



THE LAMPLIGHTER

Presbyterian Church of West Salem

July 2026

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....

I am currently preparing to attend Presbyterian General Assembly this summer. This will be the third time I have attended the Assembly and my first time going as a delegate, representing our Presbytery at the National Church.

I love General Assembly because no one goes on accident. No one is there because "well, I guess I have to." Often there is a waiting list to go, though the wait in John Knox was relatively small... last GA I was the alternate. (It is possible that the reason this one was so easy for me to get to is the fact that it is in Milwaukee which isn't very exciting for Wisconsinites.)

The last one I attended, Rose was a delegate, and I got to see how some of the sausage got made. It was pretty exciting... there were actual back hallways walk and talks where people from one committee or org would chat with another in an unofficial capacity to help along different ideas or pitch different possibilities. I don't know what that looks like in the age of a hybrid assembly, when the committee portion happens virtually. I look forward to finding out.

It's also some of the best congregational singing you'll ever hear. I have become convinced that no worshipping group sings quite like a large room of people being Presbyterian on Purpose. I'll bring back stories afterwards.

It's gonna be a good time. A worshipful time. And a tiring one. Have patience with me when I get back!

Pastor Dan

CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION

**Sunday School Classes
Resume In September**

**Women's Bible Study
June 10th thru August 19th
Wednesdays at 7 pm**

Nursery

*Available for 4K and
under only
No staffing available*



**Presbyterian Church
Community Dinner**



**Wednesday
July 22nd
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.**

Church September Rummage Sale

Items can now be dropped Wednesday evenings from 6 to 7 or the last Sunday of the month – July 26 and Aug 30, a ½ hour before & ½ hour after church service (8:30 & 10:00).

We have a limited number of volunteers so we ask that whatever you donate be clean and ready to sell. **We are not accepting any large electronics or appliances.** If you have furniture you want to donate or are unable to make Wednesday evenings or the last Sundays of the month, please call Sharon Cullmann at 608-797-1732 or Sara Oldenburg at 608-304-9926 to set up a time.

This is an important mission for PW.

Please consider volunteering before or during the sale. Any time you can give is of great help!

If you have any questions at all, please reach out to Sara or Sharon. Thank you!



**July 30th
11:30 – 4:30 pm
Fellowship Hall**

**Name tags are available for everyone
On Sundays**

**Name tags are on back table
in the Sanctuary before service.**



Hospital Visits 2026

If you have anyone in the hospital who would like a pastoral visit, please call a deacon listed below and they will contact Pastor Dan with your request. This includes yourself, family or friends.

Deacons List:

Sara Oldenburg: 608-304-9926
 Val Olson: 608-786-1834
 Lois Sanwick: 608-317-9898
 Kris Seeger: 608-786-2696 (Home)
 608-461-1599 (Cell)
 Karen Quackenbush: 608-786-0992
 (Home)
 Becky Auna: 608-786-0097

The ongoing mission of **The Presbyterian Women** is to support the Salvation Army and WINN (What I Need Now) by collecting needed items. This list will be updated as their needs change.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Salvation Army and WINN Needs

WINN – Updated list March 2026

Off or Cutters Bug repellent

men's drawstring shorts

men's sleeveless shirts

t-shirts (all clothing larger sizes)

Salvation Army - Underwear (new), socks

comfy pants, t-shirts (all clothing larger sizes)

toiletries (especially shampoo), new pillows

blankets (single bed size)

All items can be placed in the purple tote at the back of the sanctuary, and we will get the items to the correct organization.



Swarthout Pool

July 26th

6pm – 8pm

Communion Sunday

July 5th



Fellowship Time

None in June, July or

August

Outdoor Worship Service

Will be on

Sunday, August 2nd

9 am



Prayer Chain:

Becky Auna	608.786.0097
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



Tabitha Circle
Will not meet again
Until September



SUMMER HOURS
9 AM

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

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



Birthdays to Celebrate in July 2026

<i>Ben Baker</i>	<i>July 03</i>
<i>Tim Fladhammer</i>	<i>July 03</i>
<i>Connor Dunn</i>	<i>July 04</i>
<i>Ethan Fisher</i>	<i>July 04</i>
<i>Aliana Jones</i>	<i>July 05</i>
<i>Autumn Schuster</i>	<i>July 05</i>
<i>Claire Sweet</i>	<i>July 06</i>
<i>Jim Mayer</i>	<i>July 08</i>
<i>Chris Winther</i>	<i>July 10</i>
<i>Eric Burdick</i>	<i>July 11</i>
<i>Danielle Dillard</i>	<i>July 12</i>
<i>Kris Seeger</i>	<i>July 12</i>
<i>Jordan Beirne</i>	<i>July 13</i>
<i>Andrew Benzing</i>	<i>July 13</i>
<i>Noah Garcia</i>	<i>July 13</i>
<i>Dylan Noel</i>	<i>July 13</i>
<i>Ayden Schuster</i>	<i>July 13</i>
<i>Koen Molling</i>	<i>July 14</i>
<i>Chase Jones</i>	<i>July 16</i>
<i>Hunter Sarver</i>	<i>July 17</i>
<i>Dani Miller</i>	<i>July 18</i>
<i>Bob Bahr</i>	<i>July 20</i>
<i>Sherry Bonsall</i>	<i>July 22</i>
<i>Zachary Martin</i>	<i>July 23</i>
<i>Elsa Wolbrink</i>	<i>July 24</i>
<i>Kelly Crusan</i>	<i>July 25</i>
<i>Jim Olson</i>	<i>July 28</i>
<i>Janice Seeger</i>	<i>July 29</i>
<i>Lisa Dicus</i>	<i>July 30</i>
<i>Roger Auna</i>	<i>July 31</i>
<i>Anna Bohnsack</i>	<i>July 31</i>



Exercise Group
Tuesdays and Fridays
9-10 AM
Fellowship Hall

July 2026 Worship Teams

Liturgists

July 5th
July 12th
July 19th
July 26th

Helen Harold
Nick Miller
Lily Oldenburg
Jenni Loging

Sound Room

Audrey Steinborn
Kelly Crusan

Carter Hill

Pastor: Dan McCurdy
Music: Vicki Arndt, Julie Baker, Caroline Sells, Lisa Jones
Head Usher: Brynn Loging
Communion: Kristjan Sells, Vicki Bain, Amity Hill

DEACONS

Class of 2026	Class of 2027
Karen Quackenbush	Kris Seeger
Sara Oldenburg	Lois Sanwick
Valerie Olson	Becky Auna

ELDERS

<i>Class of 2026</i>	<i>Chris Winther Charles Engel</i>	<i>Jenni Loging Nick Miller</i>
<i>Class of 2027</i>	<i>Kelly Crusan Kristjan Sells</i>	<i>Barbara Hopkins Vickie Bain</i>
<i>Class of 2028</i>	<i>Amity Hill Pamela Twining</i>	<i>Dave Jacobs Becca Bohnsack</i>

Youth Elder – Class of 2026 – Josiah Wolbrink

Recent Session Highlights

- Approved participation in the National Night Out community event
- Accepted an unrestricted Memorial donation from the estate of Jane Wines
- Canceled the July Session meeting
- Adjusted the dates for the Fall Vacation Bible School
- Discussed upcoming online giving
- Discussed changes to bookkeeping procedures for special offerings and collections

Would you like a visit from the Pastor? You are important to the Presbyterian Church of West Salem. Please contact the church office if you would like a pastoral visit or to set up an appointment with the pastor. Call 608-786-0910

Support Needed for the West Salem Food Pantry

This month the need is for items that they need for their home as well as food. Things like **toilet paper, paper towels, laundry soap, shampoo & conditioner, toothpaste, deodorant, and feminine hygiene products**. These items are often difficult to find the funds to purchase when on a very tight budget or with little to no extra income in the home. These are also items that tend to be “overlooked” as items that the food pantry would welcome as a donation.

Bring in some of these high demand items and place them in the shopping carts that are located between the entryway doors. Monetary donations are also welcome. Simply put your contribution into an offering envelope and mark it “Food Pantry” and we will make sure it goes to the pantry. **Let’s fill the carts to overflowing with personal care items so that every family that uses the food pantry can have toilet paper in their home!**

Please submit newsletter information
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 Worship 9 am

OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Dan McCurdy • Monday through Thursday 8:45 am. - 2:00 pm.

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