Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

**Worship:** 282 (24, 268) **Communion**: 183 (17, 155)

**Bible Study**: 72 (3, 54, 10, 5) **Youth Study**: 10

Sunday 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Ladies Aid, church

7:00 p.m. New Life in Christ Class, church basement

Monday 7:00 a.m. His Word-My Life Class, church basement

6:00 p.m. Choir

7:00 p.m. Youth Group Bible Class, school

Tuesday 2:00 p.m. Bible Class, church

6:30 p.m. School Board

7:00 p.m. Worship Committee

Wednesday 4:45 p.m. Confirmation Class

5:30 p.m. Bible History Class

8:00 p.m. Choir, school

Thursday 7:30 p.m. Worship with Communion

8:30 p.m. Adult Christ-Light Study, church basement

Sunday 8:00 a.m. Adult Christ-Light Study, church basement

8:00 a.m. Angels/Demons Study, school commons

9:00 a.m. Worship with Communion

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Voters' Election Meeting, church

10:00 a.m. Church Band, school

7:00 p.m. New Life in Christ Class, church basement

**Voters' Meeting** The voters election meeting will be after worship on Sunday, November 8.

**His Word-My Life** class will continue the study, *The Kingdom of God*. Class will meet in the church basement at 7:00 a.m. on Monday.

**Youth Group Bible Study** will meet Monday at 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday Bible class** is studying *Luther's Large Catechism*. This week we will look at the Third Petition. Join us at 2:00 p.m.

**Angels/Demons & Adult Christ Light** Bible classes will meet next Sunday in the commons. We will study Demon Possession. Join us!

Breaking Down The Barriers is a one year stewardship emphasis that has an educational goal and a financial goal. The financial goal is to raise \$148,000 (\$1,000 for each year our congregation has existed). These funds will be put toward the building loan first of all and the remainder towards our operating loan. The educational goal is to see some of the barriers we erect and can overcome as we seek to serve the Lord faithfully. The barriers we have looked at so far are our tendency to look inward and forget our calling to spread the gospel and financial barriers. In November we will look at our tendency to stay in comfortable ruts and not dare to

dream big in our kingdom service. On Christ the King Sunday in November every member will have the opportunity to return a commitment card with their intended financial support of the appeal. After the service on the 22<sup>nd</sup> we will have a pot luck dinner at school.

**Save the date!** A baby shower for the Pingels is set for Saturday, November 14 at 9:00 am in the school commons. Look for sign up sheets in the basement.

**Financial Peace University** We will offer this 13 week course on personal finance from God's point of view again this year. The first class will meet on Tuesday, November 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the commons. If you would like more information or if you wish to register, please contact Joe Sabel or Pastor Ott.

**Apparel Order Forms** The Athletic Association has updated our school apparel with new items and a new logo. A sample of all items is located in the school commons. If you wish to order an item with our new logo, please do so by November 7. Order forms are located on the tables in the church basement.

Back to Basics You are cordially invited to the Back to Basics National Conference of Christian Life Resources at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Slinger, WI, on Saturday, Nov. 7. The conference runs from 8:45 to 5:30 (including an opening and closing devotion). Registration forms are available online at christianliferesources.com.. The conference is a great way to become informed about life issues and to be encouraged by fellow believers in the faith.

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

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Rick Muchka, Tim Pingel

**Today's Organist**: Jackie Zeamer (Thur.) Brenda Kuchenbecker (Sun.)

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## 1st Sunday of Endtime

Oct. 29 & Nov. 1, 2009

### **Prayer before worship**

Lord, there is much I do not understand. Help to recognize what can not be understood and simply believe. Amen

#### THURSDAY

**Service:** Evening Prayer (p. 52)

**Hymns:** 203, 204, 293

### **Psalm Prayer**

Lord God, you called the Church to be the bride of Christ and to listen always to the voice of the bridegroom. Anoint our hearts with the oil of joy that we may serve you in righteousness and sing your praises now and forever; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lessons are on the back cover

**Psalm:** Psalm 46 (p. 84)

Sermon: Mark 13:5-11 Learn From The Signs Bad things will happen

You must be on your guard

#### SUNDAY

Service: Word (p. 38)

Preservice: band He is Lord, All Hail the Power, Faith Triumphant Hymns: 203, 204, 200, 293

## **Prayer of the Day**

Gracious Lord, our refuge and strength, pour out your Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep them steadfast in your Word, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all their enemies, and bestow on the Church your saving peace; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Special Music:** Joint Choir *Sure Foundation* (after Prayer of the Day)
Offering: band *A Mighty Fortress* 

# 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Endtime-Series B Reformation Sunday

Supplemental Lectionary

At the Festival of the Reformation we give thanks we have been rescued from the false ways of salvation that could only lead us to ruin and doom. We owe God thanks for that rescue accomplished by his grace alone, on account of Christ's merit alone, and through the means of grace alone. At the same time we remember that apart from unqualified commitment to his Word, grace can be lost. Therefore let us hear the Word of the Lord! Prompted by his grace let us recommit ourselves to purity of doctrine that comes alone from the Word, and to a life that reflects our devotion to the Savior who gives himself for us and then to us in his pure Word and sacraments.

## First Lesson: Daniel 3:16-28

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to save us from it, and he will rescue us from your hand, O king. But even if he does not, we want you to know, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up."

Then Nebuchadnezzar was furious with Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and his attitude toward them changed. He ordered the furnace heated seven times hotter than usual and commanded some of the strongest soldiers in his army to tie up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and throw them into the blazing furnace. So these men, wearing their robes, trousers, turbans and other clothes, were bound and thrown into the blazing furnace. The king's command was so urgent and the furnace so hot that the flames of the fire killed the soldiers who took up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and these three men, firmly tied, fell into the blazing furnace.

Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, "Weren't there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?"

They replied, "Certainly, O king."

He said, "Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods."

Nebuchadnezzar then approached the opening of the blazing furnace and shouted, "Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!"

So Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego came out of the fire, and the satraps, prefects, governors and royal advisers crowded around them. They saw that the fire had not harmed their bodies, nor was a hair of their heads singed; their robes were not scorched, and there was no smell of fire on them.

Then Nebuchadnezzar said, "Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants! They trusted in him and defied the king's command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God.

**Psalm of the Day:** Psalm 46 (p. 84)

## **Second Lesson:** Revelation 14:6,7

Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to every nation, tribe, language and people. He said in a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water."

## **Gospel:** Mark 13:5-11

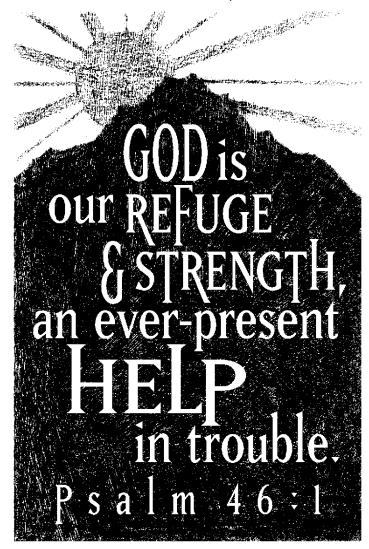
Jesus said to them: "Watch out that no one deceives you. Many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am he,' and will deceive many. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places, and famines. These are the beginning of birth pains.

"You must be on your guard. You will be handed over to the local councils and flogged in the synagogues. On account of me you will stand before governors and kings as witnesses to them. And the gospel must first be preached to all nations. Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial, do not worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit.

# **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



**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.