## Worship Guide for February 9, 2025 The Fifth Sunday of Epiphany



#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Let us prepare our hearts for worship.

#### **Call To Worship**

Oh Lord, open our lips, and our mouths shall declare your praise.

Oh God, come to our assistance. Oh Lord, make haste to help us.

Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and redeemer.

We ask this all in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### **Confession and Forgiveness**

Let us confess our sins in the presence of God.

Brief silence for personal reflection.

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we confess that we are by nature sinful and have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we ask for your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Our Almighty God has given Jesus Christ to die for you and, for His sake, forgives you for all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I declare that God forgives you all your sins in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. *Amen.* 

#### **Gathering Hymn**

#### Holy, Holy, Holy



- 1 Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly, Lord God Al-might y!
- 2 Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho ly! All the saints a dore thee,
- 3 Ho ly, ho ly, ho ly! Though the dark ness hide thee,
- 4 Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho ly! Lord God Al-might y!



Ear - ly ing our song shall rise the morn thee. in cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; sin - ful - ness thy though the eye glo - ry may of not see, thy works shall praise thy name in All earth and sky and sea.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim on - ly thou art ho - ly; Ho - ly, ho - ly,

mer - ci - ful and might - y! fall - ing down be - fore thee, there is none be - side thee, mer - ci - ful and might - y!



God in three per sons, which wert and art, and per fect in pow'r, in God in three per sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty! ev - er - more shalt be. love and pu - ri - ty. bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

#### **Prayer of the Day**

Together we pray: Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **Reading of the Word**

#### First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13]

<sup>1</sup> In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup> And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" [<sup>9</sup> And he said, "Go and say to this people:

'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.' <sup>10</sup> Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed."

<sup>11</sup>Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; <sup>12</sup> until the Lord sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. <sup>13</sup> Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.]

Word of God, Word of Life. *Thanks be to God*.

#### Psalm: Psalm 138

<sup>1</sup> I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

<sup>2</sup> I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

<sup>3</sup> When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

<sup>4</sup> All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O Lord, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

<sup>5</sup> They will sing of the ways of the Lord, that great is the glory of the Lord.

- <sup>6</sup> The Lord is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.
- <sup>7</sup>Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.
- <sup>8</sup> You will make good your purpose for me; O Lord, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

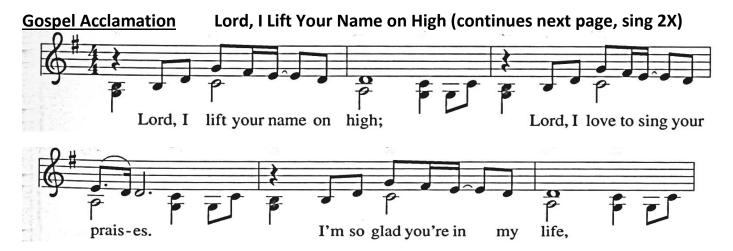
#### **Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

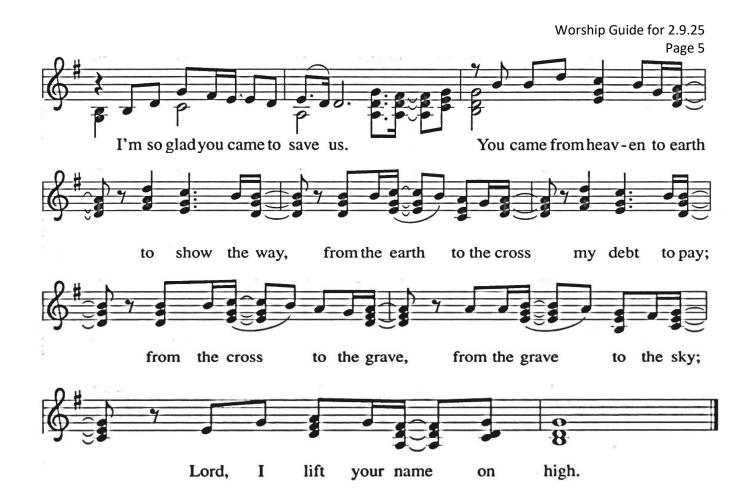
<sup>1</sup> Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, <sup>2</sup> through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

<sup>3</sup> For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>4</sup> and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup> Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup> Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. <sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. <sup>10</sup> But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. <sup>11</sup> Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Word of God, Word of Life. *Thanks be to God.* 

#### **Children's Message**





#### Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup> he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. 4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." <sup>5</sup> Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." <sup>6</sup> When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup> So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. 8 But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" 9 For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup> and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." 11 When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, O Christ.* 

#### **Sermon**

#### Welcome to New Salem - we are blessed to have you worship with us today!



If you are looking for a church home, please contact Traci Schanke in the church office at 218-586-2262 or via email at <a href="mailto:newsalem@paulbunyan.net">newsalem@paulbunyan.net</a>. If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book outside the church office.

Website: newsalemlutheran.org

YouTube Channel: New Salem Lutheran Church, Turtle River, MN

#### **Worship Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are urgently needed to assist with various Sunday ministries here at New Salem! Ushers, readers/Communion assistants, helpers to set up Communion before the worship service and tidy up afterward, offering counters (we will train you!), and hosts for our coffee fellowship after worship. Sign up as a family or team up with a friend or two!

Signup sheets are available on the back table in the Fellowship Hall. Remember: If no one signs up to host coffee fellowship, THERE IS NO COFFEE FELLOWSHIP.









#### Hymn of the Day

#### Here I Am, Lord (continues next page)



- 1 "I, the Lord of sea and sky,
- 2 "I, the Lord of snow and rain,
- 3 "I, the Lord of wind and flame,
- I have heard my peo ple cry.
- I have borne my peo-ple's pain.
- I will tend the poor and lame.

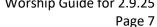


All who dwell in dark and sin

I have wept for love of them. I will set a feast for them.

my hand will save. They turn a - way.

My hand will save.





#### **Rite of Confirmation – Affirmation of Baptism**

Let us pray: Merciful God, we thank you that you have made us your own by water and the Word in baptism. You have called us to yourself, enlightened us with the gifts of your Spirit, and nourished us in the community of faith. Uphold us and all your servants in the gifts and promises of baptism, and unite the hearts of all whom you have brought to new birth. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen.

#### **Profession of Faith**

I ask you Cameron, Landon, Halle, and Samuel to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you reject the devil and all the forces that defy God? Confirmands respond: I reject them.

Do you reject the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Confirmands respond: I reject them.

Do you reject the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Confirmands respond: I reject them.

#### **Affirmation**

Each of you has written your own Faith Statement, of what you believe to be true as you've grown in your faith and understanding of God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, and God's church.

<u>Cameron Knott's Faith Statement</u>: I believe God is real. He is and will always be with us. He is the creator of life, and he loves everybody. I believe Jesus is real and was crucified, died, and rose on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day. He loves us and forgives us. He has the ability to heal, forgive, and save us. I believe the Holy Spirit protects me, guides me, and forgives me. It reminds us that God loves us. It helps us grow our faith. I believe God will forgive my sins. No matter who you are or what you did, he offers forgiveness. God will help us not to sin. I believe in forgiving other people's sins. I believe in life everlasting. When Christians die, we ascend to heaven. I believe all loved ones are watching from above. God gives all people a second chance. I believe God wants me to do my best, love others, and believe. I will continue my faith with God. I will try to follow God's path.

Landon Knott's Faith Statement: I believe God loves me, takes care of me, and is there to guide me through right and wrong. I believe he is always with me and has a plan for me. I believe God knows me, created heaven and the earth, and is our light through darkness. I believe Jesus Christ died for our sins, loves us, cares about us, and rose from the dead on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day and ascended into heaven next to God's right hand. I believe Jesus heals, forgives, and saves us. I believe the Holy Spirit is always with me, protecting me and is here for me. I believe it guides me and comforts me. I believe God forgives. He forgives my sins and that I am to forgive others sins. I believe in the life everlasting. When Christians die, they will enter the kingdom of heaven if they believe with all their heart and soul. I believe in heaven and those we love are watching over us. I believe God gives everyone a chance. I believe God wants me to love him, believe in him, spread his word, do what is good, and follow his path. I know I can ask questions and learn about him. I believe God created us in his perfect image.

<u>Halle Hofstad's Faith Statement</u>: I believe God Is always with me through everything, he provides, protects, and strengthens me. He is the maker of heaven and earth, and the creator of all life. I believe God answers our prayers and thoughts. God created us in his own image and sees us as perfect just the way we are. I believe that despite our mistakes, God's love for us is unconditional. I believe Jesus Christ is our savior and lord who forgave all of our sins. Even though I can't see him I know he is always with me and watching over me. Jesus protects me from temptation and all things evil. I believe Jesus died for our sins and rose from the dead 3 days later. Jesus is the light in all the darkness of our life.

I believe the Holy Spirit is the spirit of God and reminds me that God loves me. The Holy Spirit guides me and helps me grow in my faith. The Holy Spirit lives in me and comforts me through everything. I believe God forgives my sins and answers my prayers. God always wants me to try and be the best person I can be. God always wants me to be strong in my faith and help guide others. He wants me to forgive others of their sins and love them unconditionally as he does for us. I believe in the life everlasting and that God will judge the living and the dead. I believe that if you trust in God and believe in him then when we die we will go to heaven where we will live for the rest of eternity in peace. I believe that all my family who passed away are constantly watching over me and protecting me and that I will see them again when I ascend into heaven. I believe God wants me to help and care for others, and open my heart up to him. He wants me to follow in his path and put my faith in him and never stop believing in him. God wants me to be happy and successful through everything in life. And mostly God wants me to know that he will always love me and protect my family.

Samuel Young's Faith Statement: I believe that God is the Creator of life. I also believe that it is God who put me on this earth to experience his creations. I believe in Jesus Christ who rose from the dead after he was crucified. I believe Jesus Christ helped people out of the goodness of his heart. I also believe in the Holy Spirit who guides me away from evil and leads me in my faith in Jesus Christ. I believe the Holy Spirit helps me find comfort in my times of need. I believe that God will forgive me from my sins. I believe we are all children of God. I believe in the teachings of Jesus Christ. I believe Jesus Christ died for my sins and saved me. I believe in life after death. I believe in Heaven for all people after death. I believe God wants me to make good choices that don't only benefit me. I also believe God wants me to do what is right. "When the time is right the Lord will make it happen." To me this means God has a plan for everyone.

As I've read your Faith Statements, do you believe in your heart what you've written and declared? Confirmands respond: *I do.* 

You have made profession of your faith. Do you intend to continue in the covenant God made with you in holy baptism:

to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth?

Confirmands respond: I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support Cameron, Landon, Halle and Samuel, and pray for them in their life in Christ?

Congregation responds: We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Stir up in Cameron, Landon, Halle and Samuel the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### **Prayers of the People**

Hear us, O God, Your mercy is great.

#### **Sharing the Peace**

#### **Tithes and Offerings**



Come to the ta-ble of mer-cy, pre-pared with the wine and the bread.



All who are hun-gry and thirst-y, come, and your souls will be fed.



Come at the Lord's in - vi - ta - tion; re-ceive from his nail-scarred hand.



Eat of the bread of sal-va - tion; drink of the blood of the Lamb.

#### **Offering Prayer**

Together we Pray: Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **Words of Institution**

#### **Lord's Prayer**

Together we pray: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

#### **Sharing Christ's Meal**



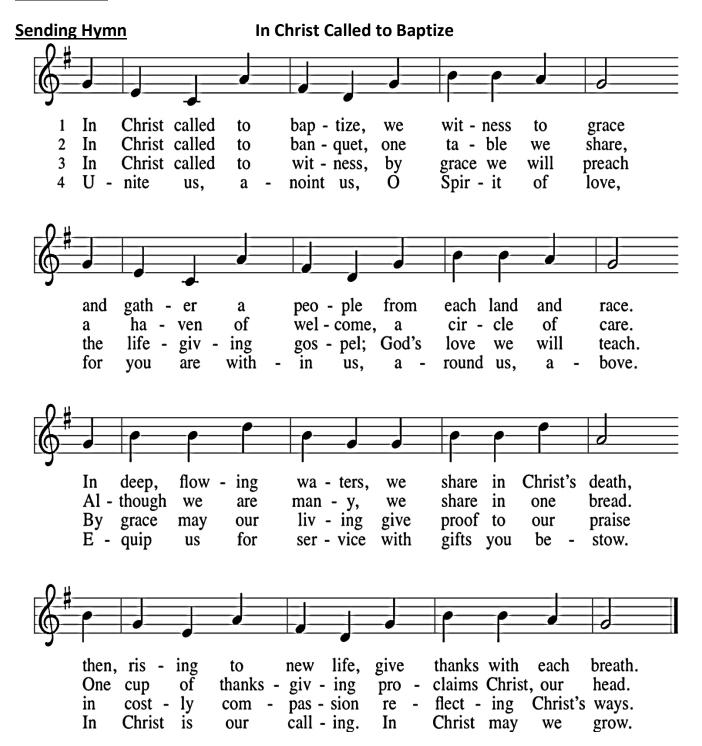


#### **Communion Blessing**

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

Together we pray: **O** God, in this holy communion, you have welcomed us into your presence, nourished us with words of mercy, and fed us at your table. Amid the cares of this life, strengthen us to love you with all our heart, serve our neighbors with a willing spirit, and honor the earth you have made through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Benediction**





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#### **Today's Worship Leaders/Assistants**

**Presiding Clergy: Pastor Terry Hagensen** 

**Ushers: Carol and Graig Gilbertson** 

**Reader: Gary Danielson** 

**Communion Assistant: Karen Spargo** 

**Social Media: Nora Illies** 

Fellowship Hosts: Pastor Terry and Kevin,

**Nora and Jerry Illies** 

Setting the Lord's Table: Sonya & Paul Kraft,

**Pianist: Cheryl Durant** 

**Cantor/AV Services: Traci Schanke** 

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January 2025 Income vs Expenses (PRELIMINARY)

Total General Fund Income for Jan: \$13,799 Total Expenses for Jan: \$16,097

**DEFICIT** for Jan: (- \$2,298) 2.2.25 General Fund Offering: \$4,669

Attendance/Social Media Engagement (as of 2.7.25)

Feb 2 Attendance (in person/online): 42/28 YouTube Views (2025 to date): 219

YouTube Subscribers: 123 Facebook reach (2025 to date): 10,118

Announcements for the Week of February 10, 2025

**Traci's Office Hours Feb 10-14** 

Mon, 2/10: 3:30 – 6 p.m. Tues, 2/11: 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. Wed, 2/12: classes all day, not in the office Thurs, 2/13 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Friday, 2/14: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

**Calendar for the Week of February 10** 

Mon, 2/10 New Salem Volunteers at Food Shelf 9am-12:15pm/12-3:15 p.m.

Wed, 2/12 Choir Practice 5 p.m.
Thurs, 2/13 Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

Fri, 2/14 New Salem Volunteers at Food Shelf 9am-12:15pm

<u>Today is Confirmation Sunday!</u> The following students will Affirm their Baptism through the rite of Confirmation today: Halle Hofstad (parents: Lisa and Benji Hofstad); Cameron Knott, Landon Knott (parents: Jodi and Kurt Knott) and Samuel Young (parents: Marcie and Eran Young). Please join them and their families for celebratory cake and coffee following worship!

**2024 Giving Statements:** Giving statements for 2024 are available on the rear Fellowship Hall table - please take a few moments to review yours, and let Traci Schanke in the church office know if anything appears incorrect.

<u>February Mission Partner – Bemidji Community Food Shelf</u>: Please prayerfully consider how you might support this important area resource. More information on BCFS and its programs can be found on page 16 of the worship guide.

<u>February Food Shelf Shifts</u>: New Salem's volunteer shfts to assist clients in February are Monday, February 10 from 9 a.m. -12:15 p.m. *and* 12 - 3:15 p.m., and Friday, February 14 from 9 a.m. -12:15 p.m. For more information or to sign up to help out, please contact Karin Snortland at 612.940.7312 or via email at ksnortland5@gmail.com.

<u>Team/Council Night is February 18</u>: Teams meet at 6 p.m. (Building/Grounds, Stewardship/Outreach, Worship/Music, Youth/Education); the Council meets at 6:30. All are welcome to join a team and assist with the missions and ministries of New Salem. All are also welcome to attend the Council meeting as an observer; if there is a topic or area of concern you would like to bring before the Council, please see any Council member, Pastor Terry or Traci Schanke in the church office and they will see that you are added to the meeting agenda as a speaker.

<u>Offering Reminder</u>: Please remember to indicate on your check/offering envelope how you wish your gift to be credited. Unmarked offerings/those marked "general" go toward New Salem's annual operating expenses; gifts marked for other entities are credited as such in your giving record and sent to those organizations. Thank you for supporting the missions and good works of New Salem!

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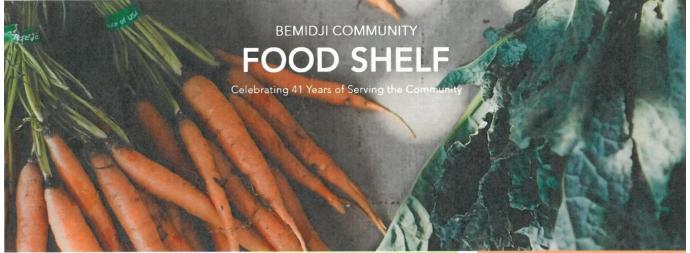
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## New Salem's Highlighted Mission Partner February 2025





## **HealthCare**



Free Medical services on the 1st Friday of the month. Full primary care services at Food Shelf for children and adults.

### Increase Demand in 2024

Total Year: 2024 vs. 2023

#### Individuals Served:

- 2024: 42,531 (12% increase)
- 2023: 37,519

#### Households Served:

- 2024: 13,576 (13%increase)
- 2023: 11,913

#### Pounds of Food Distributed:

- 2024: 961,995 lbs
   (\$1,731,591.00 Value to community) 22% increase
- 2023: 755,338 lbs (1,359,608.00)

# New look on our building.



The building was built in 1976, some 47 years ago, and was in need of a face lift.



#### God's Work, Our Treasure—February 2025

This month New Salem is lifting up the work of a mission partner, the **Bemidji Community Food Shelf**, and urges you to consider the various ways you might support this valuable ministry.

You can send your check to New Salem and indicate it is for the **Bemidji Community Food Shelf**And we will forward your gift to them. www.bcfsmn.org