Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Bible Study: 43 (1, 42) Worship: 279 Communion: 146 Sunday 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 7:00 a.m. Adult Christ-Light Bible Study Monday 6:30 p.m. School Board Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Outreach Committee 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee 8:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee 1:00 p.m. Ladies Aid, school Thursday 1:00 p.m. Fun Day, school 7:00 p.m. 19-Minutes with Luther Bible Study, church 7:30 p.m. Worship 8:30 a.m. 19-Minutes with Luther Bible Study, church Sunday 9:00 a.m. Worship 5:30 p.m. Family Bible Study, pavilion 7:00 p.m. Youth Softball at Maribel

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 next 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 this 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 a softball game! Bring the whole family!

Stewardship Committee will meet Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. in the school basement.

Ladies Aid will meet this Thursday at 1:00 p.m. in the school.

Fun Day will continue every Thursday throughout the summer. Three through 5 year olds are invited to join us from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. each Thursday. Invite a friend!

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.

Dear Members of Zion Lutheran Church, On May 15, I received the divine call extended to me through the Synodical Assignment Committee to serve your congregation. With this letter I wish to announce my formal acceptance of this call, as well as my joy that his privilege has been granted to me. Moving arrangements and a commissioning date are being determined in consultation with the Mr. Humann. I pray that the Lord will bring me and my wife, to you safely and that he will bless my ministry among you. In Our Lord Jesus, Joseph Woldt

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3rd Sunday after Pentecost May 29 & June

May 29 & June 1, 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

THURSDAY

Service: Evening Prayer (p. 52)

Hymns: 401, 596, 406:3,5

Psalm Prayer

O Lord, your Word is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness. Guide our footsteps by your Word so that we may remain steadfast in faith may love you with all our hearts and our neighbors as ourselves; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Lessons are on the back cover

Psalm: Psalm 119c (p. 111) **Sermon:** <u>Matthew 9:9-13</u>

Follow Me

God's call

His people's response

SUNDAY

Service: Common (p. 15) **Hymns:** 401, 596, 384, 406:3,5

Prayer of the Day

O God, the strength of all who trust in you, mercifully hear our prayers. Be gracious to us in our weakness and give us strength to keep your commandments in all we say and do; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Pentecost 3– Series A

God desires mercy, not sacrifice. We practice Godpleasing mercy only when we see our lost condition and rejoice that the Son of God has condescended to suffer all for our salvation.

First Lesson: Hosea 5:15-6:6

Then I will go back to my place until they admit their guilt. And they will seek my face; in their misery they will earnestly seek me." "Come, let us return to the LORD. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence. Let us acknowledge the LORD; let us press on to acknowledge him. As surely as the sun rises, he will appear; he will come to us like the winter rains, like the spring rains that water the earth." "What can I do with you, Ephraim? What can I do with you, Judah? Your love is like the morning mist, like the early dew that disappears. Therefore I cut you in pieces with my prophets, I killed you with the words of my mouth; my judgments flashed like lightning upon you. For I desire mercy, not sacrifice,

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 119c (page 111)

and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings.

Second Lesson: Romans 4:18-25

Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be." Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as

dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. This is why "it was credited to him as righteousness." The words "it was credited to him" were written not for him alone, but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

Verse of the Day:

Alleluia. God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Alleluia. (2 Corinthians 5:19)

Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

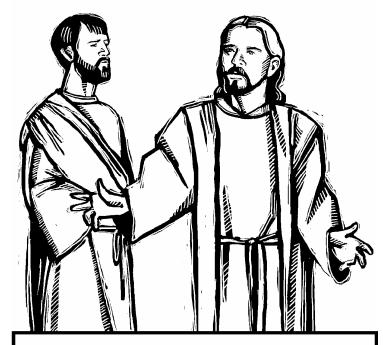
While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and "sinners" came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?"

On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

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



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Matthew 9:9

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.