



Weekly Announcements for the week of May 24th, 2026

Scripture Verses for May 24th

- Joshua 1:6-9
- 2 Timothy 1:3-7
- Acts 2:1-13

Scripture Verses for May 31st

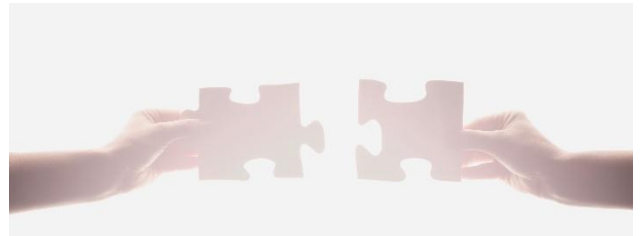
- Isaiah 55:6-13
- 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Message Series: SENT-Everyday Mission

Easter shows us what Jesus has done. Our stories show what He's doing in us. Mission reminds us He's working in the world. So, the question now is—**what does that look like in your everyday life?** So, join us as we grow in understanding where God has placed us, how we listen well, showing God's love in action, and trusting in His will and ways advances the Kingdom of God in our community and the world.



Stories at the Table is a relaxed evening of desserts and meaningful conversation centered on where God is at work in everyday life. Gather around the table with others from our church family to enjoy sweet treats, listen to personal faith stories, and share your own experiences of God at work. Whether you come to speak or simply to listen, all are welcome to be encouraged, strengthened, and connected through the stories God is writing in our lives. **Wednesday, May 27th 6:30 pm**



Own a Piece of the Puzzle: Fundraising for the lower-level project at LMC

At our last congregational meeting the Board of Directors was given approval to spend up to \$60,000 to upgrade the lower level of our church building. The goal of this fundraising appeal is to raise **\$40,000 above and beyond normal giving** to cover the estimated cost of this project.

How your gift can help:

- **\$25** toward paint
- **\$50** toward lighting
- **\$100** toward furniture
- **\$250** toward flooring
- **\$500** toward closets
- **\$1000** toward paid labor
- **\$2500** toward appliances
- **\$5000** toward cabinetry
- **KIDS \$1** per puzzle piece-entered into a drawing at the end for prizes (*tee shirts also given to kids buying puzzle pieces*)

If you feel called to support the “Own a Piece of the Puzzle!” appeal, please make your donation to Luther Memorial Church identifying **Basement Remodel** on the check or envelope, or make an online donation. Any amount you can give, along with your prayers, is greatly appreciated.

Send Monica Your “God at Work” Stories! No story too small!

Feel free to write them in to my email:

ministrycoordinator@lmcrf.org or stop by the church office and we can record the story.

Intergenerational Bible Study: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe.

Children going into 5th grade through adult are invited to join us as we take an adventure in C.S. Lewis', "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe," during Bible study hour on Sundays. The same phrase used to describe Scripture might also apply to this novel, "shallow enough for a child to wade in and deep enough for an elephant to swim in." Please join us in experiencing spiritual realities: sin, faith, Christ, atonement, sacrifice, redemption and more through this classic. Books are available in the fellowship hall for \$5. Participants are able to use their own copies; however, specific page references will be used from the LMC copy. This is great summer reading for all - especially the kids. Below is the reading/study schedule.

- **May 31st - Chapters 1-2**
- **June 7th - Chapters 3-4**
- **June 14th - Chapters 5-6**
- **June 21st - Chapters 7-8**
- **June 28th - Chapters 9-10**
- **July 5th - Off (Gifted for More Community)**
- **July 12th - Chapters 11-12**
- **July 19th - Chapters 13-14**
- **July 26th - Chapters 15-17**



Gifted for More - Community - THIS

SUNDAY! Every quarter, LMC spends time between worship services being intentional about getting to know our fellow believers and missionaries. We call this time, "Gifted for More – Community." As a unified community of believers, there is so much we can do for Christ's kingdom. Gifted for More - Community is a time for both new and longtime members to connect through intentional, guided fellowship, and games. This is a great time to get to know the people you may see every week, but haven't learned their name. We hope to see you this Sunday at 9:30am for this special time.

Memorial Day in River Falls: River Falls American Legion Post 121

- **Memorial Day Ceremony, Monday May 25**
- **10:00 AM at the Veterans Memorial**
- **Greenwood Cemetery, Division St.**

Following the ceremony all are invited to a Legion Auxiliary free-will offering luncheon at Post 121, 701 N. Main St.

In the event of rain, the event will be held at Meyer Middle School. Thank you!



FALCON LINKS UPDATE:

Thank you LMC Friends for your incredible support for the seven Falcon Links graduates. Because of your generosity, each student received \$175 in gift cards, a blessing box full of 51 different note cards with Bible verses, prayers, quotes and words of encouragement, and a gift bag with a prayer shawl, two different inspiring books, and lots of love. In addition, with your donations and a \$250 Thrivent gift card, we were able to supply all the food, beverages, paper products and decorations for their special graduation party!

Alyssa, the director, sent this email - *"THANK YOU for the wonderful food, supplies, and gifts for our graduation party. The students had a lot of fun and we were able to have some great conversations while enjoying our meal and cake! I cannot express enough gratitude for everything your community does for Falcon Links."*

Please join us as we continue to pray for these students as they start the next chapter in their lives. God is so good! With His Love and mine, Anne Ross

19th Annual SOS Golf Tournament

- June 26th
- Kilkarney Hills Golf Course
- 8:00 AM scramble shotgun start
- \$100 entrance fee
- Lunch, testimonies, prizes, contests

All proceeds to go supporting the ministry and mission of Servant of the Shepherd church and people in recovery. You can register for the golf tournament online: [Events | Church](#) and pay with a credit card.

There are also other sponsorship levels (*please see the image to the right for more information*). This will be a fun and impactful event you won't want to miss. Get a group together and enjoy the beauty of River Falls while you compete and raise money for a great cause.

Thursday, May 28th blood drive:

Blood drive hours are 9am – 3pm

- Here's the donor promotion/giveaway: *Get summer ready! Come to give blood May 18-31 for an exclusive new Red Cross beach towel.*

Help prepare for summer blood lows! Please join our Thursday, May 28th Luther Memorial Church Blood Drive from 9am – 3pm & help up to 3 lives with 1 donation. 1 hour of your time can ensure readily available blood resources for patients in need in the coming weeks! All donors will get a new Red Cross beach towel as a "Thank You!" in preparation for summer fun - [Click here to sign-up today!](#)



Servant of The Shepherd Church of River Falls presents
19TH BEST BALL CLASSIC

GOLF TOURNAMENT 2026

JUNE 26 | KILKARNEY GOLF CLUB
FRIDAY | 2026 RIVER FALLS, WI 54082

REGISTRATION DEADLINE JUNE 24TH

CHECK-IN 7:00 AM | SCRAMBLE SHOTGUN STARTS 8:00 AM

LUNCH & TESTIMONIES TO FOLLOW

4 PERSON TEAMS | CONTESTS | PRIZES | GOLF CARTS

18 HOLES PER PLAYER | SPONSOR LEVELS START AT

\$100 | \$100

WE ACCEPT CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS ON OUR WEBSITE/GIVE

WWW.SERVANTOFTHE SHEPHERDCHURCH@GMAIL.COM

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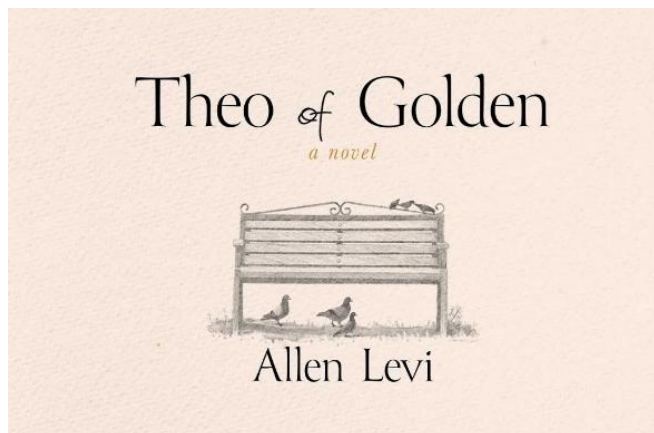
Sponsorship Levels

Platinum \$1000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Company Name/Logo on <u>one</u> hole • Tournament Registration for <u>4</u> Players • *Display of Company Banner • Sponsor recognition and logo display during Slide show
Gold \$700	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Company Name/Logo on <u>one</u> hole • Tournament Registration for <u>2</u> Players • *Display of Company Banner • Sponsor recognition and logo display during Slide show
Silver \$350	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Company Name/Logo on <u>one</u> hole • *Display of Company Banner • 10 Free Raffle tickets towards \$250 Visa Gift Cards
Hole \$100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Company Name/Logo on <u>one</u> hole • *Sponsor Provides

Summer Women's Book Club!

IF YOU ARE JOINING US FOR SUMMER BOOK CLUB, PLEASE PURCHASE YOUR BOOK AND READ PROLOGUE THROUGH CHAPTER 10 FOR OUR FIRST MEETING!

Summer is a great time to join a book club! We will be reading Theo of Golden and welcome all women who are interested in joining us. We will be meeting at **9:30 AM on the first and the third Tuesdays of each month** starting on **June 2nd**. The book is available for purchase downtown at FoxDen or [online @ Amazon](#). If you are having trouble with that, please let me know.



LMC VBS Registration OPEN NOW!

Join us for a FREE fun filled week of Vacation Bible School June 14 – 18 (6pm – 8pm). All are welcome. Space is limited. Register early! VBS is for children entering PreK – 6th grade. Younger children may attend if accompanied by an adult. [Register HERE](#) today. For questions, please contact Dir. of Family Ministry – Chad Schuermann.



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 3rd world country through "Filters of Hope!"



May Music Spotlight

I was introduced to this beautifully simple yet incredibly meaningful song a few years ago. Our upcoming sermon series is called SENT. This song was a breakout hit for the sibling trio CAIN. "[The Commission](#)" is a poignant contemporary Christian ballad that reimagines the final instructions of Jesus to His disciples (and to us). The song is written from the first-person perspective of Jesus as he prepares to ascend to heaven. Drawing directly from the "Great Commission" in **Matthew 28:19–20**, the lyrics serve as a direct mandate to believers: "Go tell the world about me / I was dead but now I live." It balances the sorrow of a "goodbye" with the hopeful promise that his Spirit remains with his followers. As we continue to tell the world about Him, I pray this song is a blessing to you.



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!



Mission Corner

The 2026 Costa Rica Mission Team is identified below. We will be going to Costa Rica from August 5-11, and ask that you would pray for each of us that:

1. God would guide our preparations for this trip.
2. God would protect us from Satan and his temptations.
3. God would keep us healthy before, during, and upon returning from our trip.
4. God would guide our every action while in Costa Rica that all we do might please Him and bring glory to His name.
5. God would use us to increase His Kingdom in Siquirres, Costa Rica and surrounding communities.

Costa Rica Mission Team 2026

Monica Bylander	Courtney Lussier
Tony Bylander	Jaren Spridco
Brody Reiter	Emma Statz
Justin Sabatke	Emma Eisele
Dafney Yates	Quentin Schultz

During this trip we will be conducting Women's Ministry, Men's Ministry, Teen Ministry, Youth Ministry, Celebration Sunday, and Food Distribution. We need to purchase materials for each of these ministries, especially the Food Distribution ministry where we visit individual homes, meet the folks living there, pray over them, and leave them with bags of food which will feed their family for a week. If God is calling you to support this trip financially, please make your checks payable to Luther Memorial/Costa Rica Missions.

God bless you for your support of this exciting ministry in Siquirres, Costa Rica.

-Quentin Schultz-Foreign Missions Coordinator



IRON 27:17 Men's Group

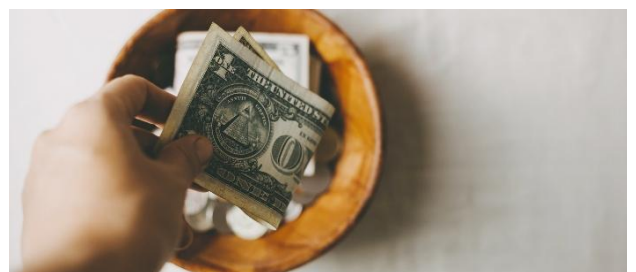
IRON 27:17 gathers men around God's Word to forge deeper faith, build authentic brotherhood, and sharpen one another to follow Christ with strength, humility, and courage. Based on Proverbs 27:17 we know that "As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another" If you are looking for a place to grow as a man of God join **Wednesday morning at 6:17 AM** at LMC. Coffee will be on - bring your bible and get ready to be sharpened.

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 5/24	8:00 AM Worship Service 9:15 AM Sweet Jesus Time 9:30 AM Education Hour 10:30 AM Worship Service
Monday 5/25	5:30 PM Elfe Missional Community 6:00 PM AA Meeting @ LMC 6:30 PM Slate Missional Community 7:00 PM Brace Missional Community
Tuesday 5/26	11:00 AM LMC Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Chad's Zoom MC
Wed 5/27	6:17 AM IRON 27:17 8:30 AM Mid-Week Connect 6:30 PM Stories at the Table 6:30 PM Euchre Night at Bylanders
Thursday 5/28	9:00 AM Red Cross Blood Drive @ LMC
Sunday 5/31	8:00 AM Worship Service 9:15 AM Sweet Jesus Time 9:30 AM Education Hour 10:30 AM Worship Service

Worship Assistants: May 24th

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MUSICIANS	Praise Team-Lori	Praise Team-Lori
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Chad Schuermann	Chad Schuermann
USHER	Andy & Kris Strub	Todd Schultz
GREETER	Klingler Family	Sandy Brace
CLICKER	Crystal Halverson	Heidi Riese
ALTAR FLOWERS		
READER	Tony Bylander	Cilla Schuermann
VIDEOGRAPHER	Michaela Munger-Gullicksen	NA
RAISE RIGHT	Heide Bishop & Greg Wurdell	
FOOD SHELF	Julie Swenson	
ALTAR GUILD	Lana Meyer & Michael Guell	
LAWN MOWING	Curt Leighty	
SWEET JESUS	Lana Meyer	

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MUSICIANS	Sally Martin	Sally Martin
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Chad Schuermann	Chad Schuermann
USHER	Glenn Badje	DeAn Krey
GREETER	Sally & Russ Martin	Brent Bishop Family
CLICKER	Jeff Meyer	Cilla Schuermann
ALTAR FLOWERS		
READER	Bob Kamish	Nick Carow
VIDEOGRAPHER	Tony Brace	NA
RAISE RIGHT	Pat Armstrong & Pat Pierce	
FOOD SHELF	Julie Swenson	
ALTAR GUILD	Lana Meyer & Michael Guell	
LAWN MOWING	Ellen Schultz	
SWEET JESUS	Gunderson Family	



Birthdays this week at LMC:

Katie	Hove	5/25
Benjamin	Strub	5/29
Megan	Johnston	5/30
Michael	Zumwalde	5/31



River Falls, WI

Rotary



Crutches4Africa

Millions of people in Africa desperately need mobility devices, but they cannot afford them.

What We Accept

- Crutches
- Walkers, Canes
- Walking Boots, Prosthetic Legs
- Wheelchairs, Knee Scooters
- Leg/Knee Braces, Arm Slings
- Baby joggers (not strollers)
- Bicycle trailers



We Need Your Help!

People in our community are storing these medical devices or throwing them away. Rotary is collecting these devices to fill a shipping container to send to people in need in Africa.



River Falls Mobility Device Collection:

- **Saturday, May 16th from 10AM-Noon at Ptacek's Family Market**
1121 S Main St, River Falls, WI 54022
- **Saturday, May 23th from 10AM-Noon at M Health Fairview Clinic**
319 S Main St, River Falls, WI 54022

We will also pick up devices if you'd prefer us to come to you.

Email riverfallsrotary@gmail.com or call 715-441-2663