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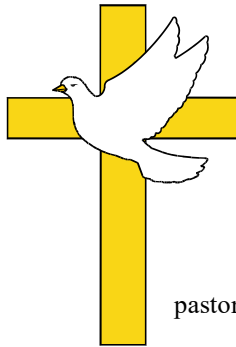


 February 2026

**NEW* From Pastor's Corner*
February is Salem's
Food Pantry Collection month!

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!





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“ Sharing the Love of Christ “

Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 8:00AM to 4:00PM
(Closed for lunch from 11:00-1:00PM)

Pastor	Pastor Nancy Jaster	630-605-8528
Office Manager	Terri Malaer	920-4013
Financial Secretary	Retha Hahn	920-1248
Choir Director	Kay Ham	484-5386
Organists	William Hahn, Jr.	552-7750
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Prayer Chain	Steve Bales	482-6646
Clothing God's Children		
	Gail Wehmeyer	920-0826
Altar Guild Leader	Retha Hahn	920-1248

Executive Council

President	Steve Bales	482-6646
Vice President		
Secretary	Cheryl Caraway	801-244-1368
Treasurer	Karen Blinka	649-8241

Council Ministry Teams

Proclaim		
Nurture	Dottie Caldwell	571-0668
Response	Larena Hahn	746-0999
Property	Bobby Hahn	655-4318

Pastor's Corner

Greetings all,

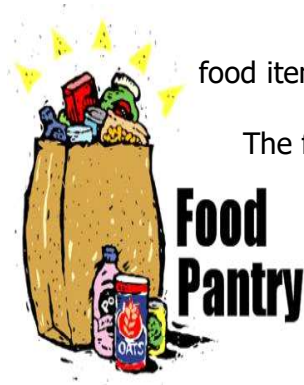
Thank you all for being flexible and faithful as we moved the Annual Meeting to Sunday, Feb. 1. because of the storm. While I wish we could have had worship and the meeting on Jan. 25, the storm caused a power outage here on Sunday morning, beginning at a little after 9:00. I am thankful for all those folks who got out in that weather to get the power back on.

I look forward to seeing you all on Feb 1, as we worship and plan for the year ahead. You all play an important part in Salem's ministry. Please plan to be here as we go forward together.

Blessings,
Pastor

It is our turn!

February is Salem's month
for collecting
canned goods or non perishable
food items for the Calhoun County Food Pantry!



The food pantry is particularly in need of:

Peanut Butter
Canned Tuna
Canned Chicken
1LB. bags of Rice



FEBRUARY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Annual Congregational Meeting was
POSTPONED to February 1, 2026!**
**The meeting will be held in the Sanctuary directly following
worship AND NO Pot-Luck this time.**

*The church office will be closed on
Friday, February 6th.*



CALHOUN COUNTY COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

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plfoodpantry@gmail.com

January 1, 2025

Salem Luthern

Thank you for your contribution in the amount of \$2480.60 made to Calhoun County Community Ministries in 2025. Calhoun County Community Ministries is an exempt organization as described in section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code Federal Tax ID # 76-0129997. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your contribution.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness, support and generosity.

Cristal Freudensprung

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Administrator
Calhoun County Community Ministries

Salem Lutheran Church

January 11, 2026, at 10:15 AM
(unofficial)

Council Members Present: Pastor Nancy Jaster, Cheryl Caraway, Karen Bilinka, Bobby Hahn, Larena Hahn, Dorothy and Eddie Witt.

Prayer Concerns: Marvin Strakos

Approval of Agenda: Cheryl moved to approve, Karen seconded, motion passed to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes from previous meeting: Pastor moved to approve, Eddie seconded, motion passed to approve December minutes.

Reports:

Treasurer: 2025 Year-end totals were a positive \$8,956.

Pastor: Submitted as information.

Proclaim: Nothing new to report.

Nurture: Nothing new to report.

Response: Nothing new to report.

Property: Pastor had the irrigation water disconnected. Bobby will be painting the bell soon.

Old Business:

- Need to inform the nomination committee to get 2026 council nominations together. Lydia Strakos has been excused from the committee.
- Discussed the 2026 Proposed Budget. The QuickBooks Subscription line item will be modified to \$2500 for the 2026 proposal.
- Reminder to get the annual reports to Terri.

New Business:

- Reviewed the agenda and ballot for the annual meeting. The ballot will need to be updated.
- The senior sending date was discussed and decided to be May 17, 2026. Calhoun High School graduation will be May 22, 2026.

Calendar: All ok.

Dates to Remember:

- Annual Meeting, January 25, 2026
- Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2026
- 1st Sunday of Lent, February 22, 2026

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

Respectfully Submitted,
Cheryl Caraway, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

(a full report was not available for newsletter)

January's offering totaled:

\$ 36,911.47



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



Virginia Hahn; 2nd
Dale Hahn; 3rd
Ryan Strakos; 7th
Michael Caraway; 8th
Forest Canion; 9th
Marshall Smith; 9th
William Bales; 10th
Sheridan Franke; 10th
Logan Smith; 10th

Brittney Rothmann; 10th
Katelyn Rothmann; 14th
Martha Caldwell; 20th
Kelli Kurtz; 21st
Dorthy Caraway; 26th
Kristel Knipling; 26th
Alfred Adame; 28th

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ATTENDANCE:

SUNDAYS of January:

<u>04</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>25</u>
59	45	45	Bad Weather



Don't forget to pick up your copy of the 2025 Annual Report and the new 2026 SLC Telephone Directory!
You can find the in the Narthex.

Ash Wednesday is February 18, 2026
and the beginning of Lent.

On the Wednesday evenings of Lent, we will be holding the
Holden Evening Prayer Service
and will have a
Soup & Sandwich meal at 6PM before worship.

Coming soon ...



SENIOR SENDING will be on May 17, 2026
Do you know a graduating senior
that needs to be recognized?
Please let Pastor know,
or call the church office.

SALEM'S PRAYER REQUESTS:

ANSWERED PRAYERS:

NEW PRAYER CONCERNS:

Marvin Strakos	Ronnie Sturm	Courtney Felder-Dodd
Dorothy Caraway	Brent Marek	Richard Horn
Lloyd Bales	Debra Harabis	Serenity Harabis
Aaron Ray Harabis	Asher Harabis	Dustin Caraway
Jack Thormahlen	Margaret Gosnell	Martha Smith
Janie Garza	Kelly Tomlison	Billy Guenther

CONTINUED PRAYER CONCERNS:

Virginia Hahn	Damon Vickery	Joyce Schaefer
Rita Boudreaux		

HIS SAFE HARBOR: Marilyn Jaster

SOLDALIS SENIOR LIVING RESIDENTS: Ruth Hahn

TRINITY SHORES RESIDENTS: Bobby and Margaret Gosnell
Vera Hahn Paul Kelm
Geradine Sturm

THOSE WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES:

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.