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Salem Lutheran Church happily welcomes Pastor Derek Boggs,
his wife Meredith, and family

It is with great joy that the congregation of Salem welcomes its new pastor. Pastor Derek will join us in July, his first official day being Monday the 11th. There's even a council meeting that evening so he'll jump right in feet first!

Pastor Derek is the son of an Air Force Chaplain and thus moved around quite a bit growing up. While in college he met the love of his life, Meredith, and the two were soon married. Meredith began her career as a teacher while Derek went to work as a Fisheries Technician for the Wildlife Commission. They have been blessed with three sons.

After ten years "working with trout", as Derek puts it, the Holy Spirit called him to ministry and set a new path for their family. He attended Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg (the same seminary where our very own Robb Carr is presently attending). They spent his internship in North Dakota and began his first call in 2003. He spent eight years in this call before moving to his second mission, and now joins Salem for his third call.

Their oldest son works at a golf course; their middle son is married and attending medical school; and their youngest just graduated high school.

In his leisure time Derek enjoys just about anything outdoors; fishing, hunting, kayaking, golf, tennis, hiking, etc. Together he and Meredith enjoy camping, biking, and kayaking.

We are all very happy and excited and look forward with much anticipation to the Boggs family arrival. God bless Pastor Derek's mission here at Salem.

Peace be with you all.