



Weekly Announcements for the week of Sept 13th, 2026

Scripture Verses for September 13th

- Genesis 12:1-9
- Romans 10:1-13
- John 20:24-30

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- Genesis 1:1-5, 2:1-3
- Psalm 8
- Ephesians 1:3-14

Message Series: The Apostles' Creed

In a culture shaped by individuality and littered with questions, opinions, and interpretations among people, how do we land on what is essential to the Christian faith? How do we summarize the entirety of scripture into just a few sentences? In the early Church, the creeds were the key way of doing this. A creed is simply a statement of what we believe about God. But its even more than that. The creeds originate in the teaching of Jesus disciples and contain essential doctrines and beliefs that summarize the gospel and are foundational to the Christian faith. Over the next several weeks we will seek to understand what is being expressed in the Apostles Creed, and how these statements form our faith rooted in truth and are more than just mere words spoken on a Sunday morning worship service, but the essence of what we believe as the body of Christ!



Basement Remodel Update:

A huge thank you to everyone who donated toward the basement remodel fundraiser "Get in on the Ground Floor!" We reached our goal of \$40,000 in record time. Your generosity is another example of how God works in the hearts of believers, and it is inspiring. If you haven't had a chance to take a peek in the basement, the work is progressing nicely. A huge thank you also, to those who have volunteered their time and effort to help get the work done! You have helped to keep costs down and are doing amazing work!

To help kick off the start of Sunday School, we would like to recognize the children who also donated to the project, since they are a big "piece of the puzzle" (and will be using the space more than most of us). **A prize drawing will be held on Sunday, September 13th during Sweet Jesus time** to reward the generosity of the kids who bought puzzle pieces.

Our upgraded lower level will be a blessing in so many ways, serving the 4 Cs and joining Jesus on His mission, Praise the Lord!

Bring your book bags to church on Sunday!

We are downsizing MANY books from our church library, so we will be able to use the room for other purposes.

There will be books of interest for teens, college age, singles, parents, older adults, and music CD's. We will be keeping some of the reference books on the shelves. We also plan to keep the children's section in the library because it is used the most. Parents, the children's books and DVD's can be taken home for 2 weeks and then returned. There is no need to check anything out.

Costa Rica Recap: September 20th

On September 20th, starting at 9:30 AM the 2026 Costa Rica Mission Team will be presenting a report on this year's trip to Iglesia Uncion y Fuego. So many of you have supported Costa Rica Missions this year and we want to give you a chance to ask questions about our trip. We will be presenting in the fellowship hall between services. We hope to see you all there.

Bags for the Homeless

While the thought of winter care feels premature, cool evenings have a habit of quickly becoming cold nights. As a congregation, we want to get ahead of the weather and begin collecting donations for LMC Sunday school children to assemble "Winter Care Bags for the Homeless." These bags will be available for the LMC attendees to take (free of charge) and keep in their vehicle. When someone that is homeless or in need is near, these bags provide an opportunity help in a tangible way. These bags also create gospel opportunities to learn the individuals name and offer to pray for them. Monetary donations will be collected at the Raise Right table to purchase the items below. If you feel lead to bring these items, please place only **new, non-expired** items in the box in the LMC entryway between 9/20 and 10/11.

Items include: Socks, Gloves, Hats, Handwarmers, Band-Aids, Washcloths, **Sent Free Soap, Energy Bars, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Hand Sanitizer, Gift Card (Fast Food)**

The Sunday school kids will be packing the bags on **October 18th**. Please have items to LMC by **Wednesday, October 11th**.

Kwik Trip Raise Right 10% Promotion

During the month of September, Kwik Trip will be increasing their nonprofit donations to 10%. For every \$100 gas/gift card purchased, LMC will earn \$10. All proceeds from the Raise Right program go toward non budgeted church needs. Please consider supporting LMC through Raise Right purchases.

Sunday School Registration & Kickoff

Sunday School at LMC begins on Sept 13th at 9:30am! Once again, bouncy houses and games will help us usher in the new year with loads of fun. Most of all, we look forward to sharing Jesus with your children and teens. LMC kindly asks that all children be registered by September 28th. Having your children and teens registered allows LMC to have all pertinent information in case of an emergency. More info about Sunday School and registration can be found at <https://vbspro.events/p/lmc26-27>



LMC will be starting a new member

class in October running for four weeks. The dates are October 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th. If you have ever wanted to know more about LMC or have a desire to take a step deeper in your connection with LMC this is the class for you. We will cover the Lutheran Theology 101, Finding Purpose, Our Mission, and details on the C4. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. We will meet in the Kids room at the back of church from 9:30 -10:15 AM.



Serving on Altar Guild?

Do you love receiving communion each week? We could use some help on our Altar Guild team. This team prepares the communion trays for Sunday and helps clean them up at the end of worship. If you feel like you could help in this way, it would be a huge blessing to the congregation. Questions? Please talk to Lana Meyer (or reach out to Monica in the LMC office)

Midweek Connect - Wednesdays

8:30am - 10:00am

We don't work to be saved; we work because we are saved. But without faith our works are empty service. And without works our faith is dead. This dynamic relationship is the heart of the book of James. Join Midweek Connect each Wednesday morning as we dig into this book which explores how *Faith Works*.

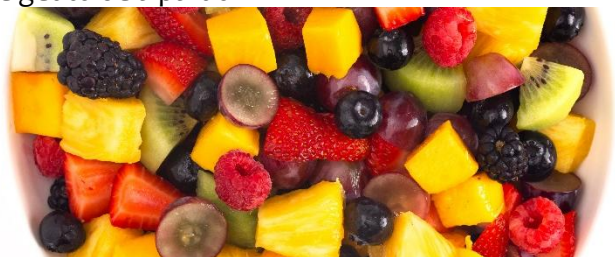


Stories at the Table - Wednesday, September 30th 6:30pm

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. To help plan for desserts needed, please [RSVP here](#) by Sun. Sep. 27th.

College Bible Study:

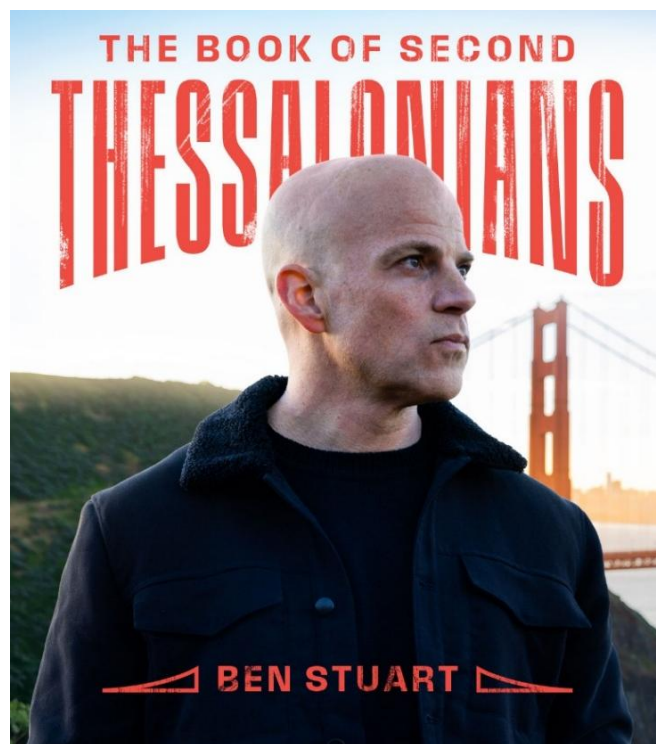
We will be holding Thursday night college Bible study at 7:00 PM starting on Sept 3rd. We would love to provide a sweet treat for the students (They LOVE fresh fruit and baked goods). If you feel you could help provide for this event, please see the sign up sheet [HERE](#) (or in the fellowship hall). THANK YOU For supporting campus ministries at LMC! It's an amazing ministry that we get to be a part of.



Men's Journey Team 1st & 3rd

Saturdays, 7:30 AM

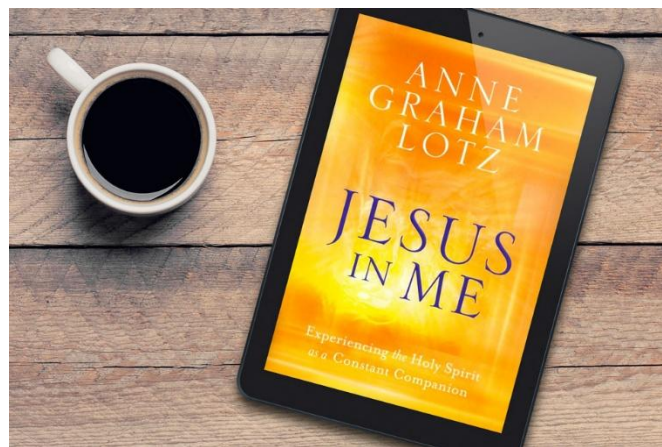
Men's journey team will be starting back for the season on September 5th at 7:03 AM. If you've never been a part of the group before, now is a great time to start! The men will be studying 2 Thessalonians with videos from Ben Stuart.



Fall Women's Journey Team Study:

Jesus in Me by Anne Graham Lotz

Starting Tuesday, September 15th @ 9:30 AM we will be studying the Bible through this book and teachings by Anne Graham Lotz. If you are a woman and would like to join us, we would love to have you!



Midweek Connect Open House

What in the world is Midweek Connect? Is it for you? Come join the crew on **Wednesday, September 9th from 8:30 AM – 10 AM** for an open house. Breakfast and a casual environment will be on tap for you to learn about this joy-filled, devoted, laughter-driven, honest, deeply caring, family of believers that meet weekly throughout the academic year. Come as you are. We'll provide the food and the smile.



Go Forth 2026

Are you in high school? Then you're invited to this free workshop to learn about Christian Leadership! If you are introverted, this is for you.

If you are extroverted, this is for you. If you already are stepping into leadership positions, this is for you. If you have no desire to be a leader, believe it or not, this is for you.



- **When:** Sept. 26 2:00-5:00 (snacks included)
- **Where:** Luther Memorial Church, River Falls, WI
- **Who:** High-school students
- **Cost:** Free! [SIGN UP HERE](#)

The "Go Forth" workshop will focus on teaching and building practical leadership skills grounded in the Christian faith and trust in God. Based on the Great Commission found in Matthew 28:19-20, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded of you," this mini-camp experience will help you lead within your own context, introducing different leadership styles and strategies, and building a community that will provide continued support as you learn more about God's purpose for you.

Food Shelf Needs: Cereal, Gallon Ziplock Bags, Juice



LMC Blood Drive:

- Tuesday, September 22nd
- 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Fall into donation! Help the blood inventory **BOUNCE BACK** from summer lows & join our **Luther Memorial Church & Community Blood Drive on Tuesday, September 22nd from 9am – 3pm**. Every 2-3 seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood & the only way hospitals have access to blood products is through the generosity of donors. 1 hour, 1 donation can help up to 3 patients in need in the coming weeks! Get a \$15 e-gift card to a merchant of your choice "Thank You!" - [Click here to join our lifesaving mission!](#)

Harvest in Hope-Free Clinic Fundraiser

- Sunday, October 12th
- 1 PM – 4 PM
- Forestville Vines, River Falls, WI

Guests can look forward to live entertainment by local singer songwriter, Clint Meyer, delicious food and refreshments, a silent auction, and an opportunity to connect with a community that's turning compassion into action. The fundraiser directly supports the Free Clinic's mission of providing high-quality, no-cost medical care, lab services, and pharmacy support to help our neighbors in need. Find out more info and get tickets [HERE](#)



North Wisconsin District Adult Gathering

Make plans now to attend one of the NWD Adult Gatherings in 2026!

- The first **Monday, October 12th** at Peace Lutheran Church, Eau Claire.
- The second will be **Tuesday, October 13th** at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Weston.

Registration & morning refreshments begin at 9:30 a.m. with the program from 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. A catered lunch will be served at noon. Devotions will be led by District President, Rev. Timothy Shoup. Keynote speaker, Rev. Dr. Brian Gauthier, who serves as managing director – global mission operations of the LCMS Office of International Mission. Rev. Gauthier will share a message on “Unpacking Lutheran Mission” providing insight and understanding of LCMS missions, the impact around the world, and how your congregation can make an impact. The \$35 registration fee includes morning refreshments, program, and a catered lunch. Registration deadline is September 25. Registration available [HERE](#)

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!



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](#) or scan the QR Code.

This Week at Luther Memorial:

Sunday 9/13	8:00 AM Worship Service 9:15 AM Sweet Jesus Time 9:30 AM Education Hour 10:30 AM Worship Service 6:30 PM Board of Directors Meeting 7:30 PM Unashamed Bible Study
Monday 9/14	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 9/15	9:30 AM Women's Journey Team 11:00 AM LMC Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Ross MC
Wed 9/16	6:17 AM IRON 27:17 8:30 AM Mid-Week Connect 10:30 AM Pray C4 5:00 PM Finstad/Anderson Shepherd Party @ Glen Park
Thursday 9/17	6:30 PM Crystal Halverson's Mama's MC 7:00 PM College Bible Study
Saturday 9/19	7:30 AM Men's Journey Team 9:00 AM Quilting Life Group
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Birthdays this week at LMC:

Johannes	Rolf	9/13
Denise	Leighty	9/13
Tony	Brace	9/16
Tessa	Schuermann	9/16
Nick	Carow	9/18
Melody	Boersma	9/18

Worship Assistants: September 13th

September 13th	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
MUSICIANS	Praise Team	Praise Team
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Chad Schuermann	Chad Schuermann
USHER	Glenn Badje	Pat Pierce
GREETER	Michaela Munger-Gullicksen Family	Tony Bylander Family
CLICKER	Crystal Halverson	Donna Taranto
ALTAR FLOWERS	Jo & bud Ayres 60th Anniversary	
READER	Bob Kamish	Tony Bylander
VIDEOGRAPHER	Curt Leighty	NA
RAISE RIGHT	Pat Armstrong & Linda Kirk	
FOOD SHELF	Wendy Zillgitt	
ALTAR GUILD	Heide Bishop & Linda Kirk	
LAWN MOWING	Brian Schultz	
SWEET JESUS	Marilyn Anderson	

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MUSICIANS	Sandi Kovatch	Sandi Kovatch
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Crystal Halverson	Crystal Halverson
USHER	Gene & Linda Kirk	Dan Halverson
GREETER	Masanz Family	Clint Riese Family
CLICKER	Michaela Munger-Gullicksen	Heidi Riese
ALTAR FLOWERS	Jo & Bud Ayres 60th Anniversary	
READER	Crystal Halverson	Levi Schuermann
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LAWN MOWING	Corbin Halverson	
SWEET JESUS	Lise Klingler	

