

# Martin Luther Church & School

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## ***Welcome to Martin Luther!***

We want to extend a warm welcome to everyone here today, especially our guests. We would love to be of service to you and pray that the message you hear today be a blessing for you. Please sign the Friendship Register and be sure to include whatever information might help us serve you better and after noting the name of those worshipping with you, say "Hello"!

## ***If this is your first time with us...***

- Please be advised that the congregation stands for the last verse of each hymn we sing.
- Large print hymnals are available in the narthex. Hearing assistance is provided by T-coil.
- If you need to quiet your child during the service, please make use of the parents' room attached to the narthex, the extended narthex and school hall, or the church basement.
- If you have questions or need assistance with anything, please ask an usher.
- Understand that our offerings are part of how we at Martin Luther Church and School express our thankfulness to God and return part of the blessings he has given us.
- When we celebrate Lord's Supper we do so as a unified body of believers having one confession and practice of Christian faith (1 Cor. 10:17). All visitors who wish to join us in receiving the Lord's Supper are asked to talk to a pastor before the service begins.



### **Hearing Loop Installed**

Switch hearing aid to T-coil setting



*Martin Luther offers online giving. Visit [bit.ly/mlgive](http://bit.ly/mlgive) or scan this image using your phone's QR code reader.*

### **Organist**

#### **5:30 Saturday**

Austin Wenker

### **Greeters**

The Busses

### **Ushers**

Tim Price, Scott Price,  
Steve Hennig, Nathan Hennig

#### **8:00 Sunday**

Lois Werner

Mrs. Brenda Lund

Aron Groth, Colton Hayes,  
Jeff Isom, Nick Jones,  
Jeremy Seeger

#### **10:30 Sunday**

Lois Werner

The Ericsons

Jerry Keup, Nathan Smith,  
Jeff Gibson, Aaron  
Wintheiser, Dan Smith

## This Week at Martin Luther

- Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 Worship  
9:10 Sunday School (meet in front of church); Youth Group (church basement)  
9:15 Family Bible Hour (Commons); Parenting Bible Class (ASP room)
- Monday 9:00 Clean Church  
3:15 Faculty Meeting  
6:30 Finance Committee  
6:30 Day School Team
- Tuesday 10:00 Bible Class: "Hard Sayings of Jesus: Jesus Challenges Our View of Ourselves"  
6:00 Sisters in Scripture  
7:15 Soul Care Committee
- Wednesday **Ash Wednesday**  
3:15 & 6:30 Service (Usher: 5)  
4:15–6:00 Lenten Supper  
4:30 Confirmation Class  
7:30 Choir
- Thursday No School—Teachers' Conference  
6:00 Free Supper at Rising Son  
6:30 Campus Ministry at Rising Son  
7:30 Dartball M3@I2
- Friday No School—Teachers' Conference
- Saturday 5:30 Worship With Holy Communion (Usher: 10; Greet: Laridaen)
- Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 Worship With Holy Communion (Usher: 2,6; Greet: Wendland)  
9:10 Sunday School (meet in church); Youth Group (meet in church basement)  
9:15 Family Bible Hour(Commons); Parenting Bible Class (ASP room)

**HOSPITAL REPORT** At St. Elizabeth: Jim Bloechel. At Mercy: Dale Wilde.

**YOUTH GROUP** High school age youth are always invited to join us for Sunday morning Bible Study in the youth room (beside the kitchen in the basement) from 9:15 to 10:15.

**FAMILY BIBLE HOUR** continues the series "My Brother's Keeper" where we look at the unity in God's church as we live together in the forgiveness of sins, God's grace for us all. This week we consider "Deep Concern for the Straying."

**LIVING CHRISTIAN VALUES IN THE HOME** This week's topic is teaching our children about honesty. We will learn how to help our children understand the difference between the truth and a lie. Please join us at 9:15 a.m. in the ASP room (just past the restrooms).

**TUESDAY AM BIBLE CLASS** is studying the topic "Hard Sayings of Jesus," where we look at the challenging or confusing teachings from Jesus. Join us as we study the clear meaning of what Jesus teaches us for our Christian lives. This week "Jesus Challenges our View of Ourselves."

**SISTERS IN SCRIPTURE** This week we are working our way through Chapter 17 of Revelation.

**CALL RECEIVED** This past week, Pastor Ericson received a divine call extended to him by Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church of Monroe, Michigan. The congregation has about 650 members, a school of 65 students, 25 students in preschool, and two pastors. Pastor Ericson welcomes your thoughts and prayers as he takes time to consider this divine call over the next few weeks.

**JOIN CHOIR FOR EASTER** We would love to fill the balcony with singers for the 8:00 and 10:30 services on Easter Sunday! If you would like to join us for Easter, rehearsals will be in the balcony on Wednesday nights immediately following the 6:30 p.m. Lenten services. Those only joining for Easter will be excused after the first 20 minutes or so. We hope to see you there!

**LENTEN MEALS** The season of Lent begins this Wednesday. Meals will be served between Wednesday services, from 4:15 to 6:00 p.m. These meals are a wonderful way to make Wednesday worship possible. You can cross “make dinner” off your list and simply plan to join us at church for worship, dinner, and fellowship. Everyone is invited to attend and everyone is invited to contribute dessert. There is a large dessert signup board in the extended narthex that also includes the weekly menu. If you’re willing and able, you can whip up a batch of cookies, pan of bars, or another delectable treat. If you would rather, you can grab some Oreos from the cookie aisle. Organizations within our congregation will be helping provide the food and service for the meals. Question can be directed to Rita Messing, Mike Strusz, or Jenny Smith.

2/10	FCE	Tacos & fixings
2/17	SLB & CDS	Sloppy Joes
2/24	Sunday School & Youth Group	Spaghetti & meatballs
3/2	Men’s Club	Chili
3/9	Senior Choir	Baked Potato Bar
3/16	Faculty & Staff	Potato Soup & Hot Ham Sandwiches

**2016 DIRECTORY** Now is your last chance to change or update your contact information before the new directory is printed. Please do so by contacting the pastors or the church office.

<b>Attendance at Worship</b>		<b>Attendance at Bible Study</b>		<b>2016 Offerings and Other Income</b>
Saturday	81	Family Bible Hour	16	Last week Receipts/Average needed
Sunday 8:00	79	Parenting	6	10,220/\$13,358
Sunday 10:30	74	Tuesday 10:00	n/a	2016 Receipts/Expenses
Total	234	Tuesday 6:00	n/a	\$49,426/\$53,527
				No internal borrowing

**WORSHIP VIDEO** is available live at 8 a.m. and archived at [youtube.com/martinlutheroshkosh](https://www.youtube.com/martinlutheroshkosh).

**OCM DISCOUNT CARDS FOR 2016** are available for purchase in the office for \$10.

**OPEN GYM BASKETBALL** returns February 14. We will meet Sunday evenings at 6:30. Anyone high school age and up who is interested in playing basketball, getting exercise, and enjoying Christian fellowship is encouraged to attend. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Evers.

**SPIRIT WEAR** FCE will be placing an order for spirit wear. The order forms are available by the FCE table, next to the commons. Stop by and see what options are available. All orders must be in by February 15. Now is your chance to get some Martin Luther gear and show your support.

**CAMPUS MINISTRY SUPPERS** We are looking for families, groups, or individuals who would be willing to provide a light meal for our campus ministry students on a Thursday night during the spring semester, February 4 through May 12. If interested, please speak with Pastor Ericson.

**2016 MEN OF HIS WORD CONFERENCE** The 7<sup>th</sup> annual MOHW Conference will be held at the Oshkosh Convention Center on Saturday, February 20, 2016. Additional details and online registration are available at [menofhisword.org](http://menofhisword.org) for the first 650 men (\$40 by February 7; \$50 February 8–14). Please join us for a day in God's Word that you will not soon forget!

**PATHWAYS TO CHRIST RETREAT** Ladies, come share with us a weekend of spiritual growth as we focus on Psalm 141:2, "Let my prayer rise before you as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice." Brochures for the March 11-13 retreat are located in the extended narthex or visit our website at [pathwaystochrist.org](http://pathwaystochrist.org). Final registration deadline is February 29.

**WLA NEWS—School Choice:** The application period for families who qualify for the Wisconsin School Choice program runs through Wed. April 20. More information is included on WLA's website. A "Help Night" for assistance with the application is March 15 from 6 to 7 p.m. in the media center. For questions, please contact Principal Dave Schroeder, Pastor John Boggs, or Eric Schraufnagel at WLA, 920-921-4930. **International Students:** We are asking that our WLA Association families consider becoming a host family for an international student. You can choose whether to host a male or female student, as well as the length of time you would be willing to host. All host families are reimbursed for room and board each month. For more information on the program, please contact Mrs. Kristin Mose, WLA's International Coordinator, at [kmose@wlavikings.org](mailto:kmose@wlavikings.org). **Registration:** You can register online at [wlavikings.org](http://wlavikings.org). Registering now will allow the Academy to build a schedule for your incoming student and begin the financial aid application process. Contact Pastor Boggs at [jboggs@wlavikings.org](mailto:jboggs@wlavikings.org) or by calling WLA's office with questions.

**FVL NEWS—**Get the kids out of the house and to FVL to **cheer on the Foxes!** The FVL Passport is your child's free ticket. FVL is hosting THREE home basketball games. (2/8 – Boys vs. Freedom, 2/9 – Girls vs. Waupaca, 2/12 – Girls vs. WLA) Grade-schoolers with FVL Passport receive free admission PLUS a special prize. (JV games tip off at 5:45; varsity follows.) If your child needs an FVL Passport, call Ben Priebe at 920-560-5105.