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Sundays at Salem

Worship – 9:00 am

Coffee Fellowship – 10:15 am

Sunday School – 10:30 am

“Our Mission is to pass on the faith by involving all members of our community in Christ’s ministry.”

Rollie's Perspective

I am writing this before the Annual Meeting on January 27. I can tell you what's on the agenda but I cannot tell you how the meeting went. I can say that during 2018 there were a lot of people doing a lot of great and mighty, ongoing and special, touching hearts and lives ministries here at Salem! God's mission and ministries is carried out in so many different and wonderful ways! Thank you to all of you! Each person adds their touch to everything. Thank you!

Ash Wednesday is March 6 and is the start of the 2019 Lenten Season. I'll write more in next month's newsletter about Lent, Holy Week and Easter, but I want to give you a heads-up on our Wednesday evening worship during Lent.

The Lenten theme is taken from Matthew 25:31-46, where at the end of time all people will be gathered before Jesus and Jesus will separate the people into two groups. The separation will be based on how people treat other people, especially people neglected, in poverty, forgotten.

*“Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink?
And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?”
And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’” (Matthew 25: 37-40)*

Each Wednesday evening we will have a different speaker from an organization who helps people. We will hear the stories of how people's lives are touched and changed. We will have the opportunity to donate an item(s) to these organizations. The tentative schedule is as follows:

March 6	Second Harvest	Shaye Morris, Executive Director
March 13	Salvation Army	possibly Captain Teri Ellingson
March 20	Seafarer's Mission	Pastor Doug Paulson, Director
March 27	CHUM	Lee Stuart, Executive Director
April 3	Essentia Hospice	to be determined
April 10	Moose Lake Corrections	Chaplain Edward Stone

Each week there will be an item(s) suggested for donation. The list is being developed. For example, the item for the Prison Ministry will be yarn. Stay tuned for more information on the Lenten speakers. There will be soup suppers at 6:00 p.m. and the worship will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Take care and God bless!

Pastor Rollie

Narrative Lectionary Lessons for February, 2019

2/3/19	Matthew 6:7-21	Treasure in Heaven
2/10/19	Matthew 7:1-14, 24-29	The Golden Rule
2/17/19	Matt 13:24-43	Parable of the Kingdoms
2/24/19	Matthew 14:13-33	Feeding the 5000

Time of Healing

Sunday, February 24th, you are invited to go to the narthex during communion to receive the laying on of hands for yourself, or on behalf of another for prayers of any type. The pray-er will place a hand on you and pray for healing. If you wish for pastor to pray for any special concerns during the week, please write them on a slip of paper and drop it in the basket near the prayer station.

ABOUT OUR SALEM FAMILY

SYMPATHY!

Our heartfelt sympathy to Lani, Dan, Meggan and Lyndsay Burud on the death of Lani's mom Betty Johnson on December 27th.

Our heartfelt sympathy to Don & Shirley Ostlund on the death of their son, Duane on January 4th.

Our heartfelt sympathy to Dick & Bev Elstad on the death of Dick's brother, Robert on January 21st.

Our heartfelt sympathy to Diane Rudolph and her family on the death of her husband, Calvin on January 23rd.

THANK YOU!

Dear Salem Lutheran Church,

Thank you for your congregational contribution of \$118.00 to CHUM. Your gift will allow us to continue to provide food, shelter, advocacy and a caring community for some of Duluth's most vulnerable residents. Your support of CHUM, in all ways – time, treasure and good will – makes our work possible.

Thank you again,
Mary Schmitz
CHUM Development Director

Dear Salem Lutheran Church

Thank you for making the holidays brighter for in need families, children and seniors right here in our Northland communities. Your recent gifts of \$2,459 and 126 pounds of food are being put to careful use. We thank you for your generous gifts and wish you a wonderful holiday season and joyous New Year!

Shaye Moris
Executive Director
Second Harvest
Northern Lakes Food Bank

A big thank you to the following people who helped with Altar Care in 2018. When you see them please take a moment to tell them you appreciate their time as the congregation would not have communion each week without them.

I really appreciate each of you,
Amy Hudson

Thank you to the following:

Glory Eckard
Darlene Haedrich
Patty Shogren
Sandi Peterson
Clara Forsell
Joan Swanstrom

Richard Petersson
Beth Johnson
Laura Anderson
Justin Forsell
Nancy Berntsen
Cheryl Porter

“Happy Birthday” To Our Members in “February”

1	January Black	17	Matt Nickles
2	Rya Kruger		Alex Struck
4	Tyler Zastrow		Brian Thun
5	Jackson Fossen		Alia Kuuti
	Oliver Swenson	19	Rolland Mammenga
9	Elise Campbell		Cory Stierns-Kay
10	Michelle Schultz	20	Larry Bannor
11	Jeffrey Swanson		Merlin Forsell
13	Lorraine Johnson	24	Chad Wood
15	Elma Hage	25	Richard Paulson
16	Della Valure	27	Paul Ahlberg
17	James Burud	28	Janet Huston

February Baptismal Anniversaries

5	Amy Hudson	18	Keatin Graves
15	Kayla Lilyquist	21	Pastor Dick Hane
	James Olson	25	Dave Johnson
16	Dale Berntsen		Everly Lilyquist
	Roger Berntsen		Desiree Wood
	Myrna Johnson	28	Kim Settergren
17	Laurie Swor		

Please call the church office with any changes or corrections.

THE POWER OF PRAYER AT SALEM

Salem’s Prayer Chain contact person is Bettie Lou Nicholson. All members of Salem are welcome to become a link in this very important ministry. If you are interested in becoming involved, please contact Bettie Lou at 722-6246.

Consider automating your regular donations with our electronic giving program. Salem relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis. Contact the church office for more information. Thank you!



Food. Fellowship. & Faith!



Wednesdays at 6:00 pm

Enjoy a free meal, conversation with good friends, and some quality God time!

Open to ALL!

February menu for Food, Fellowship & Faith

February 6 – French toast, pancakes & sausage

February 13 – Hamburger sliders & French fries

February 20 – Meatball dinner/ Venison meatballs too

February 27 – Pizza & salad

Noisy Offering will be Sunday, February 10! Your change makes a difference for World Hunger!



CHUM Church will be held on Sunday, February 10 at Peace UCC, 1111 11th Ave. E. CHUM Church intentionally invites people of all abilities who wish to worship in an accessible, welcoming, and inclusive environment. Worship is open to all. Our worship service is about ½ hour long, has an easy-to-follow liturgy, familiar hymns, and a time for socializing. The worship service is accommodating to people experiencing memory loss. Join us for pre-worship activities at 4:00 pm and worship at 4:30pm, with a light supper following. This month's host congregation is French River Lutheran and our theme is "An introduction to the parables-building your house upon a rock". For more information contact Sue Anderson, CHUM Church Coordinator, 740-2498 or sanderson@chumduluth.org.

**Second Harvest Food
Bank Volunteering**
Backpack packing **Friday,**
February 8, 10am to 12
NAPS packing **Thursday,**
February 21, 9-11 am.



Church Council Meeting Highlights ~ 12/10/2018

1. Strategic planning

- A. Sharon Szamatula to rework welcome packages.
 - 1a. Form a committee to help her redo the packages along with Rolene Lampi
- B. Amy Piphon to work on new members orientation
 - 1b. Form a committee to help her restructure orientation
 - 2b. Launch a new mentorship program for new members

2. Hannah Bockbrader introduced herself to the council.

- A. Hannah did a presentation on the Seminary
- B. Council asked Hannah questions about her presentation

Church Council Meeting Highlights ~ 1/14/19

**The council meeting was spent discussing
and approving the 2019 Budget**

Christ Centered Yoga meets on
Tuesdays at 5:30 pm in the sanctuary.
Contact Leann Fahlsing at 393-8097
for more information.

FAMILY SERVICE UNIT

February, 2019

Chair	Barb Adamski	727-7683
Co-Chair	Carol Dammer	848-2294
	Tricia Nunez	576-3028
	Gloria Tomlin	393-8561
	Betty McKeever	729-6413
	Doreen Wehmas	409-0125
	Marjorie Lindemood	461-7023

PLEASE NOTE: All family members are invited to help participate in the monthly events!

The Family Service Units are Responsible for:

- *Serve coffee Sunday, February 24, 2019*
- *Serving* at funerals or other church activities that may occur during your month.

Coffee Servers

February 3, 10, 17

Salem's Disaster Relief Team

February 24 – February Service Unit

2019 Coffee Serving Schedule is now posted on the refrigerator door! Please sign up for a Sunday. Thank you!

Ruth Circle will meet Tuesday, February 5th at 1:00 pm at the home of Judy Hane. Bible Study - Lesson 1, "Scattered Lives". Book - Finding Freedom. Project - Piedmont School.