# **Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Our mission is to honor God as we 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.

# August 30th, 2009

## Gathering Rite on the Word of God:

Christian Worship Supplement

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(Sing) Blessed Jesus, at your word We are gathered all to hear you, (go back to) Let our hearts and souls be stirred Now to seek and Love and fear you, (continue with) By your teachings, sweet and holy...

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

M: Merciful Lord, cast the bright beams of your light on all your people, that, being instructed by the faithful teachers of the Church, we may always walk in the light of your saving truth, until at last we inherit the gift of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

## FIRST LESSON:

Isaiah 6:1-8

<sup>1</sup> In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a throne, high and exalted, and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Above him were seraphs, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. <sup>3</sup> And they were calling to one another:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."

"<sup>4</sup> At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

<sup>5</sup> "Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty."

<sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphs flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup> With it he touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.

<sup>8</sup> Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"

And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

Psalm 100: Sung by the Congregation

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## **SECOND LESSON:**

Colossians 3:16-17

<sup>16</sup>Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

CHOIR: "In Christ Alone"

<sup>34</sup>Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For whoever wants to save his life<sup>[c]</sup> will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it. <sup>36</sup>What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his soul? <sup>37</sup>Or what can a man give in exchange for his soul? <sup>38</sup>If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."

<sup>1</sup>And he said to them, "I tell you the truth, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

SERMON HYMN: Christian Worship Hymn 543

God of the Prophets

## **SERMON:**

I Corinthians 2:1-5

<sup>1</sup>When I came to you, brothers, I did not come with eloquence or superior wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. <sup>[a]</sup>
<sup>2</sup>For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. <sup>3</sup>I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling. <sup>4</sup>My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, <sup>5</sup>so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power.

## It 's All About Jesus

- 1. In this place you hear of Christ crucified
- 2. In this place you see the Spirit 's power

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#### **OFFERING**

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

During the Offering

Savior Again to Thy Dear Name Sally Suchomel (clarinet)

# ANNIVERSARY Litany—see below and continues on next page

**M**: Eternal Father, ever-living and everlasting Lord, in Christ Jesus you call us your children and invite us to bring our prayers to you with the steady trust that you will answer them.

# C: O Lord, hear our prayer.

We praise you for pouring out your blessings for twenty years on your servant, Pastor Ott, and for calling into the public ministry of the gospel despite his own frailties and weaknesses.

## C: To you we give thanks.

M: You gave him a heart of faith through Baptism and strengthened him with your Word and holy Communion, you empowered him to rely on your grace and guidance, instilled in him a deep love for your Scriptures, and endowed him with a compassion for the lost and a commitment to his labor. And with these gifts you granted victories for your gospel and blessings to your Church.

# C: To you be the praise.

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M: Now we pray that you would continue to use your servant according to your will and ways. Protect him from trouble, keep his family under the shadow of your wings, and give him joy as he pursues the labor of each day. When the task is hard and the warfare long, let him hear the distant triumph song. May that be the song to which he walks on the path to heaven.

C: O Lord, hear our prayer.

M: Raise up, O Lord, from the ranks of your Church, another generation of men who are willing and eager to carry the torch of your gospel into the world. With the proclamation of that message of grace, bring into your fold many more souls.

C: O Lord, hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: Christian Worship Hymn 392

Not unto Us

**PRAYER** 

**BENEDICTION** 

CLOSING HYMN: Christian Worship 399

To God Be the Glory

**Thank You** to Pastor Ross Henzi for his message today for this special service of 20 years of Pastor Ott being in the ministry. Pastor Henzi serves the Lord and his people at Trinity, Brillion.

After worship today we ask that those who are attending the meal to please head over to the gym and be seated. A donation box is located in the kitchen for those who did not reply to the meal and wish to still attend today. The meal will be served at 10:30 AM. After the meal there will be a short program. We would like to thank everyone for their donations and gifts and everyone who made this day possible. Your service and works to the Lord are greatly appreciated.

New Life In Christ Adult Information Class We will begin on Sun., Sept. 13. We will meet at 7p.m. in the church basement. This class will replace the His Word—My Life that normally meets on Sundays. Please join us for this 20 lesson course. If this time does not work for you and you would like to go through it to join the congregation please see Pastor Ott to schedule a different time.

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. Please plan to join us for this special day!

Breaking Down The Barriers is the theme of our one-year Capital Appeal. God has broken down the barrier of sin through the life and death of Jesus. The blessings of this broken barrier becomes ours through the gospel. Yet, as we serve God, barriers spring up. There are financial barriers. At times our own lack of vision becomes a barrier. This appeal will seek to focus on how God's love in Christ helps us to overcome the barriers of our own creation. The outdoor service will kick off the appeal. There will be materials, studies, and presentations in the weeks following the outdoor service. The goal for the appeal is \$148,000 for debt reduction. \$1,000 for each year that Morrison Zion Lutheran has existed as a congregation.

Breaking Down The Barriers Booklet To help us raise our eyes above the barriers of day to day activity we plan to create a booklet of what our members imagine our ministry could look like with God's blessings. Please write 200-400 words or so on what you think the gospel ministry of our congregation could look like with God's blessing. Dream big! Think about new ministries or programs that could be undertaken. Think about staff, reaching out to the community, the state, or even the world. See if you can out-imagine God! If you are willing to accept this challenge to dream big, then write up your ministry dreams for our congregation and put it on Pastor Ott's desk at church or email it to him at ottrr@mzluth.org. Please take the time to do this and help our congregation raise its eyes from the things that hinder us, such as debt, to the things that empower us, such as the gospel of Jesus Christ!

Choir will begin on Wednesday, September 16. Rehearsals will begin at 8p.m. in the school basement. We will also have a second opportunity to join voices in praise. A second choir will meet on Monday evenings at 6p.m. Hopefully this rehearsal time will solve the time issue that many have expressed. It will be also an opportunity for our youth group members to come sing before Bible class and open gym. This group will start on Monday, September 21. Both groups will meet in the school basement. Our two choirs will join forces to sing for many of the special services throughout the year. We're hoping to welcome many new members to join choir to sing praises to God.

**19 Minute Bible Study** These classes meet a half hour before worship on Thursday and Sunday. The last classes will be September 3 and 6.

**Tuesday Bible class** begins on September 8. We will study *Luther 's Large Catechism*.

Adult Christ- Light will begin on Thursday, September 10 after worship and Sunday, September 13 at 8p.m. Both classes will meet in the church basement.

**His Word-My Life** class will begin on Monday, September 14. We will study *The Kingdom of God.* Class will meet in the church basement at 7a.m.

**Sunday Commons Bible Study** will begin on Sunday, September 13. We will study *Angels and Demons* from The People 's Bible Teachings series. Classes will meet at 8a.m. in the commons at school.

Youth Group Bible Study will begin on Monday, September 14 at 7p.m.

#### Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

**Worship:** 296 (49, 247) **Bible Study:** 60 (3, 57)

**Communion:** 179 (37, 142)

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. School Board

7:00 p.m. Worship Committee

Thursday 7:00 p.m. 19-Minute Bible Study

7:30 p.m. Worship

Sunday 8:25 a.m. 19-Minute Bible Study, church

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Outreach Committee

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