



THE LAMPLIGHTER

Presbyterian Church of West Salem

September 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...

So don't look now, but sometime around the time you get this copy of the Lamplighter, I will have been the Pastor of the Presbyterian Church of West Salem for a YEAR. I certainly had no idea what I was getting into then, a lot has happened in the interim.

That's kind of the fun thing about Church work, though. You never really know what any day will bring. Some stay slow, others get really busy, sometimes you just do paperwork, others people need to talk to you about what is going on in their lives. Every time I walk through those glass doors I have no idea what God has in store for me.

All in all, it's a pretty good gig. Thank you all for bringing me here, and for whatever surprises you might have for me in the year to come.

Speaking of the year to come, be sure to keep your eyes open. Sunday School will be launching soon, so be watching out for those announcements. I can tell you off the bat that Adult Sunday School, which will be following the sermons in the lectionary (a bit of a preview of the Sermon before I start preaching it) will be starting on September 11th, and this year we will be starting a new Confirmation class as well as a new members class, so watch out for those announcements when they come!

Here's to a new year of church programming... whatever that might bring us!

Pastor Dan





CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Starting on September 11th



**Bible
STUDY**
Join us!

Adult Bible Study

Sundays from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

in the Chapel Room

We will focus on the lectionary scripture
presented that Sunday.

Bring your Bible or use one from the church.

Sunday School kick off



September 11th - 9:00 am

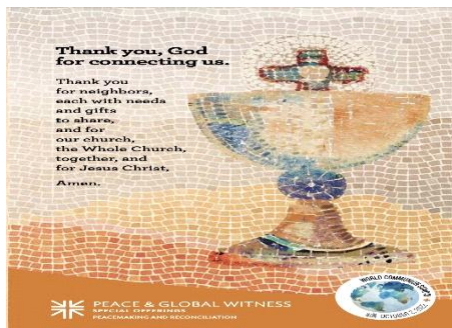
All kids K-5 welcome to come play some
games and get excited for Sunday School.

Parents: please stop in and register your kids
and update contact info

Peace and Global Witness Offering

Every year our church participates in the *Peace and Global Witness Offering*. It is one of our four special offerings collected throughout the year. The Peace and Global Witness Offering will be collected starting **September 4th thru October 2nd (World Communion Sunday)**. This Offering

encourages the
division, and
around the
is allowed to
in our local
Please be in
this worthwhile



church to cast off anxiety and fear, discord and embrace God's mission of reconciliation to those corner and around the world. Our congregation retain 25% of this offering to be given to a cause community that promotes peacemaking efforts. prayer about this offering and consider a gift to cause.

The **Stewardship & Mission Committee** would like to **thank our church volunteers** who were in charge of preparing and delivering meals during the week of August 8th for the **Feed the Children Summer Lunch Program at Our Savior's Lutheran Church**. Volunteers included **Carol Griffin, Carolyn Lindeman, Diana Swim, MJ Watkins, Sara Oldenburg, Terry Miller, and Val Olson**. Around 200 meals on average are prepared each Tuesday and Thursday during the summer months for children in our community. Volunteers were from community churches, West Salem Schools, 1st CCU, National Honor Society students, and community residents. Angie Hemker from Our Savior's coordinates the entire program each year! We thank her for all of her hard work and thank all of our church volunteers for their service!"



Fall Rummage Sale

September 16th - 7 AM - 7 PM

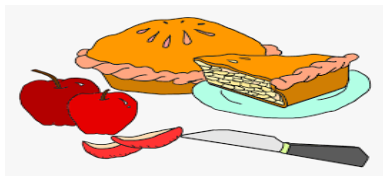
September 17th - 7 AM - 3 PM

Please bring your clean, usable rummage starting on Monday, September 11th. We need lots of help setting up and marking, so please plan on helping anytime

between 9 AM and 5 PM, Monday through Thursday.

On Saturday at 3 PM we will need to pack up everything that we did not sell and get the classrooms ready for Sunday School the next day.

Please plan on giving us a hand on packing up and cleaning up.



Apple Pies

We have apple pies for sale now! Thanks to Ben Baker, who donated fourteen bushels of apples to us, we were able to make over 100 apple pies. We now have frozen apple pies for sale. We are selling them for **\$9.00 each**. You can purchase them after church or call Diana Engel at (608) 786-1560 or 1-(608) 386-0860 to purchase them during the week.



Roadside Cleanup

September 10th at 4 pm

Please meet at church

Helpers should bring gloves

Bags and vests will be provided

Tabitha Circle



**Bring your crafts
and join us!**

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



***Fellowship time
in the Fellowship Hall
9:30am – 10:00am***

Presbyterian Church Community Dinner



Wednesday, September 28th

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.

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



Nursery

SEPTEMBER 2022 SCHEDULE

September 4 Bradley Baker
September 11 Dax Pfaff
September 18 Ayden & Ava Schuster
September 25 Evan Crusan



**Birthdays to Celebrate
in September 2022**

Ben Sprain	September 01
Julie Baker	September 02
Dick Calvetti	September 05
Carol Griffin	September 06
Jenni Loging	September 06
Maraveen Mayer	September 06
Vivica Wolf	September 06
Ethan Crusan	September 08
Evan Crusan	September 09
Landon Pliner	September 11
Casey Pfaff	September 13
Kayla Pliner	September 13
Cecelia Steinborn	September 15
Kyle Koeneke	September 18
Debra Allen	September 19
Laurie Chambers	September 19
Braxton Ghelfi	September 19
Charli Pfaff	September 19
Tate Pfaff	September 20
Greg Bergh	September 28
Greg Olson	September 28
Darren Dunn	September 30

ELDERS

Class of 2022

Shayna Arndt	Kristjan Sells
Nancy Olson	Mike Siekert
Anna Bohnsack: Youth Elder	

Class of 2023

Charles Engel	Nick Miller
Richard Calvetti	Sara Oldenburg

Class of 2024

Becca Bohnsack	Kelly Crusan
Sherry Bonsall	Greg Meeuwsen

DEACONS

Class of 2022

Becky Auna	Jackie Siekert
Vickie Holt	Mary Tschida
Janice Seeger	

Class of 2023

Helen Harold	Diana Swim
Carol Griffin	Jenni Loging

Tithes and Offerings

can be mailed to:

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

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.

**Are you 60+ looking for
FREE FOOD?**



**CHECK OUT THE HUNGER TASK FORCE SENIOR
STOCKBOX PROGRAM!**

TO APPLY:

CALL (608) 793 - 1002 OR VISIT
LACROSSEHTF.ORG/GET-HELP/SENIOR-STOCKBOX

September 2022 Worship Teams

Liturgists

September 4 th	Barbara Hopkins
September 11 th	Helen Harold
September 18 th	Caroline Sells
September 25 th	Howard Garves

Sound Room

Gideon Wolbrink
Ethan Crusan

Music: Julie Baker, Greg Meeuwsen

Head Usher: Shawn McCallister

Communion: Shayna Arndt, Richard Calvetti, Carol Griffin, Nancy Olson, Charles Engel, Mike Siekert



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preschurchws@gmail.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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