

Church History Books and Ladies Aid Cookbooks are available in the church basement if you would like to purchase either of these items.

Faith Centered WELS Singles We are going to get in the spirit of football season a bit early this year! Join us for our last activity of the season on May 19th until we meet up again in September. We are going to head up to Green Bay and watch the Green Bay Blizzard take on the Sioux Falls Storm! Kickoff is at 7:00pm at the Resch Center. For those who would like to carpool to Green Bay, we will meet at the Ballard Road Park N Ride at 5:45pm so we can leave by 6pm. Please RSVP to Meredith Toeder at (920) 265-9920 or mtoeder@gmail.com by May 13 so tickets can be purchased.

WELS 40+ Singles next Bible study will be Sunday, May 20, at Mount Olive on 930 E. Florida Ave, in Appleton. We will meet at 4:00 for a bible study and meeting, then we can decide where to go for supper. Any Questions email nitzlilly@yahoo.com, or phone 317-294-6269.

Manitowoc Lutheran High School will renovating its science rooms this summer, and are completing the design stage now. Bids will be requested from area contractors for components of this project, and MLHS invites any tradesmen or contractors from our Federation congregations to inquire about this project. Please contact Doug Schwalbe at A.C.E. Building Services (323-4085) by Monday May 7 for information.

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5th Sunday of Easter May. 3/6, 2012

The intimate connection to our risen Lord brought about by the gospel has rich consequences for our life with him even now.

Service: Evening Prayer (p. 52) Thursday
Word (p. 38) Sunday

Hymns: 141, 168, 761, 249

Prayer of the Day: Lord God, in mercy receive the prayers of your people. Grant them the wisdom to know the things that please you and the grace and power always to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Special Music: *Go Into All the World*
Sunday, after Prayer of the Day) grades 3-4

First Lesson: Acts 16:11-15

From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day on to Neapolis. From there we traveled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days.

On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. One of those listening was a woman named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth from the city of Thyatira, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message. When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. "If you consider me a believer in the Lord," she said, "come and stay at my house." And she persuaded us.

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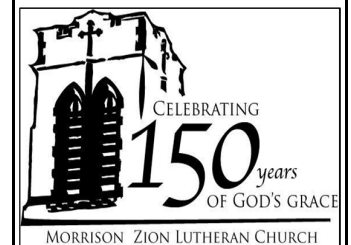
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*Our mission is to
Glorify God
as we help people
Grow in the Gospel
and
Go with the Gospel*



Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. Restrooms are located in the basement. Hearing loop headphones and Large Print Hymnals are available from an usher.

Today we gather together in the 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 our worship.



Psalm of the Day: Psalm 67 (p. 91)

Psalm Prayer: (Thursday) Gracious and merciful God, fill our hearts with joy and confidence so that with all boldness we may proclaim the story of your salvation among all peoples of the earth to the praise of your great name; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

Second Lesson: 1 John 3:18-24

Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth. This then is how we know that we belong to the truth, and how we set our hearts at rest in his presence whenever our hearts condemn us. For God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.

Dear friends, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God and receive from him anything we ask, because we obey his commands and do what pleases him. And this is his command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us. Those who obey his commands live in him, and he in them. And this is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us.

Gospel: John 15:1-8

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

“I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not remain in me, he is like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

Sermon: John 15:1-8
Remain In The Vine
Pruned
Fruitful

Musical Offering: *Jesus Lives the Victory’s Won* Megan Laabs, Sunday

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

Worship: 358 (24, 334)

Bible Study: 81 (4, 21, 28, 12, 6, 10)

Youth Study: 21

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Ladies Aid
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, church
Monday	7:00 a.m.	Bible study, church
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Christian Freedom Bible Study, church
	6:00 p.m.	Elders
	7:00 p.m.	Council
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	5:15 p.m.	Bible History Class
	8:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Worship
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	New Life in Christ Class
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ Light Class, church basement
	8:00 a.m.	Heaven Is For Real Class, commons
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, church

Book Study Class Sunday we will look at the first two sections of chapter two of *WELS & Other Lutherans*.

Monday Bible Class will continue the study, *Strategies for Sharing Our Faith* at 7:00 a.m. in the church basement. This week we look at “Dealing with People Full of Fear”. Join us!

Tuesday Bible Class will begin a study on Christian Freedom at 2:00 p.m. in the church basement. This week we look at “Freedom from Slavery.” Join us!

Commons Bible Class is studying, *Heaven Is For Real*. Join us next Sunday at 8:00 a.m. as we compare what we find in the book to what we find in Scripture.

Adult Christ Light Class will meet next Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement.

Parade Sign Up Sheets are in the church basement. If you would like to help at one of the parades this summer there are sign up sheets in the church basement. We need people on the floats and handing out information at the parades.