

3rd Sunday After Pentecost

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Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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



*Therefore keep
watch, because you
do not know the day
or the hour.*

Matthew 25:13

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.

God is serious about his Word in both law and gospel. It is addressed to us both collectively and individually. This Sunday it is well summed up in the pertinent question: Where are you? In the liturgy of confession may we answer honestly! In the absolution and the gospel may we hear God's response! For faith begins and ends with confession and absolution; They are its constants that are never to be taken for granted.

Hymn: 239

"Glory be To God The Father"

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| 1. Glory be to God the Father,
Glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit,
Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory While eternal ages run! | 3. Glory to the King of angels,
Glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations;
Heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
Glory, glory To the King of glory sing! |
| 2. Glory be to him who loved us,
Washed us from each spot and stain;
Glory be to him who bought us,
Made us kings with him to reign!
Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain! | 4. Glory, blessing, praise eternal!
Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion!
Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings! |

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STAND

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSON OF SINS

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Oh, Taste And See (sung)

**C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.
Your Word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens.
Your faithfulness continues forever.
Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Blessed are they who take refuge in him.**

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

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.

C: (sung) Amen.

BE SEATED

THE WORD

First Lesson:

Genesis 3:8-15

Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?"

He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid."

And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

The man said, "The woman you put here with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this you have done?"

The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

So the LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this,

"Cursed are you above all the livestock
and all the wild animals!

You will crawl on your belly
and you will eat dust
all the days of your life.

And I will put enmity
between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;

he will crush your head,
and you will strike his heel."

Psalm of the Day:

Psalm 51a

Have mercy on 'me, O God,*
according to your un'failing love.

Wash away all my in'iquity,*
and cleanse me 'from my sin.

For I know my trans'gressions,*
and my sin is always be'fore me.

Refrain

Against you, you only, 'have I sinned*
and done what is evil 'in your sight.

Surely I was sin'ful at birth,*
sinful from the time my mother con'ceived me.

Hide your face 'from my sins,*
and blot out all my in'iquity.

Restore to me the joy of your sal'vation,*
and grant me a willing spirit, to sus'tain me.

**Glory be to the Father and 'to the Son*
and to the Holy 'Spirit,
as it was in the be'ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. 'Amen.**

Refrain

Second Lesson

Revelation 20:1-6

And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain. He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years. He threw him into the Abyss, and locked and sealed it over him, to keep him from deceiving the nations anymore until the thousand years were ended. After that, he must be set free for a short time.

I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years. (The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy are those who have part in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

Verse of the Day (sung)

C: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

These words are written they we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

STAND

Gospel:

Mark 3:20-35

Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat. When his family heard about this, they went to take charge of him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."

And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, "He is possessed by Beelzebul! By the prince of demons he is driving out demons."

So Jesus called them and spoke to them in parables: "How can Satan drive out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come. In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house and carry off his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man. Then he can rob his house. I tell you the truth, all the sins and blasphemies of men will be forgiven them. But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; he is guilty of an eternal sin."

He said this because they were saying, "He has an evil spirit."

Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you."

"Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked.

Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."

After the Gospel, the congregation sings:

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

Hymn of the Day: 596

“Let Me Be Yours Forever”

1. Let me be yours forever, My faithful God and Lord;
Let me forsake you never Nor wander from your Word.
Lord, do not let me waver But give me steadfastness,
And for such grace and favor Your holy name I'll bless.
2. Lord Jesus, my salvation, My light, my life divine,
My only consolation, To you I all resign,
For you have dearly bought me With blood and bitter pain.
Let me, since you have sought me, Eternal life obtain.
3. O gracious Holy Spirit, My comforter and guide,
Grant that in Jesus' merit I always may confide,
Him to the end confessing Whom I have known by faith.
Give me your constant blessing And grant a Christian death.

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Sermon: Live in the Power of the First Resurrection

Revelation 20:1-6

Know that Satan is chained
Know that you reign with Jesus

STAND

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,**

**the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

BE SEATED

THANKSGIVING

Offering

STAND

Prayer of the Church

M Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

[Silence for prayer.]

M That God would bless His Church, all pastors, missionaries, and church workers; that His Word be the center of their life and ministry; and that all people respond with faith to the proclamation of the Gospel; let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

M That God would bless our President, our Governor, and all those who make, administer, and judge our laws; let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

M That God would bless the poor and needy and sustain them in their troubles; that He would work through us to care for those in need; and that we would use well and wisely all the resources He has entrusted to our care; let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

M That God would bless all those who live in the face of war, violence, danger or oppression; that He would bless all those, who in their troubles, cry to Him for help; and that our Lord would bless all rescue workers serving in man-made or natural disasters; let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

M That our heavenly Father would help and strengthen our earthly fathers to provide and care for their families, that they might be examples of His fatherly love and tell their children of His mighty deeds in Christ Jesus, our Lord; let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

M That God would bless the sick and the suffering with grace for healing and strength; that He would bless the grieving and dying with comfort and peace; let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

M That God would bless His people by baptism and faith and renew us in faithfulness to be together in His House around His Word and Table; and that he would enable us to seek out those who have fallen away that He may restore them; let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

M That God would bless us by the Spirit Christine Beyer and Corey Fritsch who were joined in holy matrimony yesterday, that they may grow closer to each other and to their Savior, let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

M That God would bless us with trusting hearts amid the changes and chances of this mortal life, that we may not be overcome by fear or anxiety but cast all our cares upon the Lord who cares for us; let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

M That God would bless each of us with a grateful heart, that with joy we receive His gifts and respond with generosity and faith, returning to Him the time, talents, material resources, money and even our very selves that belong to Him through Jesus Christ, our Lord; let us pray to the Lord,

C Lord, have mercy.

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

BE SEATED

Sermon Hymn: 387

“Drawn To The Cross”

1. Drawn to the cross, which you have blessed
With healing gifts for souls distressed,
To find in you my life, my rest,
Christ crucified, I come.
2. How well you know my griefs and fears,
Your grace abused, my misspent years;
So now to you with contrite tears,
Christ crucified, I come.
3. Wash me and take away each stain;
Let nothing of my sin remain.
For cleansing through your cross and pain,
Christ crucified, I come.
4. To pledge my labor willingly,
Which shall so sweet a service be
That angels well might envy me,
Christ crucified, I come.

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STAND

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: (sung) **Amen.**

Benediction

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: (sung) **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

BE SEATED

Closing Hymn:323

“Almighty Father, Bless The Word”

1. Almighty Father, bless the word
Which through your grace we now have heard.
Oh, may the precious seed take root,
Spring up, and bear abundant fruit.
2. We praise you for the means of grace
As homeward now our steps we trace.
Grant, Lord, that we who worshiped here
May all at last in heav'n appear.

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Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 315 (60, 255) **Communion:** 174 (42, 132)

Bible Study: 52 (6, 46)

Sunday	6:00 p.m. Band
	7:00 p.m. Youth Group Softball at Newtonburg
Thursday	1:00 p.m. Fun Day
	7:00 p.m. 19-Minutes with Luther Study, church
	7:30 p.m. Worship
Saturday	Softball Tournament
Sunday	8:25 a.m. 19-Minutes with Luther Study, church
	9:00 a.m. Worship with Communion
	1:00 p.m. Timber-Rattlers Game Outing
	6:00 p.m. Band
	7:00 p.m. Youth Group Softball at Rheaume Park

19-Minute Bible Study These classes meet a half hour before worship on Thursday and Sunday. Join us and keep discussing God’s Word with fellow Christians through the summer!

Band will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday and at 6:00 p.m. next Sunday.

Summer Spiritual Growth There are ways you can continue to grow in faith and knowledge this summer outside of worship and group Bible Study. In the basement there is a table displaying new items that we have received for the church library. Check out all of the various topics that are covered. There are devotionals, *People’s Bible* commentaries, *People’s Bible Teaching* books, books about lives of people from the Bible, books on depression, history and much more. There are also a number of *Forward in Christ* magazines that are free for the taking on the table where you usually find cookies. Also, don’t forget about the *Meditations*. This is an excellent resource for daily time with God’s Word. Pick one up today!

