



THE LAMPLIGHTER

Presbyterian Church of West Salem

April 2022

Trusting in the saving grace of Jesus Christ and guided by the Presbyterian tradition, the vision of the Presbyterian Church of West Salem is to provide a friendly and open environment that encourages spiritual growth for people of all ages.

From the Pastor's Desk....

Lent continues, and so does the life of the church!

So hey, did you know that when we celebrate Communion and you watch along at home, you can take part with us? Here are my recommendations for doing so:

First up, before the service starts, get some bread and juice ready. This can be literally anything, from bread to muffins to rice cakes. Juice, water, wine, soda if it's all you have. The food and drink are simply objects to focus faith upon, there is nothing magic about the bread and juice we use in the service.

(Special hint: If you forget to set all this up... pause the service playback. You can also do this for bathroom breaks. It's great.)

When I start to do the sharing of the elements, mimic my movements. Break the bread, pour the cup. The motions help to make you feel like a part of what is happening, and in a small way allow me to preside even there in your home.

Then, when I call the people forward to eat, eat and drink yourself. If you are watching with others, invite them to partake with you. Share the bread with the phrase; "The Body of Christ, Broken for you." Share the drink with the phrase; "The blood of Christ, shed for you." There is nothing magic about these words, but the ritual of it all is important, an audible reminder of the promises God has given us.

The practice of Communion is important, and if you need it, always feel free to reach out, and we'll find a way to get it to you. But know that the love of God will ALWAYS be with you, and when you watch with us via the Youtube links, you can take part yourself, while taking part with us.

Have a Blessed Lent,
Pastor Dan





Come join us for Easter Breakfast on April 17th at 9:00 AM. We will be serving egg bakes, muffins, fruit, coffee, juice and milk.

If anyone would like to bring an egg bake please call Sherry Bonsall at 608.786-1280 or Richard Calvetti at 608.786.2526



All children are invited to HOP on over to our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday, April 17th!

**The hunt will take place rain or shine either indoors or out!
Meet in the entryway between the sanctuary and fellowship hall at 9:45 AM for directions.**

We hope you can all join us for this fun event as we celebrate our Risen Christ!

We are also looking for donations of bags of wrapped candy for Easter Egg Hunt, which are needed by April 10th.

For over 70 years, **One Great Hour of Sharing** has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world.

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need.

From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. As we move through this Lenten season, we hope you would consider a gift to this worthwhile offering with worldwide impact.

We will be collecting gifts until Easter Sunday.

Thank you for your continued support of this life changing Presbyterian special offering.

Stewardship & Mission Committee

Wednesday Night Youth Group Youth Group

Fun, Connectedness, Music, Involvement, Motion,
Bible, Food, Activities, Mission....

The 1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month
from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Youth Group will be meeting on
Wednesday, April 6 and April 20!

Attention High School Seniors!

Each year, the Presbyterian Church of West Salem awards scholarships to graduating seniors who are members of our congregation.

Scholarship application forms are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary or you may request one from the Christian Education Committee or church office.

Applications will be due by April 24th, with scholarships awarded during senior recognition Sunday in May.



Fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall has returned!

9:30-10:00am - coffee and cookies

Presbyterian Church Community Dinner



**Wednesday, April 27th
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.**

Please drive under the church canopy
and remain in your vehicle.

Workers will place pre-packaged dinners
in your vehicle for you and your family.

Tabitha Circle



Bring your crafts and join us!

**The first and third Monday
of each month at 1:00 p.m.**



Nursery

APRIL-MAY 2022 NURSERY SCHEDULE

April	3	Elsa & Josiah Wolbrink
	10	Bradley Baker
	17	Jolie Meyers
	24	Dax Pfaff
May	1	Ayden & Ava Schuster
	8	Evan Crusan
	15	Jolie Meyers
	22	Evelyn Raymer
	29	Lily Oldenburg

Christ
is
Risen!

DEACONS

Class of 2022

Becky Auna
Vickie Holt
Janice Seeger

Jackie Siekert
Mary Tschida

Class of 2023

Helen Harold
Carol Griffin

Diana Swim
Jenni Loging

ELDERS

Class of 2022

Shayna Arndt
Nancy Olson
Anna Bohnsack: Youth Elder

Kristjan Sells
Mike Siekert

Class of 2023

Charles Engel
Richard Calvetti

Nick Miller
Sara Oldenburg

Class of 2024

Becca Bohnsack
Sherry Bonsall

Kelly Crusan
Greg Meeuwssen

**Tithes and Offerings
can be mailed to:**

Presbyterian Church of West Salem
PO Box 861
West Salem, WI 54661

Per Capita

Per Capita is an obligation
for each member
of the Presbyterian Church.

***The Per Capita is \$33.70
per member for 2022.***

Prayer Chain:

Becky Auna	608.786.0097
Marilyn Bahr	608.786.0315
Rose Cooper	608.369.3848
Sharon Cullmann	608.797.1732
Diana Engel	608.786.1560
Helen Harold	608.786.0856
Vickie Holt	608.786.1659
Sharon Shaw	608.786.0653

Birthdays to Celebrate in April 2022

Jamie Holt	April 01
Bethany McAlister	April 01
Cindy Bergh	April 02
Jackie Siekert	April 02
Molly Baker	April 03
Evelyn Raymer	April 03
Barry Schimke	April 06
Joan Beebe	April 07
Mary Griffin	April 07
Charles Wehrs	April 07
Mike Fisher	April 08
Coyah Hill	April 08
Wesley Sweet	April 08
Samuel Horton	April 10
Scott Horton	April 13
Logan Oldenburg	April 13
Rick Brown	April 15
Brianna Holt	April 15
Daniel Wolbrink	April 16
Susan Hicks	April 17
David Griffin	April 18
Laura Lusk	April 18
Sara Oldenburg	April 18
Pat Meyer	April 21
Erika Crusan	April 23
Kari Schuster	April 23
Lily Oldenburg	April 24
Rachel Brummond	April 26
Steve Anderson	April 27
Tim Rogers	April 28
Jamie Mattson	April 29



April 2022 Worship Teams

	Liturgists	Sound Room
April 3rd	Helen Harold	Ethan Crusan
April 10th	Barbara Hopkins	Gideon Wolbrink
April 17th	Nancy Olson	Ethan Crusan
April 24th	Tiffani LaJeunesse	Lily Oldenburg

Music: Julie Baker, Greg Meeuwsen

Head Usher: Kelly Crusan

Communion: Becca Bohnsack, Kelly Crusan, Jenni Logging,
Richard Calvetti, Greg Meeuwsen, Janice Seeger

Protocols for COVID-19 - Updated March 6, 2022

Masks are not required to be worn in the building for any activity, regardless of vaccination status, except in these cases:

- If you have recovered from COVID-19 within the past six days
- If you have had a close COVID-19 contact within the past six days
- If you currently have symptoms, please stay home

Anyone is welcome to wear a mask for any reason.

- Please observe social distancing if possible, especially for those wearing masks.

Session is following CDC guidance on masking. The CDC assesses the La Crosse County COVID-19 transmission as "Low". Session continues to monitor this status and may require masks again if transmission rates increase.

- The offering will be collected by the ushers.



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to the office by the 15th of each month:
preschurchws@gmail.com

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Visit our website: www.presbyterianchurchwestsalem.com



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Sunday School 9:00 am • Sunday Worship 10:15 am

OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Dan McCurdy • Monday through Thursday 8:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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Church Office • Monday, Wednesday, Thursday from 8:30 – 1:30.

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