

The Bugle

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Why learn Scripture?

Jesus ascended from the dead and returned to the Heavenly Father. But the Spirit remains with us and in us. In John 14:23 Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, they will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them."

John 14:15-17 says, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever – the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept Him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you." By learning Scripture we get to *know the Holy Spirit*.

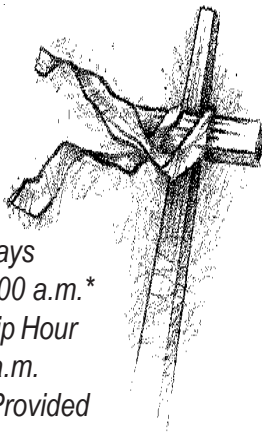


Vacation Bible School

Join us August 2 - 6 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Vacation Bible School as we "Open a World of Possibility" and explore what it means to be a neighbor. We will be thinking about our neighbors in Africa as we learn more about their culture. We will also learn about living out our theme Bible verse – "We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us." (Philippians 4:13) Come join us as we grow, learn, and have fun together in a week full of songs, skits, games, and crafts.

How can you help? Most importantly, you can sign up your children, your children's friends, or your grandchildren, nieces, or nephews! A registration form can be found on Salem's website, or you can fill one out in the Church Office. Although advance registration really helps us plan appropriately, walk in registration will be accepted. You can also help as a volunteer. We are still looking for "helpers" of all ages! Youth who are entering the 6th grade and older are invited to help. Volunteer forms are available where registration forms are found. Please contact Wendy Thomasson for more information. Finally, you can help by donating items needed to make VBS a success. Salem provides this week of learning and exploring at no charge to participants. Donations are greatly appreciated.

Worship With Us



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

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Thank you from ...

...Bev Graves - "Thank you to the Salem family for the cards and prayers during my knee replacement surgery and the following complications. The visits and call from Pastor Elise were also appreciated."

...Marge Gramm - "Thank you for all my lovely cards and best wishes on my birthday. It made my day extra special."

...Pearl Nelson - "My sincere thanks for the cards and best wishes. You made my 90th birthday very special."

...Florence Quimby - "Thank you for remembering my birthday with all the lovely cards."

VBS Supplies Needed

Plans are underway for some fun crafts during Vacation Bible School this year. We are looking for the following items: empty paper towel rolls, coffee cans with lids, Pringle cans with lids, empty tissue boxes (all sizes), oatmeal containers with lids, empty margarine type containers with lids, fish stickers, rubber bands (all sizes), and tissue paper. Please bring any of these items to church and place them in the tub by the VBS bulletin board in the Gallery. Thank you!

Prayer Requests

- ...The family of Jack Grant
- ...Midwest Food Bank and all the agencies they serve
- ...The brave men and women of our armed forces
- ...Salem members celebrating their birthday this week
- ...Our country and those defending it
- ...Those of our congregation serving in the military

To add your prayer concern to the Prayer Chain (or to join the Prayer Chain) please contact Norma Hartman at 682-6782 or send an e-mail to:
nkhartman@comcast.net, or
prayerchain@salemofpeoria.com.

Youth Travelers to be Hosted

Thirty-two students and adults from Faith Lutheran in Hutchinson, Minnesota will be staying overnight in our social hall and youth room this Saturday night, July 24, en route to a mission trip in North Carolina. We will be hosting a pizza dinner for them on Saturday night and provide donuts for their departure early Sunday morning. Please call Jill at church (688-9212) if you can donate soda, chips, dessert or donuts or wish to contribute toward pizza for the group.



Peoria Chiefs Game

The Greater Peoria Thrivent Chapter is sponsoring an event as the Peoria Chiefs battle the Quad City River Bandits on Saturday, August 7. Gates open at 5:30 p.m. and the game starts at 6:30 p.m. It's Jimmy Buffett Night, and there will be a fireworks show and concert after the game. Contact your Thrivent Chapter Representative or Sharon Resler at 673-0848 for tickets. Enter through the main gate and drop off your ticket at the Thrivent table for prizes. There will also be a limited number of \$5 food coupons.

Ice Cream Social

The annual Lutheran Home Ice Cream Social and Bake Sale is scheduled for Sunday, August 15, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. It will be held in the Community Center at Lutheran Hillside Village, 6901 N. Galena Rd. in Peoria. Come and enjoy good food and fellowship. The event is sponsored by the Lutheran Women of Greater Peoria and the proceeds will benefit the residents of Lutheran Hillside Village.



Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.



Matthew 5:4



Expressions of sympathy are extended to the family and friends of Jack Grant, who passed away on Friday, July 16, in Peoria. Funeral services were conducted at Salem by Pastor Barnes and Pastor Rothfusz on Thursday, July 22.

We offer our condolences to his son John, daughter Terry, and all others who mourn his passing.

Memorials may be made to Salem Lutheran Church.

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED



SALEM FAMILY

Growing People in Christ

Summer Family Activities

Wednesday, July 28, 1:00 p.m.
Movie at Salem, "101 Dalmations"

Thursday, July 29
Fired Up! Pottery
Make your own pottery in Peoria Heights.
Leave Salem at 12:45 p.m. and return 3:15 p.m.
\$20 cost includes studio fee, choice of item to
paint, and ice cream afterwards.

The graphic features a central title "Summer Family Activities" in a purple, outlined font. It is surrounded by colorful icons: an ice cream cone (top left), a sun (top center), a cup of ice cream (top right), sunglasses (bottom left), a baseball (bottom center), and a sailboat (bottom right). Lines connect these icons to form a frame around the text.

Saints
Softball

Wednesday, July 28
5:30 p.m.

The logo for "Saints Softball" features the word "Saints" in a bold, black, sans-serif font above the word "Softball" in a smaller, black, sans-serif font. Both words are enclosed within a yellow circle with red stitching. The entire logo is set against a white background within a blue-bordered box. Below the logo, the date and time "Wednesday, July 28 5:30 p.m." are printed in a black, sans-serif font.

When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me. Psalm 138:3