

March 2 & 3 – Announcements

This Week at St. Matthew

Saturday & Sunday (3/2 & 3/3)

➤ **Mission Festival**

- Mission Festival speaker, Pastor & President of Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Rev. Mark Luetzow.
- Michigan Lutheran Seminary is our 2019 Mission Partner.
- A special door offering is collected this week and next for MLS.
- “Meet & Greet” with light refreshments will be served after both services.

➤ **Underground/Sunday School**

- *Immediately after worship*: children ages 3-12 will be excused to the side door of the assembly. Parents may accompany them.

➤ **Mission Presentation**

- Starts at **10:30am Sunday**. The location will be announced.

➤ **Teen Bible Study**

- Meets at **10:15am** in the Pillars Resource Activity Room (adjacent to Rm 108)

Monday (3/4)

➤ **Women's Bible Study**

- Meets at **6:30pm** in room 108.
- Title/theme: “The Widow of Zarephath: When waiting is on Your To-Do-List.”
- All women are invited to attend.

Tuesday (3/5)

➤ **Piecemakers** (Quilting and Sewing Group)

- Normally meets at **9:30am** in the church basement.

➤ **Organ Committee**

- Meets at **6:30pm** in Room 108.

Wednesday (3/6)

➤ **Lenten Meal**

- Served at **5:00pm** in room 108 Enter Doors #11 or #4.

➤ **Ash Wednesday Worship**

- Services at **10:00am** and **6:30pm** with Holy Communion.

➤ **Confirmation**

- Meets at **5:15pm** in the Underground. Enter Doors #11 or #4.

➤ **Choir**

- Meets at **7:30pm** in the church.

Thursday (3/7)

➤ **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 from **March 7-21** in room 108.

Other St. Matthew Announcements

➤ **Mid-Week Service Suppers**

- Once again we will be having meals before the mid-week services, starting this coming week with Ash Wednesday service on **March 6**.
- 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.

➤ **Call Meeting Next Week, Sunday March 10**

- 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!

➤ **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**

- Members continue to have the opportunity to support this ministry with special gifts that will be *double* matched until the donations reach \$15,000. We are at the \$13,700 mark! Handouts are available for more information, as well as envelopes for donations. Be sure to check the funds chart in back of the sanctuary as we “fill the cup.” Thank you to all of our donors!

Church Community News

➤ **Hope Center**

- The Hope Center is in need of shift volunteers starting in March. We are adding volunteers to each of our shifts: Tuesday's from 9:00am to noon, Wednesday's from 2:00pm to 5:00pm and Thursday's from 12:30pm to 3:30pm.
- If interested in learning more, please contact Jen Grady (Volunteer Coordinator) at 810-3884 or wisota@msn.com.
- Our WELS Hope Center operates out of our facility, right here at St. Matthew.
- It makes available to over 100 individuals: diapers, personal items, books, and food. It's generously supported by our WELS United congregations.

➤ **FVL Musical**

- The FVL Theatre will perform the new musical *Crazy for You* on Friday, **March 8** & Saturday, **March 9** at 6:30pm and on Sunday, **March 10** at 2:00pm.
- Visit fvls.org or FVL's Facebook page for more information. Reserved seating tickets are available online or at the door.

➤ **Apple Valley Food Pantry**

- Next collection date is **March 10**.
- 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.

➤ **Pathways to Christ Retreat**

- Sisters in Christ, please consider attending the 19th *Pathways to Christ* Retreat on **March 8-10, 2019** at LaSure's Hall in Oshkosh. The 2019 theme is "*I Have Learned the Secret of Being Content.*" (Philippians 4:11-13)

➤ **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.ironmenofgodwi.org.

➤ **DivorceCare Offered**

- *DivorceCare* is a teaching tool to support anyone who has been hurt by the pain of divorce or separation. This program will be held at Immanuel, Greenville in the Emmaus Library on Tuesdays from 6:30pm – 8:30pm through **April 2**.
- To register visit www.divorcecare.org or call 757-5639. The cost is \$20 for the workbook.

- **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 your Mission 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.
- **GriefShare – Little Chute**
 - GriefShare is at St. Luke in Little Chute, 705 E. Greenfield Dr. Little Chute, Saturday's at 10:00am until May 18.
 - For more information call 788-4408 or check out the schedule on our bulletin boards.

Midweek Lenten Service Information

Services at 10 am & 6:30 am each Wednesday

March 6 Ash Wednesday

Watch and Pray

(Pastor Jonathan Kuske – *St. Matthew*)

March 13

Love One Another

(Pastor Dennis Belter – *Riverview*)

March 20

Is is 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*)