



Salem Lutheran Church

We are all God's children reflecting His love

May, 2026

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Secretary - *Beverly Ramey*

Treasurer - *Kristy Johnson*

Education & Youth - *Sarah Johnson & Carleigh Kuhlman*

Fellowship & Discipleship—
Suzanne Hulett & Beverly Ramey

Property - *Jesse Johnson & David Lundin*

Worship & Music -
Donovan Erickson

Joy In This Easter Season

I write this thinking of all of you with gratitude. I am blessed. I wake up each morning full of joy as I imagine spending my day with you.

This joy is congruent with this Easter season. Easter is the oldest of the church's season, and the source of all others. The ancient name for Easter is "Pascha," from the Greek and Hebrew words for Pass-over, for Christ, our paschal lamb, has given us hope, hope that can only come from the gift to us in Christ's resurrection. (1 Corinthians 5:7).

This month of May, we live and breathe the entire Easter season in our texts each week. Easter is not a single day but a season of forty-nine days, a "week of weeks." It is a season of joy and praise, of wonder and mystery, for the power of God has reversed the power of everything that troubles and plagues us. Jesus, this carpenter from Galilee and an unlikely victor, has conquered sin and death. And all these extraordinary gifts are given to us so that Christ may live in us. So Christ may live in you. And Christ living in you is what I see.

Each week as we gather for worship, each day I spend with you, I learn who you are, and who you are reveals resurrection promise to me. In each of you, in every encounter, I see Christ working. Who you are and the faith you share with me remind me that we are in this together as we, just ordinary folk, bear Christ's promise to our little worlds around us.

It is from the joy of the resurrection promise and joy that I am writing this little letter to you. I see you. I see that you are gift. I see that you are beloved. You bear Christ's resurrection promise. I am given a gift. How can I not feel anything but joy?

Pastor Kae

Let's Talk!

We lift up in prayer:

WE HOLD UP Sophia Gillson, Sandy Quale's Great Niece, Craig Engstrom, Dani Illg, and Kurt Koester IN SPECIAL PRAYERS.



To the SPARKS and their leaders for your hard work in cleaning up the cemetery. It is very appreciated by The Cemetery Committee and congregation.

Reminder: Starting on June 7th

Worship service starts at 9:00 AM and Fellowship at 10:00 AM



Worship MINISTRY

DATE	GREETERS	LAY READER	COMMUNION ASST	ALTAR GUILD
May 3	Lisa Johnson & Kyle Oeffling	Keith Engstrom	Keith Engstrom	Shirley Illg
May 10	William & Deb Alferness	Corine Elton	Keith Engstrom	Alaina Norby
May 17	Lisa Johnson & Kyle Oeffling	Larry Lindquist	Keith Engstrom	Annie Johnson
May 24	Cindy Johnson	Sally Shugren	Keith Engstrom	Shirley Illg
May 31	Doug & Lina Latvala	Keith Engstrom	Keith Engstrom	TBD

**Salem Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

President David Lundin called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

OPENING PRAYER

Jesse provided the opening prayer.

ROLL CALL

The following Council Members were present: Executive Committee – Pastor Kae, Beverly Ramey, David Lundin, Kristy Johnson, and Keith Engstrom. Council Members – Jesse Johnson and Sarah Johnson. Youth Representative – Carleigh Kuhlman. Members absent – Donovan Erickson and Suzanne Hulett.

SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORTS

SECRETARY REPORT

The March Meeting Minutes were distributed via email in March and approved by Council on March 18, 2026.

TREASURER/FINANCIAL REPORT

The March Financial report was distributed and reviewed. A motion to accept the report was made by Beverly Ramey and 2nd by Jesse Johnson. Motion carried.

SALEM/SILOA BENEVOLENT FINANCIAL REPORT

No report.

PASTOR REPORT:

Pastor Kae started March 1st.

Pastor presided over Wednesday Lenten services as well as attending the Men's breakfast, 3 home visits, and the Swede's breakfast.

There are 3 first communicants. Class and service was Maundy Thursday. Landen, Colton, Emma Pastor submitted mileage & expenses of \$86.61 and \$36.35. A motion to accept and reimburse Pastor was made by Kristy Johnson and 2nd by Beverly Ramey. Motion carried.

Pastor and Marty made an offer on a home east of Grandy and will be moving from St. Paul.

Pastor has upcoming time away. April 23-26, May 16-18, and June 23-25. For the April and May times, Sue Olson will cover pastor care and Danny Reinschmidt will be leading services and preaching.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education & Youth – Carleigh Kuhlman and Sarah Johnson

Sparks last meeting will be May 20th. April 15th Sparks will do branch cleanup in the church cemetery.

Sunday school will end for the spring on May 17th.

Fellowship & Discipleship – Suzanne Hulett and Beverly Ramey

No report

Property – David Lundin & Jesse Johnson

Mower maintenance = Blades.

Spring cleanup for the yard at a date to be determined.

The Fellowship Hall handicap button was fixed by Jesse Johnson. It needed batteries.

Stewardship - Keith Engstrom = No report.

Worship & Music - Don Erickson

The usher list was included in the newsletter for April

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

Lenten weekly offerings totaled around \$30. Motion by Beverly and 2 nd by Keith to deposit this to the general fund.

New picture needed of Council for the website.

Salem/Siloa 5 th Sunday joint healing service will be discontinued.

Kitchen supplies purchaser discussion. Kitchen leaders need to keep a list and provide it to a council member. If purchases are made by someone, receipts need to be turned in for reimbursement.

Council will take a new photo at the next council meeting on May 13 th at 6 pm.

Discussion on the start of service and bell ringing. The bell is rang at the start of service.

Pastor Kae's installation Sunday is May 10 th . Bishop Jen Nagel will be doing the installation service.

Adobe Acrobat Pro will be purchased for the church's use. The cost is \$15.

Reminder for all committees to get the information they oversee to Mandy.

MAY RESPONSIBILITIES – Keith Engstrom

May meeting is May 13 th at 6 pm. Council photo at the start of the meeting.

CLOSING PRAYER – Pastor Kae

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Kristy, second by Carleigh, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.

May 2026

May 3rd	10:00am- 11:30am-	Worship service Fellowship
May 5th-	8:30 am- 7:00 pm	Women's Breakfast @ 8:30 am at the Everyday Cafe Cambridge Salem Saints vs First Baptist @ Salem Lutheran Church Ball field Swamp Dogs vs New Hope Cambridge 1 @ Sandquist Field 5
May 6th-	8:00 am- 10:00 am- 12:00 pm- 6:15 pm-	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study @ 8am at the Park Cafe in Braham Admin Office Hours Pastor Office Hours Sparks/ Confirmation
May 8th-	10:00 am-	Admin Office Hours
May 10th-	10:30 am- 11:30am-	Worship service Fellowship (Pastor Kae's Installation)
May 12th-	8:30 am- 7:00 pm	Bobbin Feeders Salem Saints vs Oxlip Ballhawks @ Oxlip Evangelical Free Church Ball field Swamp Dogs vs Karmel 1 @ Karmel Church Ball Field
May 13th-	8:00 am- 10:00 am- 12:00 pm- 6:00 pm	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study @ 8am at the Park Cafe in Braham Admin Office Hours Pastor Office Hours Council Meeting
May 15th-	10:00 am-	Admin Office Hours
May 17th-	10:30 am- 11:30am-	Worship service Fellowship
May 19th	7:00 pm	Salem Saints vs Karmel @ Karmel Covenant Church Ball field Swamp Dogs vs Cross Point 5 @ Salem Lutheran Church Ball field
May 20th-	8:00 am- 10:00 am- 12:00 pm- 6:15 pm-	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study @ 8am at the Park Cafe in Braham Admin Office Hours Pastor Office Hours Sparks/ Confirmation
May 22nd-	10:00 am-	Admin Office Hours
May 24th-	10:30 am- 11:30am-	Worship service Fellowship
May 25th-	8:00 am-	Memorial Day Service @ Salem Cemetery; fellowship refreshments to follow
May 26th-	8:30 am- 7:00 pm	Bobbin Feeders Salem Saints vs New Hope Isanti @ Sandquist Field 2 Swamp Dogs vs New Hope Cambridge 2 @ Salem Lutheran Church Ball field
May 27th-	8:00 am- 10:00 am- 12:00 pm-	Men's Breakfast & Bible Study @ 8am at the Park Cafe in Braham Admin Office Hours Pastor Office Hours
May 28th-	9:00 am-	Swede's Breakfast @ Dusty Eagle
May 29th-	10:00 am-	Admin Office hours
May 31st-	10:30 am- 11:30 am -	Worship Service Fellowship



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