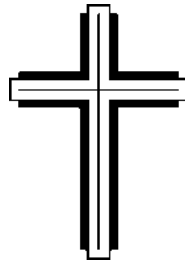


St. Matthew's Announcements

June 20, 2010



Special Meeting for St. Matthew's Ladies Guild members immediately following the 8 a.m. service on Sunday, June 27th. Questions please contact Elsie Lemke at 567-9483.

Stay in the Word while on vacation. As you plan your summer vacation please keep in mind that the church office would be happy to help you locate a WELS church in the area you will be vacationing. Contact the church office to obtain this information by calling 262-567-2418 ext. 25 or 32. Also remember that we do offer a Monday night service at 7:00p.m.

High School/College Students The church office is looking for information from our high school and college age students. Contact the church office with the name of the school that you will be attending along with your school address. This information will be used by the church office only. You may email this information to Linda Grunewald at linda@smls.org or contact the church office at 262-567-2418 ext. 25.

Lutheran Girl Pioneers is in need of leaders and council members for 2010-11 school year. Open positions are Sunbeams Leader (gr. 1-2), Trailblazers Leader (gr. 5-6), President, and Caravan Counselor/Secretary. You need not have girls in LGP to participate. Won't you please prayerfully consider serving in this valuable organization? Contact the church office for details.

Fellowship Opportunities

Church Picnic – August 29th The church picnic will be held at Ski Slide Park. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass and what they want to drink. The following will be supplied - meat, buns, plates, napkins, utensils & condiments. A baseball game is being planned for after lunch. There will be one team that is for high school age-40 and the other is over 40. A signup sheet for each team will be outside the church office. Even if you don't want to play, bring your folding chairs and come to cheer the participants on.

June 26th - Saturday - BREWER'S GAME

Money is due – please make checks payable to St. Matthew's Lutheran Church and turn in to the church office.

There are still a few tickets left, if interested call Dawn Lauterbach at 262-569-7784.

Cost is \$25 per person for the \$20 ticket and \$5 bus ride.

Also, to help defray the price of the tailgating food/supplies (meat/buns, condiments, plates, silverware, etc) supplied by the Fellowship committee we are asking an additional

\$3 for a Single; \$5 for a Couple; \$10 for a Family

We are asking that each family bring a dish to pass and their own beverages. There is room enough under the seats on the bus for you to fit a small cooler.

TICKETS are upper deck – Section 437 – third base side in the first rows of the upper deck, look online and you can see that they are better seats than last year.

BONUS - the first 10,000 kids 13 and under will receive a Pennant featuring the Brewers Glove logo from the 1980's.

We will leave the church parking lot at 10:30 since the game is at 3:00. That will give us plenty of time to tailgate and get in to the game. You will want to bring a chair to sit in while tailgating. Signup sheet is in the fireside room. GO BREWER'S!!!!

ACTS

Active Christian Teens – new 8th graders through high school Seniors are welcome to come to any of the activities listed and are encouraged to bring friend(s) along. Please mark your calendars with the following dates:

Youth Rally – As we look forward to the youth rally in July, we would like to have a small get-together as a group beforehand. The plan is to meet at Pastor Schmidt's home in Ixonia for supper and a bonfire on **Wednesday, June 23rd**. We will begin at **6 p.m.** Youth rally families are welcome to join us. Please bring your favorite snack to share with the group. **RSVP** the number coming from your family by June 21st to Pastor Schmidt at dschmidt@smls.org

St. Matthew's Lutheran School 2009-2010 Yearbooks Only 7 copies left! The 2009-2010 year has come to an end and we still have a few yearbooks left. They are beautiful, full color books so at \$13.00 each it is a great value and keepsake. See Linda or Amy (church office) or Chris (school office) if you want to buy a copy to cherish forever. You can call the school office at (262) 567-5396 ext. 20 or email us with your request at cdovnik@smls.org. First come, first serve.

Phoenix Golf Classic Partner with Luther Prep by donating to, sponsoring, dining, or playing in the 4th annual golf classic August 7, 2010 at the Watertown Country Club. Special "Prep alumni now a student rate" is \$250 a foursome, individual golfers are \$120, dinner only is \$25. Brand new hole-in-one games and prizes, delicious dinner, and more will aid in Prep updating their chapel sound system. Contact Prep at events@lps.wels.net or call 920.262.8104, ask Pastor for a brochure, or go to www.golfinvite.com/prep for more details. Register by July 26.

SCRIP Thank you to all the families that ordered Scrip last week. We made a profit of \$73.05, which will go towards the 2010-2011 school year. Next order will July 12th.

Last year's money was allocated as follows:

Tuition assistance fund - \$515.30
Sand & Water Table \$250
Opaque Projector 2 @ \$350 totals \$700
Classroom Rug \$300
Ipod Speaker Unit \$50

There are going to be 2 more orders placed this summer.

<u>Orders Due 8:00am in the Church office by:</u>	<u>Approximate Delivery Date:</u>
July 12th	July 16th
August 16th	August 20th

Please fill out the order form or order online at ShopwithScrip.com. Order forms are located in the church office. See the back of the order blank if you are wondering what SCRIP is.

Completed orders will be in the church office on the date listed above.

Any questions, contact Brenda Pillard - pillard5@sbcglobal.net 262-567-5329 or Eric Ziel - eziel@smls.com 262-567-5396 X43.

Blood Drive Wednesday, August 11th 2:30-7:30 p.m.

Today we celebrate Father's Day! Whether you are a father, mother, sister, brother, co-worker or friend; you could honor someone by giving blood. Blood donors have the gratitude of many families throughout the year by giving this gift of life.

St. Matthew's Church will be sponsoring a community blood drive on Wednesday, August 11th. This blood drive will be held in the Mobile Unit from the Blood Center of Wisconsin, which will be parked in the church parking lot. Because the Blood Center needs a facility where the temperature is cool for the medical equipment, due to the summer temperatures and the fact that our school gym is not air conditioned, the Blood Center will use the mobile unit. As we did the last two summers, and it seemed to work out well, donors will be asked to register in the Church Fireside Room with the Blood Center personnel. Then they will direct you to go to the mobile unit. After donating please join us back in the Fireside Room for refreshments and fellowship. At this blood drive, the Blood Center will only be doing "whole" blood donations. They will not be having platelet or red blood cell donations due to using the mobile unit and space capacity. Our members and friends in the community have been amazing in repeatedly coming to donate at our blood drives. However, people have surgeries, donate at work, and move out of our area. Therefore, we are constantly looking for new donors. Won't you consider donating?

Kitchen lost and found Today in the Fireside Room, you will see a table of dishes that have been left in the Fellowship Center kitchen after Advent/Lenten dinners, funeral meals, etc. Please take home anything that is missing from your kitchen. Thank you from the Ladies Guild!

"I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love...For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich."
(2 Corinthians 8:8 – 9)

Church Council Weighs Budget Concerns – At their monthly meeting this past week, the Church Council was informed that the overall operating deficit of our congregation has increased since the end of May to \$165,000. Due to our continuing "Operating Debt", the following changes in our ministry plan may need to be considered by the Boards and Leaders of St. Matthew's in the near future:

- Increased tuition costs for our school families
- Reductions in salaries and benefits for Called and hired staff
- Elimination of positions among our Called and hired staff
- Reduction in our congregational support of Lakeside Lutheran High School
- Reduction in our congregational support of our Wisconsin Synod
- Reduction in our congregational support of students attending one of our Synod's Ministerial Education schools ("Workers Training Subsidy")

During the same meeting, the members of the Church Council discussed the following:

Sunday, September 26th: We will conduct a "Back to the Black" Sunday on this weekend. During each of our worship services, we will bring before the Lord a special offering with the goal of eliminating our current operating debt. Leading up to this Sunday, we will share a series of Bible Studies to review for ourselves what God's Word says to us about Stewardship.

October 24th – November 21st: "Christian Discipleship Spiritual Growth and Renewal"

This 5 week emphasis will include the following:

- Christ's Love Compels Us to an Obedient Life
- Christ's Love Compels Us to Grow in Grace and Knowledge
- Christ's Love Compels Us to Grow in Serving
- Christ's Love Compels Us to Grow in Giving
- Christ's Love Compels Us to Grow in Telling

Please look for further information and details to be shared with you in the coming weeks. Continue to take this matter to the Lord in your prayers, as each of us considers how we may serve our Lord and Savior with the best of our time, talents and treasures.

"Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7)

This Week with Our Savior at St. Matthew's

Sunday, June 20, 2010 – *Happy Fathers Day!*

- 8:00am Worship Service (S)
- 9:15am Adult/Teen Bible Study (FC)
- 9:15am Summer Vacation Bible School (SMS)
- 9:15am Fellowship (FR)
- 10:00am Worship Service (S)

Monday, June 21, 2010

- 7:00pm Worship Service (S)
- 8:00pm Bible Study (FR)

Tuesday, June 22, 2010

- 6:30am Bible Study (FR)
- 9:00pm Bulletin Materials Due (CO)

Wednesday, June 23, 2010

- 10:00am Shorehaven Service (SHC)

Thursday, June 24, 2010

**LWMS Annual Convention
(6/24 – 6/27)**

Friday, June 25, 2010 – LP District Campout (6/18 – 6/20)

- 9:00am Play Group/Bible Stories at Imagination Station

Saturday, June 26, 2010 – Brewer's Game (meet in church parking lot at 10:30 a.m.)

Sunday, June 27, 2010

- 8:00am Communion Service (S)
- 9:15am Adult/Teen Bible Study (FC)
- 9:15am Summer Vacation Bible School (SMS)
- 9:15am Fellowship (FR)
- 10:00am Communion Service (S)

Church Office (CO)
Fellowship Center (FC)
Fireside Room (FR)
Loft (L)
Preschool Room (PR)
St. Matthew's Gym (SMG)
St. Matthew's School (SMS)
Sanctuary (S)
Shorehaven Health Center (SHC)