

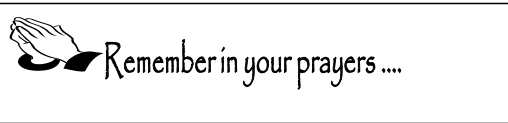
September 2024

Salem Lutheran Church
PO Box 1897
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



SEPTEMBER 2024

Pastor's Corner
Office closed September 2nd for Labor Day
Grandparents Day, September 8, 2024



When you call the office with a new prayer request, please let Terri know what you want in the bulletin and next newsletter. Please call for your answered prayers too! I see the “Answered Prayers” list as an opportunity to give God and all those who prayed for your loved one the thanks that is appropriate and to share good news of God’s blessings.

Your servant in Christ,
Pastor Jaster

ANSWERED PRAYERS:

NEW PRAYER CONCERNS:

Rita Boudreaux	Matthew Haynes	Jack Thormahlen
Dorothy Caraway	Kenneth Eilers	Debbie Vitanza
Lisa Peitz	Janie Garza	Kelly Tomlison
Billy Guenther	Debra Harabis and family	

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:

Damon Vickery	Chase Piwet	Ebin Ham
Doris Malaer	Whitney McAfee	Cecil Boyd
William Witt	Nelson Scroggins	Joyce Schaefer

MORADA SENIOR LIVING RESIDENT: Ruth Hahn

THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY:

THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES:

Pastor's Corner



Greetings all!

I'm continuing to be involved in the Funding Forward course. It is the one that talks about Buildings: Blessing or Burden.

One current finding in addition to having the upkeep of unused space is offering and tithings are no longer enough for ministry to happen. That is true all over. What are some ways to generate income in addition to renting space?

- 1. What is the mission/ministry we here at Salem on which we want to focus? How do we align our mission and ministry with our spending plan?*
- 2. Besides renting space do we have fundraisers? For some places that works, in others it doesn't.*
- 3. Do we rethink how endowments and gifts are used?*

Simply a few thoughts to get the grey matter going for this is a journey we are on together and your insights and ideas are important as we make our way down the road.

*Blessings,
Pastor*

September



*The church office
will be
closed on
Monday,
September 2nd
for Labor Day.*

*Choir Rehearsals have begun!
Choir meets every Wednesday night
at 7:00PM, come join us!*

***We are on the lookout for volunteers
to join our already dynamite group of Acolytes.
Anyone interested can the church office 552-9379.***

THANK YOU!
thank you!

Thank you for your continued support of Salem's Mission Statement: "Sharing the Love of Christ".

During the month of August we clothed 1 child, donated so many school supplies for the Hard Head Derby, donated 2 fully supplied backpacks for 2 Travis Middle School students, and helped a young family with their rent. Your generosity is un-wavering!

Salem Lutheran Church
(Un-official Minutes from last meeting)
August 11, 2024, at 10:15 AM

Council Members Present: Pastor Nancy Jaster, Cheryl Caraway, Karen Caraway, Dottie Caldwell, Dorothy and Eddie Witt

Prayer Concerns: No new concerns.

Approval of Agenda: Karen moved to approve, Pastor Nancy seconded, motion passed.

Approval of Minutes from previous meeting: Dottie moved to approve, Karen seconded, motion passed to approve July minutes and the minutes from the Special Called Meeting from August 4, 2024.

Reports:

Treasurer: Nothing out of the ordinary; electric bill doubled but expected; still on budget.

Pastor: Submitted as information.

Proclaim: Nothing to report.

Nurture: Children's Sunday School will be starting in September with Dottie being the teacher. She is looking for a substitute teacher for when she is in council meetings on the second Sunday of the month. Mention of a possible Christmas program this year.

Response: Nothing to report.

Property: SW painting has started on the repair and painting of the buildings. It looks great so far. Sonny will probably be finished this week.

Old Business: Concerning the increase in insurance due; \$2,000.00 has been donated. Therefore, the monthly funds being set aside have been decreased to \$250.00 to make up the difference.

New Business:

- The Windstorm Insurance Claim has been accepted and the church will receive \$18,000.00.
- Signe Frederickson from the Foundation of the Southwest will be with us at the October council meeting. We are looking for some ideas on how to maximize our income from our accounts.
- Kay Ham has stepped up to the duties of Choir Director. She will pick songs and play music for the choir. Wednesday practice will continue at 7:00 p.m. starting on August 21, 2024.

Calendar: All ok.

Dates to Remember: None.

Adjournment: Pastor Nancy moved to adjourn, Karen seconded, motion passed and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Caraway, Secretary

Messages from the Church Council ...

The next Salem Church Council meeting will be held on
September 8, 2024 at 10:15AM

TREASURER'S REPORT



August's offering totaled - \$16,819.
We collected \$ 501. for the Food Pantry!

It's that time again!

Nominations for the 2024 Salem Church Council will
be starting soon. Please be on the lookout for more
information regarding open positions.

Please prayerfully consider volunteering for one!

We will be supporting the The Pregnancy Help Center and
their "Baby Bottle" fundraiser again this year. Be on the
lookout for more details.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

SEPTEMBER

Already September!!

We have some shoeboxes plastic shoeboxes available if you would like to use one. These boxes are from Operation Christmas Child, so they are the correct size. The lid snaps on. They are available at no cost to you, pick up one or two to fill up. Thanks to everyone who has already picked up a box! This month toys are recommended for your shoebox.

Here are a few items you may include: coloring books, small cars, trucks, jump rope, soccer balls (deflated), hand air pump to fill soccer balls, paddle ball, Slinkys, dominoes, yo-yo, Play Doh, puzzles, inflatable beach balls, small Etch-a-Sketch, craft kits, checkers, jacks/ ball, toy tool set, Legos, tic-tac-toe and card games. There are more listed in a Shoebox Item hand out list. Things not to be included are no food of any kind and no toothpaste. We have lists and boxes available after services on Sunday and Terri has more in the office. Also shipping costs are \$10.

These items are fun to find and know what joy a child will feel when received!

Collection day is Sunday, Nov. 17, 2024. Pastor will bless the boxes and then it is off to Alamo Heights Baptist Church for collection week Nov. 18 – 25.

De Colores!



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Friday, August 16, 2024

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2101 N Virginia St
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Dear Congregation,

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us. 1 Corinthians 12: 4-6

No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. 1 John 4:12

Thank you so much for your donation to Trinity Lutheran Church's Music Fund in memory of Pastor Craig Sturm. God lives in you; His love is complete and overflows in all you do. You show His love so graciously as you bless this church and our ministry, and we are grateful for you.

As no gifts or services were received for your generous donation of \$100.00, the entire amount may be used as a tax deduction.

A letter has been sent to Kerri Sturm as notification of your thoughtfulness. Thank you for honoring Pastor Craig with your wonderful gift to the church. May God bless you as richly as you have blessed us.

Sincerely,

Kathy Manning
Office Manager

"Real People Doing Real Ministry in the Real World"

Ministers: Members of Trinity Lutheran Church
Interim Pastor: Rev. Adam Stockton

“Sharing the Love of Christ”

ATTENDANCE:

<u>SUNDAYS of August:</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>25</u>
Worship Service:	49	54	39	45



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2nd: <i>Lindsey Smith</i>	6th: <i>Emily Hahn</i>
<i>Jason Yarborough</i>	7th: <i>Brian Caldwell</i>
4th: <i>Sophie Jo Franke</i>	18th: <i>Kaylie Moore</i>
<i>Russell Kremling</i>	19th: <i>Cecilia Dolezal</i>
<i>Lydia Strakos</i>	21st: <i>Abigail Riske</i>
5th: <i>Pastor Jaster</i>	26th: <i>Kody Franke</i>
	30th: <i>Katie Anderson</i>

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIE

September 1st:	<i>Bobby & Margaret Gosnell</i>
September 2nd:	<i>Marshall & Lindsey Smith</i>
September 12th:	<i>Marvin & Lydia Strakos</i>
September 20th:	<i>Forest & Nancy Canion</i>
September 24th:	<i>Kody & Hillary Franke</i>
September 29th:	<i>Dale & Linda Hahn</i>



If you have an addition or correction to the
Birthday's and Anniversary's, please call the church office.



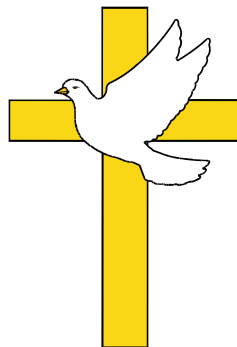
*How do leaves travel from one town to another?
With autumn -mobiles*



Fall Harvest

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LEAVES
FALL
ACORNS
WIND
TREES
APPLES
PUMPKINS
MAPLESYRUP
SCARECROW
CORN
RAKE
SQUIRREL
HAY
TURKEY



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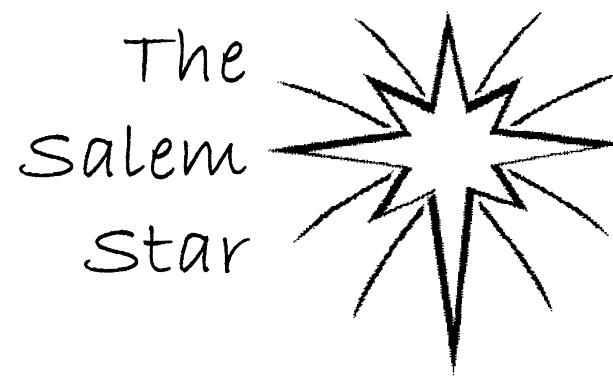
Pastor	Pastor Nancy Jaster	630-605-8528
Office Manager	Terri Malaer	920-4013
Financial Secretary	Retha Hahn	920-1248
Choir Director	Altus Aschen	552-3085
Organists	Altus Aschen	552-3085
	Linda Hahn	746-0667
	William Hahn, Jr.	552-7750
	Kathy Riske	484-0835
Prayer Chain	Steve Bales	482-6646
Clothing God's Children	Gail Wehmeyer	920- 0826
	Retha Hahn	920-1248
Altar Guild Leader		

Executive Council

President	Lydia Strakos	920-5088
Vice President	Eddie Witt	482-8025
Secretary	Cheryl Caraway	801-244-1368
Treasurer	Karen Caraway	649-8241

Council Ministry Teams

Proclaim	Dorothy Witt	782-8186
Nurture	Dottie Caldwell	571-0668
Response	Lindsey Smith	676-4268
Property	David McAfee	484-0414



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OFFICE HOURS

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Closed for Lunch from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.