

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.

4th Sunday of Endtime: Christ the King—Series B Nov. 19 & 22, 2009

Never could there be a king like Christ, our king. Beyond all comparison is the rule he exercises in time and in eternity. Incomparably great therefore is also our joy in worshipping him even now as we await his triumphant return to transform our worship in faith and under the cross to worship in sight and in glory.

Prayer before worship: *Lord, keep me focused on the things that have eternal importance. Amen.*

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 members are welcome to commune with us. Visitors, please speak with the pastor or an elder before communing.

Service: Common Service (p. 15)

Personal Preparation For Holy Communion: Page 156

Hymns: 341, 217, 312, 496, 193:1,2

Prayer of the Day: *Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

Special Music (Sunday) *King of Kings* (grades 5-8, after Prayer of the Day)

Sermon: John 18:33-7

Are You The King of the Jews?

Eyes give a deceptive answer
The Truth gives an unchanging answer

Musical Offering: *Crown Him With Many Crowns* Sandy Pantzlaf, Shannon Otto, Brian Humann

Trumpets: Sandy Pantzlaff, Shannon Otto, Brian Humann, Kyle Zeamer, Kaitlyn Kuchenbecker

Commitment Cards for *Breaking Down Barriers* will be brought forward and put in the container in the front of church after the offering plate goes past you. If you do not wish to walk forward please give your card to an usher.

First Lesson: Daniel 7:13,14

Christ has always been the one center and the entire focus of all history. That was true in Daniel's time and will still be true at the end of time. Thus in a very real sense there is no other king—never has been, never will be. As he is, so is his kingdom. Oh, how foolish those little men, who strut their moment on history's stage and imagine that history is about them. Oh, how foolish I am when I do the same! But to be called by the gospel in his kingdom and under his gracious rule, then to worship and serve him in his kingdom, that's what life is about! That alone gives life true focus, true purpose and noble and glorious end.

In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all peoples, nations and men of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 45 (p. 83)

Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4b-8

Of all the magnificent ways in which Christ could have shown his glory, he picked this one: to redeem us by his suffering and death that we should live with him for all eternity! All by itself that defines the nature of grace. How we long to see him as he is, to perfectly worship him whose greatest triumph was the cross for us and for our salvation! Some day we shall; for he has promised it, he who is our King, the center of all that can be spoken that is true and good, the ruler of time and eternity.

Verse of the Day: (sung by grades 5-8 on Sunday) Alleluia. I am the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Alleluia.

Gospel: John 18:33-37

As the king is like none other, so is his kingdom. Ruled over by a king who even now appears so lowly and powerless, the kingdom is concerned with what is important to the king. And what is that? The truth! For it is by truth of the gospel, not the power of this world and its rulers, that he saves. Unconcerned with his appearance of impotence and unconcerned as well with our own appearance in weakness, we press forward to hear the truth, to hold to it, to share it and to die in its possession for life eternal.

Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

"Is that your own idea," Jesus asked, "or did others talk to you about me?"

"Am I a Jew?" Pilate replied. "It was your people and your chief priests who handed you over to me. What is it you have done?"

Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jews. But now my kingdom is from another place."

"You are a king, then!" said Pilate.

Jesus answered, "You are right in saying I am a king. In fact, for this reason I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."

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Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 377 (30, 347) **Bible Study:** 100 (4, 26, 44, 8, 6, 8, 11, 8) **Youth Study:** 10

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:30 a.m.	Breaking Down Barriers Pot Luck Dinner, gym
	10:20 a.m.	Financial Peace University Video Preview, school
	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
	6:45 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Class, school (choir rehearsal)
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Class, church
	7:00 p.m.	Financial Peace University, commons
Wednesday	4:45 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class
	7:30 p.m.	Thanksgiving Worship
Thursday	9:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving Worship
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ-Light Study, church basement
	8:00 a.m.	Bible Study, school commons
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Church Band, school
	7:00 p.m.	New Life in Christ Class, church basement

Breaking Down The Barriers Pot Luck Everyone is invited to join us at school for a pot luck dinner after worship on Sunday. If you did not return a commitment card this week please bring it next week or mail it to the church.

His Word-My Life class will continue the study, *How To Interpret the Bible* this week. The third lesson is "Look Carefully at the Words." Class will meet in the church basement at 7:00 a.m. on Monday.

Youth Group Bible Study will meet Monday at 6:45 p.m.

Financial Peace University begins this Tuesday! If you wish to learn how to manage your personal finances from a commonsense, biblical perspective, then this class is for you. The class is presented on video by TV and radio personality, Dave Ramsey. After the video there is time to discuss and share. We will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the commons. Please contact Joe Sabel for more information.

Thanksgiving Worship Join us this Wednesday evening at 7:30 or Thursday morning at 9:00 for our special Thanksgiving worship.

Tuesday Bible class is studying *Luther's Large Catechism*. This week we will look at the 6th Petition. Join us at 2:00 p.m.

Bread For Life Women's Bible Study will meet Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at school. After studying Zechariah we will make taco pie. Please bring a pi pan. If you plan to cook please let Paula Ott know so she can have enough ingredients on hand.

"Families of the Bible" Study This week we begin a new class that looks at "Families of the Bible." This study examines some common family challenges with a focus on biblical people and their families. By searching Scripture we will learn that biblical family circumstances often parallel contemporary family life in many ways, revealing practical lessons for today's parents.

Adult Christ Light will meet next Sunday at 8:00 a.m. The class will not meet on Thursday evening.

Outreach Committee is looking for your help! We are putting together several Christmas cookie tins to give to unchurched families in our area, similar to the Easter basket project we did in the Spring. The tins will be filled with baked goodies, an invitation to worship at Zion and attend Christmas for Kids, and most importantly, the true Christmas message of our newborn King and Savior. If you would like to supply cookies/bars, metal or plastic tins, or donate funds toward the purchase of these items, look for a sign-up sheet in the basement. Also, if you have a friend or neighbor you would like to receive a cookie tin, please talk to Gretchen Jaschob.

There is a Sign Up Sheet in the basement for those who would like to help serve the meal or donate items for the hot lunch at school on Dec. 4. There is also a sign up sheet for those who would like to purchase poinsettias.

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