



# Martin Luther

Evangelical Lutheran 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 worshiping 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. Please ask an usher for assistance.
- Hearing assistance is provided by telecoil. Switch your hearing aid to the T setting.
- 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.

## Assisting in worship today

	<b>Saturday 5:30</b>	<b>Sunday 8:00</b>	<b>Sunday 10:30</b>
<b>Organist</b>			
<b>Greeters</b>		The Bergs	The Wendlands
<b>Ushers</b>	Robert Walker, Ralph Watkins	Aron Groth, Colton Hayes, Nick Jones, Jeremy Seeger	Jerry Keup, Nathan Smith, Aaron Wintheiser, Dan Smith

## This Week at Martin Luther

- Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 Worship with Communion  
9:10 Sunday School (meet in church), Youth Group (meet in church basement)  
9:15 Family Bible Hour—1 Cor. 6, Lawsuits and Christian marriage honoring God  
**11:30 Call Meeting for Early Childhood Director position**
- Monday 9:00 Volunteers clean church  
6:30 Finance Committee
- Tuesday 10:00 Bible Study—Matthew 5:21-32, The Nature of a Disciple  
6:00 Sisters in Scripture
- Wednesday 7:50 School Chapel  
4:30 Confirmation Class  
7:00 Servant Leadership Board
- Thursday 5:00 Supper at Rising Son campus ministry, 634 Wisconsin Street  
6:00 Worship at Rising Son chapel, 634 Wisconsin Street (all are welcome)  
7:30 Dartball M3@W2
- Friday 8:00 Mom's Group  
9:00 Reading Buddies
- Saturday 5:30 Worship (Usher: 4; Greet: Busse)
- Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 Worship (Usher: 1, 8; Greet: Groth, Nimmer)  
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**HOSPITAL REPORT** No one was reported to be in the hospital this week.

**FAMILY BIBLE HOUR** We continue our study of 1 Corinthians taking a look at how we live Christian lives and carry out God's ministry while living in the corruption of today's world. Join us in learning and discussing everyday Christianity.

**TUESDAY AM BIBLE CLASS** We continue studying the Gospel of Matthew looking at the beginning of the Sermon on the Mount. Come join us in discussion of the life and times of Jesus.

**SISTERS IN SCRIPTURE** We will continue working through lesson 2 of the Bible Study on Conflict.

**YOUTH GROUP** Sunday mornings Youth Group meets from 9:15 to 10:15 to spend time with Christian peers, study God's Word, and enjoy breakfast treats. High school students are invited to attend any week they can. We meet in the lower level of church next to the kitchen.

**THURSDAY NIGHT SERVICES** at Rising Son Lutheran Chapel, 634 Wisconsin St, have resumed for the spring semester, 6:00 p.m. each Thursday through May 11 except for March 23 and April 13. During Lent the service will feature our midweek Lenten series.

**CALL MEETING** On Sunday, February 12, we will hold a special voters' meeting to extend a call for the Early Childhood Director position, beginning as soon as possible after 11:30 a.m.

**OPEN GYM BASKETBALL** is returning on February 12. We will meet on 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, contact Mr. Evers.

**ADULT LIBRARY** Want to know more about Jesus and His ministry? The Adult Library can help! *Adult titles:* The People’s Bible series: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John; the Bible Discovery series: Four Portraits of the Savior, Hard Sayings of Jesus; The Greatest Story Ever Told; The Jesus Years; Closer to Jesus. *Children’s titles:* Young Jesus of Nazareth.

**CAMP BIRD FOR LUTHERANS** Registration is now open! Camp Bird for Lutherans is a youth camp for children in grades 5-8. It is located near Crivitz in Marinette County on Sand Lake. The price for each child is \$150 per week. Swimming, canoeing, boating, hiking, challenge course, kickball, volleyball, archery, handicraft, campfires, Bible study, games, camp songs and many other activities are waiting for you this year! Three weeks (Sunday to Friday) are available in July: July 9–14; July 16–21; July 23–28. To register, visit [campbird.org](http://campbird.org) online.

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY** In the coming weeks work will be done to format our new directory celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. You can still submit photos to be included in the directory. Some group photos will be taken. The goal is to have the directory in the hands of those who will receive a copy by early May. If you wish to purchase a copy of the completed directory the cost is \$10 per copy. Notify the office or a Pastor and pay for the copy.

<b>Attendance at Worship</b>		<b>Attendance at Bible Study</b>		<b>2017 Offerings and Other Income</b>
Saturday 5:30	73	Family Bible Hour	20	Last week Receipts/Average needed
Sunday 8:00	121	Tuesday 10:00	8	\$11,451/\$13,468
Sunday 10:30	84	Tuesday 6:00	5	2016 Receipts/Expenses
Total	278			\$51,533/\$55,186

**BASIC BIBLE FOUNDATIONS** We will be holding a new session of our Bible information class, Basic Bible Foundations, on Sundays beginning February 26. This 6-week class serves as a path toward membership in the congregation or as a review for current members. We will meet in Room 9 at the end of the upstairs school hallway between Sunday services. If you would like to attend, simply show up for the first class, or speak with Pastor Ericson if you have questions.

**DINNER AUCTION DONATIONS** The dinner auction is quickly approaching. Thank you for all the beautiful donations we have already received. Auction donations should be turned in if possible by February 19. This will guarantee your donation will be listed in the bidding catalog. If you have any questions please contact Sara Smith 920-216-2342 or [saraleighsmith1@yahoo.com](mailto:saraleighsmith1@yahoo.com).

**LATE BREAKING AUCTION NEWS** We have received our credit card readers and are now accepting credit cards. You can purchase your auction tickets with a credit card and also pay for items the night of the auction with your card. Thank you for supporting your church and school.

**DINNER AUCTION VOLUNTEERS** We need volunteers on March 4 to help make the auction run smoothly. The following “jobs” are available and can be filled by people attending the auction. If you volunteer you will receive a complimentary opportunity ticket. We need 1 person

to help with registration, 2 people to sell opportunity tickets during dinner and the live auction, and 4 spotters for the live auction. We also need people to settle the silent auction. These people do not need a ticket to the event and a small supper will be provided. Please contact Sara Smith at 920-216-2342 or [saraleighsmith1@yahoo.com](mailto:saraleighsmith1@yahoo.com) if you would like to help.

**2017 MEMBER DIRECTORY** Now is your last chance to update your contact information before the new directory is printed. Please do so by contacting the pastors or the church office.

**CALL RECEIVED** Mr. Jeremy Seeger has received a call to Divine Savior Lutheran Academy in Doral, Florida. Please keep Mr. Seeger in your prayers and share with him your thoughts in upcoming days as he considers this call.

**BAKE SALE** Our Sunday School will be holding a bake sale after each service the weekend of February 25-26. You are welcome to bring items packaged for sale, and to purchase items on that weekend. The proceeds will benefit our mission project, WELS Christian Aid and Relief.

**PATHWAYS TO CHRIST RETREAT** Get your registration for the Retreat in by February 6 to avoid an increase in the cost. The final deadline to register is February 28.

**INSTALLATION** Pastor John Seelman is being installed as the new pastor of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Oshkosh, on Sunday, February 12, at the congregation's 9:00 a.m. service.

**FVL NEWS—Daddy Daughter Dance** will be held at FVLHS on Sunday, March 5, from 2 to 5 p.m. Girls ages 3-13 and their fathers (or other male guardian) are invited to dress up and join us for an afternoon of dancing, photos, crafts, games, snacks, and more! Tickets are \$7 per person available online at [fvlschools.org](http://fvlschools.org), event Facebook page and at FVL Schools locations. **WELS National Band Festival** is at FVL March 17-19. The festival will bring 110 musicians and 20 directors from 19 WELS high schools across the US to FVL. Rehearsals are held throughout the weekend and the Festival Concert is Sunday, March 19, at 2:00 p.m. Host families are needed to provide bed and breakfast for groups of musicians from Thursday evening, March 16 through Sunday noon, March 19. Housing is needed for groups of 2 or more. Students bring their own sleeping bags. They will also need to be transported to and from FVL each day and provided with an opportunity for Sunday worship. Find the online registration form at <http://goo.gl/8fJZFp> or contact housing coordinator Shari Graham at [sgraham2851@gmail.com](mailto:sgraham2851@gmail.com) or [920-841-2851](tel:920-841-2851).

**WLA NEWS—Open Forum:** On February 22, WLA will host an open forum to present a summary of the discussions and findings from forums held throughout the association over the past six weeks. Please join us in the auditorium at 6:00 and hear about WLA's bright future. **New Golf Coach** WLA welcomes Mr. Zach Dietzler as our new Golf Coach. Zack, a graduate of Fox Valley Lutheran High School, is currently the Assistant Golf Pro at Oshkosh Country Club. His wife Christina teaches third grade at Grace, Oshkosh. Welcome to the WLA family Dietzlers!

**WLA and FVL NEWS—Parental Choice Program Applications Now Being Accepted:** The open application period for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program began on February 1 and runs through April 20. Please visit the WLA or FVL website for information and for applications.