

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

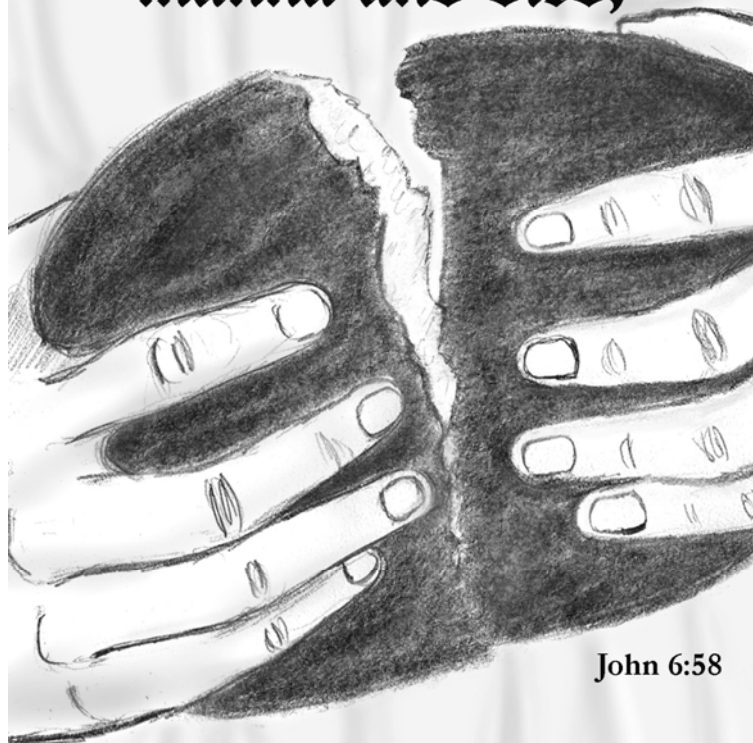
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## Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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

**Your forefathers ate  
manna and died,**



John 6:58

**but he who feeds on this  
bread will live forever.**

**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.

Last Sunday we heard of God's generosity to us and through us. This Sunday we are reminded that his generosity in material things should serve as a constant reminder of his even greater generosity in spiritual things. It is a truism that St. Augustine so beautifully taught: There is nothing visible or transitory that does not point us back to something more important that is invisible and imperishable. The readings encourage the response of an attitude adjustment in us that includes a reordering of our priorities.

## Hymn: 283

1. Speak, O Savior; I am list'ning,  
As a servant to his lord.  
Let me show respect and honor  
To your holy, precious Word,  
That each day, my whole life through,  
I may serve and follow you.  
Let your Word e'er be my pleasure  
And my heart's most precious treasure.
2. Oh, what blessing to be near you  
And to listen to your voice!  
Let me ever love and fear you;  
Let your Word still be my choice.  
Many hardened sinners, Lord,  
Flee in terror at your Word,  
But to all who feel sin's burden  
You give peace and words of pardon.

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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.**

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## CONFESSION OF SINS

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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.**

## “Speak, O Savior, I Am Listening”

3. Lord, your words are waters living  
Where I quench my thirsty needs.  
Lord, your words are bread life-giving;  
On your words my spirit feeds.  
Lord, your words will be my light  
Through death's cold and dreary night;  
Yes, they are my sword prevailing  
And my cup of joy unfailing.

As I pray, dear Jesus, hear me;  
Let your words in me take root.  
May your Spirit e'er be near me  
That I bear abundant fruit.  
May I daily sing your praise,  
From my heart glad anthems raise,  
Till my highest praise is given  
In the endless joy of heaven.

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.**

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## PRAYER AND PRAISE

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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.**

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## THE WORD

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**First Lesson:**

**Exodus 16:2-20**

In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the LORD's hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days."

So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you will know that it was the LORD who brought you out of Egypt, and in the morning you will see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?" Moses also said, "You will know that it was the LORD when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the LORD."

Then Moses told Aaron, "Say to the entire Israelite community, 'Come before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.'"

While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud.

The LORD said to Moses, "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.' "

That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was.

Moses said to them, "It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat. This is what the LORD has commanded: 'Each one is to gather as much as he needs. Take an omer for each person you have in your tent.' "

The Israelites did as they were told; some gathered much, some little. And when they measured it by the omer, he who gathered much did not have too much, and he who gathered little did not have too little. Each one gathered as much as he needed.

Then Moses said to them, "No one is to keep any of it until morning."

However, some of them paid no attention to Moses; they kept part of it until morning, but it was full of maggots and began to smell. So Moses was angry with them.

## Psalm of the Day:

## Psalm 145

The image shows two lines of musical notation on a green background. The first line is labeled "Refrain" and consists of a single staff of music in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. Below the staff is the text: "Lord, let your mer-cy be on us, as we place our trust in you." The second line is labeled "Psalm tone" and consists of a single staff of music in G major and 4/4 time. The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4. Below the staff is an asterisk (\*).

Great is the Lord and most wor'thy of praise;\*  
his greatness no one can 'fathom.

One generation will commend your works to an'other;\*  
they will tell of your 'mighty acts.

The Lord upholds all 'those who fall\*  
and lifts up all who are 'bowed down.

### *Refrain*

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the 'proper time.\*  
You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every 'living thing.

The Lord is near to all who 'call on him,\*  
to all who call on 'him in truth.

He fulfills the desires of those who 'fear him;\*  
he hears their cry and 'saves them.

**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**

**1 Corinthians 10:1-5,11-13**

For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers, that our forefathers were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea. They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. They all ate the same spiritual food and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered over the desert.

These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the fulfillment of the ages has come. So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

**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:**

**John 6:24-35**

Once the crowd realized that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into the boats and went to Capernaum in search of Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they asked him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?"

Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, you are looking for me, not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. On him God the Father has placed his seal of approval."

Then they asked him, "What must we do to do the works God requires?"

Jesus answered, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent."

So they asked him, "What miraculous sign then will you give that we may see it and believe you? What will you do? Our forefathers ate the manna in the desert; as it is written: 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'"

Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

"Sir," they said, "from now on give us this bread."

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty.

*After the Gospel, the congregation sings:*

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

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## **Hymn of the Day: 402**

***"My Faith Looks Up To Thee"***

1. My faith looks up to thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary,  
Savior divine.  
Now hear me while I pray; Take all my guilt away;  
Oh, let me from this day Be wholly thine!
2. May thy rich grace impart Strength to my fainting heart;  
My zeal inspire!  
As thou hast died for me, Oh, may my love to thee  
Pure, warm, and changeless be, A living fire!
3. While life's dark maze I tread And griefs around me spread,  
Be thou my guide.  
Bid darkness turn to day, Wipe sorrow's tears away,  
Nor let me ever stray From thee aside.
4. When ends life's transient dream, When death's cold, sullen stream  
Shall o'er me roll,  
Blest Savior, then, in love, Fear and distrust remove;  
Oh, bear me safe above, A ransomed soul!

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## **Sermon:**

## **1 Corinthians 10:1-5,11-13**

**Be Careful That You Do Not Fall**  
You stand in a privileged place  
You stand with a faithful God

*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.

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## THANKSGIVING

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### Offering

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### 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. *Brief Silence.*
- M For the Church, the Temple of the Holy Spirit, the Body of Christ, that she would ever cling to Him who alone has the words of eternal life, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- M For all pastors and servants of the Church, that they would never shy from speaking the Word of God, but faithfully and boldly proclaim the life that is found in Christ alone, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- M For an abundance of workers in God's harvest fields, that God would raise up faithful men and women to serve in His Church, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- M For our parish community, that in joy we would submit to one another in love, and die to the impulse to insist on our own way, let us pray to the Lord.
- C **Lord, have mercy.**
- M For the nations of the world, and those who rule them, that in every place injustice would be overcome and peace reign upon the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

- C Lord, have mercy.**
- M** For the sick and suffering, the lonely and forsaken, the dying and the grieving [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that they would experience Christ Jesus as their Health in sickness, their Joy in sorrows, their Life in death, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- M** For all who are weary and burdened with sin that they would hear Jesus' invitation to come to Him for rest, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- M** For the saints who rest from their labors in the Lord, let us bring praise to the Savior and ask Him to keep us in communion with them by faith as we journey upon this earth until He gathers us with them into His nearer presence, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.**
- M** 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.**

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### **Sermon Hymn: 473**

***"Savior, I Follow On"***

1. Savior, I follow on, Guided by thee,  
 Seeing not yet the hand That leadeth me.  
 Hushed be my heart and still; Fear I no further ill.  
 Only to meet thy will My will shall be.
2. Riven the rock for me, Thirst to relieve,  
 Manna from heaven falls Fresh ev'ry eve.



Never a want severe Causeth my eye a tear,  
But thou dost whisper near, "Only believe."

3. Often to Marah's brink Have I been brought;  
Shrinking the cup to drink, Help I have sought,  
And with the prayer's ascent Jesus the branch hath rent,  
Quickly relief hath sent, Sweet'ning the draught.
4. Savior, I long to walk Closer with thee;  
Led by thy guiding hand, Ever to be  
Constantly near thy side, Quickened and purified,  
Living for him who died Freely for me.

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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.**

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### Closing Hymn:331

### *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,  
Pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
Hold me with thy pow'rful hand.  
Bread of heaven, Feed me till I want no more.
2. Open now the crystal fountain  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;

Let the fiery, cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliv'rer, Be thou still my strength and shield.

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death and hell's Destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises I will ever give to thee.

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

**Worship:** 325 (37, 288) **Communion:** 192 (28, 164) **Bible Study:** 69 (3, 66)

Sunday 10:00 a.m. School Registration until 11:00 a.m.  
Monday 5:00 p.m. School Registration until 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday 5:00 p.m. FVL School Board/Faculty Picnic  
7:00 p.m. 19-Minute Bible Study  
7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion  
Sunday 8:25 a.m. 19-Minute Bible Study, church  
9:00 a.m. Worship with Communion  
3:00 p.m. Pregnancy Counseling Center Picnic, pavilion

**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!

**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.

Our first **A team volleyball game** will be September 11 at 5:00 p.m. at MLHS.

**Bay Area Pregnancy Counseling Center Picnic** Everyone in the congregation is invited to attend this annual potluck supper on Sunday, July 23. The meal will be in our shelter, 3:00-6:00 p.m.

**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.

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.

**MLHS Flag Football Tournament** - The 10<sup>th</sup> 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 Klueker 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.

**Special Outdoor Worship** On Sunday, September 20 we will have a special outdoor service at Way-Mor Park. After the service there will be a special meal in the shelter at the park. This service will serve as the kick off for the one year capital appeal that the congregation decided to have in 2010. Why worship offsite? God has called us to "Go" into our Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. As we discuss the finances of our congregation we can become very inward-looking. This service is designed to remind us that God has called us to be a part of our community and to reach our community with the gospel! Please plan to join us for this special day!

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

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