

It's Sizzlin' Out There!!

But it's not just the weather!

No doubt the heat and humidity are prevalent in our minds and bodies right now. These conditions are at the very least uncomfortable for many and can be life-threatening for others. This is a good time to keep an eye out for neighbors; to offer a helping hand with mowing, grocery shopping or even just to check in with a friendly hello.

And these sizzling days of July and August also bring cause to give thanks and praise to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In this heat, I am reminded of the immensity of suffering that Jesus experienced in giving his life to atone for our human transgressions. Jesus died so that we may live, and in living share the good news of love and peace, grace and unity, freely and without reserve as we travel along our journeys.

Last month, Salem made the decision as congregation to be designated a "Reconciling in Christ" congregation, acknowledging that even as we have more to learn about ourselves and about all of God's children, we desire to do that, not in a vacuum, but in concert with a world in which human differences abound; with love for and honor of the unique beauty God has given to all as a reflection of God's own self.

This is a sign of the temperature here; the Holy Spirit is at work in us and through us as we "hotly" follow in the footsteps of Jesus, continuing to learn what it means to be disciples of Christ.

In the climate of our world today, it is crucial that we keep our hand on the plow as we follow Jesus; to spread God's love abundantly, and to build relationships where once there were walls.

***God's grace and peace always,
Pastor Sue***



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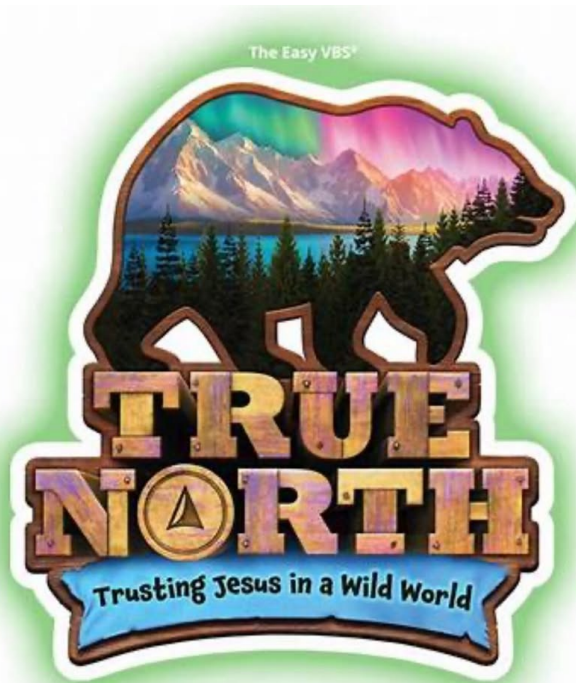
Jessica Clark

STEWARDSHIP

Allison Senkbeil

PASTOR

Sue Hoff



Join us on a wild adventure through the Alaskan tundra as we explore how easy it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world today. Point kids to our "True North"—JESUS!

Vacation Bible School

July 7-11, 2025

9:00AM-12:00Noon

Ages 3-7th Grade

Registration is now open!

Follow the link below to register

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc0QbNzsPE8iZSA3Aylj0KIDtYzFu240hIbZV4S5cDTUHNWlw/viewform?pli=1>

06/22/25 RRO Summary of Congregational Meeting Minutes

Jon Gustafson called the meeting to order at 12:06PM

Pastor Sue led with a prayer

Quorum determined

January 25, 2025 minutes approved by voice vote.

June 22, 2025 Congregational report approved by voice vote.

Budget update – thank you for your giving

Election process – Slate of nominees for council and committees was approved by voice vote.

Reconciling in Christ - Wendy Hilton-Morrow updated the process and Welcoming Statement. Vote to recognize Salem Lutheran Church as a Reconciling In Christ Church approved by paper ballot 48-1.

Pastor Sue recognized Steve Morford, Jon Gustafson, Mandy Bergeson, Camiel VanErstvelde and Deb Kronfeld as leaving council.

Closing prayer by Pastor Sue.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Kronfeld

Council Secretary



To our new Council:

Rita Gustafson

Nancy Patterson

Miranda Luder

Kim Luder

Becky VanErstvelde

Allison Senkbeil

David Long

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Youth News

Lizzie Dail Confirmation - June 22, 2025

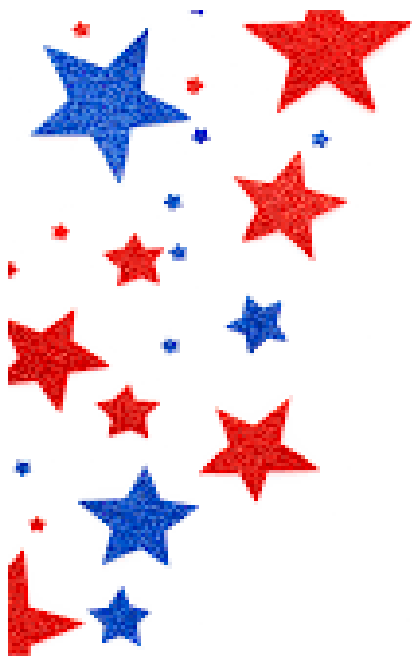


**Sunday School,
Wednesday Night Drop-In and
Children's Activities
will return in the Fall -
Have a great summer!**





Leadership Lab at Augustana College
Aiden, Ruby, Lizzie, Ava and Camiel spent the
week enriching their lives and faith with
others from across the country.
Thanks also to Sally, Miranda and Monika
for being leaders!



HAPPY
FOURTH
of **JULY**

Souper



Mark your calendars NOW!!

Sunday, September 28

12:30 PM

Join us for a fun afternoon of Trivia.

Home-made soups, salad, and desserts included!

\$10 per person
Tables seat 8

Friends, family, public!
All are welcome to join in the fun!

Mulligans will be
3 / \$5.00
(1 use per round)

6 Rounds -
10 questions each round

Individual or table registrations -

Call 309-764-5614 or email salem@salemmoline.org.

Make checks payable to Salem Lutheran Church
(memo - Trivia).

Reservations due by September 18

ALL proceeds will go to our community outreach program



Marianne Moore	7/2
Sarah Fausett	7/3
Larry Bigelow	7/4
Cathy Bigelow	7/6
Bianca Yuuvan	7/9
Linda Czupka	7/13
Darlene Hann	7/13
Gordon Kinhead	7/15
William Peterson	7/20
Emma Beierlein	7/21
Steve Hotchkiss	7/23
Linda Ontiveros	7/23
Blake Tillberg	7/23
Austin VanScoy	7/24
Chris Castle	7/26
Summer Keenan	7/27
Natalie Hoff	7/29
Tim Stockhecke	7/30

Memorials Received - June 2025

In Loving Memory of Betty Pyevich
Given by.....Mike Pyevich, Karen
Staes, Jennifer Quade and Brent
Teerlinck, Jeff Lind, Barb Kirkhus



Cathie Anderson and Denise Gidel



SERENITY CIRCLE

will start up again
in the fall.

Watch this space
for more information.

Stewardship Statistics

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	May Actual	May Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Income	\$15,676.43	\$13,462.20	\$82,898.86	\$68,973.15
Expenses	\$21,298.52	\$24,551.33	\$106,546.85	\$116,155.91
Net Income	(\$5,621.93)	(\$11,089.13)	(\$23,647.99)	(\$47,182.76)

A T T E N D A N C E

Date	Sunday	Public	Private	YouTube	Total
May 4	53	56	30	0	139
May 11	61	64	34	10	169
May 18	59	0	0	0	59
May 25	39	38	1	0	78

Altar Flower Sponsor Schedule

July 2025

July 6	Laura Crumbleholme
July 13	Karin Martin
July 20	Linda Ontiveros and Annette Dietz
July 27	Jay and Wendy Morrow

Altar Guild / Worship July 2025

Paraments -

Communion Set up - Rick Jones

Greeters

July 6	Rita Gustafson
July 13	Darlene Hann
July 20	Deb Kronfeld
July 27	Deb Kronfeld

Assisting Ministers - July 2025

Sunday	Assistant
July 6	Jon Gustafson
July 13	Lizzie Dail
July 20	David Long
July 27	Allison Senkbeil

Salem Lutheran Church

1724 15th Street
Moline, IL 61265
309-764-5614

www.salemmoline.org

Worship: Sunday

Fellowship: 9:45am

Service: 10:45

Office Hours:

Monday thru Friday
8:00AM to 12:00PM



The Salem-Willard Outreach Committee will be collecting school supplies during the summer months for the Willard School students' 2025-26 school year. Below are items the teachers have indicated will help the students at Willard. The items may be placed in the Willard barrel. **Deadline will be August 10.**

THANK YOU for your support.

2025-2026 School Year Willard School Items

Expo Dry Erase Markers

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Wipes Disinfectant

Boxes of Kleenex

Box of Washable Markers (Classic Colors)

Crayons – 24 count **Crayola brand only please**

Plastic Boxes for Crayons

Zip Lock Bags – Quart, Gallon and Sandwich size

Glue Sticks

Plain color two pocket folders with and without prongs

Wide Ruled Spiral Notebooks

Last, But Not Least....

Attention Salem Golfers and volunteers!

As we are not having our golf outing this year, we want to throw our support behind the LSSI Golf Outing. Please see the information below, get your foursome registered, or sign up to volunteer, and have some fall fun!

Registration due by August 29.

Thank you!

 **Lutheran Social Services of Illinois**



2nd Annual

Chip in Fore Children Charity Golf Outing

**Saturday, September 13, 2025
1 p.m. Shotgun Start**

Register your team by April 30, 2025 and receive 20 free raffle tickets for your team.

**Four-Person Scramble, \$300/Team
Golf Cart, Lunch, and Goodie Bag Included
Raffle Prizes & Games on Golf Course**

**Highland Springs Golf Course
9500 35th Street W, Rock Island, IL 61201**



Join fellow golfers, foster parents, and community members for a day of friendly competition for a cause. Funds raised will benefit local foster care programs.

Visit LSSI.org/Golf or scan the QR code to learn more and register.

Questions? Contact Andrea McClean at 309.373.3728