



## Weekly Announcements for the week of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026

### Scripture Verses for February 1<sup>st</sup>

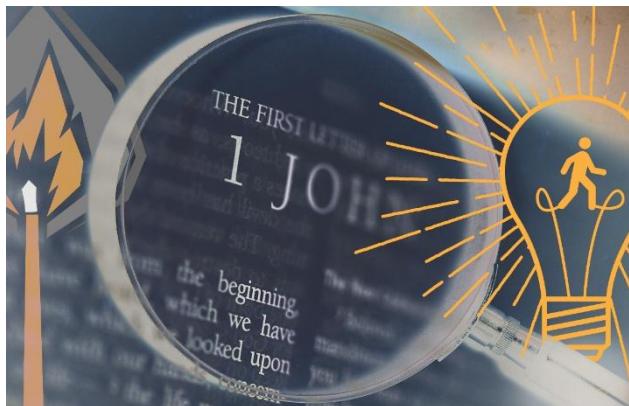
- 1 John 1
- Matthew 5:13-16

### Scripture Verses for February 8<sup>th</sup>

- 1 John 2:7-17
- John 15:18-27

### Message Series: 1 John

Many of us know John 3:16. You might even be able to recite it from memory. But do you know 1 John 3:16? Join us in the month of February as we dive into John's first letter to the churches that had sprung up in Asia. We'll take deep dive into what it means to walk in the light. How to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. What does it mean to overcome the world? Join us as we go verse by verse and study this letter that circulated to encourage and grow the faith of the early church and set the trajectory of loving others as a response to God's grace in our lives.



### Food Pantry Donations for Sunday

**School Trip** On Sunday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> LMC Sunday school is seeking donations of juice boxes/pouches (any type) and empty egg cartons. Donations can be placed in the church entryway and will support our students' trip to the RF Food Pantry. Thanks for your support!



### Feb 15<sup>th</sup> - Sunday School Service

#### Project/Field Trip

During Education hour on 2/15 LMC students will be assisting the River Falls food pantry in two special ways. LMC, we need your help!

#### Prek - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Students in these grades will be packing juice boxes into gallon size bags, thereby creating a more suitable amount for a family. This will take place in the church basement.

5<sup>th</sup> Gr. - High School will be heading to the food pantry from 9:15am - 10:15am. While there, the students will be packing eggs, to-go meal packs, animal food, and sorting food. Each child/teen under the age of 15 is asked to be under the supervision of a present adult (parents/relatives/friends of parents.) There will be no Sunday school for 5<sup>th</sup> grade - high school AT LMC on this date.

### It's Time! Secret Angel Reveal Party

**When:** Sunday February 22nd

**Time:** 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Please bring an appetizer/snack to share, a present for the person you have been an angel for and a card revealing your name. PLEASE NOTE that new forms are available now to fill out for next year's Secret Angels! New people are ALWAYS welcome to join in the fun! This activity is for all ladies and young women grade 4 and up. Please return the forms by February 22nd.



## Dough for Donuts & Kwik Trip Bonus

During the month of February, LMC is collecting funds to support donuts for Sweet Jesus Time between services. Funds raised will be used to purchase Kwik Trip Grocery Only cards at a 20% discount. Donations can be made at the Raise Right table.

Need a gift card for yourself? Kwik Trip is raising their donation by 5%. This means LMC earns 10% from every gas & grocery card and 20% from Grocery Only Cards. Support LMC by purchasing or prepaying for your gift cards today.

## LMC Annual Chili Cookoff - February 18<sup>th</sup> (5:15pm - 6:45pm)

It's that time (we still haven't put away the ballots from last year) of year again to dig up your famous chili recipe and bring it to the annual cookoff on February 18th. Funds raised from this event will assist youth in their upcoming outings and trips. Sign up your chili entry or donate food needed [HERE](#).



**Nominations for Board of Directors positions.** The committee is accepting nominations for consideration for the board positions of secretary and vice president at this time. Position descriptions are available in the church office or on the church website in the Bylaws section 2. Please contact the church office or one of the nominating committee members with your nomination. Committee members for the May 2026 election are Tony Brace, Brian Schultz, Pastor Elfe and Greg Wurdell. Thank you.

## FREE Campus Meal- February

LMC! We are prepping for our next campus meal- Pasta Bar:

- **Wed, February 4<sup>th</sup>**
- **5:00-6:30 PM**

Students, please bring your friends and come enjoy a free home cooked meal. LMC, thank you for always being so generous and helping us with this ministry by providing food. Below is the link for the sign-up: [Campus Meal Pasta Bar - Google Sheets](#)



## IF:GATHERING-ONE DAY

Attention all Women! We will be hosting a viewing site for the IF:Gathering on:

- Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>
- 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

This will be an opportunity to gather as women, stop, fix our eyes on Jesus, and be reminded that our time is short and our purpose is clear- to help everyone know the love of Jesus. Lunch included!

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

## IF:One Night Leaders





## UWRF BINGO Night:

- **February 12<sup>th</sup>** 6:00-7:00 PM
- **March 12<sup>th</sup>** 6:00-7:00 PM
- **April 16<sup>th</sup>** 6:00-7:00 PM

If you are a UWRF Student and would like the chance to play BINGO for prizes, come on by LMC! There will be FREE BINGO and trivia!



## Cookies Platters for Valentines Day!

It's that time of year again to start collecting cookies and bars for Valentine's Day. We will be bringing these platters to shut-ins, nursing homes, and people who just could use a smile and to be reminded that Jesus loves them.

On **February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 AM** everyone at LMC is invited to come help make cookie platters and/or be drivers to help deliver cookies (WE NEED LOTS OF DRIVERS). If you can't be at LMC during the day and would like to be a part of this, you can! We can use drivers the day of February 3<sup>rd</sup>! Just let Monica know if you'd like to be a part of this ministry, and we will assign you a stop. This could also be a great MC activity! Also, if you know of someone who could be included on this list, please let the LMC Office know. If you have a neighbor who you would like to deliver cookies to, please feel free to also add them to the list. [Sign-Up for Valentines Cookies](#)



## Wellspring Village (Tiny House) Info

**Meeting:** Every night in River Falls, people experience homelessness. You are invited to join seven River Falls churches in cooperation with Our Neighbor's Place to learn about a project to build Tiny Homes to help lessen homelessness in our community. Please come! [INFO](#)

**The Tiny Home Summit will be Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** at LMC.



## February Music Spotlight

"Mighty Name of Jesus" by Hope Darst is a bold worship anthem that proclaims the authority, power, and victory found in Jesus' name. With confident lyrics rooted in faith and a driving, congregational sound, the song invites believers to stand firm in hope, declaring that no fear, darkness, or circumstance can withstand the mighty name of Jesus. Every time I hear or sing this song, it reminds me that no matter how our world seems, no matter the circumstances that try to tear us down, we have power in the mighty name of Jesus. I pray that as we sing this song in February, you are reminded to tap into that powerful and hopeful Name.



## Introduction to Missional Living

Want to learn more about how to join Jesus on His mission in your everyday life? Using the book, "Joining Jesus on His Mission – How to be an Everyday Missionary" by Greg Finke, we will learn practical ways to live your current life in a more intentional missional way. Seven one-hour sessions via Zoom on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm starting February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our last session will be March 24<sup>th</sup> as we will not have a class the week of Spring Break (March 17<sup>th</sup>).

**[SIGN-UP ONLINE HERE!](#)** If you are interested or have questions, please talk to Terry or Anne Ross or Pastor Chad.

## SINGERS ARISE!!!!!!

The Spring Season for the Luther Memorial Church (that's us!!) choir will kick-off on the 12<sup>th</sup> of February 2026.

This wonderful group of singers (which could include you??!!) ranges from High School age up through ...??!!

If you have ever thought it would be fun and rewarding to sing in a church choir, this could be the opportunity you have been looking for!!

We meet on Thursday evenings beginning at 7:00 and sing for about 1 - 1 1/4 hours. We will offer our anthems to the church on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of March and April, besides Good Friday and Easter, concluding our season on May 3rd.

Please contemplate and especially PRAY(!) about this and if you have questions feel free to contact Tony Brace either at church or via email, [tonybbeans@comcast.net](mailto:tonybbeans@comcast.net).



**We have updated the Date/Time for the Hoffman Park Sledding Outing due to the cold weather.**

We are going to shift our event to Presidents Day, Monday February 16<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00-11:30 AM. Donuts will be provided too!

### ☀ Family Sledding Fun at Hoffman Park! ⛷

Bundle up and join us for an afternoon of winter fun at **Hoffman Park on Monday, February 16th!** Bring the whole family for sledding, laughter, and cozy time together on this Monday off school! We will have the Octagon shelter for warming up and hot chocolate + donuts!

We'll have:

- ⛲ Sledding fun for all ages
- ⛰ A cozy warming shelter
- ☕ Hot chocolate to help everyone stay warm & DONUTS!

⌚ **Time:** 9:00-11:30 AM

📍 **Location:** Hoffman Park

Dress warm, bring your sleds, and come enjoy a winter afternoon together. We can't wait to see you there!

## DONATE BLOOD AT LMC

The Red Cross is facing a National Blood Shortage; all eligible donors are urged to help secure resources for patients! Please join us for our **Luther Memorial Church & Community Blood Drive from 9am – 3pm.** 1 donation, 1 hour of your time will ensure patients continue to receive lifesaving blood for weeks to come. All donors will get a \$20 e-gift card via email to a merchant of their choice, but the feeling you'll leave with is priceless [Click here to sign-up today!](#)



## Couples EUCHRE night at Bylanders

February 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00 PM

Any couples who are interested in playing Euchre, come join us at the Bylanders. This will be during the same time as YOUTHerans, so if you have preteens or teens, feel free to drop them off and come by. If you have younger kids, they are invited along to hang out while we play.



## Soccer Shots @ LMC!

We have an opportunity again this year to have Soccer Shots at LMC on Tuesday evenings this coming Winter. **NEW THIS YEAR:** Members of LMC will be receiving 10% off the registration fee. In order to register with the discount, please email [twincities@soccershots.com](mailto:twincities@soccershots.com) or call 651.300.0134

**There will be a 5-week session:**

- Tuesdays (2/24-3/24)
  - 5:30-6:00 PM
  - 6:00-6:30 PM



## Coffee for a Cause! We are serving

**“Promised Grounds” coffee on Sunday morning during “Sweet Jesus” time.** We will have the coffee available for purchase (whole bean only). Proceeds will go toward C4 continents missions and every ounce sold is an ounce of clean water for someone in a 3<sup>rd</sup> world country through “Filters of Hope!”

[BUY HERE](#)



Luther Memorial Church

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**College Bible Study** We are so excited to invite the students back to LMC for [two options](#) for Bible Studies. **Thursday evening at 7:00 PM** mentored by Monica Bylander along with Steve & Jacky Rolf. **Sunday evening at 7:30 PM** student-led study mentored by Micah Thompson. LMC, we could use your help in providing snacks for the Thursday night Bible Study. The sign-up sheet is in the fellowship Hall on the table. Thank you for supporting this important mission field!

## Send Monica Your “God at Work”

### Stories! No story too small!

Feel free to write them in to my email:

[ministrycoordinator@lmcrf.org](mailto:ministrycoordinator@lmcrf.org) or stop by the church office and we can record the story.

## Opportunity to Submit Prayers to

### Pastor Chad:

Submit a prayer to Pastor Chad with this [LINK](#) or scan the QR Code. All prayers will be anonymous unless indicated otherwise. If you'd like the church to pray for them, please indicate that. The power of prayer is SO GREAT!



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**Giving at LMC:** We recognize we have givers from every generation at our church, so whether you're still writing a check faithfully, or if you give online, we're excited to announce we recently added four new ways to give using digital wallets:

1. PayPal
2. Apple Pay
3. Google Pay
4. Venmo



When you go to the Give Now Link, Choose my account and then payment method. You can then choose from your bank account (ACH) or one of the other above methods listed above.



### This Week at Luther Memorial:

Sunday 2/1	8:00 AM Worship Service 9:15 AM Sweet Jesus Time 9:30 AM Education Hour 10:30 AM Worship Service 2:00 PM Heartstrings Concert 7:30 PM Unashamed UWRF Bible Study
Monday 2/2	9:00 AM Red Cross Blood Drive 6:30 PM Slate Missional Community 7:00 PM Brace Missional Community
Tuesday 2/3	9:30 AM Women's Journey Team 11:00 AM Cookie platters and delivery 11:00 AM LMC Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Joining Jesus on His Mission Zoom call
Wed 2/4	8:30 AM Mid-Week Connect 5:00 PM FREE Campus Meal 7:00 PM Pray C4
Thursday 2/5	8:00 AM Bible Study 7:00 PM College Bible Study
Saturday 2/7	7:30 AM Men's Journey Team
Sunday 2/8	8:00 AM Worship Service 9:15 AM Sweet Jesus Time 9:30 AM Education Hour 10:30 AM Worship Service 2:00 PM Heartstrings Concert 7:30 PM Unashamed UWRF Bible Study

### Worship Assistants: February 1<sup>st</sup>

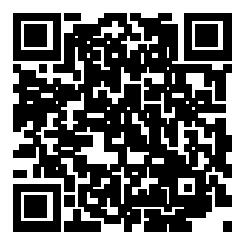
February 1st	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
<b>MUSICIANS</b>	Sally Martin	Sally Martin
<b>CHILDREN'S MESSAGE</b>	Pastor Chad	Pastor Chad
<b>USHER</b>	Carol Olsen	Pat Pierce
<b>GREETER</b>	Sandy Brace	Dan Halverson Family
<b>CLICKER</b>	Greg Wurdell	Levi Schuermann
<b>ALTAR FLOWERS</b>	In Memory of Cheryl Carter	
<b>READER</b>	Lindsey Dietrich	Heidi Riese
<b>VIDEOGRAPHER</b>	Michaela Munger-Gullicksen	NA
<b>RAISE RIGHT</b>	Jill Jaeckel & Linda Kirk	
<b>FOOD SHELF</b>	Mary Conroy Johnson	
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Lori Woltman & Jacky Rolf	
<b>LAWN MOWING</b>	NA	
<b>SWEET JESUS</b>	Bylander Family	

### Worship Assistants: February 8<sup>th</sup>

February 8th	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
<b>MUSICIANS</b>	Praise Team	Praise Team
<b>CHILDREN'S MESSAGE</b>	Chad Schuermann	Chad Schuermann
<b>USHER</b>	Ryan Schumacher	Sandy Bowen
<b>GREETER</b>	Jeff Meyer Family	Clint Riese Family
<b>CLICKER</b>	Terry Ross	Mason Turchin
<b>ALTAR FLOWERS</b>		
<b>READER</b>	Tony Bylander	Priscilla Schuermann
<b>VIDEOGRAPHER</b>	Monica Bylander	NA
<b>RAISE RIGHT</b>	Heide Bishop & Susan Pierce	
<b>FOOD SHELF</b>	Mary Conroy Johnson	
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Lori Woltman & Jacky Rolf	
<b>LAWN MOWING</b>	NA	
<b>SWEET JESUS</b>	Thompson Family	

# Event Tickets \$75

Purchase online at [www.ourneighborsplace.org](http://www.ourneighborsplace.org)  
or at the ONP Day Center M 1-4 or T-F 10-4 (cash or check)  
122 W Johnson St \* 715-426-9000



Scan for Tickets

# Our Neighbors' Place

February 7, 2026

# Casino Night

Kilkarney Hills Golf Course

**6:00-9:00 PM**



Our Neighbors' Place

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**\$5/ticket or \$20/5 tickets**

from a board member or at the Day Center 122 W Johnson St  
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