



Salem Lutheran Weekly eNews March 2, 2026

"To share the unconditional love of God in Jesus Christ with all people, and to serve God by serving others"



It's almost that time again to spring forward! Set your clocks **ahead** one hour **March 7th** so you won't be late to church on Sunday March 8th!



Newcomers' Lunch and Orientation
Sunday, April 12 following Worship

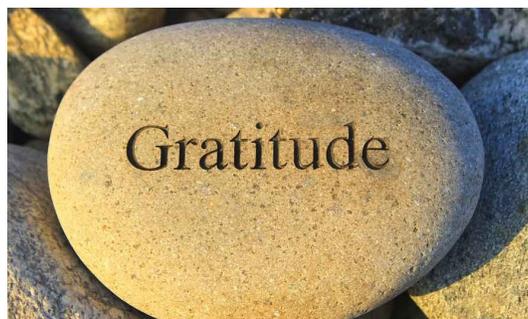
Thinking about Salem? Wondering about exploring membership here?

Make plans to attend a Newcomers' Luncheon and Orientation following worship on Sunday, April 12. We'll share together our stories, talk about the ways that Lutherans embrace the Christian faith and about the life and ministry of our own congregation. We'll be done by about 1:30pm that day. Call the church office 360-336-3600 or email office@slcmv.org to sign up.



Lenten Wednesdays

Soup 1:00 & 5:30



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Transition Team Update

What is the Transition Team doing?

The Transition Team is leading a conversation about Core Values as Salem is preparing to call their next pastor. Core Values are a foundation for strong ministry. Core values are the support for what we do as a congregation. Core values are key to our identity as a community of God's people. Core values are not determined by one group or person, rather the people who call Salem Lutheran their faith community are critical to identify the values of this congregation.

On Sunday, March 1 the Transition Team invited people of Salem to participate in identifying the core values of Salem Lutheran Church. The responses from that gathering are posted in the Fellowship area of the sanctuary. Between now and March 15, you are encouraged to review these values and add any additional values you believe are important to Salem, its people and ministries. On March 15 immediately following worship, you are invited to participate in identifying the top 5 core values of Salem Lutheran Church.

If you have further questions, please reach out to a Transition Team member or Pastor Deanna.

Holy Week



Palm Sunday Worship & Brunch 10 am

Maundy Thursday Worship 7 pm

Good Friday Worship 7 pm

Easter Sunday 10 am



We served 120 spaghetti dinners!! Thank you to all the volunteers-we had a fabulous time! Interested in joining the fun? Call the office at 360-336-3600.



Celebrate the life of Lyle Archer
Saturday March 21st at 4:00 pm

Grab a friend and host a coffee hour like Joan and Patti did! We have plenty of cookies in the freezer, so don't feel like you have to bake up a bunch of cookies. It's easy and fun to do! Sign up sheets are just outside the Fellowship Hall.



Salem Financials for January 2026

- Our balances are in good shape. As of January 31, 2026, we have just over \$28,000 in checking and a little more than \$98,000 in Savings.
- Good news! We were able to reduce our ELCA loan balance amount to \$113,523. That means a lower-than-expected payment of \$811 each month.
- Total income for January this year was \$19,983 as compared to \$22,259 in January 2025. Total expenses were \$27,721 as compared to \$28,118 in January 2025. Expenses exceeded income by \$7,738 (which is consistent with January 2025).



Thanks again for your financial support for Salems Mission and Ministry!

Does the Spirit move you to care for others? Do you make a habit of praying for those who are in need? Then join our Care Team. We meet on the 4th Thursday of each month at noon. Questions? Contact the office at 360-336-3600.



Worship is the Heartbeat of Salem

We are blessed to have volunteers share in the life and worship of the congregation. Have you had a chance to serve Holy Communion? Maybe you would like to read the Sunday lessons. Everybody loves an usher! How about making a joyful noise with the Spirit Group?? Call 360-336-3600

NW Synod Website

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