Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

**Worship:** 352 (25, 327) **Communion:** 197 (14, 183) **Bible Study:** 89 (6, 42, 22, 10, 9) Youth Study: 18

10:00 a.m. Sunday School, church basement Sunday B-Team Tournament at Brillion 6:30 p.m. His Word My Life Bible Study, church 7:00 a.m. His Word My Life Bible Study, church Monday 7:00 p.m. Youth Group Bible Study, commons 10:00 a.m. Naomi Circle, church Tuesday 2:00 p.m. Bible Study, church 6:30 p.m. Bread for Life Women's Study, school 7:30 p.m. PTA Meeting, school 4:45 p.m. Confirmation Class (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade) Wednesday 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 1:00 p.m. Fun Day (3-5 year olds at school) Thursday 7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion 8:30 p.m. Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement 8:00 a.m. Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement Sunday 8:00 a.m. Challenges and Blessings Study, commons 9:00 a.m. Worship with Communion 10:00 a.m. Sunday School, church basement 10:00 a.m. Band, school 6:30 p.m. His Word My Life Bible Study, church

His Word—My Life Bible Class will meet Sunday evening and Monday morning. On Sunday we will look at the challenge of the desire for instant gratification. On Monday we will look at our response when we receive financial blessings. Join us!

Naomi Circle, our women's Bible study for widows and their friends, will meet Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. at church.

Tuesday Bible Study will begin a new study this week, Lord's Supper, based on the People's Bible Teaching book of the same name.

**Bread for Life** will meet Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. We will study one of the hymns from the new Supplement. We will not cook together after the study because of the PTA meeting. Women, please join us!

**PTA** will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Adult Christ-Light Bible Study will meet this Thursday after worship. We will also meet Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement. Join us!

Blessings and Challenges Bible Study meets Sundays at 8:00 a.m. in the commons. Next week we will study, Our Christian Response to Blessings and Challenges When We Receive Financial Blessings. Join us at school.

**MLC Choir Concert** The MLC Choir will sing in a special worship service at Zion on Friday, February 27. There is a box in basement for cash donations to purchase the food for the sack lunch we will send with choir members. There

is also a sign up sheet for housing choir members and for donations for the Friday evening meal for the choir. We will also be collecting water and soda to send along with the choir as they continue their tour. Please check the sheets out to see if there is any way you can help!

Cookies for MLC Choir: The Youth Group is collecting cookies for the MLC Choir and would like the congregation's help making them. We would like to put them together Thursday, February 26. Sign-up sheets can be found in the church basement. Thank you!

**Christian Worship Supplement** If you would like to purchase a supplement for use at home, please sign up on the sheet in the basement. Spiral-bound copies are \$16.75. Copies like we have in the pews are \$13.75.

**A-Team Basketball tournament** brackets are available in the basement. The tournament will be at MLHS, Friday-Sunday.

Mom's Day Out We will go to Chuck E Cheese on Friday, Feb. 20. We will meet at school at 9:30. We eat lunch there around 11:15. Please let Amanda Humann know by Monday, Feb. 16 if you are plan to come (864-7751).

Repeat Performance Stuff a Bag Sale! Feb. 23-28, we will have a bag sale at \$5 a bag. It may include clothing and shoes. Open 9-5. Monday thru Saturday (behind Country Kitchen). Repeat Performance also needs donations.

MLHS Sunday Showcase will be March 8. Advance tickets are available in our school office. Adults are \$5 (\$6 at the door). Children's tickets are \$4.

Blindmen's Volleyball Youth Group will host its annual Blindmen's Volleyball Tournament in March. Put together a team of friends and enjoy this fun-filled weekend. The Youth Tournament is Friday, March 13. The Adult Tournament is Saturday, March 14. Sign up information is in the church basement or ask Mr. Muchka. Registration ends February 22.

Questions/Comments about our congregation may be directed to:			
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# 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after **Epiphany**



Feb. 12 & 15, 2009

### **Prayer before worship**

Lord, in your powerful call to faith you revealed yourself to me. Open my eyes today so that I see you more clearly every day of my life. Amen

#### THURSDAY

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

**Hymns:** 358, 711, 405

#### **Psalm Praver**

Gracious Father in heaven, in countless ways we have transgressed against you. But you have been merciful to us and have forgiven the guilt of our sin. Surround us with your unfailing love that we may rejoice in your great goodness now and forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lessons are on the back cover

**Psalm:** Psalm 32 (p. 78) **Sermon:** 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

### **Share and Share Alike**

In Christ's sufferings In Christ's comfort

#### SUNDAY

**Service:** Word (p. 36) **Hymns:** 358, 711, 735, 405

### Prayer of the Day

Lord God, in mercy receive the prayers of your people. Grant them the wisdom to know the things that please you and the grace and power always to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

> **Musical Offering** (Sunday) As a Deer Claire Ott

# 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany-Series B

Jesus reveals himself as Lord and Savior through his powerful answer to prayer and comfort in affliction.

### First Lesson: 2 Kings 5:1-14

Now Naaman was commander of the army of the king of Aram. He was a great man in the sight of his master and highly regarded, because through him the LORD had given victory to Aram. He was a valiant soldier, but he had leprosy.

Now bands from Aram had gone out and had taken captive a young girl from Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my master would see the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

Naaman went to his master and told him what the girl from Israel had said. "By all means, go," the king of Aram replied. "I will send a letter to the king of Israel." So Naaman left, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold and ten sets of clothing. The letter that he took to the king of Israel read: "With this letter I am sending my servant Naaman to you so that you may cure him of his leprosy."

As soon as the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his robes and said, "Am I God? Can I kill and bring back to life? Why does this fellow send someone to me to be cured of his leprosy? See how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me!"

When Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his robes, he sent him this message: "Why have you torn your robes? Have the man come to me and he will know that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman went with his horses and chariots and stopped at the door of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to say to him, "Go, wash yourself seven times in the Jordan, and your flesh will be restored and you will be cleansed."

But Naaman went away angry and said, "I thought that he would surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, wave his hand over the spot and cure me of my leprosy. Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than any of the waters

of Israel? Couldn't I wash in them and be cleansed?" So he turned and went off in a rage.

Naaman's servants went to him and said, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much more, then, when he tells you, 'Wash and be cleansed'!" So he went down and dipped himself in the Jordan seven times, as the man of God had told him, and his flesh was restored and became clean like that of a young boy.

### **Psalm of the Day:** Psalm 32 (page 96)

### **Second Lesson:** 2 Corinthians 1:3-7

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows. If we are distressed, it is for your comfort and salvation; if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which produces in you patient endurance of the same sufferings we suffer. And our hope for you is firm, because we know that just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort..

## **Gospel:** Mark 1:40-45

A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, "If you are willing, you can make me clean."

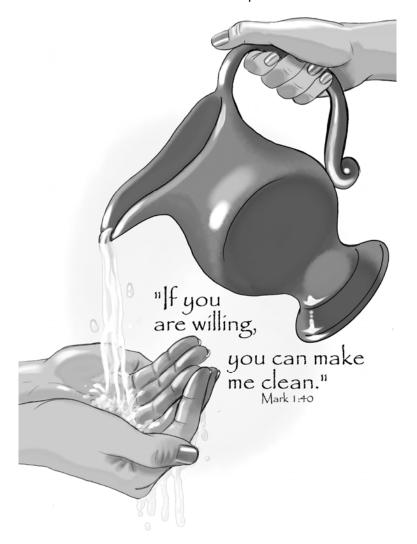
Filled with compassion, Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cured.

Jesus sent him away at once with a strong warning: "See that you don't tell this to anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the sacrifices that Moses commanded for your cleansing, as a testimony to them." Instead he went out and began to talk freely, spreading the news. As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly but stayed outside in lonely places. Yet the people still came to him from everywhere.

# **Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Our mission is to honor God as we help people 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.