

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

June 19 – June 25

Proclaiming How Much Jesus Has Done

We feel powerless when life's storms rage about us. Despite our best efforts, we cannot navigate those dangers without the hand of God to guide and free us.

In the gospel, the man with demons was unable to help himself. His affliction had caused him to be chained and shackled by his community. Yet even that could not control the raging evil within him. He remained helpless and ostracized on his own until he was emancipated by the power of God in Christ. Even though he was an outsider from the land of the Geresenes, Jesus came to his aid. He cast out the legion of demons in the man and sent them into the nearby herd of pigs, who then flung themselves off the bank. Though that dramatic event caused fear and confusion, the man was at last set free and commissioned by Jesus as a witness to his stunning liberation.

Paul reflects on the human condition of being "imprisoned" and "guarded" and the necessity of Christ to restore us. He reminds us of the power of our baptism to free and unite us. The text goes on to make the radically inclusive statement that there is no longer "Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus" (Gal. 3:28).

Together, these texts recount the journey of faith from bondage to freedom, from separation to unity, from death to new life. And this is a path open to all, no matter who we are or from whence we've come. The scriptures energize us to join that man in the gospel who went out proclaiming "how much Jesus had done for him," even to those who would rather not hear it.

THIS WEEKS TEXTS

Isaiah 65:1-9

Psalm 22:19-28

Galatians 3:23-29

Luke 8:26-39

NEXT WEEKS TEXTS

1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

Psalm 16

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Luke 9:51-62

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: Lynne and Rylan Koeugh, Virginia Kingland, Dan, Kim, Kendal, Riley and Kelsey Kirschbaum, Chad & Kelly Kloster, Lindy Brekken, Derald (Smokey), JoAn and Robyn Kloster

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.

19-Xavier Westland	22-Hudson Ostrander	24-Sabrina Roll
20-Daxton VanGundy	22-Logan Ostrander	25-Brandon Hermanson
21-Bradán Fails	23-Caysen Gerdes	25-Sylvia Heimdal
21-Jennifer Koch	23-Jaden Swanson	
22-Amy Sprecher	24-Nora Pederson	

-WEEKLY GIVING-

LAST SUNDAY: 5/12/22 \$ 3,082

YEAR-TO-DATE: 5/15/22 \$ 89,948

LAST YEAR: as of 5/15/21 \$ 101,652

DIFFERENCE YEAR TO DATE: \$ - 11,704

Song Fest will be held in the Sanctuary on Saturday, July 9th at 3:00pm. This event will feature the talents of Quiliano Anderson, Melissa Holland and Ruth Sheldon. Please come and enjoy! Everyone is welcome! Free will donations will be given to the Lake Mills Mini Gulf Course Project.

Live Stream Sponsorship: Call the office to reserve your special date. The cost is \$40 per Sunday. **2022 Dates available:** July 17, July 24, Aug. 7, Aug. 14, Aug. 21, Oct. 16, Oct. 30, Nov. 6, Nov. 13, Nov. 27, Dec. 11

Volunteers Needed!!! If you are willing to usher, acolyte, serve communion, read or sing in the liturgical choir, sign up in the Narthex or call the office.

Memorials Given in May: Helene Iverson—General Fund--\$530

Devotionals: There are copies of the July/August/September devotionals in the Narthex and by the south entrance.

School Kits: Education is important for any community, especially where poverty or disaster has limited the options for young people to reach their potential. School Kits contain essential supplies to help children—and in some cases, adults—continue their learning despite the hardships they face. And that learning leads to a better life for them, their families and their communities.

Salem will be collecting School Kits and supplies to make the kits. Donations can be left in the Narthex.

INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN EACH FABRIC KIT:

*Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper approximately 8"x 10¹/₂";no loose-leaf paper.

*One 30-centimeter ruler, or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other

*Five ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band

*Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band

*One box of 16 or 24 crayons

*One pencil sharpener

*One eraser

*One 30-centimeter ruler, or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other

*One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)

*One sturdy drawstring backpack-style cloth bag approximately 14"x 17" with shoulder straps (no standard backpacks); recommended fabric include heavy cotton, canvas, denim or twill

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Remove any excess packaging, pack all items in the bag and close. Do not enclose the kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

Visit lwr.org/beinvolved and click on School Kits or call 800.597.5972 for an easy-sew backpack-style bag pattern and tips for purchasing pre-made bags.

SUNDAY 6/19

9:00am Worship Service-Sanctuary
10:00am Fellowship-Fellowship Hall

MONDAY 6/20

11:00am-12:00pm Free lunch for Youth-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.)
6:30pm Quilt Club-Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY 6/21

11:00am-12:00pm Free lunch for Youth-Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY 6/22

10:00am Adult Bible Study-Choir Room
11:00am-12:00pm Free lunch for Youth-Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY 6/23

11:00am-12:00pm Free lunch for Youth-Fellowship Hall
1:00pm Mills Harbour Bible Study
5:45pm Worship & Music Board Meeting-Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY 6/24

11:00am-12:00pm Free lunch for Youth-Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY 6/26

9:00am Worship Service-Sanctuary with Steve Smith
10:00am Fellowship-Fellowship Hall

Pastor Joel Guttormson:

June 20 – June 28 Vacation

Salem Office: 641.592.1771

Mon-Thurs: 10am-5pm

Fri: 10am-4pm