# Morrison Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

# Our mission is to **Glorify 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.

#### 2nd Sunday of Easter April 28 & May 1, 2011

The Redeemer lives! He lives to give me peace and proof.

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

Word (p. 38, Sunday)

Hymns:145, 165, 719, 154

**Prayer of the Day:** O risen Lord, you came to your disciples and took away their fears with your word of peace. Come to us also by your Word and sacrament, and banish our fears with the comforting assurance of your abiding presence; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Lesson: Acts 10:34a, 36, 39-43

Then Peter began to speak: This is the message God sent to the people of Israel, telling the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.

We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses who God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that his is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 16 (page 68)

**Psalm prayer**: Lord Jesus, keep our minds fixed on your precious Word and our thoughts on your

glorious victory over death so that we may know the joy of your resurrection and share the pleasures of the saints at your right hand, where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### **Second Lesson:** 1 Peter 1:3-9

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade—kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. n this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of vour souls.

### Gospel: <u>John 20:19-31</u>

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the

Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe it."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"
Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

**Sermon:** John 20:19-31

#### Peace Be With You

Believe it Proclaim it

#### Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

**Thur.:** 229 (120, 109) **Communion:** 132 (42, 90) **Friday:** 291 (91, 200) **Communion:** 212 (75, 137) **Easter:** 522 (69, 453) **Communion:** 308 (53, 255)

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Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, basement
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Pastors' Conference,
		Newtonburg
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Bible Study, school
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study, basement
	6:30 p.m.	School Board
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee

Wednesday 5:00 p.m. Catechism (8th grade only) 5:00 p.m. Grades 4-5 Bible History

5:30 p.m. Grades 1-3 Bible History

Thursday
Sunday

7:30 p.m. Worship, communion
8:00 a.m. Worship Study, commons
8:00 a.m. Christ-Light, basement
9:00 a.m. Worship, communion
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
7:00 p.m. Book Study, basement

It has pleased our heavenly Father to call the soul of Helen Treichel to her eternal rest. Helen died on Monday, April 25. Her funeral was Saturday, April 30. Please remember all who mourn in prayer.

Scrip order deadline

**Book Study** will discuss chapter 12 of *Handling the Word of Truth* this week.

**Monday Bible Study** will not meet this week. Pastor Ott will be preaching at the pastors conference in Newtonburg.

**Tuesday Bible Study** will continue our study of *I Kings* this week by looking at chapters 13-14.

**Adult Christ-Light** meets Sundays at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement. Join us and learn the same stories as the children of the congregation!

**Worship Bible Study** meets Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the commons. Our next lesson is *Worship in the Early Church: Instructions and Examples*.

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