

Wednesday, May 7th

The Backstrom Family Story
Christian Life Fellowship
Port Edwards
6:30 PM
More info: 715-887-3565

Three boys, Mathew, Jacob and Justin Backstrom were killed in a drunken driving accident. Now their parents Nathan and Connie share the heartbreaking story of losing three sons to another young man's decision to drive drunk. A free-will offering will be taken.

Thursday, May 8th

Alzheimer's Support Group
Brehm Conference Room, Centralia Center
Wisconsin Rapids
9:30 AM
More info: 715-422-2795

Family members, caregivers and others are invited for the video, "Caregiver Journey."

Thursday, May 8th – Saturday, May 10th

Seussical Jr. the Musical
St. Peter Middle School
Stevens Point
Thursday & Friday: 7:00 PM; Saturday: 2:00 PM
Adults: \$6.00; children" \$5.00
More info: 715-344-1890

Performances will be held in the Pacelli High School Theatre. The cast will host a special storybook hour for toddlers before the Saturday show at 12:15 PM that will include crafts and snacks. Storybook hour will cost \$2.00 per child and reservations are required.

Thursday, May 8th – Saturday, May 10th

Annual Rummage/Bake Sale
Loyal United Methodist Church
Loyal
Thursday & Friday: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM; Saturday: 8:00 AM – Noon
More info: Rhonda, 715-255-9213

Find treasures galore and many tasty treats at the church's annual rummage sale.

Friday, May 9th

Mudd Creek
Cup O'Joy Christian Coffee House
Green Bay
7:30 PM
More info: 920-435-3269

Enjoy a taste of bluegrass-gospel at the Cup O'Joy Christian Coffee House.

Saturday, May 10th

Sudan Walk for Literacy
Wildwood Park
Marshfield
9:00 AM
More info: 715-387-6111 or www.SudanWalk.org

Join a community walk-a-thon to raise money for literacy education programs for the people of Sudan. Participation is free but reservations are requested.

Saturday, May 10th

Coty Sloan
Cup O'Joy Christian Coffee House
Green Bay
7:30 PM
More info: 920-435-3269

Who knew that a violin could be so versatile? Coty Sloan takes on Celtic, tribal, folk and easy listening styles.

Monday, May 12th

An Evening of Healing
St. Anthony Retreat Center
Marathon
7:00 – 9:00 PM
More info: 715-443-2236 or info@sarcenter.com

If you sense a need for healing – physically, emotionally or spiritually – you are welcome to attend this evening of liturgy, reflection, prayer and anointing.

Tuesday, May 13th

Spring Salad Luncheon and Bake Sale
St. Luke's Lutheran Church
Wisconsin Rapids
10:30am-1:00pm
More info: 715-423-5990

Luncheon served from 11:00am-1:00pm with the Bake Sale starting at 10:30am. Adults \$6 Children 12 and under are Free! Express line for those on a lunch break from work.

Tuesday, May 13th

Spring Refreshment Luncheon
Marshfield Christian Women's Connection
Belvedere Supper Club
Marshfield
12:30 PM
\$10.00
More info: Christine, 715-387-3502

Colleen Keen will share seasonal recipes and a talk entitled "An Award Winning Recipe for Life." Reservations are required.

Thursday, May 15

Knights@Night
Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum
Wausau
4:30-6:30pm
FREE
More info: 715-845-7010

Program open to children 5-12 years-old can try on real armor and then make a personal coat of arms. Pre-registration is required.

Tuesday, May 13th

Garden Party Dinner
Wisconsin Rapids Christian Women's Connection
Hotel Mead
6:30 PM
\$13.00
More info: 715-423-0898

Advance reservations by May 7th are essential. All women are invited to a special night out with keynote speaker of Colleen Keen and garden decorating ideas from Nancy Radlinger. Childcare is available.

Wednesday, May 14th

Starting and Surviving in Small Business
Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE)
Wisconsin Learning Center, Portage County Business Park
Stevens Point
6:30 PM
More info: 715-346-3861

Co-sponsored by the UWSP Small Business Development Center and the Portage County Business Council, this free monthly workshop will help budding entrepreneurs start and grow new companies. Registration is required.

Thursday, May 15th

Peaceful Music Luncheon
The Rose Garden
Wausau
12:30-2:00pm
Cost: \$9.25

Reservations essential by May 12th

More info: 715-359-4435

Program includes lunch, childcare. Featured Speaker/Singer Judy Dagraedt will speak to the topic, "Peace in the Midst of Turmoil".

Friday, May 16th

Fish Boil
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
Stevens Point
4:00 – 7:00 PM
Adults: \$9.00; Children: \$3.00

Enjoy a tasty Door County tradition in the heart of Wisconsin. Proceeds benefit the Orphan Grain Train.

Friday, May 16th

Inhabited and Cycle Down
Cup O'Joy Christian Coffee House
Green Bay
7:30 PM
More info: 920-435-3269

Brother/sister duo Sara and Marcus Acker share the stage with the passionate vocals of Cycle Down.

Saturday, May 17th

Up in Arms: Exploring the History and Culture of Armor
Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum
Wausau
9am- 5pm
FREE
More info: 715-845-7010

Demonstrations throughout the day by the Oakeshott Armorers.

Saturday, May 17th

Garage, Bake and Craft Sale
Ogema Baptist Church
Ogema
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
More info: Jennifer Blomberg, 715-767-5157

Help the youth of Ogema Baptist Church on their mission trip to Belize and shop for treasures, delicious baked goods and home-made crafts.

Saturday, May 17th

Corey's Carnival
New Heron Banquet Facility
Weston
11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
More info: 715-359-6962

Live and silent auctions, bingo, games and children's activities will be fun for the entire family and help raise funds for medical treatment for Corey Miller. Co-sponsored with matching funds from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

Saturday, May 17th

YWCA Garden Club Plant Sale
YWCA
Wausau
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
More info: 715-842-3381 ex. 100

Stock your yard with annuals, perennials and herbs and help support community programs and projects.

Saturday, May 17th

Randy Stonehill
Cup O'Joy Christian Coffee House
Green Bay
6:30 and 8:45 PM
More info: 920-435-3269

Christian Family Radio brings more than three decades of storytelling and song to the stage with music veteran Randy Stonehill. Doors open one-half hour before each performance.

Sunday, May 18th

Annual Pig Roast
Nekoosa United Church of Christ
Nekoosa
10:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Adults: \$7.00; Children: \$3.00
More info: 715-886-3371

Roast pork, sauerkraut and a whole lot more will be on the menu. Carryouts will be available.

Sunday, May 18th

Wisconsin Veterans Home Open House
Wisconsin Veterans Home
King
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
More info: Shari McCann, 715-258-7409

Celebrate the heroes of the past and of today. Tour the Wisconsin Veterans' Home and enjoy the antique car show, boat excursions on the Chain O'Lakes, music with the River Cities Jazz Band, children's activities, the gift shop and food and beverages from several vendors.

Monday, May 19th

"M" is for Mother Luncheon
Wautoma Area Christian Women's Club
Silvercryst Supper Club
Wautoma
Noon
\$12.00
More info: Marilyn, 920-622-5024

Celebrate Mothers' Day with a special program of music from Carlene Modine and Randi Olsen and a keynote speech from Marlene Fors. Reservations are required by May 12th.

Tuesday, May 20th

Knights of the Short Round Table
Toddler Tuesday at the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum
Wausau
10:30am-noon
FREE
More info: 715-845-7010

Program offers thematic fun through art projects and stories, A snack and short toddler tour round out the morning.

Thursday, May 22nd

Art Time for Tots
Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum
Wausau
2 sessions 9-10 am and 10:30-11:30 am
FREE
More info: 715-845-7010

Adult-child pairs have small-group art-based interactions and then work in pairs to create art. Pre-registration is required.

Saturday, May 24th

True North
Cup O'Joy Christian Coffee House
Green Bay
7:30 PM
More info: 920-435-3269

Enjoy an evening of traditional bluegrass and tight a cappella harmonies at the Cup.

Friday, May 30th

First Century Ministries
Cup O'Joy Christian Coffee House
Green Bay
7:30 PM
More info: 920-435-3269

Bring the kids and experience life in Jesus' time. Wade and Jennifer will demonstrate a range of historic, biblical crafts while sharing the Gospel story.

Saturday, May 31st

Jason Gray
Cup O'Joy Christian Coffee House
Green Bay
7:30 PM
More info: 920-435-3269

Christian Family Radio brings the onstage humor and praise-filled music of one of Christian music's best kept secrets – Jason Gray – to the Cup stage.

Friday, June 6th – Sunday, June 8th

Holy Name of Jesus Summer fun 2008
Holy Name of Jesus Parish
Wausau
More info: 715-842-4543

Enjoy a weekend of family activities including a petting zoo, music from local bands, a country store, children's games and a Sunday chicken dinner.

Saturday, June 7

Create Your Coat of Arms
Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum
Wausau
1-2:30 pm
FREE

More info: 715-845-7010

Ongoing

Operation Appleseed Children's Birthday Parties
Christ Lutheran Church
Marshfield
Friday evenings; Saturdays
More info: 715-384-3535

Looking for a wholesome way to celebrate your three to ten year old child's birthday without the hassle? Let Christ Church throw a party for you. Beginning September 14th, hosted parties will be held in the church hall with traditional cake and ice cream and a life lesson about Jesus.

Ongoing

Compassionate Friends Grief Support Group
Ministry Home Care
Hope Lodge
Marshfield
6:30 PM
More info: Cheryl Gessert, 715-659-4540

Compassionate Friends is a free, drop-in grief support group for parents and grandparents. It meets the second Thursday of every month.

Ongoing

Compassionate Friends Grief Support Group
Ministry Home Care
Memorial Medical Center
Neillsville
7:00 PM
More info: Cheryl Gessert, 715-659-4540

Compassionate Friends is a free, drop-in, grief support group for parents and grandparents. It meets the first Tuesday of every month.

Ongoing

Celebrate Recovery
Christian Life Fellowship
Pulse Center, Port Plaza Mall
Port Edwards
6:30 PM Thursdays
More info: 715-887-3565 or www.clfonline.org

Celebrate Recovery is a 12-Step program that addresses all types of habits, hurts and hang-ups. The program is uniquely based on the teachings of Jesus rather than the theories of men.

Ongoing

Divorce Care
Christian Life Fellowship
Port Edwards
6:30 PM Tuesdays
More info: 715-887-3565 or www.clfonline.org

Divorce Care is a video-facilitated support group for divorced adults and will cover a variety of recovery topics.

Ongoing

Divorce Care for Kids
Christian Life Fellowship
Port Edwards
6:30 PM Tuesdays
More info: 715-887-3565 or www.clfonline.org

Divorce Care for Kids features fun games and activities along with DVD dramas about real-life situations of children in divorce and points children to the Bible and Jesus Christ as their source of healing.

Ongoing

Grief Share
Christian Life Fellowship
Port Edwards
6:30 PM Tuesdays
More info: 715-887-3565 or www.clfonline.org

Grief care is a video-facilitated support group for adults facing illness, job loss, or the loss of a loved one.

Ongoing

Good Grief: Support group for children and families
Ministry Home Care-Hospice
First Presbyterian Church
Marshfield
More info: Staci Marrese-Wheeler 800-397-4216

Children have a different way of dealing with grief than adults, but they still need support. Trained counselors offer ways to help heal from the pain of loss. Monthly meetings begin with a family meal and then break into age appropriate groups. An initial, private interview is required for participation.