

The Bugle

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Easter Flowers

We invite you to help add to that spirit of celebration and victory that is experienced by all Christians on Easter by placing a Spring flower in Salem's Chancel on Easter morning. This year we will have a variety of Spring flowers - lilies, azaleas, mums, begonias and more. We hope this will add to the festive experience of Easter morning. To order your flower(s) for the Salem Chancel Memorial Garden, please complete the order form that was in the Lenten mailing and is available in the

pew racks.

The cost for each flower is \$12.00 and must be paid with



the order. So that acknowledgments can be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin, orders must be received in the church office no later than Friday, March 26.

Soup Supper

The Serendipity Bible Study group will host a soup supper prior to the Lenten service on Wednesday, March 3, at 6:00 p.m. There will be two soup choices, cornbread, dessert and drinks. We hope to see everyone there!



PEN PAL letters can be picked up at the Welcome Center on Sunday, February 28.

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SUNDAY

IN LENT

God's Turning

Worship With Us



Sundays
8:00 & 10:45 a.m.*
Education Hour*
9:15 a.m.
*Nursery Provided

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Thank you from ...

...Mary Gibson and family - "A thank you doesn't seem like enough to all of my Salem family for being there for myself and my family at the time of my father's passing. For all of the cards, prayers, and concern, I never felt alone! My mother felt so blessed to have met so many of you, and you will never be forgotten."

...Virginia Sommers - "Dear Salem Family, I want to thank you for the lovely valentines and candy you sent me. I enjoyed each one and was lonesome for all my friends at Salem. It was nice of you to remember me. Bless you all."

...Mildred Sarver - "Thank you for all the valentines."

New Sunday Small Group

Beginning February 28, Pastor Elise will lead a four-week Bible study: "A Great-Grandma to a King, a King-maker, a King and a Royal Pain: Ruth, Samuel, David, Elijah." This study will explore their faith journeys and make connections between their stories and yours. This study is for both those new to Bible study, and those looking for a fresh new introduction to the Bible. Study books will be \$5.50 each, payable to Salem; please contact Pastor Elise or Brenda in the church office to reserve a book.



Prayer Requests

...Jeanne Peterson - Dick Peterson's mother
...Salem members celebrating their birthday this week
...Our country and those defending it
...Those of our congregation serving in the military

Add your prayer concern to the Prayer Chain throughout the week. To begin a Prayer Chain please contact Norma Hartman at 682-6782 or send an e-mail to: nkhartman@comcast.net, or prayerchain@salemofpeoria.com.

March 2010

Salem Lutheran Church Monthly Planner

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Celebrating a



March Birthdays

March 1

Madison Bradle

Taylor Bradle

Janice Lambie

Alan Mudge

Elle O'Meara

Hailey Petersen

Gabriel Rosenberg

March 2

Matthew Shotick

March 3

Christie Glenn

March 4

Emily Arnold

Kelly Harvey

March 5

Jeanne Setterlund

March 6

Thomas Oertley

March 7

Donita Purcell

March 8

Gary Setterlund

March 9

Allan Perry

March 10

Randall Blum

Ruby Chelgren**

Linda Sedgwick

March 11

Laraine Kaizer

Billie Lehmann

Robert Pearson

Kenneth Stuart**

March 12

Joan Creager

Priscilla Lowery

Howard Setterlund**

March 13

Tanya Grabel

Ronald Hartman

Benjamin Owen

Jacob Owen

Gertrude Saxhaug**

March 14

Julie Rogy

March 15

Beverly Maier

Isaac Stark

March 16

Nicole Breidel

Nancy Bridges

March 17

Vicki Johnson

Virgil McElfresh

March 18

Clifford Shoemaker

March 19

William McHugh**

March 20

Danielle Billerbeck

Drew Runkel

Mason Runkel

March 21

Ann-Maree Anderson

Kimberly Earle

Todd Kelly

Ward Ricketts

March 22

Raymond Anderson

March 23

Elizabeth Burge

Sarah Gonzales

Karen Holmes

March 26

Colette Conard

March 28

Michael Friberg

Lee Moser

March 29

Emily Prewett

March 30

Ruth Bock

Colin Pfeiffer

Michael Swanson

Mary Ann Welch

March 31

Heidi Hainline

Howard Knobloch

Richard O'Connor

**Special birthday wishes are extended to Ruby Chelgren who will turn 81 on March 10; to Kenneth Stuart who will turn 93 on March 11; to Howard Setterlund who will turn 84 on March 12; to Gertrude (Boots) Saxhaug who will turn 84 on March 13; and to Bill McHugh who will turn 87 on March 19. Congratulations to all of you!!



Lori Reimer
688-8190

Sodium is one of the many things people look for on food labels. It is essential to our health: maintains fluid balance, regulates blood pressure, and is important for nerve and muscle function. Most healthy people's bodies regulate the proper amount of sodium even if they eat too much. While most don't have a problem with excess

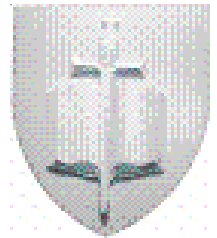
sodium, 30% of people who have high blood pressure are considered to have blood pressure that is sensitive to sodium. So it is a good idea for everyone to watch the amount they consume. There is no harm in consuming less sodium and it is very rare that you would not have enough. How much do you need? It is estimated that you need about 500 mg daily (equal to about a ¼ teaspoon of salt) and most people consume about 6,000 mg. Remember there is no advantage to consuming this much and it could be harmful. The American Heart Association recommends that an adult eat less than 3,000 milligrams.



The Armor of God

Our February theme is **The Sword of the Spirit.**

Take ... the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. -- Ephesians 6:17



Read Mark 16:15 . And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.

New Bible Study Opportunity

We will begin a three-session class on interpreting the Bible in March. This class is meant to lay some general groundwork about how we approach the Bible, before we address sexuality and the Churchwide Assembly later in the spring.

The first session will focus on "How do we use the Bible?" The second session will consider "Exploring individual texts and context." Finally, the third session will explore "What are major threads woven throughout the Bible?" Gil Nolde will lead these discussions, which will offer ample time for participation by individuals. You are strongly encouraged to attend if you would like to participate in the later discussions about sexuality.

Please choose which three-session class you will attend from the list below, and sign up at the Welcome Center in the gallery or by calling the church office. Classes will be limited to 15 people so everyone will have an opportunity to participate in group discussion. For more information please contact Gil Nolde or Pastor Elise.

Saturdays, March 6, 13 and 20 - 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.

Sundays, March 14, 21, and 28 - 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Mondays, March 15, 22, and 29 - 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.



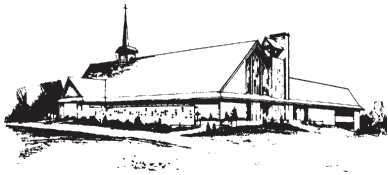
Sunday School Families

The Sunday School children will be singing on Sunday, March 28, (Palm Sunday) during the 10:45 a.m. service. Children will meet in the social hall after education hour, and then sing at the beginning of the service. With palm branches waving, they will sing "Hosanna," and share the story of Palm Sunday with the congregation! Children will be rehearsing the song during their musical opening, and a CD will be sent home to help the children practice. If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Brinkman at 692-7046.



Style Show and Luncheon

Lutheran Women of Greater Peoria will hold their 25th Annual Style Show and Luncheon on Saturday, March 13, at 11:15 a.m. at the Hotel Pere Marquette. Tickets must be purchased by March 8. Please contact Susie Bohm at 671-0308, Ext. 243 or 692-3064. Tickets are \$30.00 for adults or \$13.00 for children, and proceeds benefit the Single Parent Program at Lutheran Social Services of Illinois. Parking will be available at Trinity Lutheran Church and vans will transport guests to the hotel.



In The Salem Family

Congratulations to Connor Kelly who won the spelling bee at Christ Lutheran School. He will compete in the Journal Star Spelling Bee on March 5. It can be seen on WEEK TV 25 on March 6, at 9:00 a.m. Good luck Connor!

“Turning in Hope”, Our Lenten Theme

Thomas Moore wrote: “As for society, in the long run none of our solutions work, as crime and warfare continue to plague us even as we develop technologically. To know that we don’t know the ultimate secrets of human existence should give us hope, because this failure confirms that our efforts by themselves are incomplete. There is still room for that which is beyond comprehension and for a way of knowing that is profoundly satisfying instead of only superficially workable. A secular society that desperately craves information and understanding operates from anxiety, while spiritual approaches to mystery offer calm and joy.”

Turning in hope reminds us that we don’t have all the answers, but turning and trusting in God brings a different relationship and understanding of our world. Lent is a time to slow down our need to control and find peace in God’s love that is beyond our love. Isaiah 45:22 “Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God and there is no other.”

Hope is not knowing, but standing in God’s grace. St. Paul in Romans 8:24-25 writes: “For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.”

May you consider “not knowing” during this Lent, but living and turning to God in a hope that will not fail.

Women's Circle Meetings

Every Tuesday

Hannah: (Mom's Group) 9:30 a.m. at church.

Tuesday, March 2

Rebecca: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: "The Renewing of Our Minds" led by Joan Berg. Hostesses: Kay Peterson and Roz Gott.

Esther: 9:30 a.m. At the home of hostess Fran Riley 2605 W. Newman Parkway. Co-host Helen Polk. Bible Study: Pearl Nelson

Wednesday, March 3

Naomi: 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 9

Anna: 9:30 a.m.

Ruth: 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 23

Lydia: 6:30 p.m. Hostess: Susie Bohm. Devotions: Jeanne Setterlund. Lessons: Linda Sedgwick



Can You "Pass on" a Favorite Hymn?

Our sixth grade Sunday School class is beginning the milestone event of learning about worship, and they are preparing to assist with one of our worship services in

April. One of the things we have touched on is the importance of music in our worship. Hymns are another way we share God's word, and the music can help us emotionally connect to that message.

Many of us may have been influenced in our faith life by hymns we heard while

growing up. Do you have some of these favorite hymns? Would you "Pass on the Faith" to these young people, by taking part in a cross-generational "gifting" of these hymns to our sixth graders? Please fill out a card at the Welcome Center with the title of your favorite hymn, sign your name on the card, and slip it into the designated envelope. We ask that you please limit your hymn suggestion to your one most favorite if possible, to help us complete our project. (We know this will be difficult!) Thank you for your support, and if you have any questions, please call Kelly Brinkman at 692-7046.



2 OR MORE

THE SMALL GROUP

EXPERIENCE AT SALEM

Sundays at 9:15am

People of Faith - Meets in the Lounge; Facilitator - Pastor Elise.

The Bible Workbench - Meets in Room 306b; Facilitator - Gil Nolde.

Old Testament Study - Meets in the Social Hall; Facilitator - Bill Ligon

Textual Criticism - Meets in the Adult Library; Facilitator - John Gregg.

Men's Study - Meets in Jill Goldhammer's Study.

I Believe Party

Sixth through eighth graders are strongly encouraged to attend the I Believe Party on Sunday, March 7, from 5:00

p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

It will be a fun night of learn-

ing with food, music, skits and games. Parents are also encouraged to join us. Call Pam Machacek at 691-7064 for more information.



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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED



SALEM FAMILY

Growing People in Christ



March 3

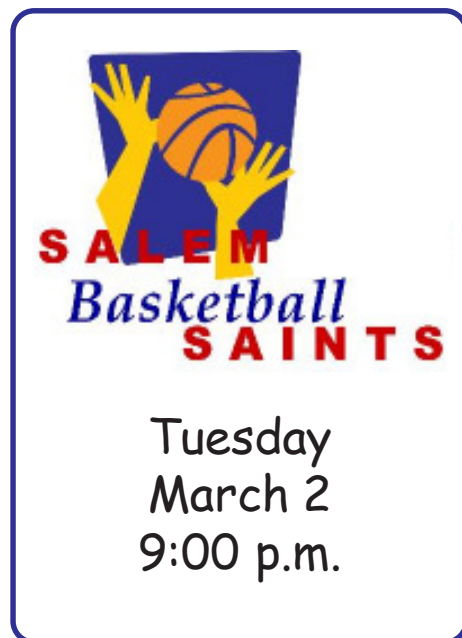
6:30 a.m. -- Lenten Prayer Breakfast and Study at Salem with Grace and Peace Lutheran Church; topic "Grieving Before Death"

11:00 a.m. -- Worship Service* using traditional Morning Matins with Holy Communion, lunch served afterwards

1:00 p.m. -- Seniors' Movie -- Harvey Girls

6:00 p.m. -- Soup Supper hosted by Serendipity

7:00 p.m. -- Worship Service* using Marty Haugen's Evening Prayer with Holy Communion



Tuesday
March 2
9:00 p.m.

* "Our Providing God" - Jonah 1:1-17 - Jean Graff

*The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid. Psalm 91:11*