

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 316 (37, 289) **Bible Study:** 57

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Installation Dinner, gym
6:00 p.m. Band

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Elders Meeting
7:30 p.m. Church Council

Thursday 7:00 p.m. 19-Minute Bible Study, pavilion
7:30 p.m. Worship

Sunday 8:25 a.m. 19-Minute Bible Study, church
9:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship
10:00 a.m. School Registration after worship until 11:00 a.m.

Communion is a part of worship today. Because God speaks of communing together as an expression of unity in faith we practice close communion. All WELS/ELS members are welcome to commune with us. Visitors, please speak with the pastor or an elder before communing.

Installation Timothy Pingel will be installed as our new teacher after the offering on Sunday.

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!

Installation Dinner Join us in the gym for a special dinner to welcome Mr. Pingel as our new teacher! We will eat shortly after worship on Sunday.

Outdoor Worship Service Next Sunday worship will be outdoors, weather permitting. After worship the worship committee will serve ice cream. Bring a lawn chair and a friend.

New Life In Christ Adult Information Class We will start another *New Life in Christ* class later this summer. This is a 20 lesson class that reviews the basic teachings of God’s Word. If you would like to learn what our congregation teaches or review what you learned in confirmation then this is the class for you. If you or anyone you know is interested in joining our congregation then this is the class for you. If anyone is interested, please contact Pastor Ott. Classes will begin towards the end of summer.

The school is in need of a **cheerleading coach** for the basketball season. The season runs from November to February. If you are interested in this position, please speak to Mr. Humann as soon as possible. All other coaching positions have been filled. We welcome Mike Feldkamp and Dennis Griepentrog as our new A team basketball coaches. We also welcome Kelly Salm and Bev Leiterman as our B team volleyball coaches.

Our first **A team volleyball game** will be September 11 at 5:00 p.m. at Manitowoc Lutheran High School.

We are still looking for a **helper in the Preschool room** for the 2009-2010 school year. If you wish to help out on a weekly basis, once a week, please speak to Mr. Humann as soon as possible.

School Registration will take place August 16-17. If you cannot make one of these dates, please speak to Mr. Humann ahead of time. The first day of school is August 26.

Jr. Lancer Youth Football. Practice begins August 10 for those boys who have signed up. If any boys in our Federation congregations or schools, grades 5-8, would still like to sign up, please contact Scott Reinhard at 242-9204 for information.

MLHS Beginner Band Night will be held in at MLHS on Wednesday, August 12, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. This night is for all new beginners in band and their parents. There is still room for more students. Please attend this evening to find out about the program and try out different instruments. Questions? Please contact Mrs. Renee Schmill at 684-2807 x395.

MLHS Flag Football Tournament - The 10th Flag Football Tournament will be held at noon, on Saturday, Aug 22, immediately following the high school’s joint scrimmage exhibition. Proceeds will be directed towards the purchase of an equipment cart to transport equipment. Come early, enjoy the scrimmage, & then take the field for the tournament. Contact Paul Kluecker at 682-9111 to register or with questions. The tournament is open to any supporter of MLHS. Entry fee is \$12, and any support by non-players is also welcome.

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10th Sunday after Pentecost
August 6 & 9, 2009

Prayer before worship

Lord, all too often I focus on my actions as though they lead you to love me. Help me today to see that you loved me when I was spiritually dead. Lead me to greater joy in living in love for you.. Amen

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Prayer of the Day

O Lord, your ears are always open to the prayers of your humble servants, who come to you in Jesus’ name. Teach us always to ask according to your will that we may never fail to obtain the blessings you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 84 (p. 96)

Sermon: 2 Corinthians 9:8-11
God Is Able

To make grace abound
To increase your harvest of righteousness

Special Music: (Sunday)
Thy Word (after offering) special choir

10th Sunday after Pentecost—Series B
Supplemental Lectionary

The readings for this Sunday move us to this response, that we strive to imitate Christ by seeing ourselves as his agents in helping one another in their time of need.

First Lesson: 2 Kings 4:42-44

God is so generous that sometimes he has even preserved his people miraculously. But notice that even then he used the efforts and gifts of people to show their eagerness to help as well as his eagerness to bless.

A man came from Baal Shalishah, bringing the man of God twenty loaves of barley bread baked from the first ripe grain, along with some heads of new grain. "Give it to the people to eat," Elisha said.

"How can I set this before a hundred men?" his servant asked.

But Elisha answered, "Give it to the people to eat. For this is what the LORD says: 'They will eat and have some left over.'" Then he set it before them, and they ate and had some left over, according to the word of the LORD.

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Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 9:8-11

God is generous to you so that he might be generous through you. Who will thank God today for his gifts through you? Everyone gets rich in this scheme of things; and God enjoys the rich thanksgiving of his people, who thank him for his gifts to them and the opportunities he gives for other people to benefit from his gifts through them.

And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written:

"He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor;
his righteousness endures forever."

Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

Gospel: John 6:1-15

Jesus creates a need so that he can satisfy it. It did not just suddenly occur to him that the thousands would be in danger since they had stayed with him so long. No, he let them stay until there was a problem.

And then he solved the problem. He does that wondrous thing in our lives countless times. But often in rescuing he gives his disciples an opportunity to help him by serving those who were now in such obvious need. The boy shares. The great apostles become traffic cops and then waiters and then clean up men. And when it is all over Jesus makes sure that what he has done will not get in the way of his march to the cross! What are your opportunities to serve? What do you do with them? There is not a day on which we cannot pray for those in need and then ourselves become the Lord's agents through whom he at least in part answers our prayers. Do you have the fish and the bread? Can you help serve it if another has it to share?

Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the miraculous signs he had performed on the sick. Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. The Jewish Passover Feast was near.

When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" "He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.

Philip answered him, "Eight months' wages would not buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!"

Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"

Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and the men sat down, about five thousand of them. Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.

When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

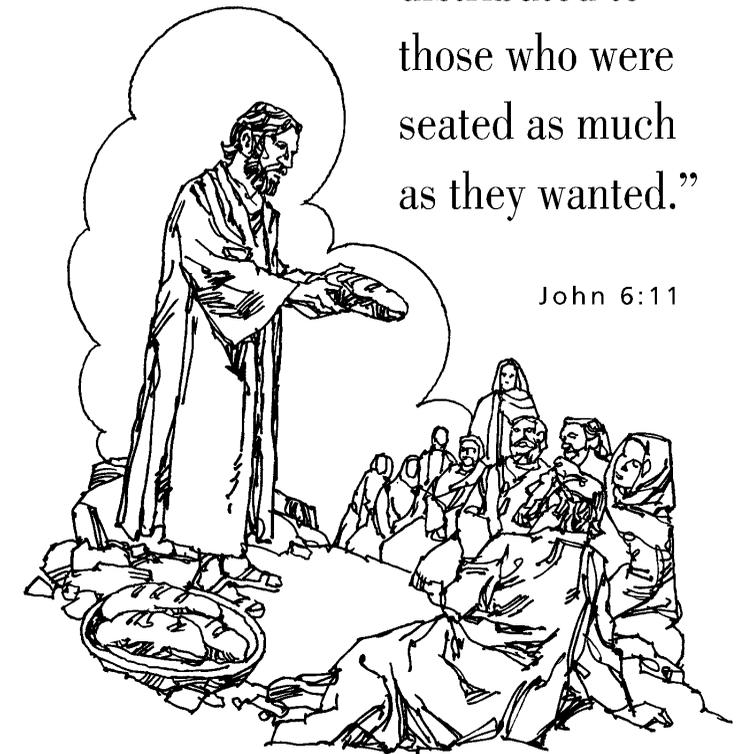
After the people saw the miraculous sign that Jesus did, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

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"Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted."



John 6:11

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.