

# January 20 & 21 News & Notes

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Mission Statement:  
Growing in faith and  
sharing the Gospel of  
Jesus Christ with all  
people.

## Calendar Items

### Sunday, January 20

(Hope Center Door Offering)

- 8:00 AM Worship
- 9:15 AM Sunday School/Bible Study
- 10:30 AM Worship
- 11:45 AM Voters' Meeting
- 6:00 PM Pioneers

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### Monday, January 21

- 1:00 PM Bible Study
  - 6:30 PM Worship
- (Hope Center Door Offering)

### Tuesday, January 22

Home RLS A Girls' BB Games vs Reedsville@4:15pm

### Wednesday, January 23

- 9:30-11 AM Mommy & Me
- 4:00 PM Public School Catechism
- Home RLS C BB Games vs Emanuel, NL @ 5:15pm
- 7:00 PM Senior Choir

### Thursday, January 24

6:00 PM 50/75 Anniversary Committee Meeting

### Friday, January 25

- 8:00 AM RLS Chapel Service
- 8:00 AM R.O.M.E.O.s Breakfast @ Angels
- RLS A&B BB Games @ SP, Weyauwega @ 4:30pm

### Saturday, January 26

- Cleaning Crew #2
- 9:00 AM K-2<sup>nd</sup> Basketball

### Sunday, January 27

- 8:00 AM Worship (Communion)
- 9:15 AM Sunday School/Bible Study
- 10:30 AM Worship (Communion)
- Noon-4 PM FVL Musicfest (Junior Choir sings at 1)
- Fellowship Hall reserved from Noon-4pm

**See your monthly newsletter for Usher, Communion Assistant, Altar Guild, Power Point Assistant, and Greeter schedules.**

#### o **Offering Envelopes – Giving Statements**

Your envelopes for 2019 and your giving statements for 2018 are in your church mailboxes. Thank you!

## Prayer Requests

*Please email [faithinaction@riverviewlutheran.org](mailto:faithinaction@riverviewlutheran.org) for special prayer requests to be passed on to our Prayer Chain. Please obtain permission before making a prayer request for anyone.*

**Health issues:** Lori Soehrmann, Todd Kuepper, Brett Van Handel and family, A member's brother facing many serious challenges, Larry Fredrick, John Eichsteadt, Marlene Glaze, Karen Reffke, Don Wolff, Tim Maass, Becky Krowas, Sharon Glasel, Melissa Selle

**Those in the military:** Krista (Stege) Lihman, Jordan Beyer, Donald Schwab, Parker Blob, Karen Arndt, Zach Dobrunz, Alycia Marshall, Brock Miller

**Those in mourning:** Family of Gary Theimer, Family of Duane Zeuske, Family of Rhoda Winder

## Riverview News

#### o **Bible Classes**

##### • **Sundays – 9:15 AM**

- o “Colossians” – led by Pastor Belter in the Fellowship Hall – **Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>- Feb. 10**

##### • **Mondays – 1:00 PM**

- o “Genesis” – led by Mr. Wolfgramm in the Church Library

#### o **Thank You!**

Thank you to everyone for your love and support for Rhoda during her time of illness. Thanks also for your Christian concern for us over the past weeks. We truly appreciate the efforts of everyone who assisted with organizing, serving, and cleaning up the meal.

In Christian Love, The Family of Rhoda Winder

#### o **And Again!**

I'd like to thank the congregation for their friendship and support during the time I helped out at Riverview until Pastor Wagner arrived.

Pastor Andrew Martens

#### o **Once More!**

Dear Riverview Family,  
Thank you for the warm welcome we have received. Thank you to all who used their gifts and time in the installation service and meal. And thank you for the generous gifts of scrip and pantry items. We are so happy to be here to serve you and serve with you in ministry. We look forward to getting to know all of you better. May God bless all of us, as we seek to carry out our Savior's mission together.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor & Elisabeth Wagner and family

○ **And Finally!**

Dear Pastor and church council,

Thank you for the opportunity and privilege of helping out with private communions. It was a real joy visiting with folks. Also, thank you for your more than generous gift card. It's appreciated.

Yours in Christ, R. Winter

○ **Voters' Meeting**

Our semi-annual Voters' Meeting will be held on **Sunday, January 20th at 11:45 AM** after the late service. Please attend to hear and be heard on such topics as: plans for the 3K call, slight bylaw updates, and our congregation's long-range goals and how to reach them.

○ **Denver Trip**

Pastor and Rhoda Belter will be in Denver visiting our son and his family from **Jan. 16 - 23**. If emergencies arise, call the church office at 733-3728 or Pastor Wagner at 757-4535.

○ **Pastoral Conference**

Pastor Wagner will be in Sturgeon Bay for the Fox River Valley/Manitowoc Joint Pastoral Conference **Monday & Tuesday, January 21-22**. If you need to reach him, please call his cell phone (757-4535).

○ **Riverview Spirit Wear**

Riverview now has an online spirit wear store. Follow the link below or on our website to see what items are available. <https://riverviewlutheran.itemorder.com/sale> If you would like to verify what size you might need, you can stop in at Silly Toast (583 N. Perkins St., Appleton) and check it out.

○ **K-2 Basketball**

On **Saturday mornings in January and February**, Riverview will be running a K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade basketball camp. These sessions run from **9-9:45 AM**. Please speak to Peter Wolfgramm for more information.

○ **Ushers Needed**

We are looking for individuals that would be willing to help out periodically with ushering duties for **Monday night services**. All confirmed members of Riverview and eighth graders in confirmation class, male and female, are welcome to participate in the ushering program. If you would be willing to usher on Monday evening for one month (or even one week of the year), please contact Kevin Wundrow at 419-1945 or [Kevinwundrow@att.net](mailto:Kevinwundrow@att.net).

○ **Scrip Orders: January 17-27**

Mrs. Diersen will not be available for filling Scrip orders during office hours of these dates. If you would like to place an order from **January 17-27**, please email [office@riverviewlutheran.org](mailto:office@riverviewlutheran.org) or call/text Tina Somers at 858-5991. The order will be filled at some point during the school day and available for pick up at 3 pm. Scrip will be sold in the narthex on Sundays as usual.

○ **Kwik Trip Scrip Special Event**

For the month of January, Kwik Trip has increased the rebate percentage for their Scrip cards. If you prepay for cards by **Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 10 am**, Mrs. Diersen will order them at that time and have them ready for you later that week. With this special deal, you will earn a 15% rebate instead of the usual 5%. The deals continue in February with a 10% rebate. This special deal would follow the same prepay system.

○ **Hope Center Door Offering**

Following services on **January 20-21**, we will have a door offering to support The Hope Center of Appleton. This group of WELS volunteers, housed in St. Matthew Lutheran's building, is an offshoot of the former AAA Pregnancy Counseling Center. Each month, the Hope Center gives supplies to people who are mostly unchurched. These are the some of the items supplied: tissues, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, baby and toddler clothing, feminine products, baby supplies, and spiritual guidance from a WELS Pastor. Presently, about 50 families are served and are directed to our area WELS churches. This ministry is overseen by WELS United, the area churches which do joint work (i.e. Food Pantry, advertising, Reformation service). Thank you for your gifts.

○ **Pioneers**

Pioneers is open to all boys and girls in Kindergarten and up, not just members of Riverview. Riverview's Pioneer group will meet twice a month on Sundays from **6-7:15pm**. The next meetings are **Jan. 20<sup>th</sup> and Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>** in the fellowship hall.

○ **R.O.M.E.O.s**

On the last Friday of each month, a group of Riverview's Retired Old Men Eating Out gathers for breakfast at **8 am**. The next meeting is on **Friday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>**. This meeting will be held at Angel's Restaurant.

○ **RLS Spelling Bee**

Join us at **8:30 am on Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>** as several 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students compete for the title of School Champion and the opportunity to advance to the regional spelling bee at St. Paul Appleton on **March 8<sup>th</sup>**.

### ○ **Box Tops for Education**

Thank you to those who save these promotional items to raise money for our school. If you have a pile hiding somewhere at home, please bring them in soon. They have to be mailed by **February 1<sup>st</sup>** to receive funds during this school year. Thank you!

### ○ **Downsizing**

One of our shut in members is moving into an apartment and has many items for sale. Some items are listed here: curio cabinet, 2 end tables, small TV, bedding for queen & twin sizes, electric fry pans, electric knife, and slow cooker. If interested, call the Riverview office or Pastor Belter.

### ○ **50/75 Celebration**

As part of Riverview's 50/75 Celebration we are looking to celebrate RLS graduates who are now RLS or FVL federation parents. We are looking for pictures of these past graduates and present students to create a slideshow to be shared as part of our celebration on **February 3, 2019**.

If you have electronic pictures, they can be sent to [jzidek77@aol.com](mailto:jzidek77@aol.com) (physical pictures can be put in Andy & Julie Zidek's church mailbox). We plan to have a fellowship hour between services and would like to invite these alumni to join us. If you have contact information for any of these alumni who are not current members, please share it so that we can send them an invitation.

## **FVL News**

### ○ **Musicfest Donations Needed**

FVL Musicfest 2019 is **Sun., 1/27 from noon to 4 PM**. This family-fun event showcases FVL student musicians. Enjoy the musical talent, the Fox Folk Marionettes, the silent auction, and more. Lunch & desserts will be available for purchase. Adults are \$3. Students with FVL ID or FVL Passport are free. Proceeds benefit the FVL music programs and the Let the Children Come mortgage effort. **OUR JUNIOR CHOIR WILL BE SINGING FOR THIS EVENT FROM 1:00-1:10 PM IN THE LARGE GYM AT FVL.**

### ○ **Junior Foxes Baseball**

Registration is open for the 2019 FVL Junior Foxes baseball team for boys ages 13-18 (7th-12th grade). The season begins in late April and goes to the third week of July. The team plays in the Fox Valley Youth Baseball League. Registration is open **until 3/8/19**. Register through the FVL Schools Youth Sports page or contact Dennis Plaster ([dplaster88@gmail.com](mailto:dplaster88@gmail.com)) at (920) 851-7048.

### ○ **Employment Opportunity**

FVL is hiring a part-time custodian. Normal school year hours are Monday-Friday 5:30-10 PM. Job description, duties, and pay rate are found at [fvlhs.org](http://fvlhs.org) Benefits include health insurance and 401K match. Email applications to [ttechlin@fvlhs.org](mailto:ttechlin@fvlhs.org). Additional custodial hours are available at St. Peter Lutheran School-Appleton from 3:15-5:30 PM during the school year.

### ○ **Help Needed**

Costume Designer needed! FVL needs a volunteer to help costume our March musical. We need someone organized and reliable who can communicate well with teens and adults. Knowledge of clothing design and sewing is a must. Will work with director to create costumes appropriate to roles and setting. Email Sharon at [smundt@fvlhs.org](mailto:smundt@fvlhs.org).

### ○ **Host Families Needed**

FVL's International Program needs host families for the 2019-20 school year. This is a great way to share your faith and learn more about other cultures. A stipend to offset the cost of hosting the students is included. Interested? Contact [muhlenbrauck@fvlhs.org](mailto:muhlenbrauck@fvlhs.org).

### ○ **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Enrollment**

Parents who wish to enroll their 8th-grader for 2019-20 should complete the online enrollment form to receive a link to request a scheduling appointment on the **evening of 2/27**. If this date does not fit your schedule, you can request other times. Questions? Contact Rachel at (920) 560-5117.

### ○ **Youth Sports**

FVL Schools, public, and homeschool students are invited to register for spring and summer Youth Sports activities. Links are under "Breaking News" on the [fvlhs.org](http://fvlhs.org) home page. Check back often to see the latest options!

## **Area Church/Synod News**

### ○ **DivorceCare**

Immanuel-Greenville will be offering a DivorceCare class on **Tuesdays (January 8-April 2) from 6:30-8:30 pm** in their Emmaus Library

DivorceCare is a teaching tool to support anyone who has been hurt by the pain of divorce or separation. This program offers short videos each week, a helpful workbook, and ample time for group discussion and support. To register, visit [www.divorcecare.org](http://www.divorcecare.org) or call 920-757-5639. Cost is \$20 for the workbook.

○ **Housing Needed**

The church office has been contacted by a young family of 4 moving from Antigo to Neenah. They are in search of housing in the area and were curious to know if any members of Riverview may own and rent out properties in the area. Please email or call Riverview's office to get contact information if you can help.

○ **Faith Fit Dance Fitness Class**

Our Shepherd Child Care & Family Ministry (3335 North Lynndale Drive, Appleton) will host an 8-week Dance Fitness Class on **Mondays from 5:30–6:15 pm beginning January 14, 2019**. Faith Fit is a dance fitness class (think Zumba-esque) that encourages women of all ages and abilities to continue on their fitness journey, one step at a time! No matter where you are at on your journey-YOU MATTER. We dance to positive uplifting music from the likes of TobyMac, Mandisa, and more! The class is free, but childcare is available for a small fee. For more information contact Emily at churchoffice@bethanyappleton.org.

○ **School Choice Workshops**

Want to learn more about the School Choice program? Who is eligible? What elementary schools are involved? How to apply? Three FREE regional workshops are being offered by FVL Schools. The time is **6 PM** and the dates are **2/4** at St. Mark-Green Bay, **2/5** at St. Peter-Freedom, and **2/7** at Martin Luther-Oshkosh. No registration needed. Come to find out how your students can have their Christian education paid in full through the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program.

○ **Men of His Word Conference**

The 10<sup>th</sup> annual Men of His Word Conference with the theme "Built on the Rock" will be held at the Best Western Premier Waterfront Convention Center in Oshkosh on **Saturday, February 9, 2019**. Adult registration is \$50 and youth registration is \$25. (\$60 and \$30 after **January 27<sup>th</sup>**) Please go online at [menofhisword.org](http://menofhisword.org) (or see blue counter) to register and get details about schedule, breakout sessions, keynote speaker, etc.

○ **WELS Young Professionals Network**

"The Inseparable" Facebook group is intended for young professionals in WI. If you're 20's to early 30's, join the Facebook group to connect and share community events, so that you can gather together and develop strong friendships.

The name is inspired by Romans 8:39, to remind you that nothing can separate you from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus. The first group event will be **March 2, 2019**, in the afternoon and early evening. It will be at N5830 Rockland Beach Road, Hilbert. The plan is to have a winter fire, play games, and, weather permitting, ice fishing and sledding/tubing. Snacks and coffee will be provided. For more information, join The Inseparable Facebook group or text Sonya at 666-2863.