

**Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:**

**Worship:** 382 (23, 359)

**Bible Study:** 64 (11, 33, 11, 9)

**Youth Study:** 16

Thursday 7:00 p.m. 19-Minutes with Luther Bible Study, church  
7:30 p.m. Worship  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. 19-Minutes with Luther Bible Study, church  
9:00 a.m. Worship  
1:00 p.m. Men’s Bible Study  
5:30 p.m. Family Bible Study, pavilion  
7:00 p.m. Youth Softball at Bethany, Manitowoc

**Communion** is a part of worship today. Because God speaks of communing together as an expression of unity in faith we practice close communion. All WELS members are welcome to commune with us. Visitors, please speak with the pastor or an elder before communing.

**19 Minutes With Luther** The summer 19-Minute Bible Studies will begin on Thursday May 29 and Sunday June 1. We will continue the series, *19-Minutes with Luther*. This class takes us through Luther’s Small Catechism. It is an excellent way to review essential Bible Doctrines and keep yourself in the habit of group Bible study through the summer months. Join us Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. or Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

**Adult Christ Light Bible Study** We will begin the summer series of Adult Christ Light Bible studies on Monday June 2. Our first lesson will look at *The First Church*. We will meet at 7:00 a.m. at Crossroads Café. Join us as we look at Bible history accounts that are not studied as often in Sunday Schools or grade schools!

**Family Bible Study** This summer we will have a six week Family Bible study series. We will look at the “One Another” passages of scripture. How does God want us to treat one another? There will be activities in which all ages will be able to participate. We will meet Sundays in the pavilion at 5:30 p.m. beginning on Sunday, June 1. After the study you are welcome to stay and roast hot dogs at a bonfire in the back yard of the parsonage. We moved the time earlier this year because youth softball will play their games on Sunday evenings this year. Join us for Bible study, supper, and then watch the softball game! Bring the whole family!

**Church Outing** The sign up sheet for the Timber Rattler game is in the church basement. The game is June 22, 1:00 p.m.. We will tailgate before the game; someone from our group will throw out the first pitch, and then enjoy the game as a group. Tickets are only \$6.50. Only 50 tickets are available this year and the deadline to sign up is June 8.

**Softball** The second annual softball tournament is just around the corner. If you haven’t gotten your team sign up yet, do so! The deadline is June 1. Only the first 8 teams will be accepted. All proceeds will benefit the youth group.

**MLHS Calls for 2008-09** Mrs. Jolene Pautz has accepted the one-year call to teach Spanish. Miss Kristina Wessell has accepted the one-year call through the assignment committee to teach science and computers.

**MLHS Youth Football Program.** 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders for next fall still can register for the team, and equipment will be getting fitted on 6/10. Registration forms are available at [www.mlhslancers.com/athletics](http://www.mlhslancers.com/athletics). Please contact Scott Reinhard (242-9204) with questions on registration.

**Brat Fry Dates for Lancer Basketball Teams.** Fri (9am – 5pm) & Sat (9am – 3pm), May 30 & 31 and June 6 & 7. Feed your summer appetite by visiting the Piggly Wiggly in Manitowoc for delicious brats and the chance to help raise funds for the MLHS Basketball Teams. Bring your friends & neighbors, too!

**Construction has begun on the new Music Center at MLHS.** Follow the progress via regular picture updates and progress postings via the website!

**Questions/Comments** about our congregation may be directed to:

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**Today’s Organist:** Joan Wegner

**Website:** [www.mzluth.org](http://www.mzluth.org) **Synod Website:** [www.wels.net](http://www.wels.net)

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

May 25, 2008



**Prayer before worship**

*Lord, you are beyond my understanding. Help me rejoice in what I do understand; you love me and have taken away my sins. Amen*

*Lessons are on the back cover*

**Personal Preparation for Holy Communion:**

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**Preservice Music:** Olivia Tasch and Hannah Ihlenfeldt

**Service**

Common Service (p. 15)

**Hymns**

416, 190, 386, 382, 536, 318

**Prayer of the Day**

*O God, you rule all things in wisdom and kindness. Take away everything that may be harmful and give us whatever is good: through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**Psalm of the Day**

Psalm 78 (p. 95)

**Sermon:** Matthew 7:21-29

**God’s Word Works**

For a firm foundation in life  
For confidence on the day of judgement

**Musical Offering:**

Mabel Krahn

## Pentecost 2– Series A

*Jesus satisfied God's demands for perfection. His righteousness is ours by faith. We dare not accept any substitutes, even if they are cleverly disguised in Jesus' name.*

### **First Lesson:** Deuteronomy 11:18-21, 26-28

Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates, so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land that the LORD swore to give your forefathers, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.

See, I am setting before you today a blessing and a curse-- the blessing if you obey the commands of the LORD your God that I am giving you today; the curse if you disobey the commands of the LORD your God and turn from the way that I command you today by following other gods, which you have not known.

### **Psalm of the Day:** Psalm 78 (page 95)

### **Second Lesson:** Romans 3:21-25, 27, 28

But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished—

Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. On what principle? On that of observing the law? No, but on that of faith. For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law.

### **Verse of the Day:**

*Alleluia. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Alleluia. (Psalm 119:105)*

### **Gospel:** Matthew 7:15-29

“Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves. By their fruit you will recognize them. Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? Likewise every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them.

Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?’ Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!’

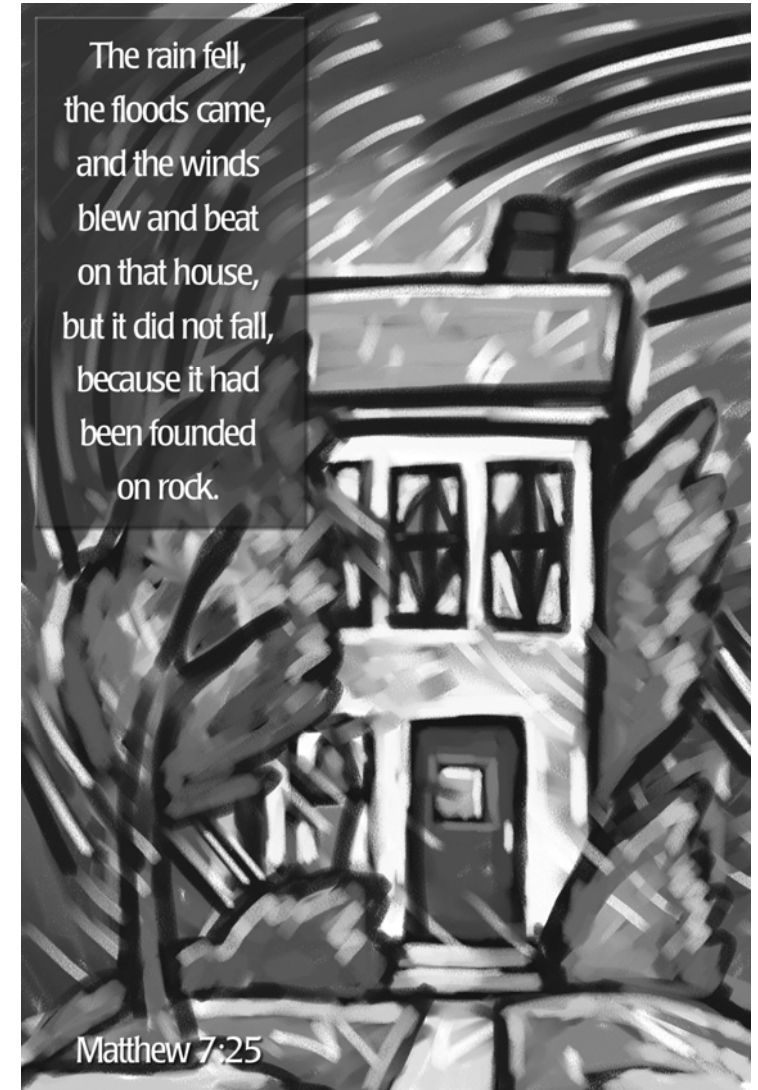
Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”

When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law.

## Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

*Glorifying God as we Grow in the Gospel and Go with the Gospel*



**Welcome!** We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. Please sign our guest book near the double door entrance. Restrooms are in the basement near the double stairs.

Today we gather together in the very presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of all of our worship.