

## 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.

1st Sunday in Lent February 7, 2010

*Christ was no stranger to temptation. He battled, yet was without sin...for us and for our eternal righteousness. This message of victory gives us confidence as we journey through the wilderness of sin in true repentance.*

**Special Music:** *On Eagles Wings* gr. 1-6, after prayer of the day; Musical Offering: gr. 7-8 chimes

**Service:** Gathering Rite on Holy Baptism (p. 8 CWS), Service of the Word (p. 39)

**Hymns:** Gath. Rite, 200, 121, 745

**Prayer of the Day:** *Lord our strength, the battle of good and evil rages within and around us, and our ancient foe tempts us with his deceits and empty promises. Keep us steadfast in your Word, and when we fall, raise us up again and restore us through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

Sermon: Luke 4:1-13 **Recognize Temptations' Twists**

**First Lesson:** Joshua 7:16-26

Early the next morning Joshua had Israel come forward by tribes, and Judah was taken. The clans of Judah came forward, and he took the Zerahites. He had the clan of the Zerahites come forward by families, and Zimri was taken. Joshua had his family come forward man by man, and Achan son of Carmi, the son of Zimri, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah, was taken.

Then Joshua said to Achan, "My son, give glory to the LORD, the God of Israel, and give him the praise. Tell me what you have done; do not hide it from me."

Achan replied, "It is true! I have sinned against the LORD, the God of Israel. This is what I have done: When I saw in the plunder a beautiful robe from Babylonia, two hundred shekels of silver and a wedge of gold weighing fifty shekels, I coveted them and took them. They are hidden in the ground inside my tent, with the silver under-

neath."

So Joshua sent messengers, and they ran to the tent, and there it was, hidden in his tent, with the silver underneath. They took the things from the tent, brought them to Joshua and all the Israelites and spread them out before the LORD.

Then Joshua, together with all Israel, took Achan son of Zerah, the silver, the robe, the gold wedge, his sons and daughters, his cattle, donkeys and sheep, his tent and all that he had, to the Valley of Achor. Joshua said, "Why have you brought this trouble on us? The LORD will bring trouble on you today."

Then all Israel stoned him, and after they had stoned the rest, they burned them. Over Achan they heaped up a large pile of rocks, which remains to this day. Then the LORD turned from his fierce anger. Therefore that place has been called the Valley of Achor ever since.

**Psalm of the Day:** Psalm 3 (p. 39 CWS)

**Second Lesson:** Hebrews 4:14-16

Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin. Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

**Verse of the Day:** It is written: "Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only." (Matthew 4:10b)

**Gospel:** Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the desert, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and at the end of them he was hungry.

The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell

this stone to become bread."

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone.'"

The devil led him up to a high place and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor, for it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. So if you worship me, it will all be yours."

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Worship the Lord your God and serve him only.'"

The devil led him to Jerusalem and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down from here. For it is written:

"He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered, "It says: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

**Worship:** 397 (23, 374) **Communion:** 214 (16, 198)

**Ash Wed.:** 268 (171, 97) **Communion:** 129 (53, 76)

**Bible Study:** 114 (0, 30, 20, 12 10, 5, 9, 9, 9, 10)

**Youth Bible Study:** 20

Sunday	10:00 a.m. Sunday School 7:00 p.m. New Life in Christ Class
Monday	7:00 a.m. Bible Study, church 7:00 p.m. Youth Group
Tuesday	2:00 p.m. Bible Class, church 7:00 p.m. Financial Peace
Wed.	11:00 a.m. Lenten Worship 12:00 p.m. Soup Supper 4:45 p.m. Confirmation class 4:45 p.m. Bible History grades 3-4 5:30 p.m. Bible History, grades 1-2 6:30 p.m. Soup Supper 7:30 p.m. Lenten worship 8:15 p.m. Choir
Saturday	Parent Player Basketball
Sunday	8:00 a.m. Bible Class, commons 8:00 a.m. Bible Class, church 9:00 a.m. Worship, Communion

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

7:00 p.m. New Life in Christ Class

**Baptism** On Sunday Otis Kenneth Jaschob will be baptized. Otis, the son of Nathan and Grethchen Jaschob, was born on Feb. 8. Please remember Otis and his family in prayer.

**We Preach Christ Crucified** is the theme of our midweek Lenten worship this year. Join us Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. or 7:30 p.m.

**Soup Supper** During Lent we will have a soup and sandwich meal after the morning service and at 6:30 p.m. before the evening service. If you would like to help by serving, making soup, or making bars, please sign up on the sheets in the church basement. If you have any questions, please contact Paula Ott (864-2348).

**Blindman's Volleyball** March 12-13. Registration sheets are in the commons and church basement.

**Missing any** bowls, plates, etc.? Please check the basement bench as you leave church or the kitchen at school. We will take these items to thrift stores at the end of this month.

**MLHS Sunday Showcase** is Sunday, March 7, 11 a.m.-4p.m. The admission price (includes lunch) is \$6.00 at the door, \$5.00 in advance, \$4.00 for children (age 4 - grade 8). Lunch is 11am to 2pm. Proceeds go to new gym bleachers.

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