



Salem Lutheran Church

Happy Mother's Day

"She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue." PROVERBS 31:25-26



May 2021

Pastor's Page

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This past week I felt that excitement coming back to Salem for one of the first times since March 2020. Working together for a common goal is one of the strengths that Salem has been given. Working together for the garage sale and the success that we had in raising funds for the Childcare was a blessing to see. I do not think this excitement is coming from what we are doing, it's coming from our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Celebrating Easter together in person this year was phenomenal. As we live as Easter people, we live with that message on our hearts and minds. As we live with that message inside of us, let's not forget to share the message. I also encourage you to build from this last month as a community of believers, as the Body of Christ, living and working together to advance the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

May is a month where we can continue to advance the Gospel. We will see a bit of the fruits on May 23 where five of our young people will confess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. We will celebrate with Kailynn, Owen, Alex, Maddie, and Wyatt as they confess with their mouths that Jesus is Lord. Let us continue to remind them their life of faith is an ongoing journey. Let us keep teaching them the Word of God.

On May 16, the five confirmation candidates will be going through their public examination during the 9:15 service. Also, during that service, we will recognize the High School graduates and the Sunday School teachers and other church volunteers. This will be a busy day and a day to say thank you for the gifts that God has given to our congregation.

May is looking to be a busy month where we will have opportunities to share the Gospel Message both with our fellow believers here at Salem, but also with those in our community. These opportunities will continue into the summer months as we look ahead to Vacation Bible School in June, the opening of the Childcare Center towards the end of August.

I also want to encourage you that even during continued apprehension from the Covid virus that it is time to come back if you have not been back all ready. If you have wandered away during the last year and have become comfortable with hearing God's Word online, please come back and join together with your brothers and sisters in Christ. God's house is safe and for many if not all of us after we came back from being away, it was such a great blessing to gather together.

We are Easter people, dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, let us show that in our lives with the help of the Holy Spirit so that others will be able to know that something is different with us and then we can have the opportunity to share that hope that is in us.

May God Bless your May!

Your undershepherd of the Good Shepherd,

Pastor Michael Nielsen



Council Meeting 04/13/2021

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 council meeting minutes from March 9, 2021. A motion was made by Josh Millerman to accept the minutes as read and seconded by Paul Millerman and motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Stan Koenig advised the March 2021 financial summary as follows: General Fund Balance (4101) as of March 31, 2021 is \$10121.51. Checking account at Sterling Bank is \$45609.05. Savings account at Sterling Bank is \$14205.60. The LCEF: \$23604.36. Missions \$1033.00. Sunday School \$0. Building Fund \$292. March Choice Dollars \$1127.00. Shelter \$2875.32 total. Daycare \$2655.00. March was a particularly good month. Kline estate money was deposited in the daycare account in the amount of \$35000. Checking account opened in March for the operating fund for the building project. A motion was made by Josh Millerman to accept the report and seconded by Tom Lipke and motion carried.

Elders Report: Paul Millerman advised that John Ludwig was transferred from Good Shepard in Tomah to Salem. Loan pushed back until the need comes. Facebook is running well, and the issues seem to be fixed. Former pastor pictures need to be updated in the fellowship hall. Ropes will be left in the front of the church. Confirmands will commune together on the 23rd. Elders will keep taking attendance until communion cards are put back in the pews. Pastor has added some shut ins to the church list and has been visiting them. Tuesday bible study is from Isaiah. Thursday bible study is sceptics. We need to look for a backup organist. Discussion of Built on the Rock. Closed with the Lord's prayer. A motion was made by Tom Lipke to accept the report and seconded by Stan Koenig and motion carried.

Trustee Report: Tom Lipke advised that Solution Heating and Cooling was at the church doing some maintenance and found that the heating system is not working properly. With the new daycare coming, we need to make sure things are working well. The city is going to dig electric to the shelter for additional cost. The monetary donations that have been made to the shelter are being used for improvements on the shelter and donations can stop as no more is needed at this time. Rake and clean up day was held on Saturday with only 5 in attendance. Lawn care sign up schedule is coming out soon. A motion was made by Stan Koenig to accept the minutes and seconded by Paul Millerman and motion carried.

Board of Ed: MaryAnn Thompson advised that there are 10-14 children coming to Sunday school each week. Teacher appreciation will be May 16th and that will also be the last day of Sunday school. The Easter egg hunt had 40 kids. The garage sale is coming up soon and will be April 22 & 23rd. The men's club fish fry will be April 30th. VBS kick off will be June 20th and run from the 20th to the 24th. The daycare is updating their license for up to 49 kids. The budget for the daycare is being worked on. There was a voters meeting that resulted in a call being made to a potential director for the daycare. Appliances are needed for the new daycare. A motion was made by Josh Millerman to accept the report and seconded by Tom Lipke and motion carried.

Pastor Report: Doctor of Ministry bible study will be starting on Sunday April 18th. He would like as many members to be involved as possible and it will be revolved around family-centered faith building. Looking at the best times for bible studies so more members can attend. Tuesday and Thursday bible studies are going well. Sunday morning bible study started on Feb 21 and is going well so far. Confirmation classes are going well, and

questioning will be May 16th and confirmation will be May 23rd. Working through first rotation of shut ins and nursing homes. A call was made to Karen Koehlert for the director of the daycare. Talks are in the works about youth group back to meeting more regularly. Discussion on confirmation gowns and the cost. A motion was made by Stan Koenig to accept the report and seconded by MaryAnn Thompson and motion carried.

Old Business: Phone system. We are going to try to keep the old phone system working and the service in place for now.

New Business: Confirmation gowns. Pastor discussed that the cost per gown is \$26 a piece. We discussed the church purchasing the gowns for the confirmands. A motion was made by MaryAnn Thompson to approve the purchase of the confirmation gowns with funds from the general fund. The motion was seconded by Paul Millerman and motion carried.

Looking into ideas of better ways to communicate with the congregation. Several ideas were discussed, and feedback is needed from congregation members. As more people come back to church, communication should get better.

Looking at dates for our Spring congregation meeting. Looking at June 6th.

Cost for renewing childcare license is \$369 for 25 kids and \$12 per child for each child over a 25 count.

A motion was made by MaryAnn Thompson and seconded by Paul Millerman to adjourn the meeting and motion carried.

Closed with The Lord's Prayer

Minutes by Sarah Duncan

VBS

For VBS this year, we are working with a Jungle Theme. Therefore, we are in need of gazeboes, monkeys, parrots, and green plants (fake). Stay tuned for future items.





We are holding a fellowship night once a month during the Summer.
We will have a fire, food, and FUN!!

The dates and times are:

Wednesday June 16

Wednesday July 21

Wednesday August 18th



Come when you can-bring a dish to pass. Starts at 5:30pm

Or just come for the fire too. Fire starting at 6:30

Men's Club – April 6, 2021



- Pres. Tom Lipke called the meeting to order
- Pastor lead us in prayer.
- Secr report was given from March 2,2021 meeting, motion by Jim to approve minutes, seconded by Pete.
- Treasurers report: Kenny is going to retire. Jim has agreed to do treasurer position and VP
- Fish Fry is April 30, 2021. We will get 120# of fish, 200 milk and have tarter sauce in containers. Also have food containers. YFM will make coleslaw, cheesy potatoes and buns. Proceeds to go to Daycare. Free will offerings and donations
- Jim made motion to adjourn, seconded by Pete
- Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Minutes by Don Duncan, Sec

Needs List:

Catechisms \$13/book

Study Bibles \$40/book

Certificate Frames \$4/frame

Air Conditioning

Lamp for organ \$250 - \$400

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

Faith Alive Bibles \$26/book

Additional Hymnals \$27/book

Baptism Frames \$4/frame

Convex Mirror \$50 - \$200

Music Stands \$50 - \$200

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.

Prayer Requests for:

Those in the nursing home:

Carolyn, Elsie, Etta, Frances, Leonard, Lois, Louise, Vi, Wilma

Those Shut-in at home:

Char, Gail and Roxanne, Joan, Joyce, Loretta

Those recovering from an accident: Rusty Weise, Grant Stabenow

Those with ongoing health issues:

Agnes, Bernard, Harrison, Jeanne, Ken, Kim, Marlene, Wyatt, Owen, Esther, Keith, Kathy, Pete

Those who lead our nation:

Joe Biden, Kamala Harris, Tony Evers, Ron Fladten

Those who serve in our military:

Ryan Graf and Ethan Kobernick

Our Childcare Initiative and the search for a Director.

Families of the Week:

Cindy Mickelson (Zackary, Brady, Isaac), Brian Miller (Jonathon), Kathryn Miller, Melissa Miller (Jonathon), Jeremy and Michele Millerman (Paige and Piper).



May 6: Mark Garrett

May 9: Lucille Wood

May 11: David Steele

May 14: Kristina Dennis & Albert Starck

May 19: Holly Johnson

May 23: Brayden Weinert

May 24: Stacey Bisnotte & Owen Metz

May 25: Richard Snyder

May 30: Pastor Mueller

May 1: Jim & Gwen Metcalf

May 5: Herb & Deloris Zabel

May 6: Daniel & Lisa Dennis

May 9: Stan & Nancy Koenig

May 16: Tim & Paula Dennis

May 20: Terry & Marlene Kirkman

May 22: Mark & Jeanette Garrett

May 27: Trevor & Sarah Duncan



How to Contact Us

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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>

May Greeters

2 – Steve & Marlene Amdall

9 – Bonnie Brown

16 – Mark Dennis Family

23 – Aaron Mickelson Family

30 – Marilyn Otto

May Ushers

Mark Dennis

Damen Dennis

Aaron Mickelson

Zackary Mickelson

Brady Mickelson

May/June Leaders

Carol Shearer

715-822-4375

Lucille Wood

715-637-6606

Steve & Marlene Amdall

715-637-7758

Daniel Dennis

715-637-4604

Shawn Dennis

715-205-1807

Tim & Paula Dennis

715-837-1708

Mary Oscarson

612-790-5464

Holly Johnson

715-637-7758

Sue Weise

715-837-1555

Chris & Amber Queiser

715-641-1054

Tom & Debbie Lipke

715-458-4712

Scott Queiser

715-837-1371

Melissa Miller

715-641-0263

Earl & Aimee Starck

715-637-3482

Debbie Church

715-637-4744

Rusty & Melissa Weise

715-764-2084

Coffee Schedule

2 – Paul & Sue Millerman

9 – Chris & Jolene Severt

16 – YFM

23 – Open

30 – Open

May Altar Guild: Mary Ann Thompson



May Elders

2 – 7:45 Don Duncan	9:15 Tim Dennis
9 – 7:45 Don Duncan	9:15 Trevor Duncan
16 – 7:45 Don Duncan	9:15 Stan Koenig
23 – 7:45 Don Duncan	9:15 Tim Dennis
30 – 7:45 Don Duncan	9:15 Josh Millerman





May 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 White 7:45 am Communion Worship 9:15 am Communion Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 am SS/Bible Class	3 7:00 pm Elders	4 7:30 am Bible Class 7:00 pm Men's Club	5 Pastor gone -----	6 -----	7 -----	8 -----
9 White 7:45 am Worship 9:15 am Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 am SS/Bible Class -----	10 -----	11 7:00 pm Council Pastor back	12 4-5pm Confirmation	13 11 am Bible Class	14	15
16 White Examination Sunday! Graduation Recognition 7:45 am Communion Worship 9:15 am Communion Worship 10:30 Teacher Appreciation Brunch 10:15 am SS/Bible Class 	17	18 7:30 am Bible Class	19 4-5pm Confirmation	20 8am-5pm Garage Sale 10m-2pm Brat Sale	21 8am-5pm Garage Sale 10m-2pm Brat Sale	22
23 Red 7:45 am Worship 9:15 am Confirmation/Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 am Bible Class 	24	25 7:30 am Bible Class	26 4-5pm Confirmation 6:30 BOE Meeting	27 11 am Bible Class	28	29
30 White 7:45 am Worship 9:15 am Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 am Bible Class	31					



Sunday, June 20st

9:15 Worship Service

10:00 Brunch

VBS Activities 10:30-Noon

Mon–Thur: June 21-24

Family Suppers 5:00-5:30

VBS Activities 5:30-7:30

Welcome to all Ages 3 – 6th Grade

Call Jolene Severt at (715) 296-0339



**Salem Lutheran Church
Vacation Bible School
1360 E. LaSalle Ave., Barron**



A daycare update from the Board of Education:

The mission of Salem is to be what God called us to be through faith in Jesus Christ, a body of believers engaged in building the Kingdom of God by discipling the Barron Area with His Word and Sacrament ministry...

We are so excited and ready to be the hands and feet of Jesus to our youth and families in Barron and the surrounding area. We look forward to touching the lives of many, and spreading the Gospel to so many that need it.



The BOE has been working hard on the daycare mission at Salem. We have been updating policies, creating handbooks, and conducting interviews. Our called worker from the synod has declined the director position, but we are happy to say that Jen Swanson has accepted the director position and is excited to join our mission and get started. We will add an “about me” next month to introduce our new director.

We would like to thank all of you for your donations to our garage sale. We were able to profit over \$3,200 to put towards our daycare costs. THANK YOU!! We truly appreciate your support and couldn’t do this without you. The daycare has submitted a “needs list”. This list gives you an idea of what we need and the cost of each item. We don’t expect you to go shop for the items, but instead you can give a donation (or partial donation) for the specific item that is needed. We will then do the shopping and purchase all the equipment that is needed. You can complete the “in memory/honor of” form below if you would like us to purchase these items in memory/honor of someone.

Some of you may be wondering how to get on the list for registration to the daycare/preschool. At this time we are not registering kids, but if you or someone you know is interested in daycare have them call or email the church office. We are taking names of interested families and will let them know as soon as registration starts.

The building is being worked on and we are excited to see the final product. Please reach out if you have any questions about the daycare or the building project. Any of the members on the building committee or Board of Education would be happy to discuss the daycare with you.

1 Corinthians 12:14

“For the body is not one member, but many.

In His Name,

Board Of Education



I would like to make a donation to the daycare and/or volunteer to support the ministry at Salem.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please circle the item you would like to donate towards on the back of the form

Please find my **check**, payable to Salem Lutheran Church in the amount of \$

This gift is **in memory of/ in honor of** (please circle one):

Would you like to volunteer at the daycare? Please check the projects you are interested in: (this would be only when needed not on a regular basis)

- Cleaning
- Office work/Bookkeeping
- Preschool Support (cutting out crafts, misc. help)
- Kitchen/cooking/meal preparation
- Fundraising or grant writing
- Assistance with special events (Open House, dedication, picnics)
- Other _____

Thank you for your generosity – Love, the future kiddos at Salem Lutheran Daycare!

Please mail this form, along with a check to:

Salem Lutheran Church
1360 E LaSalle Ave
Barron WI 54812





Salem Lutheran Daycare Wish List

Item	Approximate Cost	Number Needed
Crib	\$50	8
Crib Sheets	\$5	16
Cots	\$25	30
Cot Sheets	\$9	30
Refrigerator	\$1000	1
Washer	\$1000	1
Dryer	\$1000	1
Toys	\$500	
Rocking Chair	\$150	2
Feeding Chair	\$50	4
Changing Table	\$300	1
Stroller	\$400	2