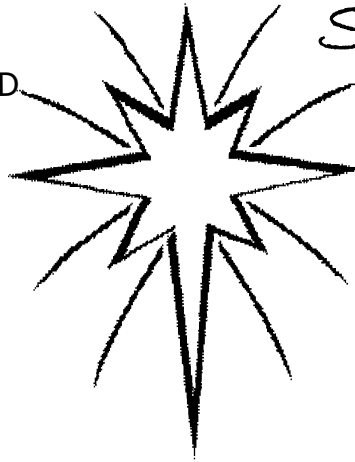
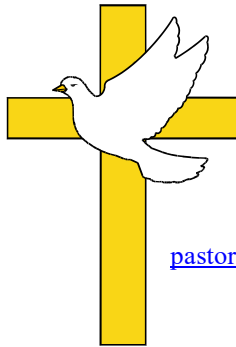


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Pastor's Ponderings

He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

Easter joy and blessing to you all.

What a pleasure it is to worship and celebrate with each other.

God continues to bless us as we partner with God. God's word came to us and dwelt among us. And now that word is shared to the world through the Bible and through us. We are part of the people called to make disciples of all nations. We are sent out to share the news that Jesus loves us and the world with no hesitation or reservation. That calls for rejoicing and thanksgiving. In the days ahead, whether difficult or easy know that you God's beloved people. Take courage, strength and hope taking one step at a time into the future.


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*Blessings,
Pastor*





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PUZZLE 

PLANT, WATER, GROW

Building a faith community takes work. How did the church in Corinth come to be?

Directions: Use the code to fill in the words and complete a teaching of the apostle Paul.

KEY

 = God	 = grow
 = seed	 = one
 = planted	 = anything
 = watered	 = only

I _____ the _____, Apollos _____ it,
but _____ has been making it _____.
So neither the _____ who plants nor the _____
_____ who waters is _____,
but _____, who makes things _____.

1 Corinthians 3:6-7, NIV

Answer: planted, seed, watered, God, grow, one, one, anything, only, God, grow

Salem Lutheran Church

February 11, 2024, at 10:15 AM

Council Members Present: Pastor Nancy Jaster, Lydia Strakos, Cheryl Caraway, Karen Caraway, Dave McAfee, Lindsey Smith, Dottie Caldwell, Dorothy and Eddie Witt

Prayer Concerns: New—Ronnie Riske, having shingles.

Approval of Ageda: Dave moved to approve, Karen seconded, motion passed.

Approval of Minutes from previous meeting: Minutes not available; will be approved at next meeting.

Reports:

Treasurer: Report not complete yet, will report next meeting.

Pastor: Submitted as information.

Proclaim: Nothing to report.

Nurture: "Jesus is Everywhere", tiny Jesus' were spread around the church today. Discussion about Children's Church included a suggestion that the Sunday council member could help with that.

Response:

- Easter Egg Hunt and possible brunch.
- Get together Wednesday Lenten dinner sign-up sheets.
- Senior sendoff tentative date set for May 19, need to reach out to graduate and families for confirmation; have cake for each graduate with school colors.
- Something new...possible Summer Kick-off: outdoor movie night, check on streaming and cost.

Property: Reported that the motion light between the sanctuary and office building had been stolen and has been replaced.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Went over the Council Person Duties.
- Discussed and decided upon our Lent Offering Designations: The Food Pantry and The Harbor.
- Discussed authorizing MIF online services needing online administrators for online transfer only (ACH set up). Decided to keep Keith as the chairman of investment funds endowment and have Pastor Nancy Jaster, Terri Malaer, and Karen Caraway as the online administrators. Dave moved to use the MIF Online Services, Dorothy seconded, motion passed.
- It was stated that Lindsey, Clay, and Joel are on the Audit Committee for 2024.
- Decided that individuals would donate lilies for Easter.

- Discussion about Oasis. There is \$8,285 in the local social ministry fund. Pastor suggested to donate \$2,000 for the first year of liability insurance for the Oasis board and volunteers. Karen suggested that Salem Lutheran Church should get some sort of recognition if we decide to do this, such as write up in newspaper, Facebook, or picture with big check in newspaper. Dorothy moved to make a donation up to \$2,000 for the first year of insurance for the Oasis, Dave seconded, motion passed.
- Filled out the FNB Night Deposit Agreement with Karen Caraway, Pastor Nancy Jaster, Terri Malaer and Cheryl Caraway being the signers.

Dates to Remember:

Mid-week meals start February 21st,
Easter is March 31st,
Polka Band is May 5th.

Adjournment: Dorothy moved to adjourn, Karen seconded, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Caraway, Secretary

Next Council Meeting is Sunday, April 14th.

TREASURER'S REPORT

(Income/Expenditure Chart (Rounded off to nearest dollar))

	Income	Expenses	Month Gain (Loss)
January	\$ 16,600.00	\$ 19,382.00	\$ (2,782.00)
February	\$ 23,915.00	\$ 19,987.00	\$ 3,928.00
YEAR END TOTALS	\$ 40,515.00	\$ 39,369.00	\$ 1,146.00

*March's offering currently totals - \$11,562.
A complete March expense report was not finalized for
the April newsletter.*



"Sharing the Love of Christ"
ATTENDANCE:

<u>SUNDAYS of March:</u>	<u>03</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>31</u>
Worship Service:	45	47	36	52	N/A



**Please call the office with
corrections or additions
to Birthday's and
Anniversaries**

5th: Cathy Hahn
10th: Brooke Ruddick
14th: Trace Myers
17th: Steve Bales
17th: Vera Hahn
17th: Caroline O'Donnell
22nd: Larena Kern
22nd: Ron Riske, Jr.
30th: David Hahn

SAVE THE DATES:

It's a Polka Party! Sunday, May 5, 2024
There will be a brunch in the Fellowship Hall
after worship!



Senior Sending 2024, Sunday May 19, 2024
Seniors we will be recognizing are Ashley
Anderson, Callie Brown and Ebin Ham. If
you know of a Senior who needs recogniz-
ing, please let Pastor know.

Our Prayer Concerns ...

Please help us keep our Prayer list up to date and call the church office at 361-552-9379 with Answered Prayers, New prayer concerns or Continued prayer concerns.

Our Prayer list helps us focus on those with specific needs whether they are members, family or friends.

ANSWERED PRAYERS:

NEW PRAYER CONCERNS:

Ebin Ham	Krysten Smalley-Navarro	Chase Piwetz
Maybelle Cassel	Whitney McAfee	Dorthy Caraway
Wayne Caraway	Dustin Caraway	Janie Garza
Kelly Tomlison	Ruthie Boyd-Robertson	Kathy Raven
Billy Guenther		

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:

Bill Sturm	Alma Wehmeyer	Craig Sturm
Tyler Tesch	William Witt	Nelson Scroggins
Joyce Schaefer	Cecil Boyd	

MORADA SENIOR LIVING RESIDENT: Ruth Hahn

THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY:

THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES: