

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 464 (39, 425)

Communion: 204 (26, 178)

Bible Study: 68 (3, 54, 11)

Saturday 9:00 a.m. Free School Supplies and More
 Sunday 8:30 a.m. 19 Minutes with Luther
 9:00 a.m. Worship
 Monday 7:00 a.m. Adult Christ-Light Bible Study
 Tuesday 6:30 p.m. School Board
 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee, commons
 7:00 p.m. Outreach, school basement
 Thursday 1:00 p.m. Fun Day
 7:00 p.m. 19-Minutes with Luther Bible Study, church
 7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion
 Sunday 8:30 a.m. 19-Minutes with Luther Bible Study, church
 9:00 a.m. Worship with Communion

Baptism On Sunday Isaiah Charles Muchka will be baptized into the Christian faith. Isaiah is the son of Rick and Katie Muchka. He was born on July 22. Please remember this new child of God and his family in prayer!

Adult Christ Light Bible Study This week we will look at *Jesus Blesses the Children*. We meet at 7:00 a.m. at Crossroads Café. Join us!

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 you in the habit of group Bible study through the summer months. Next week we will look at "The 2nd Petition." Join us Thursday at 7:00 p.m. or Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

Bread of Life Bible Study will not meet in August.

Naomi Circle will not meet in August.

Babysitting Training Course The Wayside- Morrison Lion's club and American Red Cross will hold a babysitter's training course on Saturday, August 16 (8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.) at our school. If you are interested please call the American Red Cross at 227-4290. Cost of the class is \$22.50 and class size is limited.

Outdoor Worship On Sunday, August 17 we will worship outside, weather permitting. After worship join us for ice cream sundaes or floats. School Registration will also take place after worship until 11:00 a.m.

Questions/Comments about our congregation may be directed to:

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12th Sunday after Pentecost
July 31 & Aug. 3,
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: 433, 384, 405:1,6

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 73 (p. 94)

Sermon: 1 Kings 19:9-18

Appearances Can Be Deceiving

God comes in and unexpected way
We have more power than we can see

SUNDAY

Service: Baptism, Common (p. 12,16)

Hymns: 295, 384, 415, 405:1,6

Prayer of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Pentecost 12– Series A

The gospel promises of our lord Jesus Christ turn hearts to faith and strengthen faith.

First Lesson: 1 Kings 19:9-18

Souls are not converted by mighty acts of judgment. Hearts are converted through the gentle whisper of the gospel.

There he went into a cave and spent the night.

And the word of the LORD came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

He replied, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.”

The LORD said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.”

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave.

Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

He replied, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, broken down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.”

The LORD said to him, “Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet. Jehu will put to death any who escape the sword of Hazael, and Elisha will put to death any who escape the sword of Jehu. Yet I reserve seven thousand in Israel—all whose knees have not bowed down to Baal and all whose mouths have not kissed him.”

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 73 (page 94)

We may lean wholeheartedly upon the Lord for security and happiness forever.

Second Lesson: Romans 9:1-5

Paul wishes that he could take the Jews place under God’s judgment. God forbid that we should despise the richer blessings of the New Testament fulfillment.

I speak the truth in Christ--I am not lying, my conscience confirms it in the Holy Spirit-- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race, the people of Israel. Theirs is the adoption as sons; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship and the promises. Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of Christ, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen.

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

The disciples are terrified at the sight of Jesus walking across the water. Fears are dispelled by Jesus’ words. The life of a Christian is often riddled with fears, doubts, and distractions. But even a “little faith” finds strength in the promises of God.

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. “It’s a ghost,” they said, and cried out in fear.

But Jesus immediately said to them: “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.”

“Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied, “tell me to come to you on the water.”

“Come,” he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!”

Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. “You of little faith,” he said, “why did you doubt?”

And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

We exist to honor God as we Grow in the Gospel and Go with the Gospel

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faith, why did you doubt?"*



Matthew 14:31

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.