

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

**Worship:** 333 (27, 306)      **Communion:** 188 (16, 172)  
**Bible Study:** 94 (7, 26, 29, 4, 10, 9, 9)      **Youth Study:** 11

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement
	10:00 a.m.	Voters Election Meeting, church
	10:00 a.m.	Ladies Aid Meeting, church
	4:00 p.m.	Area Reformation/Dedication Service at MLHS
	6:30 p.m.	His Word My Life Bible Study, church
Monday	7:00 a.m.	His Word My Life Bible Study, church basement
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study, commons
	7:30 p.m.	Service of Prayer for the Nation
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study, church
	6:30 p.m.	School Board
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee
Wednesday	4:45 p.m.	Confirmation Class (5 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> grade)
	4:45 p.m.	Bible History Class (3 <sup>rd</sup> -4 <sup>th</sup> grade)
	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class (1 <sup>st</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup> grade)
	8:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	1:00 p.m.	Fun Day
	7:30 p.m.	Worship with Communion
	8:30 p.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement
	8:00 a.m.	Predestination Study, commons
	9:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement
	10:00 a.m.	Band
	6:30 p.m.	His Word My Life Bible Study, church

**Election Meeting** will be after worship on Sunday.

**Ladies Aid** will meet in the back of church after worship on Sunday.

**MLHS Dedication/Area Reformation Worship** will be Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Tours of the new facility will be available afterward. You can view the history and progress of the project by visiting [www.mlhslancers.com](http://www.mlhslancers.com)!

**His Word My Life Bible Study** meets Sunday at 6:30 p.m. and Monday at 7:00 a.m. in the church basement. We are studying *The Glory of the Gospel Ministry: A Study of 2 Corinthians*. Join us!

**Service of Prayer for the Nation** On Monday, Nov. 3 at 7:30 p.m. we will have a brief service of prayer for our nation. As the nation focuses on the upcoming presidential election, this service provides an opportunity to reflect on what God's Word says about earthly governments and to ask the Lord for his blessing on our nation. Join us and bring the family!

**Luther's Large Catechism** is the topic of our Tuesday afternoon Bible Study. We meet Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. in the church basement. We will look at the 7<sup>th</sup> commandment this week.

**Adult Christ-Light Bible Study** meets in the church basement Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. Join us!

**Predestination Bible Study** Join us next Sunday as we continue the study, *Predestination*, a study from the People's Bible Teaching Series. We meet in the school commons at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday.

**Manitowoc Lutheran High School Admissions Director** This is a full time position and will be filled through the calling process. The names of eligible male candidates, (pastors, teachers, staff ministers or lay people), must be submitted by Nov. 15, to the District President Engelbrecht.

**CLR National Convention** Mark your calendars for Saturday, Nov. 15, the date of the 2008 Christian Life Resources National Convention! The location is the Country Springs Hotel in Pewaukee. Learn more about life/family issues from nationally-recognized presenters and join us as we recognize CLR's 25th year in the pro-life, pro-family ministry! For more info, go to [www.CLREvents.com](http://www.CLREvents.com).

**Poinsettia** There is a sign up sheet in the church basement if you would like to purchase a poinsettia to have in church during Advent. The cost is \$7.00.

**Northern Wisconsin District Congregational Workshop** Saturday, March 7, 2009 at Fox Valley Lutheran High School This workshop is designed to provide opportunity to learn of ideas and ways to refine and improve our gospel ministry through both outreach and nurturing existing members. The specifics of the workshop will be announced as soon as possible. Please, members and leaders, mark and reserve this date on your calendars.

**Family Treasures and Gifts** Visit [www.FamilyTG.com](http://www.FamilyTG.com) and browse many new products including Christian board games, beautiful Bible covers, and gifts for everyone in the family! Get free shipping! All proceeds support the ministry of Christian Life Resources.

**There are** only a few items left to donate toward concessions! A sign up sheet is located on the tables in the church basement. Thank you in advance!

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

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**Custodian:** Beverly Leiterman      864-2355

**Church and School Secretary:** Nancy Pantzlaff      864-7334

**Wisconsin Lutheran Child and Family Service (WELS counseling)**  
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**Living Hope Counseling Ministries (WELS counseling)**  
 Dr. John Johnson, Director, De Pere      338-8699

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of End Time**

Oct. 16 & 19, 2008

**Prayer before worship**

*Forgive me Lord for not standing firm in you. Anchor me to your Word and sacraments. Amen*



**THURSDAY**

**Service:** Evening Prayer (p. 52)

**Hymns:** 291, 200, 293

**Psalm Prayer**

*Lord God, you called the Church to be the bride of Christ and to listen always to the voice of the bridegroom. Anoint our hearts with the oil of joy that we may serve you in righteousness and sing your praises now and forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Lessons are on the back cover*

**Psalm:** Psalm 46 (p. 84)

**Sermon:** Daniel 6:10-12, 16-23

**Stand Firm In Your Trust In God**

He is the highest authority

He is the ultimate source of help

**SUNDAY**

**Service:** Word (p. 38)

**Hymns:** 291, 200, 203, 293

**Preservice** (band)

*Amazing Grace, Sacred Traditions*

*Medley, A Mighty Fortress*

**Prayer of the Day**

*Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with your and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**Special Music** (choir, after Prayer of the Day) *On Faith Alone*

**Offering:** Band *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*

## End Time 1—Reformation—Series A

*Stand firm in the freedom of Christ's gospel!*

### First Lesson: Daniel 6:10-12,16-23

*Daniel stands firm in his trust in the LORD, even as his life was threatened.*

Now when Daniel learned that the decree had been published, he went home to his upstairs room where the windows opened toward Jerusalem. Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God, just as he had done before. Then these men went as a group and found Daniel praying and asking God for help. So they went to the king and spoke to him about his royal decree: "Did you not publish a decree that during the next thirty days anyone who prays to any god or man except to you, O king, would be thrown into the lions' den?"

The king answered, "The decree stands—in accordance with the laws of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be repealed."

So the king gave the order, and they brought Daniel and threw him into the lions' den. The king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, rescue you!"

A stone was brought and placed over the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the rings of his nobles, so that Daniel's situation might not be changed. Then the king returned to his palace and spent the night without eating and without any entertainment being brought to him. And he could not sleep.

At the first light of dawn, the king got up and hurried to the lions' den. When he came near the den, he called to Daniel in an anguished voice, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?"

Daniel answered, "O king, live forever! My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in his sight. Nor have I ever done any wrong before you, O king."

The king was overjoyed and gave orders to lift Daniel out of the den. And when Daniel was lifted from the den, no wound was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.

### Psalm of the Day: Psalm 46 (page 84)

*God is the refuge and strength that we stand firm in through all adversity.*

### Second Lesson: Galatians 5:1-6

*Stand firm in Christ's freedom! If we turn back to the law to earn God's favor (or motivate Christian living)—even a little—we are turning away from the gospel of Christ.*

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

Mark my words! I, Paul, tell you that if you let yourselves be circumcised, Christ will be of no value to you at all. Again I declare to every man who lets himself be circumcised that he is obligated to obey the whole law. You who are trying to be justified by law have been alienated from Christ; you have fallen away from grace. But by faith we eagerly await through the Spirit the righteousness for which we hope. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

### Gospel: Matthew 10:16-23

*Jesus sends us out "like sheep among wolves." We put our trust in the One who sends us and stand firm in the face of adversity.*

I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves.

"Be on your guard against men; they will hand you over to the local councils and flog you in their synagogues. On my account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles. But when they arrest you, do not worry about what to say or how to say it. At that time you will be given what to say, for it will not be you speaking, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

"Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. All men will hate you because of me, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved. When you are persecuted in one place, flee to another. I tell you the truth, you will not finish going through the cities of Israel before the Son of Man comes.



**My God  
Sent  
his angel,  
& he  
Shut the  
Mouths  
of the  
Lions.**

**Daniel 6:22**

## Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

*We exist to  
Honor 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.

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