Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

We exist 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.

15th Sunday after Pentecost – Series C

September 5, 2010

The Believer Hears Jesus' Warnings: The first will be last...humble yourselves.

OPENING HYMN

Hymn 491

STAND



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COME, OH, COME LET US SING TO THE LORD Venite

The congregation will sing the refrain and the verses

Refrain



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PSALM OF THE DAY

FIRST LESSON

Do not exalt yourself in the king's presence, and do not claim a place among great men; it is better for him to say to you, "Come up here," than for him to humiliate you before a nobleman. What you have seen with your eyes

Second Lesson

My brothers, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism. Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in shabby clothes also comes in. If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

Listen, my dear brothers: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him? ⁶But you have insulted the poor. Is it not the rich who are exploiting you? Are they not the ones who are dragging you into court? Are they not the ones who are slandering the noble name of him to whom you belong?

If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right. But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers. For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it. For he who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not murder." If you do not commit adultery but do commit murder, you have become a lawbreaker.

Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law that gives freedom, because judgment without mercy will be shown to anyone who has not been merciful. Mercy triumphs over judgment!

SEASONAL RESPONSE Give thanks to the Lord; call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

HYMN OF THE DAY

SERMON

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched.

When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: "When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do

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Hymn 524

Luke 14:1,7-14

James 2:1-13

Proverbs 25:6,7

not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited. If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, 'Give this man your seat.' Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, move up to a better place.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all your fellow guests. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Follow Christ in Self-Denial

In genuine humility In unselfish love

STAND

YOU ARE GOD; WE PRAISE YOU Te Deum

All: Refrain; Pulpit side of the church: verses; Lectern side of the church: "We praise you, We praise you"





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OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

STAND

LORD, HAVE MERCY Kyrie



LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- M: O Lord Jesus Christ, preserve the congregation of believers with your never-failing mercy. Help us avoid whatever is wicked and harmful, and guide us in the way that leads to our salvation; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C: (spoken) Amen.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

PRAYER FOR GRACE

- M: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord.
- C: (spoken) Amen.



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CLOSING HYMN

Hymn 499:3-4

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:Worship:256 (44, 214)Bible Class:36 (6, 30)

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Ladies Aid
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	School board
	7:00 p.m.	Worship
Wednesda	ay5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	5:00 p.m.	4-5 grade Bible History
	5:30 p.m.	1-3 grade Bible History
Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Worship
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Commons Bible Class
	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ Light Class
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study Bible Class

- *The Spirituality of the Cross* is the first book we will study at our Sunday evening Bible Class. If you would like a copy of the book please sign up on the sheet in the basement. Class begins next Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Join us!
- **Confirmation and Bible History** class for public school students will begin on Sept. 8. Confirmation class will meet from 5:00 p.m. to 6;15 p.m. Bible History classes will meet as follows: Grades 4-5 at 5:00 p.m. Grades 1-3 at 5:30 pm.
- *Christ's Love, Our Calling* **Bible Class** begins next Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the commons. This is the theme of our Stewardship emphasis this year. Worship in October will center around the theme. Join us!
- Adult Christ Light Bible Class will begin next Sunday. This class meets at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement. It will look at the same Bible stories that our children study during the week.

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