

March 9 & 10 – Announcements

This Week at St. Matthew

Saturday & Sunday (3/9 & 3/10)

- **Door Offering**
 - This will be the last week that a special door offering is collected for our Mission Partner, Michigan Lutheran Seminary. Offerings will be used for tuition assistance for young people and their families so that these young people may study to become pastors and teachers.
- **Underground/Sunday School**
 - *Immediately after worship:* children ages 3-12 will be excused to the side door of the assembly. Parents may accompany them.
- **Call Meeting**
 - Held at **10:30am** immediately after our service and fellowship time
 - A forum and also a voters' assembly to formally issue the divine call for a second pastor.
 - Be part of the Holy Spirit's guidance in using us his church, for kingdom work!
- **Teen Bible Study**
 - Meets at **10:15am** in the Pillars Resource Activity Room (adjacent to Rm 108)

Monday (3/11)

- **Brewster Village**
 - Service at Brewster Village at **9:45am**.
- **Women's Bible Study**
 - Meets at **6:30pm** in room 108.
 - Title/theme: “Esther: When Waiting Doesn't Mean Doing Nothing.”
 - All women are invited to attend.
- **Altar Care**
 - Meets at **7:30pm** in room 108.
 - We will be discussing Easter flowers. Any woman is welcome to attend.

Tuesday (3/12)

- **Piecemakers** (Quilting and Sewing Group)
 - Meets at **9:30am** in the church basement.
- **Church Council**
 - Meets at **6:00pm** in room 108.

Wednesday (3/13)

- **Lenten Worship**
 - Services at **10:00am** and **6:30pm**.
- **Lenten Supper**
 - Served at **5:00pm** in room 108 Enter Doors #11 or #4.
- **Confirmation**
 - Meets at **5:15pm** in the Underground.
- **Choir**
 - Meets at **7:30pm** in the church.

Thursday (3/14)

- **Thursday Bible Study**
 - **10:00am in room 108.** There will be no evening Bible study.
 - *Malachi: Messenger before the silence* will take a closer look at the last book of the Old Testament and how it speaks to us nearly 2,500 years after it was first inspired and spoken.
 - Pastor Mielke will lead this study on Thursday mornings through **March 21**.

Other St. Matthew Announcements

- **Mid-Week Service Suppers**
 - Once again we will be having meals before the mid-week services.
 - Meals each Wednesday from 5:00pm – 6:00pm in room 108.
 - There are sign-up sheets posted in the back of church and at the side entrance.
 - Signing up is helpful for seating but not necessary; there will be plenty of food. We hope you are able to join us.
- **Choice Dollars**
 - Note: Your 2018 Thrivent Choice Dollars expire on **March 31**.
 - The *Thrivent Choice Dollar* program gives eligible members based on insurance premiums or contract values an opportunity to help St. Matthew with various ministries.
 - Your support with *Choice Dollars* needs to be directed at the end of each quarter.
 - Designate your funds online at www.thrivent.com and going to *Choice Dollars*, or by phone at 1-800-847-4836.

➤ **Coffee House Ministry**

- We are nearing the \$15,000 goal to have the *double* match of the original grant.
- Members continue to have the opportunity to support this ministry with their special gifts. We are at the \$13,893 mark! More information, as well as envelopes for donations are located by the chart in back of the sanctuary as we “fill the cup.” Thank you to all of our donors!

Church Community News

➤ **Apple Valley Food Pantry**

- Next collection date is **April 14**.
- Items needed are paper toweling, personal hygiene and household products, baked/pork n beans, all canned meats such as manwich and beef, rice, jam, cookies and all crackers.
- We are very appreciative of the support we continue to receive from you.

➤ **Ironmen of God Men's Conference**

- The 6th annual Ironmen of God men's conference will be held Saturday, **March 23** from 9:00am to 2:00pm at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Ixonia. Come and hear God's word aimed straight at men.
- Speakers and registration information at www.ironmenofgod.com.

➤ **LWMS Paperland Circuit Spring Rally**

- The LWMS Paperland Circuit Spring Rally will be held on **Saturday, April 6** from 9:00am to 12:30pm at the Early Childhood Center of Trinity Lutheran Church in Kaukauna, 800 Augustine St., Kaukauna. The keynote speaker is Pastor Michael Duncan, speaking about the South Asian Mission Work being done to evangelize those of the Hindu, Sikh, Buddhist, and Muslim religions in Pewaukee, WI.
- Please use the LWMS Missionary offering envelope (orange stripe on top) in your envelope packet to contribute towards the Home Mission-the Caribbean Scholarship fund, to help them train called workers to return to their homeland to minister to the locals. The World Mission project is for the Proclaimers-the solar-powered audio Bibles to proclaim the Gospel in the native language.

Midweek Lenten Service Information

Services at 10am & 6:30pm each Wednesday

March 13

Love One Another

(Pastor Dennis Belter – *Riverview*)

March 20

Is It I?

(Pastor Dave Pries – *Eternal Love*)

March 27

What is Truth?

(Pastor Robert Balza – *Eternal Love*)

April 3

I am He

(Pastor Tim Wagner – *Riverview*)

April 10

Take Him Away!

(Pastor Dave Backus – *Eternal Love*)