

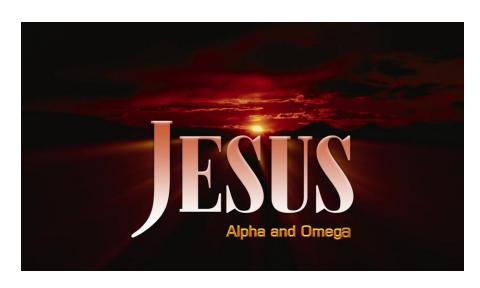
#### Pastor's Page

Dear Saints of God,

Grace, mercy, and peace be yours from God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

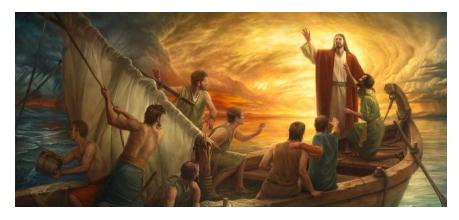
An earthquake in Haiti. Wildfires out West and as close as Minnesota. Flooding in Tennessee. Political Upheaval in Afghanistan. The increasing Political Divide in our country. The varying opinions of COVID-19 (and everything that surrounds it – masks, vaccines). The varying variants of the Covid Virus...now with Delta and Lambda has been in the news as well. There is also the continuing moral decline in our country and the entire world. We look at all of this and the only thing we can do is say and pray, "Come, Lord Jesus! Come quickly."

There is much to fear. There is much to give the devil a foothold in our lives. Not too long ago, I saw a post from one of my friends on Facebook and he wrote, "Fear neither Delta nor Lambda, but Alpha and Omega." Yes, there is much to fear in the world, but when we fear the things of the world and look outside of the Alpha and Omega for help and comfort, we make whatever it is into our idol. Over the last year and a half, there has been one common commandment we have all broke...that is the first commandment.



and yes we break all ten of them quite frequently. There is one thing that the devil wants, it is to look outside the Alpha and Omega for help. It is to trust in something more so than the Alpha and Omega.

The Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End, our Lord Jesus Christ is the one that comes to you and calms your fears. I have a painting at home with Jesus calming the storm on the sea. When I look at that painting, I see Jesus not just calming the wind and the waves, I see Him calming the fears of the disciples.



idolatry—when we fear something greater than God himself.

That's what He does for you! He calms your fears. Now He may not take the storms out of your lives, He never promised that. What He does do is give you the promise, "I will be with you always." He is with you always. As He is with you, He calms your fears.

Thank God that we have a God who is with us, who calms our fears, and not only that, but He forgives our sins, even those sins of

I thank God that each and every day that He takes care of me, is with me, loves me, and forgives me of all my sins. He is also there to calm my fears and to be with me through the storms and chaos of life.

Do we live in a world full of chaos? Yes, we do! Do we live in a world that God so dearly loves? Yes, we do! Does our Lord give us a place of respite from the chaos and troubles from our world? Yes, He does! In His Word! In the Sacraments! In His Church! This is where he provides us with respite.

As the summer season comes to a close and as we enter into the Fall Season, it's time to come back to church. Come back for your respite! Come back to a place where fears are calmed. Come back to the place where Christ comes to you in His body and blood, in His Word-read, preached, and taught.

As September comes, just a reminder that September 12 is our first day of Sunday School and Bible Class. We will also be having a potluck after church before we break for Sunday school and bible study classes.

See you in Church, Pastor Nielsen

## Hymn Study September-November

During Bible Study from September 12 – November 21, 2021, we will be doing hymn studies. Here's a couple of things we will be looking at:

- 1) Who wrote the hymn?
- 2) Why was the hymn written?
- 3) What scriptural texts are associated with the hymn?
- 4) What do the words of the hymn tell us?
- 5) And more...

The schedule is as follows:

September 12, 2021 – LSB 754 – Entrust Your Days and Burdens bonus hymn LSB 762 – There is a Time for Everything.

September 19, 2021 – LSB 730 – What is the World to Me

September 26, 2021 - LSB 690 Hope of the World

October 3, 2021 – LSB 525 – Crown Him with Many Crowns

October 10, 2021 – LSB 647 – Lord Jesus Christ, the Church's Head

October 17, 2021 - LSB 578 - Thy Strong Word

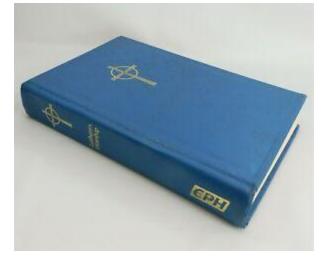
October 24, 2021 – LSB 713 – From God Can Nothing Move Me

October 31, 2021 - LSB 656 - A Mighty Fortress

November 7, 2021 – LSB 677 – For All the Saints

November 14, 2021 – LSB 575 – My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

November 21, 2021 – LSB 513 – The Clouds of Judgment Gather



#### Council Meeting 08/10/2021

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

**Secretary Report**: Secretary Sarah Duncan read the meeting minutes from July 13, 2021. A motion was made by Josh Millerman to accept the minutes as read and seconded by Tom Lipke and motion carried.

**Treasurer Report:** Stan Koenig advised the July 2021 financial summary as follows: General Fund Balance (4101) as of July 31, 2021, is \$55507.43. Checking account at Sterling Bank is \$42007.20. Savings account at Sterling Bank is \$14208.92. The LCEF: \$24897.36. Missions \$234.00. Sunday School \$0. Building Fund \$129.00. Daycare Project Fund account \$99102.04. A motion was made by Josh Millerman to accept the report and seconded by MaryAnn Thompson and motion carried.

**Elders Report:** Josh Millerman advised that the elders met with Jen M to discuss insurance for Salem employees. No transfers or releases. There is a list of sub organists. We will start passing the offering plate starting on August 22. 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 general maintenance is ongoing. Fan is fixed in the kitchen. Getting things ready for the new daycare/preschool. South doors have been painted and cleaned. Built lockers and storage boxes for the daycare/preschool. There is extra material from the construction project and Tom would like to store it in the shelter because there is no other room anywhere else. This will be visited at a later date. A motion was made by MaryAnn Thompson to accept the report and seconded by Stan Koenig and motion carried.

**Board of Ed:** MaryAnn Thompson advised that a director is still needed for the annual Christmas program. Sue is getting teachers lined up for Sunday school. September 12 is rally Sunday with a potluck and games. Daycare infant room is full, 2 toddlers enrolled, 2 preschool age part time enrolled. 2 teachers have been hired. Director Jen went to national night out and had a display table with information about the new daycare/preschool coming to Salem. Sam's Club will be used for supplies in the daycare/preschool. Red Cross CPR training for employees will be on August 25. Inspector is coming to sign off in the next few weeks and DCF licensure will come after that. Director Jen is working on a COVID policy and just finished up a parent/guardian and employee handbook. Jen M put together a benefit overview for employees and will go over with staff at orientation. A motion was made by Josh Millerman to accept the report and seconded by Stan Koenig and motion carried.

Pastor's report: Doctor of Ministry in finishing stage. Winkel will be starting back up in September. Pastor's conference September 27-29. Men's bible study is working through Isaiah. Thursday bible study is working through Buddhism. Sunday morning bible study is taking a break until September 12. Working with confirmation plans-still waiting on hearing back from 2 families. Visits are ongoing. Daycare building project is almost done. Clean up will be Saturday August 14. Daycare/preschool open house is August 20-21 and dedication is August 22. Would like the conference room to have a white board on the wall. Would like to have a funeral planning seminar in the upcoming months. A motion was made by Josh Millerman to accept the report and seconded by Tom Lipke and motion carried.

#### **Old Business:**

Still having air conditioning discussion-getting more information from Solutions about separate units. Air conditioning will be on the agenda for the November annual meeting.

Still discussing parking lot safety. Sarah Duncan will talk to Ben Cole about possible solutions. Sarah Duncan and Tom Lipke donated 'SLOW' signs for parking lot by the daycare entrance.

#### **New Business:**

Tom Lipke will be taking inventory of church keys. Anyone with a key please contact him.

Discussion of tearing down the old playground in the spring and putting the GAGA ball pit in its place.

Possible discussion on building a new pavilion (revisiting this in August 2022).

Discussing annual budget

Officers up for re-election: President, Treasurer, Board of Education.

A motion was made by Stan Koenig and seconded by Josh Millerman to adjourn the meeting and motion carried.

Closed with The Lord's Prayer Minutes by Sarah Duncan

#### Men's Club meeting Aug 3/2021

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- Present: Pastor, Tom Lipke, Jim Thalacker, Duffy Anderson, Don Duncan
- President Tom called the meeting to order.
- > Pastor lead us in prayer.
- Secretary report was given by Don from last meeting, June 1,2021
- > Treasure report was given by Jim.
- Lutheran Bible Translators asked for donations again this year.
- ➤ New Business: Pancake supper. Decided to have Dine in and Take outs again the year as we have done before in 2020. September 27th is the date for the supper. 4:00-7:00 pm. We will need help again this year.
- Jim made a motion to adjourn
- Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Minutes by: Don Duncan, Secr.



**September 5:** Emily Nielsen

**September 7:** Terry Kirkman

**September 8:** Debra Church

**September 9:** Will Schuettpelz

**September 12:** Debbie Kuhrt

**September 13:** Becky Hamman

**Semtember 16:** Duffy Anderson & Barb Mass

**September 19:** Kathy Schuettpelz

**September 22:** Summer Hammann

September 25: Viola Meisegeier

September 28: Pastor Nielsen

**September 29:** Steven Amdall & Harrison Fields

**September 30:** Christopher Weise





SEPTEMBER 8: RICHARD & MARLENE SNYDER

SEPTEMBER 17: BRYAN & SARAH BISONETTE



**September 4:** 

**Shyanne Hammann** 

**September 8:** 

**Grant Stabenow** 

**September 12:** 

**Isaac Mickelson** 

**September 19:** 

**Garrett Steele** 

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Salem's New Web Page Is: <a href="https://www.salembarron.com/">https://www.salembarron.com/</a>

Click on enter the following link and follow the prompts to

support Salem.

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#### **September/October Work Group**

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Jim Thalacker	715-859-2228
Jim & Lori Crawford	715-458-6080
Harvey Germanson	715-637-3890
Scot & Becky Hammann	715-637-0586
Dean & Kim Hanson	715-458-4262
Shirley Hehl	715-637-3586
Pastor & Emily Nielsen	715-537-3011
Brad & Carol Kuchera	715-837-1677
Ione Kent	715-234-2489
Joshua & Jennifer Millerman	715-837-1551
Pastor & Kathy Mueller	715-418-0050
Fred & Linda Riebe	715-637-5243
Herb & Deloris Zabel	715-637-5295



#### September Altar Guild: Denise Stabenow

#### **September Greeters**

5 – David & Janee Anderson

12 - Darlene McGiffin

19 – Nathan Duncan Family

26 - Marilynn Amundson

## September Ushers Duffy Anderson

Nathan Duncan Dale Bryan Andrew Bryan

#### **September Elders**

5 – Tim Dennis

12 – Josh Millerman

19 – Stan Koenig

26 – Trevor Duncan



#### **Coffee Schedule**

5 – MaryAnn Thompson

12 – Rally Sunday - Potluck

19 – Chris & Jolene Severt

26 - Paul & Sue Millerman



## September 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 7:00 pm Confirmation Orientation	2 11 am Bible Class	3	4
5 Green 9:00 am Communion Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks	6 7:00 pm Elders	7 Childcare Center Opening 7 am Bible Class 7:00 pm Men's Club	8 4 pm Catechism SLCW	9 11 am Bible Class	10	11
9:00 am Worship 10:00 Potluck 10:30 Games Rally Day: Pastor blessing backpacks and handing out Bibles/Catechisms.  Rally Sunday!	13	7 am Bible Class 7:00pm Council	15 4 pm Catechism 7:00 pm BOE Meeting	16 11 am Bible Class	5 pm Youth Camp Over	8 am Youth Camp Over
19 Green 9:00 am Communion Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 Sunday School	20	21 7 am Bible Class	22 4 pm Catechism 6:30 YFM	23 11 am Bible Class	24	25
26 Green 9:00 am Worship 10:00 Coffee/Snacks 10:15 Sunday School	4-7 pm Men's Club Pancake Supper	28 7 am Bible Class	29 4 pm Catechism	30 11 am Bible Class		

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# Please join us



### We value you. Please join us at Event Details our upcoming event.

No Matter your wealth or status, you have an estate. And all estates have something in common--you can't take it with you when you die.

Topics will include a discussion on the need for power of attorney documents, beneficiary designation, wills, trusts, and estate inheritance implications.

As always, we greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet your family and friends. If you know someone who could benefit from the financial services we provide, please bring him or her along.

Monday, September 13, 2021 9:00 a.m. Salem Lutheran Church 1360 E LaSalle Ave Barron, WI

Hosted by North Country Associates