

# Salem United Methodist Church of Fond du Lac

120 Sheboygan Street, Fond du Lac, WI 54935

Reverend David Byers-Dent

9:00 a.m. – April 20<sup>th</sup> 2008

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

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## *A Celebration of Stephen Ministry*



**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Choral Introit**

*“All Who Hunger”*

Senior Choir

**\*Opening Hymn** *“God of Grace and God of Glory”* No. 577 Red Hymnal

**\*Opening Prayer (Unison)**

**Faithful God, we thank you that when we walk close to you in this earthly pilgrimage, the valley of the weeper becomes a place of springs. We thank you for all those who walked in faith before us, acting in courage and seeking your ways. Grant us wisdom and courage for the living of these days; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**Sacrament of Baptism**

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**A Time for the Children**

George Wagner

**Sharing Our Joys & Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Lord's Prayer (Unison)**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sinned against us. Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

**Choral Response**

*"Jesus, Draw Me Close"*

Senior Choir

**Anthem**

*"I Will Give Jubilant Praise"*

Senior Choir

**Scripture Lesson**

*Matthew 12:46-50*

**Sermon**

*"Family Resemblance"*

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**Celebration & Affirmation of Stephen Ministry**

**Presentation**

Barry Watson, Nancy Buchholtz

Kay Lock, David Byers-Dent

**Prayer of Thanksgiving for Stephen Ministry (Responsive)**

Leader: Lord, you call serving caregivers and you give gifts to make their service possible.

**People: We thank you today for the willingness and gifted hands and hearts that you have given to us in our Stephen Ministry.**

Leader: Thank you for our Stephen Leaders, who conscientiously and patiently plan and carry out the necessary steps in training, supervision, continuing education, and general administration that keep Stephen Ministry flourishing in our community.

**People:** Thank you for our Stephen Ministers, who faithfully meet with their care receivers, who need it most, and who participate in the supervision and continuing education.

**Leader:** Thank you also for the support of staff and volunteers who keep the Stephen Ministry growing in our congregation. Thank you for the enthusiasm and the sensitivity that everyone involved in this caring ministry brings to this task. In your name we pray.

**All: Amen.**

## **Sharing Our Tithes and Offerings**

### **Offertory**

**\*Doxology**                    *“Praise God, From Whom...”*                    No. 94 Red Hymnal  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,  
whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

### **\*Prayer of Dedication (Unison)**

**Wonderful, amazing, God, we thank you that you have raised Jesus Christ from the dead, bringing us the promise of new life. With the dawning of this new day, may we awake to new opportunities to love and serve you and witness to Christ whom you have raised. Use us, and our gifts, to your glory. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

**\*Closing Hymn**                    *“Here I Am, Lord”*                    No. 593 Red Hymnal

### **\*Benediction**

Friends, continue your journey walking in love. Care for one another, care for the earth. Seek justice and peace. God goes before you.  
Live boldly, celebrate and sing!

**\*Choral Response**                    *“Three-Fold Amen”*                    Senior Choir

### **\*Postlude**

**\* Indicates for those who are able, please stand.**

**Large print & children’s bulletins are available from the ushers.  
Nursery Care is available during worship and Sunday School.  
Ushers can assist you with your nursery needs and its location.**

**USHERS:** Wayne Piepenburg, Brad Sclavi, Brenda King, Tiffany King  
**GREETERS:** Bruce Seibel, Craig Larson, Sharon Cowles  
**LITURGIST:** Kay Lock  
**ACOLYTES:** Brittany Wuest, Nicole Jackson  
**NURSERY:** Debbie Gilliland, Skylar St. Mary, Vikki Durfee  
**Pastor:** David Byers-Dent Home: 608-825-9960 Cell (local): 539-8900  
**Dir. of Education:** Julie Francis **Adm. Coord.:** Shelly Krahn  
**Dir. of Music:** Georgene Antos **Choir Director:** Jon Gilliland  
**Parish Nurse:** Helen Degner **Custodians:** Dave Hoddel & Robin Fink

## THIS WEEK AT SALEM

### **SUN., April 20**

9:00 am Worship-F  
10:30 am Sunday School-F  
10:45 am Worship-L  
6:00 pm D3-F  
6:00 pm CVI Team-F

### **MON., April 21**

8:30 am Staff Meeting-F  
9:30 am Service Planning-F  
12:00 pm Newsletter Deadline  
12:00 pm MITT-F  
6:00 pm Hospitality Team-F  
7:00 pm Ad Council-F  
8:00 pm Stewardship Team-F

### **WED., April 23**

12:05 pm Prayer Service-F  
5:45 pm Confirmation-F  
7:00 pm Choir-F  
7:00 pm Multi-Media Team-F

### **THURS., April 24**

5:30 pm L3 @ Covenant  
6:00 pm Bible Study-F

### **FRI., April 25**

9:00 am Assemble Newsletter-F  
6:30 pm Family Movie Night-L

### **SAT., April 26**

5:30 pm Worship-F  
7:00 pm East Wisconsin Ensemble  
Concert @ Salem-F

### **SUN., April 27**

9:00 am Worship-F  
9:30 am Sunday School-L  
10:30 am Sunday School-F  
10:45 am Worship-L  
11:45 am YET-F  
4:30 pm Girls Night Out-F