

ROCK ISLAND CIRCUIT YOUTH GROUP NEWS

January 15—Movie Night at Immanuel Rock Island

Feb 24 & 25—Higher Things in a Box Lock In at Concordia Geneseo. The cost is \$15 per person. (this is to help cover the cost of the retreat materials and Pizza! Checks made out to Concordia Lutheran Church due upon arrival)

What to bring:

Any snacks to share

Favorite ice cream toppings

Sleeping bags and sleeping materials.

Board games, art materials etc. for free time.

IT'S ONLY 11 MONTHS TILL CHRISTMAS 2023!



Let it never be said that the LWML ladies don't plan ahead! Each January we start dropping dimes into special little "Christmas Stockings" which will be gathered up in November/December. We count up all those little dimes, and then send the amount to an LCMS missionary or seminary student.

This year these dimes will be supporting our very own seminary student Joshua Teggatz and his wife Rachel. This is an exciting year for Josh as he is beginning his vicarage training, plus they are about to become first-time parents this Spring.

We invite the congregation to join us in this project. It's not complicated: simply drop in 1 dime in January, 2 dimes in February, 3 in March, etc. Why not pick up one of our special "Christmas Stockings" from the LWML table in the east entryway. Let's 'sock' those little dimes away and make Christmas extra special for Josh and Rachel!

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3rd Sunday after the Epiphany January 21-22 2023



¹⁸While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. Matthew 4:18-19

ST. MATTHEW NEWS

A NOTE TO OUR GUESTS AND VISITORS: Greetings in Christ! Thank you for visiting with us today. We encourage you to continue to come back not only now, but in the weeks to come! If there's anything we can do for you, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. If you would like to join the St. Matthew Family please contact Pastor Larson or the Church Office. Our church website is at www.stmatthewmilan.org and our phone number at the church is (309) 787-4295. Thanks for joining us for worship!

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD

To those who are unable to listen to services online, we now offer the option to listen via a new toll free telephone number. St. Matthew's toll free number is (844) 700-9449. Give us a listen! The worship service will be recorded and available via this phone by late Sunday afternoon.

PASTOR IS AVAILABLE to bring you communion in your homes or in small groups at the church. Please call (309-787-4295) if you'd like to arrange a visit or wish to come to the church to receive.

If you need a large print bulletin or would like to use a hearing impaired device, please speak with an Usher or Lay Assistant.

BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST

In accordance with the Illinois statewide mandate, wearing a mask is optional for church activities at this present time.

The chairs will remain set up on each side of the sanctuary.

We will continue to broadcast the service to the parking lot on FM 89.7 for those of you who prefer to not enter the sanctuary at this time. We will continue to bring communion to all in the parking lot. In addition, the worship service will be available as a livestream on our Facebook page.

As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact one of the members of our Board of Lay Assistants.

KITCHEN COORDINATOR—INTERESTED?

St. Matthew is looking for someone to oversee our kitchen area. The "Kitchen Coordinator" keeps an eye on supplies, cleanliness of the kitchen, would arrange calling for food donations and helpers for various functions. A list of willing helpers, callers and donators is already available, but we are looking for a willing gent and/or lady to oversee this area. Please consider and call the church office at 309-787-4295.

YOU ARE INVITED...

Members of St. Matthew, you are invited to a Congregation Baby shower for our Member Joshua Teggatz and his wife Rachel.

Date: February 26, 2023

Time: 1:00p.m.

Where: St. Matthew in the fellowship hall.

All Ladies are welcome to attend. The couple is registered at Amazon.com, go to baby register and the registrants name is Joshua Teggatz.

If you have questions, contact Vicki Lude



CHILI & SOUP COOK OFF

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, February 5, 2023** for the St. Matthew Chili and Soup Cook-Off. We are looking for people to share their chili and soup recipes and of course folks to come and sample. There is no cost, just a great time of fellowship and chili & soup tasting.

If you would like to share your favorite chili or soup, please sign up in the hallway. Don't forget, **Sunday, February 5, 4:00-5:30p.m. (set up at 3:00p.m.)**



ST. MATTHEW AT PRAYER *Serving in the Armed Forces*
(Thank you for your service)

***Lieutenant Zach Chapman** (Utah National Guard)

Senior Airman Collin Leonard (Fort Hood, TX)

***Kyle Mandle** (Stationed in Norfolk, VA)

Sgt. Patrick Mealey, extended family of Marcia Carter (Fort Bragg, NC)

***Krystin Pearson** (Army National Reserves)

Chris Ryan, son-in-law of Terri McGinnis (deployed to Afghanistan)

PFC Janice Salazar, family of Marcia Carter (Deployed to Kuwait)

Staff Sgt. Fred Winkelman, grandson of Marlis Donner (Fort Irwin CA)

***Adam Witmer** (Iowa National Guard)

* = Member

NEEDED...

We are looking for someone or a committee to coordinate the 11 a.m. Lenten Luncheons. This person(s) would need to get people for set up and clean up and decide what is to be served. Lent starts on Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023 and goes until March 29, 2023. If you are interested, please contact Greg Mueller.

2023 ENVELOPES

The 2023 Offering envelopes are on the table in the hallway. If you are a member and did not find envelopes for you and would like to receive envelopes please sign the sheet on the table and we will get you envelopes. Any questions, contact Karen Walters.

If you need a large print bulletin or would like to use a hearing impaired device, please speak with an Usher or Lay Assistant.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Adult Bible Study on *GALATIANS* You can attend our weekly Bible study in two ways:

- ◆ Sunday mornings—8:45am in the Gathering Room
- ◆ We are recording the Sunday Adult Bible Study and you can watch it on Face book live , or go to the webpage stmatthewmilan.org. to get the link.

THE MEN'S NETWORK

We will meeting on February 11, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 14 at 10:30 a.m. in the Gathering room. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Larson.

UPCOMING CONGREGATIONAL EVENTS FOR EVERYONE!

February 5, at 4:00-5:30pm Chili Cook-Off

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We welcome into membership by Transfer from Risen Christ Lutheran Church, Davenport, Travis, Heather & Camille Schwenneker. We hope that their membership with us will be a source of mutual blessing.

PIZZA AND GAMES

There will be a **Family Fun Night** this Wednesday, February 1 from **5:00-6:30** after Confirmation for **Youth, their families, and anyone else who wants to come!** We are planning some fun **Wii Competitions** and there will **Ping Pong, Foosball, Pool** and other games available. Join us for an evening of fun followed by some **delicious Pizza!** Join us and **bring a friend!**





ST. MATTHEW AT PRAYER



Flowers	Al & Kerry Nordstrom	
Lay Assistant	5:30 Al Nordstrom	10:00 Douglas Teggatz
Altar Duty	Vicki Lude	Janet Meeks
Song Leader	5:30 Joel Chapman	10:00 Danielle Mueller

Please keep your fellow St. Matthew Members in prayer. Pray for each other; reach out to one another by phone, email, text, or social media. Particularly keep in prayer those who are hospitalized or shut-in and can't receive visitors.

NEW/UPDATED REQUESTS THIS WEEK

Ken Sparbel (recovering)
 Gary Gruenhagen (recovering)
 Christie Luckey, friend of Lisa Martens (undergoing treatment)
 Jean Jackson, friend of Marianne Meyers (health issues)
 Mike Rohweder, friend of Al and Kerry Nordstrom (hospitalized, ICU)
 Vicky Hicks, friend of Gil Linenberger (cancer)
 Tom Gasper, friend of Gil Linenberger (health issues)
 Savannah Ruark (health issues)

Those Who Are Sick

Kendric Bright, grandson of Jan Siebke (Leukemia)
 Vivian Coeur, Sister of Pat Carlson (Cancer)
 Mary Newswander (health problems)
 Neal Ralston, Friend of Mary Newswander (Lung Cancer & treatment)
 Kurt Voigts, father of Heather Snyder (no longer in Remission)
 Pat Withers friend of Deb Farber (hospitalized)

Those Recovering

Joan Aldrian (recovering)
 Erica Fisher (covid)
 John Leonard (recovering from knee surgery)
 William Lind, husband of Amber Lind (healing & recovery)
 Tony Lingaberry, friend of Samantha Dolan (recovery from surgery)
 Dave Schroeder (recovering)

Continuing requests

Jim Bennett (preparing for surgery February 1)
 Samantha Dolan, (health issues)
 Marlis Donner (Health Issues)
 JAJ Gale, grandson of Janet Meeks (ICU Iowa City)
 Jason Gorski
 Jon Grunwald, son-in-law of Janet Meeks (heart complications)
 Dave Kraft, grandpa of Olivia Gorski (recovering from heart attack)
 Rhonda Krahl (health problems)
 Tom Krahl (recovering at River Crossing)
 Zachary Mascaro Nephew of Jarrod Angi Lindley (Preparing for surgery)
 Drew Mielke, friend of Sharon Heinze (preparing for surgery)
 Stan Mueller
 Liam Rohde, infant friend to Kelly & Sandy Stevens (preparing for surgery)
 Debbie Wuerzberger ex- sister-in-law of Rexann Garmoe (hospitalized—ICU)

ATTENDANCE			
December 31	5:30 p.m.	49 Worship	0 Outside
January 1	10:00 a.m.	100 Worship	1 Outside
Adult Bible Study	29		
Sunday School		13 Children (3 yr. to High School)	4 Teachers

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING

Office Hours 9:00am—12:00pm

Saturday, January 21	9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	Heather Terry gym Worship
Sunday, January 22 <i>3rd Sunday after the Epiphany</i>	8:45 a.m. 8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Sunday School Adult Bible Study Worship
Monday, January 23		
Tuesday, January 24	10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m.	Grief Support Group Shower Committee meeting Choir
Wednesday, January 25	4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Youth Group
Thursday, January 26	6:30 a.m.	Council
Friday, January 27	9:00 a.m.	Pastor's Day Off Bulletin Assembled
Saturday, January 28	5:30 p.m.	Worship with Baptism of Treyven Ramsey
Sunday, January 29 <i>4th Sunday after the Epiphany</i>	8:45 a.m. 8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Sunday School Adult Bible Study Worship