Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church
301 E. Pittsburgh Street
Delmont, PA 15626
724-468-4189
office@salemdelmont.org

ZOOM & IN PERSON WORSHIP @ 8:30 am

You can join any of the following ways:
Go to salemdelmont.org/zoom.
Click on this link: **https://zoom.us/j/7244684189**
Dial in to 1-646-558-8656. Meeting ID 7244684189.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday 11 am - 1 pm
Thursday 10 am - 4 pm

Call or text Brenda @ 724-422-5256 if you need anything during other times.

PASTOR OFFICE HOURS

Thursday 12 - 4 pm

For Pastoral Care at anytime call Pastor Kara @ 304-668-9890.

SAVE THE DATE:

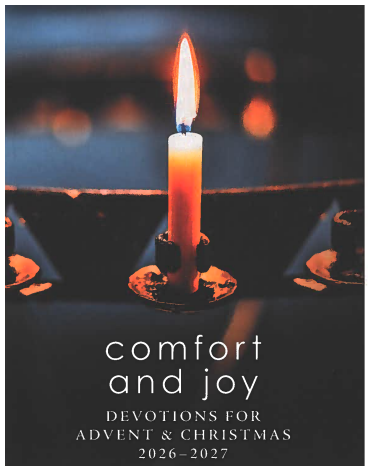
* Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday November 22, 2026 in Newhouse Hall
* Pilgrimage Decorating of Newhouse hall November 14th @ 10am
* Delmont Pilgrimage December 5th & 6th
* Last day to return Poinsettia card December 6th
* Christmas Eve Worship @ Salem 4:30pm

LOST AND FOUND

There was a women's ring found in the church social hall. If you are missing it please call the church office at 724-468-4189.

Poinsettia Orders now being taken.

Cost for red or white poinsettia is $12. If you would like to purchase poinsettias please fill out the card that was sent in the November Lamplighter or pick up a card in the social hall. **Deadline is Sunday December 6th!**

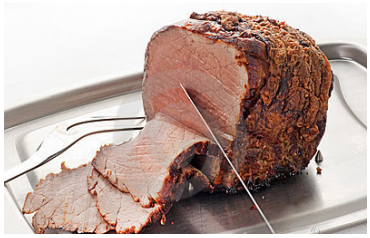


Comfort and Joy: Devotions for Advent & Christmas by Lisa Smith (Contributor) ...

Jesus is coming; Jesus comes to us at Christmas and in each day; and Jesus will come again. These are the "tidings of comfort and joy" ("God rest ye merry, gentlemen") that we proclaim throughout Advent and Christmas. Drawing on centuries of Christian tradition, Comfort and Joy draws attention to God's surprising presence and action as we prepare for Jesus' birth during Advent, rejoice at his arrival throughout the twelve days of Christmas and the day of Epiphany, and anticipate his future return. Cost for pocket size $3.50 or large print $7. Sign up in the social hall or call

Christmas Special Occasion Choir

Beginning Wednesday November 4th @ 7pm (also, Thursday morning @ 10am), the special occasion choir will begin practicing for Christmas Eve & Christmas Day worship. You can volunteer for both or just one. Please join us at practice! If you have any questions please contact Ronna @ 724-972-2266.



Annual Roast Beef Dinner

ROAST BEEF DINNER HELP NEEDED

Pies are needed, plus if you can help set up tables, work in the kitchen or dining room please see the sign up sheet in the social room or email or call the office.

Saturday November 7, 2026
4:30 - 7:00 pm

at

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301 E. Pittsburgh Street
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724-468-4189

Adults $20.00 Age 6 - 12 $7.00 Under 5 - Free

Tickets are available on Sunday mornings, or can be purchased in the church office Monday 11-1 pm or Thursday 10 - 4 pm.

Sponsored by Thrivent Financial and Social Ministry/WELCA.

Calling ALL Women, you are invited! @ Good Shepherd

Eight minutes……..that's all it takes for a PREDATOR to reach out and groom your CHILD. Sadly online child exploitation is the fastest growing criminal industry in our country. LEARN MORE: FBI Internet safety guidelines: https://www.fbi.gov/how-we-can-help-you/online-safety or **come to a special program on Saturday, November 14th 10:00 a.m. by Darlene Crawford.** She will give a presentation emphasizing the importance of online safety and the dangers children, teens and women can encounter. She is striving to increase awareness of human trafficking and encouraging churches, community groups and local organizations to become involved in efforts to protect children and women. It is happening right here in southwestern PA! For more information: visit the Facebook page, Under His Wings. **Both Men and Women are welcome to attend this presentation. Light refreshments will be served. Please sign up in the social hall.** After the presentation W/ ELCA will have a brief meeting in the council room to finalize plans for the Epiphany Tea and perhaps choose a date for the May dinner.



We are having a pre-holiday Trivia Night **November 14th at 6:30**. This event is so popular the Church Fellowship Committee decided to have a second one in 2026. It is a fun time of socializing and eating while you and your team attempt to answer questions about all sorts of trivia ranging from history to pop culture. If you can't bring your own team we will put teams together. Winners in January, 2026, were Dave Wolfe and Jim Mathers from Good Shepherd and Doug and Brenda Rosensteel from Salem Lutheran. If you can answer the question "What fictional character fell asleep in the Catskill Mountains for twenty years?" you can play, and if you can't, you can still play! A signup sheet is posted in the commons. Our fellow parish church, Salem Lutheran, is being invited as well. You are encouraged to bring finger food but it is not necessary. Sliders will be provided by the committee. **Sign up in the social hall if you would like to attend!**

Operation Christmas Child Boxes ARE HERE!

Each box packed full of quality toys, school supplies, and personal care items becomes a tangible expression of God's immense love for the child. For many, it is their first gift ever! Delivered by our local church partners, shoebox gifts provide an opportunity to present the Gospel to boys and girls in a clear, child-friendly way. Pick up your box in the church social hall. Boxes must be returned **November 15th** to be blessed during Worship.

Good Shepherd warmly invites Salem to their Advent Dinner Celebration!!





Who is your favorite Christmas Character?



Is it Ralphie, Scrooge or Aunt Bethany from Christmas Vacation? Maybe its Charlie Brown or Rudolph and Hermie the Elf. Whoever it is, now is your chance to become your favorite Christmas Character.

Come and participate during the Pilgrimage at Salem this year dressed as your favorite Chirstmas character and who knows...you could win a major award, (like Ralphie's father).

More information to come, so stay tuned and in the meantime, start thinking of who you will be and get creative. If you have any questions, contact Tracy Baker at (724) 757-6231.







Underwear & Socks Drive for Children's Bureau

The past twenty years Thrivent, along with your help, has supported the Westmoreland County Children's Bureau through a collection campaign for new children's socks, underwear and new toys. We are seeking support again this year.

In family emergencies, Westmoreland County Children's Bureau is contacted to make arrangements for children birth to 18 years old. These children are often removed from their homes with only the clothes they are wearing and little if any personal belongings, such as a toy or favorite stuffed animal.

If you would like to make a monetary contribution, please make checks payable to Westmoreland Children First or go to westmorelandchildrenfirst.org.

- Any size for girls and boys ages new born to young adult. Adult sizes are also good.
- Your donations can be dropped off in the Social Hall on Sunday mornings or in the office on Monday or Thursdays.

ALL DONATIONS DUE BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH!!



Senior Stretch Exercise Program

Do you feel like you need to loosen up?

Lois Bowman is leading a low impact exercise class **every Wednesday 9:30 - 10:30 am** in the social hall of the church. Join us as we use elastic bands and dumbbells for exercises. (Bring your own if you have them.)

GOSPEL ACOUSTIC OPEN MIC

DELMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 15, 2026

101 Church Street, Delmont, PA • 724-468-5804

5 PM TO 8 PM

(Doors Open at 4 PM)

FREE TO PERFORMERS & COMMUNITY

Refreshments included "free"

Sign up for 3 song sets

Delmont, PA
A Valley in the Hills

RESIDENT OF THE YEAR AWARDS

2026

Adult & Youth Winners!

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Current Delmont Borough resident for full 12 months of nominated year
- Not an elected official or borough employee
- Improved Delmont borough through selfless acts of service without personal gain or compensation

HOW TO NOMINATE?

- Paper forms available at the Delmont Borough Office
- Online forms available on the Delmont Borough & Delmont Holidaze Facebook pages
- Scan the QR code!

Winners announced at Delmont Borough's Light Up the Parklet event on November 21!

If you have questions, please email Delmontholidaze@gmail.com

Nominations Due by November 7

DELMONT HOLIDAZE

Light up the Parklet

FOOD AND DRINK
MAYOR PROCLAMATION
RESIDENT OF THE YEAR AWARDS

SATURDAY 21 NOVEMBER

FESTIVITIES BEGIN AT 5:30PM

Tree Lighting at 6:00pm

ROSE WIGFIELD PARKLET

DELMONT HOLIDAZE TOY DRIVE

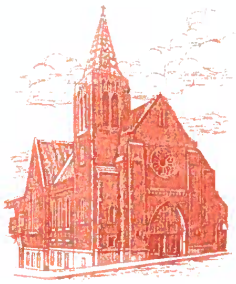
Now accepting new unwrapped toys as gifts for children ages 8+ in our community



DROP OFF LOCATIONS:

ACE HARDWARE
DELMONT BORO OFFICE
JOHN'S BARBERSHOP
REDBARN WINERY

DEADLINE TO DONATE IS DECEMBER 4, 2026



FALL FIRST THURSDAY NOON WORSHIP & LUNCHEON SCHEDULE

Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church

140 S. Pennsylvania Avenue

Greensburg, PA 15601

12:05 p.m.

Thursday, September 3	Hot Dogs, Baked Bean Casserole, Macaroni Salad, and Fruit Cobbler
Thursday, October 1	Pizzaburgers, Tossed Salad, Chips and Apple Pie
Thursday, November 5	Turkey Tetrazzini Casserole, Cranberry Salad, Rolls and Pumpkin Desserts
Thursday, December 3	Baked Ziti, Tossed Salad, Italian Bread, and Cookies

There will not be a First Thursday Service in January.

The next service and luncheon will be on

Thursday, February 11, 2027, which

begins the Lenten Thursday services.

Information: Price is suggested at a $5.00 donation

You are invited to come and join
Zion's Evangelical Church in worship
and lunch, bring a friend or two.



Salem has a NEW Facebook page!

Please follow and like us!!

We are very grateful to our sister in Christ, Nicole DeFrances, who designed and will administrate the new Facebook page. She will vet and add all postings. If you want to add a church activity, send it to the office email, and we will forward it to her.

Also note: in regard to any pictures, you will need the permission of the people pictured before we can post it on our page. Thank you!!

CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES

Westmoreland Community Action

If your Family or Friends are interested in the program, please share this flyer

FREE Diapers

EARLY HEAD START

Home-based program offering services to pregnant women and families with children under the age of 3 in Westmoreland County.

HEAD START

Center or home-based program serving children ages 3-5 in Westmoreland County. Provides high quality pre-kindergarten learning experiences and FREE Breakfast & Lunch to prepare children for kindergarten

PRE-K COUNTS

Similar to Head Start center-based program but with different income qualifications.



Connect with us:

Apply Online:

Call us at (724) 834-1260 ext. 4168

headstart.westmorelandca.org

headstart@westmorelandca.org

www.westmorelandca.org

Head Start center programs are financed by a grant from the Department of Health and Human Services and by special funds allocated by Pennsylvania Legislators through the PA Department of Education.
This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Angels of Westmoreland Honor Guard



The Angels of Westmoreland Honor Guard is a volunteer organization of active and retired nurses (LPNs, RNs, Nurse Practitioners and Nurse Anesthetists). When a colleague passes away, whether retired or active in the nursing field, the Honor Guard will provide an Honor Guard presentation that lasts less than 10 minutes at the location of the service. Donations are accepted to offset the cost of supplies. If interested in joining the Honor Guard or in having a service provided for a loved one, contact Melanie L. Pantalone, President at melanie@pantalone.com.

The Pilgrimage Team again thanks our Salem congregation for their generosity and support. On Sunday June 8th Dr. Green shared the villages that will be the recipients of our bore holes. He will return with video from these villages once they have been installed. Much Love, Lori

Hope for Ghana

Thank You

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church
for your gift to bring Clean Water
to these Villages

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Zemugah







Happy Birthday

1 Albert (Butch) Vaia
2 Austin Thompson
3 Christopher Labik, Jr.
4 Doug Rosensteel
12 Keegan McIntyre
15 Henry Paulich
17 Michael Sullivan
18 Timothy Cipullo
18 Bill Fong
20 Abigail (Gillis) Slater
21 Michele McNerney
24 Roger Zimmerman
27 Rick Lasser
28 Ian Lichok
29 Chad Fong
29 Regis Farrell

Happy Anniversary

3. Daniel & Kelly (Yeager) Bumbalough
22 Brian & Lisa McGill
29 Paul & Tracy Baker



Dear Parents and Grandparents,

If your child is ready to begin exploring the meaning of Holy Communion and receiving this sacrament of the church, please be in touch with Pastor Kara ASAP

She will offer Holy Communion Classes this fall for those who are interested. The time and dates will be planned according to the availability of the children who sign up.

September 2026 Budget Report

	Sept	Actual YTD	2026 Budget
Tithes @ Contributions	$ 9,889.60	$109,347.56	
Other Income (includes Use of Building, Headstart Rent, Hags Endow)	$ 6,846.26	103,359.39	
Total Revenue	$16,735.86	$212,706.95	
Administration	$ 567.70	$ 6,142.81	$ 11,870.00
Christian Education	$ 00.00	$ 1,025.34	$ 2,400.00
Facilities	$ 2,640.51	$ 33,692.86	$ 45,410.00
Personnel	$13,594.84	$121,980.68	$168,215.05
Property	$ 825.00	$ 15,895.28	$ 26,200.00
Social Ministry	$ 00.00	$ 1,627.38	$ 3,000.00
Stewardship/Evangelism	$ 00.00	$ 00.00	$ 200.00
Worship & Music	$ 00.00	$ 604.03	$ 2,750.00
Pilgrimage	$ 00.00	$ 224.97	$ 2,000.00
Synod Mission	$ 500.00	$ 4,500.00	$ 8,000.00
Hags Distribution	$ 00.00	$ 00.00	$ 9,675.00
Total Expenses	$18,128.05	$ 185,693.35	$279,720.05
Net Total	**($1,392.19)**	**$27,013.60**	

CURRENT GIVING FINANCIAL UPDATE

(Average needed weekly $4301.56. *This number is the total of "Annual Budget This Year" 224,149.25 less $27,600 in Head Start Rent divided by 52 weeks)*

October 11, 2026	$2668.00	October 18, 2026	$1225.00
October 25, 2026	$ 736.00	November 1, 2026	$3816.40

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

October 11, 2026	41
October 18, 2026	40
October 25, 2026	27
November 1, 2026	74

On Line Giving is available

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It's really easy

Did you know that Salem Lutheran offers an online giving option for your convenience?

We use OnRealm. It is simple and easy! Use this link https://onrealm.org/SalemLutheranCh51793/give.

As with many conveniences, there is a minimal cost to offer this option. Salem is charged a 1% fee for donations taken directly from a checking or savings account, 2.65% when using a debit or credit card, and 3.5% for using an American Express card.

When giving online, Salem has set up an option to defray the processing costs (3% fee), by asking the giver to "contribute an extra fee to help offset processing costs". If you would like to provide this you must check the box.

2027 Offering Envelopes

Salem Lutheran prints offering envelopes in house. You have the flexibility to customize your envelopes to fill your giving schedule. Please complete the order form below and return ASAP.

2027 Giving Envelope Order Form

Name _____

Envelope Number _____

Please check each envelope that you would like in your order. Please fill out this form and return it to the church office or email to office@salemdelmont.org no later than **November 22nd** to insure your order will be available by the end of the year.

Initial Offering	$5.00
Weekly Envelopes (52)	_____
Monthly Envelopes (12)	_____
Monthly Development (12)	_____
Lenten Offering (Enter Amount)	_____
Maundy Thursday	_____
Good Friday	_____
Thanksgiving Offering	_____
Advent Offering	_____
Christmas Offering	_____