

# THE LAMPLIGHTER

## Presbyterian Church of West Salem August 2023

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....

Already, we're more than halfway into the Summer, and I find myself looking into the future. It's hard not to, with church work. Summertime is rarely good for attendance, and so it always feels weird to plan things during the Summer... I'm fairly certain we had more people at our Pool Party than we had in church that morning!

So as I look forward to what the next School year might have in store for all of us, I also would like to know what you all would be interested in going into the next year. Communications for this sort of thing are always vital, after all.

I also realize that sometimes it can be a bit tricky to have the conversation you want to have with a pastor. Telling me something on Sunday Morning doesn't always work out... my head is full of things and I often forget. Also, despite my public persona, I can be a bit introverted away from the pulpit, and throwing in my ADHD, I'm not always the easiest to contact. So how DO you contact me, if you so desire?

If you're trying to get ahold of me during business hours, calls and messages at the church office always work. Notes in my mailbox can also be effective. In an emergency, calls to my phone number also work (though I'm much better with texts.)

It's also good to remember that though I'm not the best at remembering things, I have a wonderful secretary who can help remind me of things if I get carried away on side tangents. Also, I KNOW that I am forgetful, so never feel shy about reminding me about certain things if you wonder if I have forgotten.

I do try to respond to messages quickly and efficiently, but I know things slip through my net. So lets keep working at it, and see what we can do!

Pastor Dan





Sunday School, Sunday Morning Youth Group, and Adult Bible Study will resume in the Fall.



August 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> 5:30 – 8:00 pm



This year your children will spend three evenings learning about how Jesus cares for us. They will also complete **"Projects with a Purpose"** that will be donated to pets waiting for their "furever" home.

To get excited for VBS we will be hosting a **Kick Off Party** on **Sunday, August 13th from 4-6**. The party will be held at the Tilson St. Boat Landing and is open to the entire congregation. Brats/Hot dogs and water will be provided. **Please bring a dish to share. We hope to see you there!** 

Have old t-shirts and cardboard lying around? We are looking for donations to use for our pet toy crafts. Please drop off any donations in the box by the fellowship hall entrance.





Mark Your Calendars Family Directory Photo Shoots!! October 3rd and 4th 2 pm – 8:30 pm

Celebrating faith. Connecting families. Sharing hope.



August 1<sup>st</sup> 5-8 pm West Salem Village Park



# **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, August 23rd 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. In-House Per Capita Per Capita is an obligation for each member of the Presbyterian Church.

The Per Capita is \$35.15 per member for 2023.



Communion Sunday August 13th

#### Prayer Chain:





Exercise Group Every Tuesday and Friday In August 9-10 AM Fellowship Hall

# Tithes and Offerings can be mailed to:

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



## **Birthdays August 2023**

Barbara Hopkins	August 01
Evan Noel	August 01
Audrey Steinborn	August 02
Rose Lee	August 04
Justine Griffin	August 05
Kevin Aleckson	August 06
Robert Allen	August 07
Sue Raymer	August 07
Jamie Schmidt	August 08
David Seeger	August 08
Alanna Tweed	August 10
Kandi Holt	August 11
Laney Stephenson	August 12
Sharon Cullmann	August 14
Diana Swim	August 14
Patricia Hall	August 15
Jon Jones	August 15
Carissa Hass	August 17
Tom Bonsall	August 19
Ron Seeger	August 19
Ryan Beirne	August 23
Claudia Olson	August 24
Dane Bohnsack	August 25
Tanner Jones	August 26
Xander Wuensch	August 27
Jessica Noel	August 28
Alyssa Byrnes	August 29
Kim Sweet	August 29
Gary Willinger	August 30
Julia Byrnes	August 31

### August 2023 Worship Teams

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#### **Liturgists**

August	6th
August	13th
August	20th
August	27th

Jenni Loging Ethan Crusan Nancy Olson Becky Auna

### Sound Room

Josiah Wolbrink Evan Crusan Kelly Crusan Lily Oldenburg

Music:Julie Baker, Greg Meeuwsen, Lisa JonesHead Ushers:Chris WintherCommunion:Pam Twining, Charles Engel, Sharon Cullmann

# Are you 60+ looking for



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TO APPLY: CALL (608) 793 - 1002 OR VISIT LACROSSENTF.ORG/GET-HELP/SENIOR-STOCKBOX

ELDERS		
Class of 2023	Charles Engel	Nick Miller
	Sara Oldenburg	Sharon Cullmann
Class of 2023		
Youth Elders	Gideon Wolbrink	Ethan Crusan
Class of 2024	Becca Bohnsack	Kelly Crusan
	Sherry Bonsall	Greg Meeuwsen
Class of 2025	Mike Siekert	Shayna Arndt
	Shawn McAlister	Pamela Twining

DEACONS Class of 2023	Helen Harold Carol Griffin Kris Seeger	Diana Swim Jenni Loging	
Class of 2025	Becky Auna Vickie Holt Karen Quackenbush	Jackie Siekert Mary Tschida	





Please submit newsletter information to the office by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month: *preschurchws@gmail.com* 

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Church Office • Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 8:30 am. - 1:30 pm. preschurchws@gmail.com