Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

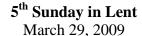
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Worship:	337	Lent: 227 (166, 61)				
Bible Study: 224 (4, 51, 51, 51, 26, 15, 6, 10, 10) Youth Study: 17						
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement				
	10:00 a.m.	Confirmation class pictures, church				
	10:00 a.m.	School Children/choir rehearsal, church				
	10:25 a.m.	Voters Meeting, church				
	6:30 p.m.	His Word My Life Bible Study, church				
Monday	7:00 a.m.	His Word My Life Bible Study, church				
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study, commons				
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study, church				
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	Lenten Worship				
	12:00 p.m.					
	4:45 p.m.	Confirmation Class (5 th -8 th grade)				
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	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class (1 st -2 nd grade)				
	6:30 p.m.	Soup Supper, church basement				
	7:30 p.m.	Lenten Worship				
	8:30 p.m.	Choir				
Thursday	1:00 p.m.	Fun Day (3-5 year olds at school)				
	8:30 p.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, church				
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement				
	8:00 a.m.	My Vocation Bible Study, commons				
	9:00 a.m.	Palm Sunday Worship (confirmation)				
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement				
	10:00 a.m.	Band				
	6:30 p.m.	His Word My Life Bible Study, church				

- **Baptism** This morning Ashlyn Rae Koomen will be baptized into the Christian faith. Ashlyn, the daughter of Michelle and John Koomen, was born on February 13, 2009. Please remember this new child of God and her family in prayer!
- **Confirmation Class** The members of this year's confirmation class who are being examined this morning are: Olivia Blauert, Matthew Hockers, Jordan Laabs, Kyle Laabs, Claire Ott, Dakota Schmidt, Kara Schultz, Cassandra Wagner, Aaron Van Iten, and Luke Zeamer
- **Voters Meeting** The voters will meet in church after the choir and school children rehearse this morning. We will discuss what will be done to fill or not fill Mr. Woldt's teaching position.
- His Word—My Life Bible Class will meet Sunday evening and Monday morning. On Sunday we begin the study *Christian Citizenship in Church and State*. Our Sunday we will look at "What to do if the government demands disobedience." On Monday we will look at "The business of the civil government is not the church's business."
- **Tuesday Bible Study** will continue the study *My Vocation in Christ* this week. We will look at "God Sends Me a Cross within My Vocation."

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

- **Lenten** worship will be this Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. The theme of our series is "Father, Forgive Them." This week we focus on *Forgive our misplaced sorrow!*
- **Sunday Commons Bible Study** is studying, *My Vocation in Christ*. Next week we will study "Through My Vocation, God is Glorified."
- **Christian Worship Supplement** If you would like to purchase a supplement for use at home, please sign up on the sheet in the basement.
- The Outreach Committee is looking for your help! We are putting together several Easter baskets to give to unchurched families in our area. The baskets will be filled with baked goodies, fruit, an invitation to worship at Zion, and most importantly, the message of our risen Lord and Savior. If you would like to supply cookies, bars or fruit, or donate funds toward the purchase of these items, look for a sign-up sheet in the basement. Also, if you have a friend or neighbor you would like to receive a basket, please talk to Gretchen Jaschob.
- **Bowling** A church bowling outing is planned for April 18 at 1:00 p.m. For more info see the sign up sheet in the church basement.
- A Wills Awareness Seminar will replace Bible Study before worship on Sunday, April 19.
- **The final Soup Supper** on April 1 will be sponsored by Thrivent members. Thrivent members are encouraged to sign up to help or to make soup or bars. Please sign up in the usual way, using the sheets in the Church basement. Questions about Thrivent can be directed to any of our Congregational Coordinators: Paula Griepentrog, Sarah Ihlenfeldt, or Julie Ossmann. Questions about the Soup Supper can be directed to Paula Ott or Beverly Leiterman.

Questions/Comments about our congregation may be directed to:						
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Prayer before worship Lord, in my struggles I often fail. Help me see Jesus victory as my own as I worship today. Amen

Lessons are on the back cover

Service Baptism, Word (p. 12, 39)

<u>Hymns</u> 300, 110, 387, 256:3

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God and Father, help us to remember Jesus, who obeyed your will and bore the cross for our salvation that through his anguish, pain, and death we may receive forgiveness of sins and inherit eternal life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Special Music

Choir On Eagles' Wings after the prayer of the day

Psalm of the Day Psalm 115 (p. 55 CWS)

Examination of the Confirmation class Christ our life Living for Christ

Musicical Offering Justin Lemke *Fairest Lord Jesus*

5th Sunday in Lent – Series B

The readings this Sunday tie Lent together with both Epiphany and Easter. In them Jesus shows his glory as a saving glory but a glory that is hidden under a blanket of suffering and a veil of humiliation.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

"The time is coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them, " declares the LORD. "This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time," declares the LORD. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," declares the LORD. "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 115 (p. 55 CWS)

Second Lesson: <u>Hebrews 5:7-10</u>

During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with loud cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a son, he learned obedience from what he suffered and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.

Verse of the Day:

The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Mark 10:45)

Gospel: John 12:20-33

Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the Feast. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus." Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.

"Now my heart is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!"

Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again." The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him.

Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine. Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. But I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself." He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

Examination Questions

Part 1: Christ Our Life (Basic truths about God)

- A. God tells us about himself
- B. God tells us what he has done for us
- C. God works in us through the Means of Grace

Part 2: Living For Christ (Christian discipleship)

- A. Spiritual Food nourishes our God-given faith
- B. Strengthened in our faith we also exercise our faith in our daily life.

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 Whoever SERVES ME *must* FOLLOW ME; and where I AM, my servant also will be. John 12:26

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.