

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 8 – May 14

The Searching Sheep

Messages and information today are texted, tweeted, broadcast, e-mailed, phoned, lectured, announced, packaged, and repackaged. The means and avenues for communication are many. Yet when it comes to the person known as Jesus of Nazareth we are often left standing in the place of the Jewish people who gathered around Jesus at that portico (John 10:22-23). We long to know, Who are you, Jesus? and perhaps want to probe, What are you really about? Of course the qualification is for him to “tell us plainly” (John 10:24). As the church we have grown accustomed to the idea of Jesus seeking out the lost sheep and bringing them safely home—of knowing the sheep intimately by name. Today’s texts are rich in reframing who is searching for whom. Who is seeking after Jesus, and to what does that seeking lead? Still, will we be satisfied with any answer? The faith of Tabitha and the miracle-working Peter, the vision of saints and mythical beasts, and even Jesus’ works point to one who is in and of God. Yet we wonder if it can’t be spelled out for us more clearly. In this season of proclaiming a Christ who breaks the powers of death and whose realm is one of glory, we open ourselves to questions of exactly who this Jesus is—and see answers coming to life in story, miracles, and testimony. Today is an opportunity for us in weakness and glory, in doubt and in faith, in simplicity and awe to seek and embrace the one who is already in our midst.

THIS WEEKS TEXTS

[Acts 9:36-43](#)

[Psalm 23](#)

[Revelation 7:9-17](#)

[John 10:22-30](#)

NEXT WEEKS TEXTS

[Acts 11:1-18](#)

[Psalm 148](#)

[Revelation 21:1-6](#)

[John 13:31-35](#)

Vacation Bible School: “MONUMENTAL”. “CELEBRATING GOD’S GREATNESS”

Monday, June 6 – Thursday, June 9th. A community-wide Vacation Bible School for children 4 years – 6th grade at Winnebago Lutheran Church. Registration forms are on the table across from the office and can be returned to the office.

Noisy Offering: We will be collecting a noisy offering from **April 24th-May 15th** to help Ukraine refugees with support and supplies such as shelter, food, blankets, water, hygiene kits and pastoral care. Your gifts show these refugees that they are not alone.

WECLA will meet on Thursday, May 19th at 2:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Joel will lead the Bible Study from the Gather Magazine.

Upcoming in May: 15th--Affirmation of Baptism, 22nd--Graduation Recognition

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

Radio Sponsorship: Call the office to reserve your special date. The 8:30am radio broadcast is heard on KLOW (107.3 FM) and cable channel 2. Radio sponsorship costs \$83 per Sunday. (You can also sponsor a Live Stream broadcast for \$40)

2022 RADIO BROADCAST DATES AVAILABLE: July 17, July 24, Aug. 7, Aug. 14, Aug. 21, Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Oct. 30, Nov. 6, Nov. 13, Nov. 27, Dec. 11

Pastor Joel Guttormson

5/9/22—5/15/22

Mon: Off, but on-call

Tues: Off, but on-call (10am Meeting, 11am Meeting)

Wed: Noon-8:00pm (10am Bible Study, 3:30pm-7pm Confirmation/Faith Statements)

Thurs: Noon-8pm (1pm Mills Harbour Bible Study, 6:30pm Church Council)

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

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

Sun: 8am-Noon (9am Worship Service, 4pm VBS Planning)

Secretary 641.592.1771

Marci Adeogun: Mon-Thurs: 10am-5pm, Fri: 10am-4pm

SATURDAY 5/7

5:30pm Worship Service-Sanctuary

SUNDAY 5/8

9:00am Worship Service-Sanctuary

10:00am Fellowship-Fellowship Hall

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

10:00am Confirmation-Choir Room

MONDAY 5/9

1:00pm-4:00pm Mission Quilters-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.)

TUESDAY 5/10

10:00am Caregivers Support Group-Lounge

WEDNESDAY 5/11

10:00am Adult Bible Study-Fellowship Hall

1:00pm-6:00pm Blood Drive-Fellowship Hall

3:15pm Juniors-Room 2

3:30pm Confirmand Pictures-Sanctuary

6:00pm Faith Statement Night-Sanctuary

THURSDAY 5/12

9:30am Fine Arts-Lounge

1:00pm Mills Harbour Bible Study

3:15pm Cadettes-Room 2

6:30pm Church Council Meeting-Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY 5/14

8:00am-5:00pm Fellowship Hall Reserved for private event

5:30pm Worship Service-Sanctuary

SUNDAY 5/15

9:00am Worship Service-Sanctuary (Affirmation of Baptism)

10:00am Fellowship-Fellowship Hall