

February 22 & 23 – Announcements

This Week at St. Matthew

Sunday (2/23)

- **Sunday School for PreK - 7th Grade**
 - After the service teachers lead the children to the Sunday school area below the gym (Door #5 or through the school). Parents may accompany their children.
- **Teen Bible Study**
 - Meets in the church basement at **10:15am**.
- **Sunday Adult Bible Studies**
 - Two Bible Studies are available. “People Close to God” at **10:30am** in the Pillars Resource Center. “7 Messages for an Embattled Victorious Church” in room 108 past the offices.

Monday (2/24)

- **Women's Bible Study**
 - Meets at **6:30pm** in room 108.
 - The Bible study will be entitled “Your Place in God's Plan.” What's God's purpose and mission for us, and how do you fulfill your roles in it? We will explore how God is calling you to live out your unique vocations.
 - This Bible study is open to women of all ages..

Tuesday (2/25)

- **Piecemakers** (Quilting and sewing group)
 - Meets at **9:30am** in the church basement.
 - With winter and the cold weather please check ahead if we are meeting.
- **WELS United Meeting**
 - Meets at **6:30pm** in the **Pillars Resource Center**. Enter Door #11 or Door #4.

Wednesday (2/26)

- **Pre-service Supper from 5:00pm – 6:00pm**
 - Enjoy food and fellowship. Enter through Doors #4 or #11.
- **Ash Wednesday Worship with Communion**
 - Services at **10:00am** and **6:30pm**.
- **Youth Confirmation**
 - Class meets at **5:15pm**. Meet in the Underground, Door #5.
- **Choir**
 - Practice is at **7:30pm** in church.

Thursday (2/27)

Bible study

- Meets in room 108 at **10:00am**.

Saturday (2/29)

‣ **GriefShare**

- Meets from **9:00am-11:00am** in room 108.
- Join us this Saturday, for “Lessons in Grief, Part 2”
- Please contact Joyce Schroeder at 585-9080 or joymarie48@yahoo.com to register or for any questions.

‣ **Bible Study**

- Meets in room 108 at **4:15pm**.

‣ **Worship**

- Worship service at **5:30pm**.

Other St. Matthew Announcements

‣ **Lenten Outreach to Our Hope Center & Pillars R. Center Friends**

- Our mid-week Lenten services and supper provide us with excellent opportunities to have folks from the Hope Center and Pillars join us.
- Two particular needs that these guests often have, are periodic child-care during the service, and transportation after the evening service.
- You can make a difference in these friends getting the love of Jesus through the Lenten messages. Contact Pastor Kuske to assist.

‣ **St. Matthew Weekly Email**

- St. Matthew is now doing a weekly email to help keep its members informed of events and to pass along prayer requests. If you didn't get the email that was sent out **February 19**, or would like us to use a different email address, please speak with the office or Pastor Olson so we can add your email!

‣ **Meditations**

- These daily devotions starting in March, are now available for pick up.

‣ **Visits with Pastor Olson**

- Last chance to visit with Pastor Olson. These meetings went very well and if you have not signed up yet contact Pastor Olson to set up a time. It is a great opportunity to talk about our ministry at St. Matthew and to get to know one another better.

‣ **Cards**

- The teen group continues to collect new and used non occasion greeting cards. Used cards with pretty pictures or designs with few or no words are ideal. New

cards must be non occasion – pretty pictures or designs on the front – blank inside. Those cards may also be left in the box.

- Thank you to everyone who has donated cards. With our help a charitable group was able to provide over 500 cards to veterans in 2019, as well as our shut-ins.

Church Community News

➤ **Apple Valley Food Pantry**

- **Next collection date is March 8.**
- Items needed are cereal, jam, cookies, all crackers, canned fruit, pasta and rice side dishes, canned tomato products, all helper meals, personal care items such as men and women's body washes, deodorant and lotions, household cleaners such as all bathroom cleaners and disinfecting wipes.
- Thank you all for everything you do to help the pantry. God bless your day.

➤ **WELS United Annual Meeting**

- WELS United in the Fox Valley will be hosting their annual meeting on Tuesday, **February 25 at 6:30pm here at St. Matthew.** All area WELS members – men and women -- are welcome to attend and participate in the discussion.
- WELS United is a cross-congregational ministry devoted to the simple concept that we can accomplish more working together than we can alone. If you would like to learn more about the work of WELS United and the many possibilities for serving through one of our shared ministries please plan to attend!

➤ **St. Luke Church, Little Chute, GriefShare**

- Saturdays at 10:00am through **May 2.** Meets at St. Luke Lutheran Church, 705 E. Greenfield Dr. Little Chute. Please contact Deb at office@stlukeslittlechute.com or call the church office at 788-4408 with any questions.

➤ **FoxFest 2020**

- FVL FoxFest 2020 is coming to Liberty Hall on Friday, April 24 from 5:00pm – 10:00pm. The theme is “Disco”!
- Tickets are on sale at flvhs.org/foxfest. Volunteers are needed both prior and at the event.
- Contact Megan Beyer at mbeyer@flvhs.org or 560-5122 for details. Cash or gift donations or volunteer help is greatly appreciated. Plan to be part of the fun and fellowship.

➤ **Daddy Daughter Dance**

- FVL School's annual Daddy Daughter Dance will be held at FVL on Sunday, **March 1** from 2:00pm – 5:00pm. Girls ages 3-13 and their fathers (or other male guardian) are invited to dress up and come for an afternoon of dancing,

photos, crafts, games, snacks, and more. Tickets are \$8 per person and are available online at fvlschools.org or at the door.

- Anyone interested in helping with the dance should contact Megan at mbeyer@fvlhs.org.

› **Fiddler on the Roof musical**

- The FVL Theatre will perform the musical *Fiddler on the Roof* on **March 6 & 7** at 6:30pm and on **March 8** at 2:00pm. Visit fvlhs.org or FVL's Facebook page for more information. Reserved seating tickets are available online or at the door.

› **Pathways to Christ**

- Sisters in Christ, please join us for the 20th Pathways to Christ Retreat on **March 13-15** at LaSure's Hall in Oshkosh. The 2020 theme is “A Friend Loves At All Times”.
- For additional information, go to our website <https://pathwaystochrist.org>.

› **Camp Bird**

- Registration is now open for Camp Bird for Lutherans. A Lutheran youth camp for children currently in grades 5-8.
- The price for each child is \$175 per week. The three weeks for this year are Sunday, July 5 – Friday, July 10 or Sunday, July 12 – Friday, July 17 or Sunday, July 19 - Friday, July 24.
- For more information or to download the registration form please go to www.campbird.org.

› **The Hope Center**

- Do you have two hours a week to serve those in need in the Fox Valley? **The Hope Center is looking for a few more volunteers** to join the team as we are currently serving 60+ family units each month! Volunteers are needed to greet clients, pack supplies, and/or perform easy data entry--whatever is your best gift. Training is provided. Volunteers work on a team of 3-4 for a two-hour shift once per week. All shifts are currently available.: Tuesday 9:30am-11:30am, Wednesday 2:30pm-4:30pm, and Thursday 1:00pm-3:00pm. If you have questions or are interested in learning more about our outreach ministry please call us at 739-0039 or see our website at hope-center.org.

› **Wee Love Learning Center**

- Wee Love Learning Center (the preschool ministry of Eternal Love Lutheran Church) is hiring an Aftercare leader. For details, contact Wee Love Director Kara Krull by phone at 920-858-3933 or via email at preschool.director@eternal-love.org.