

## 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.

16th Sunday after Pentecost  
September 9 & 12, 2010

*The Believer Hears Jesus' Warnings:  
Count the cost of Discipleship*

**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 an elder before communing.

**Personal Preparation for Communion:** p. 156

**Service:** Divine Service II (p. 28 CWS)

**Hymns:** 348, 464, 315, 454, 321

**Prayer of the Day:** Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**First Lesson:** [Genesis 12:1-8](#)

The LORD had said to Abram, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you.

"I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you;

I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing.

I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

So Abram left, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Haran. He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the

people they had acquired in Haran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there.

Abram traveled through the land as far as the site of the great tree of Moreh at Shechem. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. The LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built an altar there to the LORD, who had appeared to him.

From there he went on toward the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD.

**Psalm of the Day:** [Psalm 19](#) (page 70)

**Second Lesson:** [Philippians 3:4b-11](#)

If anyone else thinks he has reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the law, a Pharisee; as for zeal, persecuting the church; as for legalistic righteousness, faultless.

But whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God and is by faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.

**Verse of the Day** (Sunday) in place of the General Verse grades 3-4 will sing *Rejoice in the Lord*

**Gospel:** [Luke 14:25-33](#)

Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: "If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters—yes, even his own life—he cannot be my

disciple. And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.

"Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Will he not first sit down and estimate the cost to see if he has enough money to complete it? For if he lays the foundation and is not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.'

"Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Will he not first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple.

**Sermon:** [Luke 14:25-27](#)

**Count The Personal Cost Of Discipleship**

Carry your Cross

Follow Jesus personally

**Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:**

**Worship:** 272 (38, 234) **Bible Class:** 51 (3, 48)

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study Bible Class
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Elders
	7:30 p.m.	Council
Wednesday	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
	10:00 a.m.	Open Forum
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study Bible Class

**Sunday School** begins this Sunday. Children ages 3 -5 meet in the basement right after church. You may go down before we are ushered out.

**The Spirituality of the Cross** is the first book we will study at our Sunday evening Bible Class. You may pick up the book you ordered on the desk in the church office. The discussion guide is in the basement. Class begins Sunday at 7:00 pm.

**Monday Bible Class** will begin this week. We will meet at church at 7:00 a.m. Join us!

**Youth Group Bible study** will begin this Monday. Join us as we grow together in God's Word each Monday night at 7:00 p.m. Open gym will follow.

**Pancake & Porky Breakfast** On Sunday, September 26, the Youth Group will serve a pancake and porky breakfast for the congregation. Join us before Bible study at 7:30 a.m. or after church.

**Tuesday Bible Class** will not meet this week. We will begin on Sept. 21.

**Confirmation** class for public school students will not meet this Wednesday. Bible History Class will meet this week at the regular times.

**Pastor Ott** will be out of town from Tuesday morning through Saturday evening this week.

**Christ's Love, Our Calling Bible Class** meets Sundays at 8:00 a.m. in the commons. This is the theme of this year's stewardship emphasis. Join us!

**Adult Christ Light Bible Class** meets Sundays at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement.

**Open Forum** There will be an open forum after worship next Sunday at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 21 in the commons. Everyone is invited to offer input to cuts to expenses or ways to increase our income to balance our budget.

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

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