



THE LAMPLIGHTER

Presbyterian Church of West Salem

April 2025

Trusting in the saving grace of Jesus Christ and guided by the Presbyterian tradition, the vision of the Presbyterian Church of West Salem is to provide a friendly and open environment that encourages spiritual growth for people of all ages.

From the Pastor's Desk....

I just preached what might have been the worst sermon since I've come to PCOWS!

Last night we had a bad storm that led to us cancelling the Lenten Soup Supper and going entirely virtual for the prayer service. There were some unexpected technical difficulties, but even without those, I was just standing in front of my computer, staring at my camera, trying not to look at the image my computer was sending of me, and...

UGH.

All that poise and flexibility so many of you have complimented in me just went out the window. I was an absolute wreck.

It was a neat reminder of how important we all are in the process, even when it is something like a sermon, where one would assume that all you all do is sit and listen while I talk. But you don't, you interact in small ways that give me energy and help me craft the sermon.

I'm not saying we're just going to cancel services outright in the future... I'll just need to remember to have a more scripted sermon when my audience is entirely virtual. But it is a fun reminder that the ministry of the church involves all of... even when we can only see one person active.

Pastor Dan



**CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION**

Sunday School
9 am

Sunday Bible Study
9-9:45 am
Galilee Room

Youth Group (Jr. High through High Schoolers)
6-7 pm at Church

Confirmation Classes
9:15 am in Chapel

Nursery

*Available for 4K and
under only
No staffing available*



**Presbyterian Church
Community Dinner**



Wednesday, April 23rd
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.
In-House



Handbells Rehearsals
Rehearsal on April 10th
No rehearsal on Thursday, April 3rd
or April 17th



Choir Rehearsals
Rehearsals on April 10th and
Wednesday, April 2nd after Lenten Service
No rehearsal on April 17th



May 31st
11:30 – 4:30 pm
Fellowship Hall

Need more information
contact Vicki Arndt at 608-790-1210,
email Arndt.vicki@gmail.com, or
catch me in church!



Hospital Visits 2025

If you have anyone in the hospital who would like a pastoral visit, please call a deacon listed below and they will contact Pastor Dan with your request. This includes yourself, family or friends.

Deacons List:

Diana Engel: 608-786-1560
Helen Harold: 608-786-0856
Sara Oldenburg: 608-304-9926
Valerie Olson: 608-786-1834
Lois Sanwick: 608-788-5443
Kris Seeger: 608-786-2696 (Home)
608-461-1599 (Cell)
Diana Swim: 608-386-9606
Karen Quackenbush: 608-786-0992
(Home)



**We will be serving Easter Breakfast before church
on Easter Sunday, April 20th
We will be serving from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.**

**The menu is egg bakes, sausages,
fruit and muffins.**

**If anyone can furnish an egg bake
we would appreciate it!**

You can call or tell us in church.

Pam Twining, 608.498.1190

Vickie Bain, 608.769.3041

Sherry Bonsall, 608.786.1280



April 2nd at 6:30 pm

April 9th at 6:30 pm

***Lenten Soup Suppers will be from
5:30pm - 6:15pm***

Maundy Thursday April 17th at 6:30 pm

Palm Sunday is April 13th

Easter is April 20th

Communion Sunday April 6th



THANK YOU - Deacons & Pastor Dan of The Presbyterian Church of West Salem.

We very much appreciate the loving kindness you gave to our mother, Maraveen Mayer. You made her final years more interesting and worth living for. Your blessing won't be forgotten.

Sincerely, James Mayer and Thomas Mayer

Prayer Chain:

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| Becky Auna | 608.786.0097 |
| Rose Cooper | 608.369.3848 |
| Sharon Cullmann | 608.797.1732 |
| Diana Engel | 608.786.1560 |
| Helen Harold | 608.786.0856 |
| Vickie Holt | 608.786.1659 |
| Sharon Shaw | 608.786.0653 |



*Fellowship Time
in the Fellowship Hall
9:30 am*



Tabitha Circle

1st and 3rd Mondays
from 11:30-2:30
Bring a Lunch

**Tithes and Offerings
can be mailed to:**

Presbyterian Church of West Salem
PO Box 861
West Salem, WI 54661



Birthdays to Celebrate in April 2025

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Anne Galbraith | April 01 |
| Jamie Holt | April 01 |
| Bethany McAlister | April 01 |
| Cindy Bergh | April 02 |
| Jackie Siekert | April 02 |
| Molly Baker | April 03 |
| Evelyn Raymer | April 03 |
| Barry Schimke | April 06 |
| Mary Griffin | April 07 |
| Charles Wehrs | April 07 |
| Mike Fisher | April 08 |
| Coyah Hill | April 08 |
| Olivia Hopkins | April 08 |
| Wesley Sweet | April 08 |
| Samuel Horton | April 10 |
| Scott Horton | April 13 |
| Logan Oldenburg | April 13 |
| Rick Brown | April 15 |
| Brianna Holt | April 15 |
| Daniel Wolbrink | April 16 |
| Susan Hicks | April 17 |
| Fred Otto | April 17 |
| David Griffin | April 18 |
| Laura Lusk | April 18 |
| Sara Oldenburg | April 18 |
| Pat Meyer | April 21 |
| Erika Crusan | April 23 |
| Adrian Rice | April 23 |
| Kari Schuster | April 23 |
| Lily Oldenburg | April 24 |
| Rachel Brummond | April 26 |
| Steve Anderson | April 27 |
| Tim Rogers | April 28 |
| Lydia Sells | April 28 |
| Jamie Mattson | April 29 |



Exercise Group
Not on April 1st, 15th or 18th
Tuesdays and Fridays
9-10 AM
Fellowship Hall

April 2025 Worship Teams

Liturgists

Sound Room

April 2nd
April 6th
April 9th
April 13th
April 17th
April 20th
April 27th

Helen Harold

Dan Wolbrink
Jenni Loding
Nancy Olson
Barbara Hopkins

Kelly Crusan
Brynn Loding
Kelly Crusan
Elsa Wolbrink
Kelly Crusan
Lily Oldenburg
Gideon Wolbrink

Music: Greg Meeuwsen, Caroline Sells, Vicki Arndt, Julie Baker
Head Usher: Richard Calvetti
Communion: Kelly Crusan, Barbara Hopkins, Diana Swim, Kristjan Sells, Vickie Bain, Sara Oldenburg

DEACONS

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| <i>Class of 2025</i> | Helen Harold Kris Seeger Diana Engel | Diana Swim Lois Sanwick |
| <i>Class of 2026</i> | Karen Quackenbush Sara Oldenburg | Valerie Olson |

ELDERS

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|----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <i>Class of 2025</i> | Mike Siekert Shawn McAlister | Shayna Arndt Pamela Twining |
| <i>Class of 2026</i> | Chris Winther Charles Engel | Jenni Loding Nick Miller |
| <i>Class of 2027</i> | Kelly Crusan Kristjan Sells | Barbara Hopkins Vickie Bain |



Would you like a visit from the Pastor? You are important to the Presbyterian Church of West Salem. Please contact the church office if you would like a pastoral visit or to set up an appointment with the pastor. Call 608-786-0910



Thank you

Janice and Jerry Seeger for planting and harvesting the Community Garden for the last several years. Janice and Jerry Seeger are retiring from the Community Garden this year.

Volunteers are really needed to keep the garden going. If anyone can help us out with the garden, we would really appreciate it.

Please call the office at 608-786-0910 or Sherry Bonsall at 608-786-1280

March 2025 Session Highlights

- Approved replacement of the humidistat system on the sanctuary piano
- Approved the Red Cross holding blood drives in the Fellowship Hall
- Approved a sandwich sale fundraiser at Hansen's IGA
- Approved an Easter egg hunt
- Approved updates to several church operations documents and forms

The ongoing mission of **The Presbyterian Women** is to support the Salvation Army and WINN (What I Need Now) by collecting needed items. This list will be updated as their needs change.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Salvation Army and WINN Needs

Towels, Sheets (twin sized, preferred), Pillows, Gloves, Sweatshirts (all sizes, kids thru adult), Sweatpants (all sizes, kids thru adult), New underwear (men and women), Shampoo, Conditioner, Nail clippers, Brushes, Deodorant
men's warm, waterproof winter gloves: large and extra large sizes, face masks for cold weather, men's long underwear sets: medium, large and extra large sizes, gently used warm winter jackets are always needed,
\$10 Gift cards from McDonald's, Kwik Trip and Subway
Cash donations are needed to purchase items in bulk with tax exempt status

All items can be placed in the purple tote at the back of the sanctuary, and we will get the items to the correct organization.

Please submit newsletter information
to the office by the 15th of each month:
preschurchws@gmail.com

Stay Connected!

Visit our website: www.presbyterianchurchwestsalem.com



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Sunday Worship 10:15 am

OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Dan McCurdy • Monday through Thursday 8:45 am. - 2:00 pm.

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