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Salem English Lutheran Church

June-Early July 2018



We are the Church...

It's an oldie but goodie...a camp song I remember singing from a very young age...the lyrics go like this...

The church is not a building, where people go to pray; it's not made out of sticks and stones and it's not made out of clay. You can go to worship, but you cannot go to church; You can't find a building that's alive, no matter where you search. The church is not a business, a committee or a board; It's not a corporation for the business of our Lord. The church it is the people, living out their lives; Called, enlightened, sanctified, for the work of Jesus Christ. *We are the church, the body of our Lord, We are all God's children and we have been restored. *

This past Sunday we heard Paul's call to the **entire congregation** to be the church and spread the gospel in the world. Since then, I have had this song running through my head and I think it is worthy of a moment as we launch into summer and continue to navigate Salem's place in the world.

The church is not the place we gather or the business that we do here at Salem, *it is you and I out in the world*. This means that this Kingdom work we are called to is not a lone ranger job...it is a job for the community that we are together.

This is what sets us apart from the world...we are a community that holds each member as essential. Your sorrows are my sorrows and my joys are your joys. You believe when I can't and I will pray when you don't have the words. This is what makes us different--this is the gospel.

So what do we do with it? We take it out from the place we worship on Sundays and we *live it in the world*. We hold our neighbors as important, we carry the burdens of the community we live in, we show up, we **demonstrate God's love for the world IN the world**.

Go out this summer--for WE ARE THE CHURCH...and the world needs the church right now.

Blessings Friends,

Pastor Rhonda

40 days of Poor People's Campaign Underway

The Poor People's Campaign launched on Monday, May 14, with a rally at the State Capitol, as well as rallies in at



least 30 other states. This national campaign is "40 days of moral action to prick the conscience of our nation's leaders to address systemic racism, poverty, ecological devastation, and the war economy."

Rallies will be held every Monday, usually at 5 pm, through June 18, each focusing on a different theme. These rallies are open to everyone and are family friendly. In addition to rallies, some activists will engage in civil disobedience to call attention to the struggle.

The rallies coming up are at the state capitol at 5 pm

June 4: Environmental Racism/Climate Crisis brought to you by Minnesota Interfaith Power and Light. Come for celebration, inspiration, puppets and music.

June 11: Everybody's Got a Right to Live--\$15 Now

June 18: Shifting the Moral Narrative

Summer Worship Opportunities!

- ◆ Sunday Morning worship at Salem: 9:00 am (June 3--September 2, with the exception of our August 19 Joint Worship)
- ◆ Worship Around the Fire: 5 pm on June 10, July 15, and August 26
- ◆ Joint SpringHouse Worship in the Park: Sunday August 19 at 10:30 am



Salem News



Seasons of Giving

For June and July, our seasons of giving focus will be our neighbors. While it is not an every week event, there are several times during the year that the church is asked by people in our neighborhood for help. Sometimes people are looking for rent money or utility money, which we do not provide, but which we do have several organizations that we can refer them to for help. Most of the time, though, we are asked for simpler things, like food, diapers, or gas.

While we cannot help everyone, Pastor Rhonda does try to help those we can. Salem does not keep cash on hand to help anyone, but instead takes donations to the discretionary fund and turns them into gift cards for gas stations and grocery stores. Offering \$10-\$20 in a gas card or \$25-\$50 in a grocery/box store card makes a huge difference when someone is really struggling.

The pastoral discretionary fund is currently empty. Pastor Rhonda offered the last Cub gift card several weeks ago. So for the months of June and July, lets replenish our neighbor helping fund! You can either make a monetary donation designated to the fund OR you can donate gift cards. (Local grocery stores, stores like Target or Walmart, local gas stations, and even some fast food gift cards would be appreciated.)



Let's Talk This Summer!

Following some of the 9:00 worship services this summer, join us in Salem Conversations. These will be informal discussions facilitated by Salem council members, and everyone in the congregation is invited to gather, socialize, and participate. On Sunday, June 4, we'll kick off our conversations with the topic of "Being God's Church." Please check upcoming bulletins for other dates.



Mission to Detroit

If you are still looking for an adventure to be part of this summer--don't wait, talk to Pastor Rhonda or Pastor Laurie and get in on our journey to Detroit. We have room for just a couple more to join us!

The trip is July 21-29 and the total cost is \$300 and is open to youth and adults.

Seriously, if you are still looking for something to do this summer, consider joining us in this Kingdom work.

Open Streets

DON'T MISS Open Streets on Sunday June 10. We will be handing out popsicles, magnets, and pens to people passing by on Lyndale while listening to some great music by our Jazz musicians! See full details on page 5 under "Outreach".

More News

Worship Around the Fire

Join us this summer for something different! We will have three opportunities to gather together for a casual, fun, family friendly, "all are welcome", campfire type worship at Salem.



We are still working on all the details, but one thing we can say for certain is that if there is a campfire, there will be s'mores!

Mark your calendars for the following Sunday evenings: June 10, July 15, and August 26, all three beginning at 5 pm.

Stay tuned for details and join us for this fun worship experience.

Interested in helping?

We need several volunteers for our three Sunday evening services. We are looking for:

- A guitar player to help us sing
- Worship helpers

If you are interested in helping, please contact Pastor Rhonda at revrhonda@discoversalem.org

Theology on Tap

Let's try Wednesday again! Join us at Lynhall at 6:30 pm on Wednesday June 27 for conversation and beverages. The topic is yet to be determined—but rest assured it is never boring!



Mission on our Doorstep

Set aside time during the week of July 16-19 to be part of FCC's Mission on our Doorstep! Every year they invite Salem to be part of this amazing tradition of being Christ in the world...this year, let's participate! This is a great opportunity to build relationships with our SpringHouse friends and do some good work for our neighbors. See details on page 5.



SpringHouse gathered for a joint worship service to celebrate the end of the Sunday School year. The children led everyone in worship that showcased their Godly Play curriculum.

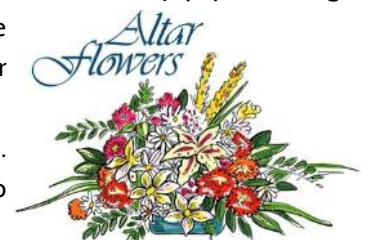
June Greeters

Could you take a turn being hospitality at the main SpringHouse doors on a Sunday morning (10:10-10:30 am) in June? Sign up at church or call the office to volunteer.

**Spirit-led. Welcoming.
Bold. Rooted.**

Altar Flowers

Salem is now offering the opportunity to provide occasional floral arrangements for worship, using the talents of member Myra Urness Rusten. If you would like to honor a birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion with an arrangement to beautify worship, and then take home to enjoy, you can sign up at church or contact the office (612-872-4650 or office@discoversalem.org) Arrangements are \$40 each. Checks may be written to Salem.



SpringHouse News

Share the Care June 16

Springhouse Building Committee is looking for volunteers for a Share the Care event on Saturday, June 16 from 8-10 AM and then again from 12-2 PM. We're cleaning both the upstairs and downstairs carpets to get out the winter grime and need folks to move furniture out of the way and then back into position after the cleaning. Many hands make light work, so let's all show up, finish quickly, and use the extra time to party!



Come check out the newly refurbished furniture in the sun room!!

Summer Office Hours

Beginning May 28, SpringHouse office hours will be Tues-Thurs. 11-2. Staff are often around at other times, but if you need to speak to someone in particular, it's always good to call first to make sure your party is around. The main SpringHouse number is 612-353-6292.

From the Building Coordinator

As usual, SpringHouse will be busy this summer. Although some groups cut back their activity in the summer, other things pick up. There are 4 youth groups scheduled to use us as a base of operations for their mission trips- one in June, two in July, and one in August. Mission at Our Doorstep, sponsored by First Christian but open to all at SpringHouse, will be July 16-19. Booklets will be available soon. Worship in the Park will be August 19 in Bryant Square Park.

Additionally, as usual, a lot of theater rehearsals are expected this summer as groups get ready for the Fringe Festival. Don't forget to put in your own requests for building use as soon as you can. As one renter put it, the calendar starts to look like a game of Tetris.

SpringHouse Camping



The annual Springhouse Camping trip will take place Saturday, July 14-Sunday July 15 at Carver Park. Please join us for this family and everybody-friendly camping adventure!

- ◆ Come for some or all of the time
- ◆ Spend time at during the day at the lake with a swimming beach, play area, hiking and biking, or visiting a historical farm house and nature center or just relax at the camp site
- ◆ Campfire with marshmallows and songs
- ◆ Annual family "tennis-ball" baseball game
- ◆ Shared potluck Saturday evening meal together
- ◆ Worship time on Sunday morning
- ◆ Camping equipment available to borrow

The potluck dinner starts at 6 pm. Campfire, marshmallows, singing, and stories to follow. Those wanting to camp overnight are welcome to stay and worship on Sunday morning

Camping is at Carver Park Reserve, near Victoria, in the southwest metro area. SpringHouse has reserved the Lake Zumbra Group camp site #2-the one with the stone shelter. Carver Park is about a 40 minute drive from SpringHouse. For maps, directions, more information please contact April Conlee at april.conlee@gmail.com or 612-385-0065.

Join the Huddle!

The Springhouse Huddle is a group of people who believe that one person can make a difference and a group can make real change. Weekly emails provide suggested actions - large and small - based on pending legislation, local and world events, or other political activities. We gather on the second Saturday of each month at 9 am to share thoughts, information, and resources to help keep us going in our work to improve our communities and the world. Our next meetings will be Saturday, June 9 and Saturday, July 14. For more information or to be added to the email list, contact Anna Bliss at akb@pobox.com

Reaching Out ...

Mission at our Doorstep

Save the dates to participate with First Christian in a week of local service projects here at SpringHouse and around the city. Mission At Our Doorstep is July 16-19, 2018. There will be variety of activities during the week. Some of the activities include: having a cook-out for the guests of St. Stephens Shelter; assembling Church World Service Hygiene Kits and School Kits; creating Bags of Grace; filling backpacks for Youth Link; participating in a packing session at Feed My Starving Children; and offering a Neighborhood Party on the Patio. All of SpringHouse (and friends of SpringHouse) is invited to join in Mission At Our Doorstep. Sign up sheets will be located in the North Sanctuary and booklets of the activities will be available soon! .

Come Meet Your Muslim Neighbors!

As our Muslim neighbors celebrate the sacred month of Ramadan this June, the Minnesota Council of Churches is excited to announce the Taking Heart Program, a series of open houses at area mosques organized in partnership with the Muslim American Society (MAS). Taking Heart is a program designed to bring Muslims, Christians, and members of other faith communities together for food and conversation during the Iftar meal which breaks Muslims' daily fast during Ramadan. Prior to the meal there will be an opportunity to learn about Islam and observe Muslims at prayer. The program is free and open to the public. To register, please visit: www.mnchurches.org For further information please contact Rev. Cynthia Bronson Sweigert, Taking Heart Organizer, at RevCBS11@gmail.com



Simpson Shelter Meal

Our next opportunity to serve the evening meal at Simpson Shelter will be Wednesday, June 6. We do not have a serving date in July, so the following opportunity will be August 7. We gather at Simpson United Methodist Church, 28th St. and First Ave., at 5:15 pm, serve dinner at 7 pm, and clean up afterward, finishing about 8:30 pm. Please sign up on the info table or with Mary (mandmvanderford@gmail.com)

Open Streets on Lyndale Avenue June 10

Sunday, June 10 is Open Streets on Lyndale Avenue between 22nd Street and 42nd Street from 11 am -5 pm. Lyndale Avenue will be closed between these points (with the exception of occasional places for cars to cross, most likely 28th Street is one). Biking, walking, yoga, strolling, blading, catching up with friends, and some good people watching. In addition to all of that fun, we at Salem add to the scene in our unique way. We'll get out our banners, pass out popsicles and enjoy the fun of being church in an eclectic and active neighborhood. The Discover Band will also play at the corner of 28th and Lyndale from 11:30-2:30! Come and enjoy this once-a-year event! For more information or questions, please contact Josh Jorstad at jjorstad@gmail.com or 715-505-2345. We'd especially love to have you as a volunteer to help set up and take down or pass out popsicles. Let us know you can help by signing up in the church sanctuary, or talk to Josh.



Donations are welcome to help cover the cost of providing this ministry to the neighborhood. (Look for special envelopes at church, or designate a donation in another way that works for you.) On a logistical note, plan your route to church and parking accordingly on June 10 (enter the Intermedia Arts lot from Aldrich, no access to TruStone).

Serving at Redeemer Care Center

On Thursday, June 14 we are serving the monthly birthday party at Redeemer Care Center at 31st and Lyndale. This is an afternoon party and the time commitment is 2:30-4 pm (arrive at 2:15 pm). We bring cake and then serve it for the residents. This is a great volunteer opportunity for all ages, and would be appropriate for a parent and younger child, too. Sign up at church to bring cake and/or help to serve.

**“We are a Spirit-led, welcoming,
 and bold Christian community,
 rooted in the neighborhood
 and striving to live faithfully in God’s world.”
 Salem Mission Statement**

Sunday School and Children’s Ministry

Sunday School News

Godly Play:

We will resume the Godly Play curriculum in the fall. During the summer, Deb Murphy will do “Art of the Covenant” (informal Sunday School) with the children as she has done in previous years, beginning at 9:30.



Many thanks to the volunteers who helped out with Godly Play this past year. We appreciate their flexibility and bravery in transitioning from the rotational model of past years to Godly Play, a Montessori influenced curriculum. These wonderful people are: Anna Bliss, Michael Vanderford, Kathy Hayden, Elaine Tucker, Rae Buzzell, Becki Whitaker, Emma Jorstad and Kiera Stegall. Mary Vanderford and Chris Nordeen helped with the Earth Day event., and Pastor Rhonda led the songs.

Wish List.

Part of transitioning to the Godly Play curriculum is acquiring some materials. We are in search of **small rugs**–for children to do their work on, **bookshelves**–no taller than 30”, and a **wood worker** to make wooden figures for the Godly Play stories

South Minneapolis Day Camp–June 18-22!

Be sure to register the kids in your life for the South Minneapolis Day Camp, to be held the week of June 18-22 at Bethel Lutheran, 4120 S 17th Avenue in Minneapolis. Kids in preschool through 8th grade are welcome to participate; high school youth can serve as shepherds or other helpers. For a registration form, visit <http://oursavioursmpls.org/day-camp.html> or talk with Pastor Rhonda.



Questions about Sunday School?

Contact April Conlee (april.conlee@gmail.com) or Nancy Curry (ncurry9107@comcast.net) or come to the Children’s Ministry team meetings, 1st Sunday of the month at noon.)

Youth News

Youth Group during the Summer:

Youth Group will continue throughout the summer! We will continue with having youth group in the youth room from 9:30am-10:20am. Although, this may change and be adapted throughout the summer. During the summer, youth group is available for all youth that are entering 6th grade and leaving high school. Please stay connected with updates and adaptations by getting subscribed to the Youth Ministry E-Newsletter. Connect with Jon to get subscribed. Get yourself signed up by doing one of the following.

- ◆ Text @db2kc8 to 81010.
- ◆ Or talk to Jon Bates to get yourself signed up!

Questions? Contact Youth Minister Jon Bates at 651-253-8494 or springhouseyouth@fccmpls.org

Upcoming Youth Activities

For questions about youth activities, please contact Youth Minister Jon Bates at springhouseyouth@fccmpls.org or 651-253-8494

Saturday, June 9, 10 am-1:30 pm

Mini-Golf and Lunch at Can-Can Wonderland

Let's go and play some mini golf! We'll end the outing with some lunch. We'll meet at SpringHouse and return at SpringHouse. Please RSVP with Jon for carpooling!

Third Thursday Turnout

Every single third Thursday, there'll be a gathering somewhere in the area of SpringHouse from 6:30-8:30 pm! Please stay connected as to where we'll meet by waiting for the Remind text the week of. the event.

Calendar

Week of June 3

Sun	6/3	9:00 am	Worship Service
	6/3	9:30 am	Informal Sunday School
	6/3	9:40 am	Adult Ed
	6/3	12:00 pm	Children's Ministry Team
Tue	6/5	8:15 am	Lectionary Bible Study at Walker Home
Wed	6/6	5:15 pm	Simpson Shelter Meal
Sat	6/9	9:00 am	Women's March Huddle Group
	6/9	10:00 am	Youth Mini-Golf outing

Week of June 10

Sun	6/10	OPEN STREETS ON LYNDALE	
	6/10	9:00 am	Worship Service
	6/10	9:30 am	Informal Sunday School
	6/10	9:40 am	Adult Ed
	6/10	12:00 pm	Green Team
	6/10	5:00 pm	Worship Around the Campfire
Tue	6/12	8:15 am	Lectionary Bible Study at Walker Home
Thu	6/14	2:15 pm	Redeemer Care Center Birthday Party
Sat	6/16	8:00 am	Share the Care (part 1)
	6/16	12:00 pm	Share the Care (part 2)

Week of June 17

Sun	6/17	9:00 am	Worship Service
	6/17	9:30 am	Informal Sunday School
	5/20	9:40 am	Adult Ed.
Mon-Fri	6/18-22	South Minneapolis Day Camp	
Mon	6/18	6:45 pm	Building & Grounds
Tue	6/19	8:15 am	Lectionary Bible Study at Walker Home
Wed	6/20	6:30 pm	Salem Executive Committee
	6/20	7:00 pm	Salem Council
Thu	6/21	6:30 pm	Youth Third Thursday Turnout

Week of June 24

Sun	6/24	9:00 am	Worship Service
	6/24	9:30 am	Informal Sunday School
Tue	6/26	8:15 am	Lectionary Bible Study at Walker Home
Wed	6/27	6:30 pm	Theology on Tap

Salem Calendar on the Salem Website

Did you know that our congregational calendar is available on our website? At www.discoversalem.org you can link to our calendar. For some events there are extra details included, too. Check it out.

Week of July 1

Sun	7/1	9:00 am	Worship Service
	7/1	9:30 am	Informal Sunday School
Tue	7/3	8:15 am	Lectionary Bible Study at Walker Home

Week of July 8

Sun	7/8	9:00 am	Worship Service
	7/8	9:30 am	Informal Sunday School
Tue	7/10	8:15 am	Lectionary Bible Study at Walker Home
Sat	7/14	9:00 am	Women's March Huddle Group
	7/14	SpringHouse Camping Trip	

Week of July 15

Sun	7/15	9:00 am	Worship Service
	7/15	9:30 am	Informal Sunday School
	7/15	5:00 pm	Worship Around the Campfire
Mon	7/16	6:45 pm	Building & Grounds
Tue	7/17	8:15 am	Lectionary Bible Study at Walker Home
Wed	7/18	6:30 pm	Salem Executive Committee
	7/18	7:00 pm	Salem Council
Thu	7/19	6:30 pm	Youth Third Thursday Turnout

June and July Birthdays

Wish these Salem members and friends a happy birthday! If you're new to Salem and would like your birthday listed, please contact Laurie in the office.



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| Lily Hoskamer – 6/6 | Paul Livdahl – 6/19 |
| Charlie Pieper – 6/7 | Bob Shorten – 6/28 |
| Kathy Sievwright – 6/7 | Kevin Salkas – 6/29 |
| Shannon Fast – 6/9 | Dona Varns – 7/1 |
| Roger Livdahl – 6/9 | Johan Baumeister – 7/15 |
| Kate Rime – 6/10 | Holly Benson – 7/15 |
| Michelle Ruppert – 6/13 | Megan Wolle – 7/18 |
| Paul Wharton – 6/13 | Jacentia Peña – 7/24 |
| Reva Swanson – 6/18 | Alex Nordeen – 7/31 |



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