

# Youth and Family Ministries

September 2017

## Quick Reference

We welcome God's children of all ages to join us in worship on Saturday afternoons at 4:30 or on Sunday mornings at 8:30.

Sunday School meets on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45. Except when otherwise noted on the Sunday School calendar. Children beginning 4K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade from our church and community are welcome to participate in Sunday School.

Confirmation Classes meet on Wednesday nights. Classes begin at 6:15 and end at 7:30 unless otherwise noted on the syllabus. Students are welcome to enroll as early as 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Our Confirmation program is a 3 year program that combines study of scripture, faith application, prayer, worship, discipleship, and fellowship.

JR Youth Fellowship is open to children from 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade. JR Youth meets once a month from September-May. They generally meet after Sunday School until noon, except when they have special activities or events planned.

SR Youth Fellowship welcomes youth from 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade. SR Youth Fellowship meets once a month from September-May. They generally meet on Sunday evenings at 6:30pm, except when they have special activities or events planned.

Sticky Faith is a ministry for intergenerational faith formation and fellowship that happens 3 times during the program year. Sticky Faith is open to all. Children may attend without parents when they are in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade-12<sup>th</sup> grade.

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!



Salem is gathering a team of volunteers to serve at the mobile food pack at St Paul's Lutheran church in Falls on October 14 from 1:30-3:30pm .

**All ages are welcome to come and serve.**

Please sign up online by going to our website:  
[www.salemuccplywi.org](http://www.salemuccplywi.org)

You'll find a link to the signup under the 'Latest News' tab

Or by signing up in the Gathering Area by Sept 1

Space is VERY limited at this event; please sign up and commit as soon as possible we'd love to have you on our team!



And coffee hour will be held in fellowship hall on  
**September 10** immediately following worship.  
Refreshments will be served, learn about faith formation opportunities for all ages, tour our classrooms, meet teachers, and celebrate Faith Formation Sunday with your church family

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### Are you a Thrivent member?

Did you know that each Thrivent account holders can request grants to Thrivent for up to \$250 twice per year to help fund ministry/mission projects that they are a part of?

If you're a member, contact Marsha in the church office and she'll walk you through the process on how you can help the church fund special ministry projects.



Sunday School begins on Sept 10! Registration is now open for our Sunday School program. To register, go to our church's website [www.salemuccplywi.org](http://www.salemuccplywi.org), look under the Faith Formation tab. Paper forms are also available in the Gathering Area at church.

We also need volunteers to teach! We currently have vacancies on the following teaching teams: 4K/5K, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, and music. If you are interested, or know someone who would be a great asset to our program, please contact the Marsha in the church office. Thanks!



Confirmation classes begin on September 6 at 6:15pm.

Please make sure to bring:

- Your Bible
- A Pen/pencil
- A Highlighter
- Your Confirmation workbook
- Your completed permission slip for the Confirmation Event at Lakeland University

# SENIOR YOUTH

**BEGINS MEETING AGAIN SEPT 10 AT 6PM WITH A PIZZA PARTY/PLANNING SESSION**

**STUDENTS BEGINNING 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE THROUGH SENIORS IN HIGH SCHOOL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US AND BE A PART OF THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

# JUNIOR youth

JR Youth Fellowship will begin meeting on September 10 right after Sunday School (10:45am) until noon.

Students beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> grade through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to join in the fun. We hope to see you there!

# STICKY FAITH

developing faith that  
will last a lifetime

Our intergenerational faith formation ministry is on break over the summer, but we look forward to starting up again this fall.

2017-2018 dates for Sticky Faith are:

October 11, December 20, April 11

We look forward to seeing you there!



## With gratitude...

Thank you **Judi Miller** for coordinating the recognition of graduates.

Thank you to the **5 Practices team** for leading worship back in June. Your leadership and visioning is much appreciated.

Thank you to **the Congregation** for your support of our Back Bay Mission team. Thank you for supporting our fundraisers and for keeping us in your prayers.

Thank you to **the Consistory** for your time and commitment to the church.

Thank you to **David Hengst, Susan Clarke, and Terry Debbink** for chaperoning the youth on the Noah's Ark trip.

Thank you to the **Church Picnic team** for hosting another great gathering of our church family.

Thank you to **Susan Clarke and Alayne Bosman** for chaperoning the SR Youth Trip to Minneapolis. Your faithful leadership is appreciated.

## Children's Bible Sponsorship



Putting Bibles in the hands of children so that they can hear the story of our faith is important. The Board of Christian Education has established the tradition of gifting Bibles to children.

When children enter Sunday School, they are given a Family Story Bible.

The NRSV Study Bible is given to children entering the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Bibles can be sponsored for \$20 each

To contribute to the Bible sponsorship fund, please use the tear off section below, attach it to your contribution and place it in the offering plate.

Thank you for your generosity

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## CHILDREN'S BIBLE DONATION

**IN MEMORY OF:**

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**IN HONOR OF:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL CONTRIBUTION**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ENVELOPE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

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### More gratitude...

Thank you to our **VBS teaching team (Terry Debbink, Cyndi Huibregtse (and her sister Becky), Lorena McKerrow, Alayne Bosman, Anne Hernandez, Jennie Schoenefeld, and Pietje Markus)** for creating a meaningful experience for our kids.

Thank you **Rev Hoppert and Dale Miller** for leading us in worship and for challenging us to be the church.

Thank you to **the Little Lambs Childcare volunteers** for providing that valuable service to the young families that join us in worship.

Thank you to **the Back Bay Mission team (Alayne Bosman, Leslie Blad, Elsa Blad, Lorena McKerrow, Tom Daigle, Anne Hernandez, Julie Sukowaty, Evan Sukowaty, Kellie Walsdorf, Kay Scheible, Brady Pratt, Jennie Schoenefeld)** for serving our neighbors in Biloxi, Mississippi on behalf of Salem.

Thank you to **Elaine Kuch, Betty Klemme, The Knuths, and Pam Miller** for preparing the communion elements every time we commune as a church family.

Thank you to **the church** for supporting our band concert concessions in the park through their donations, helping prepare food, working at the concert, helping with cleanup. Your generosity helped us to raise over \$1100 for our church camp scholarship fund.

Thank you to those who have come forward to **teach and volunteer in our faith formation programs (Sunday School, Confirmation, Sticky Faith, the Board of Christian Education, JR Youth Fellowship, SR Youth Fellowship)** These are essential ministries to our church. These volunteers give the most precious gift.... Time. Their dedication and commitment to these programs and ministries is recognized and is appreciated by this congregation.

Thank you to **Jan Koepsell** for managing and maintaining our church's website so that we know what is going on.



**Ice Cream Social**

**&**

**50/50 Bingo**

**Oct 1<sup>st</sup>**

**1-3pm**

In fellowship hall @ Salem  
Ice Cream and bingo cards  
will be available for  
purchase.

Hosted by the Back Bay  
Mission team.



Women's Wild Winter  
Weekend Retreat at  
Moon Beach

Feb 23-25, 2018

Open to women 18+

Cost is \$220 per person

\$50 deposit due to reserve  
your space. Contact Marsha  
in the church office if you are  
interested.