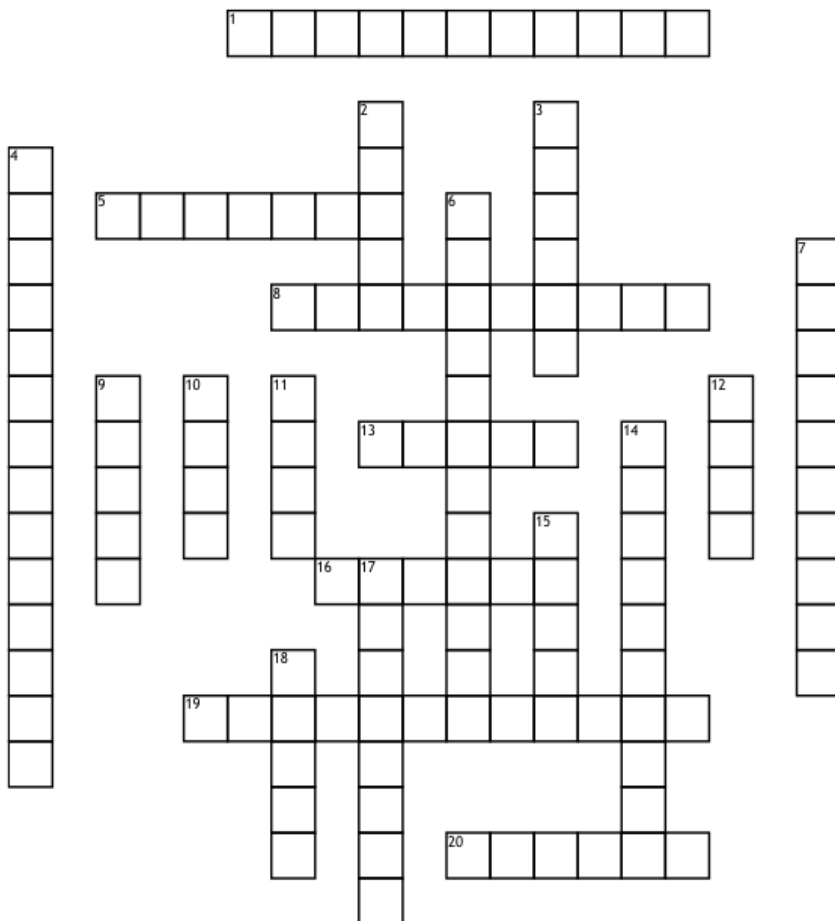
Many Hands Make **LIGHT** Work

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**TO OUR
VOLUNTEERS**

Lenten Season



Across

1. What comes after Lent (2 words no space)
5. What is often practiced by individuals during the Lenten Season?
8. Holy week begins with? (2 words no space)
13. How many Days are observed in Lent? (Not including Sundays)
16. Lent is "a time to reflect upon baptism, a time for rebirth and renewal in preparation for the celebration of _____."
19. What is the first day of Lent? (2 words no spaces)
20. What is the "Color" of the Lent Season?

Down

2. The day before Easter is called Easter _____
3. The word Lent means _____.
4. On this night Jesus instituted "a memorial" of his Passion in the Lord's Supper. (2 words no space)
6. Easter is the day acknowledging Christ's _____ (2 words no space)
7. The day of Christ's Crucifixion. (2 words no space)
9. The color representing Good Friday is?

10. "Remember: You are _____ and to _____ you shall return" (one word)
11. Ashes come from _____(s) that were blessed on _____ Sunday the year before
12. Sundays are "in" Lent but not "of" it. How many are there?
14. Lent is the season of _____
15. What is Drawn on your forehead by Pastor on Ash Wednesday?
17. What word is not said during the Lenten Season?
18. The Triduum consists on _____ days.

For example, F → → ↓ = Q

Puzzle #1

1. S ← ← ↑ = ____

2. G ↓ ↓ ← = ____

3. L → ↑ ↑ ↑ = ____

4. O ↑ ↑ → = ____

5. F → → ↑ = ____

6. J → → → = ____

7. V ↓ ↓ ← = ____

8. Z ↑ → ↑ → = ____

9. P ← ← ↑ = ____

10. Q ↓ ← ← = ____

11. M ↓ ↓ → = ____

I	G	E	C	X	D
K	H	P	W	V	Y
H	X	R	Y	M	T
F	L	Z	E	K	C
D	T	Q	H	O	E
N	J	W	S	U	B

Jesus said, "I am _____"

Do you know where this verse is located?

Pastor Joel Guttormson

4/4/22—4/10/22

Monday: Off, but on-call

Tuesday: Off, but on-call (2:30pm Pastors Text Study, 5:30pm Altar Guild Meeting)

Wednesday: Noon-8:00pm (10am Bible Study, 5:30pm Soup & Study, 7pm Worship)

Thursday: Noon-8pm (Church Council 6:30pm)

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

Saturday: Noon-8pm (5:30pm Worship Service)

Sunday: 8am-Noon (9am Worship Service, 10am Confirmation, 11am Youth & Ed Meeting)

Secretary 641.592.1771

Marci Adeogun

Mon-Thurs 10am-5pm

Fri 10am-4pm

Sat-Sun Off

SATURDAY 4/2

7:30am Confirmation Students depart for Retreat

5:30pm Worship Service-Sanctuary

SUNDAY 4/3

9:00am Worship Service-Sanctuary

10:00am-10:45am Faith Formation-Chapel

10:00am First Communion Class-Lounge

12:00pm Confirmation Students return from Retreat

MONDAY 4/4

2:00pm Sons of Norway-Fellowship Hall

2:00pm-4:00pm Clothes Closet is Open (To schedule a different time, call 641.592.5085)

3:00pm-5:00pm Lake Mills Food Shelf is Open (101 S Mill St.)

3:15pm Daisies-Room 2

TUESDAY 4/5

9:30am Miriam Circle-Library

5:30pm Altar Guild Meeting-Library

WEDNESDAY 4/6

10:00am Adult Bible Study-Fellowship Hall

3:15pm Brownies-Room 2

5:30pm Soup and Study-Library

7:00pm Service of Word & Prayer-Chapel

THURSDAY 4/7

9:30am Grace Circle-Lounge

9:30am Sarah Circle-Library

6:30pm Church Council Meeting-Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY 4/9

8:00am-2:00pm Fellowship Hall Reserved for Private Event

8:00am-12:00pm Drop off baked donations in the Lounge

5:30pm Worship Service-Sanctuary (Bake Sale)

SUNDAY 4/10

9:00am Worship Service-Sanctuary (Bake Sale)

10:00am-10:45am Faith Formation-Chapel

10:00am Confirmation-Choir Room

10:00am First Communion Class-Lounge