

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. . Rest-rooms are in the commons and down the hallway past the kitchen.

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.

12th Sunday after Pentecost

September 8 & 11, 2011

The Church is meant for all people

Service: Word & Sacrament (p. 26) Thur. Baptism, W. & S. (p. 12, 28) Sun.

Hymns: 425Thur./294 Sun., 413, 405, 521, 403, 539:1,5

Personal Preparation for Holy Communion: Page 156

Preservice: Brianna and Marissa Leick (Sunday)

Prayer of the Day: Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift of grace that we come into your presence and offer true and faithful service. Grant that our worship on earth may always be pleasing to you, and in the life to come give us the fulfillment of what you have promised; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Lesson: Isaiah 56:1.6-8

This is what the LORD says:

“Maintain justice

and do what is right,

for my salvation is close at hand

and my righteousness will soon be revealed.

And foreigners who bind themselves to the LORD

to serve him,

to love the name of the LORD,

and to worship him,

all who keep the Sabbath without desecrating it

and who hold fast to my covenant—

these I will bring to my holy mountain

and give them joy in my house of prayer.

Their burnt offerings and sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;
for my house will be called
a house of prayer for all nations.”
The Sovereign LORD declares—
he who gathers the exiles of Israel:
“I will gather still others to them
besides those already gathered.”

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 133-134 (page 115)

Second Lesson: Romans 11:13-15,17-24

I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I make much of my ministry in the hope that I may somehow arouse my own people to envy and save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead?

If some of the branches have been broken off, and you, though a wild olive shoot, have been grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing sap from the olive root, do not boast over those branches. If you do, consider this: You do not support the root, but the root supports you. You will say then, “Branches were broken off so that I could be grafted in.” Granted. But they were broken off because of unbelief, and you stand by faith. Do not be arrogant, but be afraid. For if God did not spare the natural branches, he will not spare you either.

Consider therefore the kindness and sternness of God: sternness to those who fell, but kindness to you, provided that you continue in his kindness. Otherwise, you also will be cut off. And if they do not persist in unbelief, they will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again. After all, if you were cut out of an olive tree that is wild by nature, and contrary to nature were grafted into a cultivated olive tree, how much more readily will these, the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree!

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, “Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is suffering terribly from demon-possession.”

Jesus did not answer a word. So his disciples came to him and urged him, “Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us.”

He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.”

The woman came and knelt before him. “Lord, help me!” she said.

He replied, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and toss it to their dogs.”

“Yes, Lord,” she said, “but even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.”

Then Jesus answered, “Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.” And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

Sermon:

Romans 9:1-5

The Christian Faith, One Word at a Time: *Grafted* (NT Church)

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 264 (84, 180) **Bible Study:** 40

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, church basement
Monday	7:00 a.m.	Ministry Bible Study, church basement
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group, commons
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Elders
	7:30 p.m.	Church council
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.	Bible History Class
	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
Thursday	6:15 p.m.	New Life in Christ Class, church basement
	7:30 p.m.	Worship.
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Different Gifts, Same Grace study, commons
	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ Light Study, church basement
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, church basement

Baptism On Sunday Kayleigh Rianua Koomen, the daughter of John and Michelle Koomen, will be baptized into Christ. Kayleigh was born on July 31, 2011. Please remember this new child of God and her parents in prayer!

Communion is a part of worship today. Because God speaks of communing together as an expression of unity in faith we practice closed communion. All WELS members are welcome to commune with us. Visitors, please speak to pastor before communing.

Hearing Loop The hearing loop is active. If you have an activated t-coil in your hearing aid it will broadcast the sound system directly to your hearing aid. We also have 4 receivers in the back for anyone to use to try out the loop.

Sunday School for 3-5 year olds will begin this Sunday.

Sunday Book Study will study the book, *Bible Basics*, Sundays at 7:00 p.m. Class begins on Sunday.

Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale will resume rehearsals Sunday, Sept. 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the new music suites at Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Interested singers are encouraged to attend.

Monday Morning Bible Class will finish our study of Church, Mission, Ministry to begin the year. Join us Monday at 7:00 a.m. as we look at "Ministry."

Tuesday at 2:00 we will look at *Our Response To Blessings and Challenges*.

This week we look at "When we experience unmet needs and expectations.

We meet in the church basement. Join us before you pick up a child at school!

Confirmation class and Bible History class will begin this Wednesday.

Commons Bible Study will look at *Different Gifts, Same Grace*, this year's

stewardship emphasis. Next week we will look at "The Gift of Teaching." We meet Sundays at 8:00 a.m.

Adult Christ Light Bible Class meets Sundays at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement. Next week we will study "God promises Abraham a son." Dennis Griepentrog will teach this class.

Wanted! We need people willing to help develop and arrange historical displays for the anniversary. If you are interested, contact Don Pantzlaff.

Sunday, September 25 we would like to take a congregational picture inside the church. After worship. Please join us!

Lutheran Ladies League Rally We will host the rally on Sept. 28. Registration is at 8:00 a.m. Opening worship with communion is at 9:15 a.m. The theme is "Be a Friend at home and abroad." Registration is \$5 ahead of time, \$6 at the door. Everyone in the congregation is invited to attend.

We Need Help to host the Fall Rally on Sept. 28. Sign-up sheets are in the commons on Thursday and the basement on Sunday.

150th Anniversary Cookbook request for recipes is extended to confirmands who no longer attend Morrison Zion. Please let family members and friends know . We are in need of more casserole/crock pot and main dish recipes.

Fall Harvest Festival at St. John's in Gibson will be Sept. 18. Festivities begin at 11:30 a.m. There will be food, beverages, pies, a live polka band, tractor games and more. It will be fun for the whole family.

MLHS Homecoming, Fri Oct. 7 All alumni are invited into the MLHS Commons before & during the game for refreshments, and all those whose graduation year ends in "1" will receive a free alumni T-shirt!

13th Annual MLHS Flag Football Tournament, Sat Oct. 8. This annual gridiron tournament has an exciting fundraising goal this year: Streaming Video Equipment to transmit MLHS events live on the internet. Registration: 8am. Entry fee: \$12. Contact Paul Kluecker to RSVP at 682-1119.

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