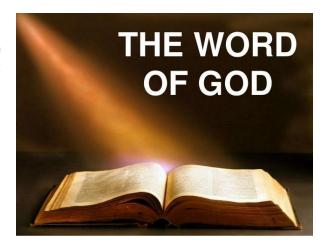


Pastor's Page

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In the month of July we started working through the letter to the Ephesians on Sunday Mornings in worship. Ephesians will continue to be our texts through the month of August. This letter that Paul wrote is a letter of encouragement to the Church in Ephesus. He gives God thanks for them. He prays for them with his pastoral heart. He proclaims to them that Christ Jesus has torn down the dividing wall of hostility. Paul in his letter to the church in Ephesus proclaims to us that it is by grace we are saved. That's where we have been through the month of July.

Now in the month of August we are going to hear Paul encourage the Ephesians to be one in Christ. He also encourages you and I to be one in Christ. We are all members of the Body of Christ and we need each part of the body working together for the common welfare of all. Paul will also encourage each of us to be forgiving to our neighbors, to be kind and tenderhearted. He's going to give us words to live by in families and we will close the month with hearing how Christ Jesus gives to us the Armor of God. What a blessing this armor is! He gives us one weapon to fight with, the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. This is how we fight the spiritual battles that are going on around us, we dive into God's Word.



Yes, there are so many spiritual battles that are going on around us. We tend to pick fights with one another, but dear Saints of God, our fight is not with one another, our fight is spiritual, it's a battle against the spiritual forces of evil. The Word of God – written, read, heard, and proclaimed is our offensive weapon. When there is a dividing wall, look to the Word of God together and hear how God will help you through that dividing wall.

It's a great time to be one of God's people. He has given us so much to do as we reach out to those that are lost and hurting. We also pray that God will give us those opportunities to share what we belief and the reason for the hope that is in us. We pray that as God gives us those opportunities that He gives us the words to speak as well. This is just one of many reasons why I encourage all of you to be involved in a Bible Study – Sunday Morning, Men's Bible Class on Tuesday Mornings at 7:30 AM and our class on Thursdays where we are currently working through the book entitled the *Christian Difference*. We have been looking at various other religions and seeing how they differ from Christianity and then also see where we can witness to them.

One of these opportunities that God has given Salem to witness is our Childcare Center. We are getting close to Open House, Dedication Day, and the welcoming of little children and their families into our midst. Here we have the opportunity to share the love of Jesus. I encourage all of you to support this ministry with your prayers, with your words of encouragement, with your time, talents, and treasure. There are still many needs as you will see later in the newsletter.

What a blessing this is and what an exciting time it is to be the church and to offer and share Jesus with others including these little children and their families.

In Christ's Name,
Pastor Nielsen



Dedication Sunday August 22, 2021 Worship is at 10 AM

- The Dedication of the Childcare Facility will be early in the service.
- Please find a seat in the fellowship hall when you arrive for worship, we will begin our worship there.
- Rev. Dwayne Lueck, President of the North
 Wisconsin District will be our guest preacher that day.
- We will also be having a blessing/installation of our Childcare Staff that day during the worship service as well
- Following worship, we will be having our Annual Church Picnic! Please join us for a time of fellowship, celebration, and a chance to get to meet the staff of our Childcare Center.



Council Meeting 07/13/2021

Present: Trustee Tom Lipke, Treasurer Stan Koenig, Pastor Michael Nielsen, Secretary Sarah Duncan, Board of Ed MaryAnn Thompson, President John Steele, Head Elder Paul Millerman.

President John Steele called the meeting to order. Pastor Nielsen led us in devotional and prayer.

Secretary Report: Secretary Sarah Duncan read the Semi-Annual meeting minutes from June 6, 2021. The Semi-Annual meeting replaced a June Council meeting. A motion was made by Paul Millerman to accept the minutes as read and seconded by Stan Koenig and motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Stan Koenig advised the June 2021 financial summary as follows: General Fund Balance (4101) as of June 30, 2021, is \$52689.80. Checking account at Sterling Bank is \$49434.09. Savings account at Sterling Bank is \$14208.08. The LCEF: \$24571.36. Missions \$492.00. Sunday School \$0. Building Fund \$326. Daycare Project Fund \$20235.33. We need to redesign the accounting spreadsheets for more ease of understanding. Looking at different options for signing of the bills. Will look at putting mailboxes for each department in the new conference room. On July 5, 2021, a deposit of \$99600 was made into the checking account at Sterling bank from the building loan. The rate is 3.75% and payments of \$592.89 per month, due the 1st of every month. A motion was made by Paul Millerman to accept the report and seconded by Tom Lipke and motion carried.

Elders Report: Paul Millerman advised the Hendricks family's membership has been accepted as members of Salem. Paul will be teaching the high school Sunday school class. Discussed Built on the Rock. A motion was made by MaryAnn Thompson to accept the report and seconded by Stan Koenig and motion carried.

Trustee Report: Tom Lipke advised that we still need families to sign up for lawn mowing. A tree had to be cut down in the front yard because it was dead. Ceiling tile had to be replaced in the Sunday school area and the carpet was cleaned. A motion was made by Paul Millerman to accept the report and seconded by Stan Koenig and motion carried.

Board of Ed: MaryAnn Thompson advised that a director is needed for the annual Christmas program. YFM is looking at planning the annual picnic/dedication on Aug 22. Daycare/Preschool open house will be Aug 20-21. A lead teacher was hired and still doing interviews for a few more teachers. The curriculum is here, and director Jen is working on planning. VOIP phone system was selected for the daycare. Scheduling CPR training for the daycare staff and congregational members. Healthcare has been being discussed. A motion was made by Stan Koenig to accept the report and seconded by Paul Millerman and motion carried.

Pastor's report: Doctor of ministries is still going well with interviews complete and working on chapters 5 & 6. Men's bible study is working through Isaiah. Thursday bible study is working through Hindus. Sunday morning bible study is studying Philippians. Confirmation plans will be looked at In the coming weeks. Visits are ongoing. Daycare building is ongoing. Flooring started and plumbing is happening. 4 infants are enrolled with one spot being paid for and 1 full time toddler is enrolled. In the preschool, 3-4 kids are enrolled full time and 1 part time. Director Jen and Pastor talked to the News-Shield about the new daycare coming and dates for open house and opening. A motion was made by Stan Koenig to accept the report and seconded by Tom Lipke and motion carried.

Old Business: Air conditioning discussion-getting more information from Solutions about separate units. Air conditioning will be on the agenda for the November annual meeting. Fixing fan in kitchen on cleaning day prior to daycare open house.

New Business: Ladies Aid got rid of account for funerals and it was combined with altar guild. A motion was made by Stan Koenig and seconded by Paul Millerman to approve the combination of the 2 accounts and motion was carried.

Organist discussion

Preschool main doorway needs maintenance and to be cleaned up prior to the open house. Planning a cleaning date prior to the open house on August 20.

Discussion on parking lot safety.

Summer fires continuing on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. Bring dish to pass. July 21, August 18

A motion was made by Stan Koenig and seconded by Tom Lipke to adjourn the meeting and motion carried.

Closed with The Lord's Prayer

Minutes by Sarah Duncan



We are so excited to have the mission of the daycare join Salem! Please help us promote this mission by sharing our Facebook page online. You can find the Facebook page by searching Salem Lutheran

Childcare and Preschool. We also have flyers and brochures. Feel free to grab one from the communication table in the back! We'd love for you to help spread the good news of our daycare. Put them up at your business or stop by a business and see if they would post it. If you have any questions about Salem's Childcare and Preschool you can reach out to our director, Jenn or any Board of Education member as well. Let's join together and help spread the word to the community of Barron and surrounding areas!



Amazon Wish List for Daycare: https://a.co/75FLsBE



Church wide clean-up day is

August 14. We begin at 8:00

AM lunch and childcare will be provided. We need many hands to get our building ready for the Open House and Dedication.

Needs List:

Catechisms \$13/book
Study Bibles \$40/book
Certificate Frames \$4/frame
Air Conditioning
Lamp for organ \$250 - \$400

Faith Alive Bibles \$26/book Additional Hymnals \$27/book Baptism Frames \$4/frame Convex Mirror \$50 - \$200 Music Stands \$50 - \$200

Church Computers - \$600 per computer (replacing 1 every 2 years)

Please see the church office before ordering/purchasing any of these items. Any amount of money can be donated toward an item on the needs list.



August 2: Grant Stabenow

August 5: Judy Church & Jeff Kolba

August 8: Cathy Davis, Eli Bisonette, & Isaac Duncan

August 9: Isaac Mickelson

August 10: Janee Anderson, Charlotte Hermann, & Cindy Wright

August 13: Kassandra Rivard

August 16: Jeanne Perala

<u>August 17:</u> Mark Dennis & Shyanne Hammann

<u>August 18:</u> Matthew Thompson

August 19: Jeremy Millerman & Delilah Queiser

August 20: Kathy Mueller

<u>August 21:</u> Jeanette Garrett, Shirley Hehl, & Carol Shearer

August 24: Kelly Mueller & Hunter Mueller

August 25: Wilma Fink

August 28: Chris Mueller

August 29: Ike Bisonette

August 30: Randy Church, Rick Church, & Jeff McGowan



AUGUST 6: RANDY & SUE CHURCH

AUGUST 8: DEAN & KIM HANSON & ESTEN & BERNIE PEDERSEN

AUGUST 14: EARL & AMEE STARCK

AUGUST 15: BRAD & CAROL KUCHERA

AUGUST 19: DWAYNE & DENISE STABENOW & NATHAN & ALICIA KIRKMAN

AUGUST 23: PASTOR & KATHY MUELLER

AUGUST 27: JOHN & EMILY STEELE

AUGUST 30: CHRISTOPHER & JOLENE SEVERT



High School Bible Class

When: Sundays after Service/Snack

Where: Salem Lutheran Church

Starts: September 19th

Teacher: Paul Millerman

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Salem's New Web Page Is: https://www.salembarron.com/

Click on enter the following link and follow the prompts to support Salem.

https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-6137330

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Bonnie Brown	715-234-7959
Don & Mona Duncan	715-637-5915
Nathan & Brianne Duncan	715-642-1638
Trevor & Sarah Duncan	715-296-7279
Gail & Roxie Espeseth	715-637-3949
Joyce Kolba	715-651-3359
Brian Miller	715-357-3916
Tammie Miller	715-637-3055
Karen Smith	Unlisted
Richard & Marlene Snyder	715-637-9292
Dwayne and Dennis Stabenow	715-837-1857
Mary Ann Wheeler	715-205-1158
Linda Mullikin	715-637-5888

August Greeters

1 - Esten & Bernie Pederson

8 –

15 -

22 - Rev. Ron & Kathy Mueller

29 -





August Altar Guild: Nancy Koenig & Marcia Elliott

August Elders

- 1 Paul Millerman
- 8 Josh Millerman
- 15 Tim Dennis
- 22 Stan Koenig
- 29 Don Duncan

August Ushers
James Thalacker
Esten Pederson

Rev. Ron Mueller

Coffee Schedule

- 1 Open for Volunteer
- 8 Open for Volunteer
- 15 Open for Volunteer
- 22 Daycare Dedication
- 29 Open for Volunteer



August 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Green	2	3	4	5	6	7
9:00 am Communion Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 Bible Class	5:30 pm Elders	7:30 am Bible Class 7:00 pm Men's Club	6:30 pm BOE	11 am Bible Class		
8 Green	9	10	11	12	13	14
9:00 am Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 Bible Class		7:30 am Bible Class 7:00 pm Council	7:00 pm YFM	11 am Bible Class		8 am
15 Green	16	17	18	19	20	21
9:00 am Communion Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 Bible Class		7:30 am Bible Class	5:30 pm Campfire and Potluck	11 am Bible Class	OPEN HOUSE	OPEN
22 Green		24	25	26	27	28
Childcare Dedication 10:00 am Worship Church Picnic		7:30 am Bible Class		11 am Bible Class		
29	30	31				
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