

9:00 a.m. Service of Advent Lessons and Carols
10:00 a.m. Sunday School

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 Pastor Ott before communing.

Sunday Bible Study will look at the book of Nahum this evening. Read through the book, find the historical background and context of the book and come with any questions or comments you found in your reading. Join us at 7:00 p.m.! We will not meet on Sunday, December 9.

Naomi Circle will meet Monday, December 3, at 1:00 p.m. in the church basement. Paula Ott will serve tea and refreshments and then lead this widows and friends group in Advent readings and songs. Please sign up on the sheet in the basement if you plan to attend.

Tuesday Bible Class is studying, *Burden Bearing*. This week we look at "Burdens also come to believers' lives." Join us and learn ways to serve God by serving your fellow believer. We meet at 2:00 p.m. in the church basement.

Midweek Advent Worship will begin this Wednesday, December 5. We will worship at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Please note the time change for the evening service. There will be no soup suppers this Advent. Our theme is, *Hark The Glad Sound! The Savior Comes!*

New Life in Christ Class will not meet next week.

Adult Christ Light Bible Class will meet at 8:00 a.m. in the Bible Study room in the church basement. In this class we will look at Bible Stories from the New Testament. Join us and bring the family!

Communion in December will be the first and third weekend of the month.

Church Cookbooks are available every Sunday in the library in the church basement from now until Christmas. They make great gifts!

Christmas for Kids is Saturday, December 8, 9:00-11:30 a.m. The program is free and open to children ages three through fourth grade. Sign up sheets are in the church basement and the school commons. Please invite a friend!

4th annual **Men of His Word Conference** will be at the Oshkosh Convention Center on Saturday, February 16, 2013. registration will be online at www.menofhisword.org starting on November 1.

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Advent 1

December 2, 2012

The judgment is coming, but there will be deliverance for God's people.

Service: Word & Sacrament (p. 26) Thursday
Gathering Rite, Baptism (p. 13), Word & Sacrament (p. 29) Sun.

Hymns: 1 (Thur.) Advent Gathering Song (Sun.), 2, 702, 703, 704, 9:3,5

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Gathering Rite

The Advent Gathering Song is written in the spirit of Taizé, with a refrain sung continuously by the congregation as the choir sings superimposed verses.

ADVENT GATHERING SONG

Gently *mp* James J. Chepponis

Come, come Em - man - u - el.

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Choir: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.
Choir: God fulfills the promise, so

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.
Choir: For a shoot from David will

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.
Choir: Overflowing with love, we

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.
Choir: May God strengthen our hearts, and

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.
Choir: For the Son of Man will

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.
Choir: Oh be watchful, pray always, and

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

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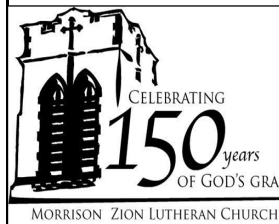
*Our mission is to
Glorify God
as we help people
Grow in the Gospel
and
Go with the Gospel*



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.



The music continues softly as we speak the invocation, confession, absolution and prayer of the day.

Stand

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Protect us by your strength and save us from the threatening dangers of our sins; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

As the music grows louder the congregation again sings the refrain continuously as the choir sings the superimposed verses.

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

Choir: Lord, have mercy upon us and

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

Choir: Christ, have mercy upon us and

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

Choir: Lord, have mercy upon us and

Cong: Come, come Emmanuel. Come, Emmanuel.

THE LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

M: We light one Advent candle, remembering Jesus who is coming again. He will come to gather his people from everywhere, both the living and the dead.

C: We remember Jesus who will come at the end of time. None of us knows what day that will be.

M: We hear his call to watch.

C: We light one Advent candle as a sign of our watchfulness and waiting.

M: Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest.

C: Through your Word and Spirit may our souls be blessed.

One Advent candle is lit.

Be Seated

The service continues at the font with the Sacrament of Baptism on p. 13 After the baptism we continue in the service of Word and Sacrament on p. 29.

First Lesson: Genesis 19:15-17,23-29

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 25 (p. 74)

Second Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Special Music: *A Home for Jesus* (grades 5-6) Sunday in place of the Verse of the Day

Gospel: Luke 21:25-36

“There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. ²⁶Men will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. ²⁷At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹He told them this parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees. ³⁰When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. ³¹Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

³²“I tell you the truth, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

³⁴“Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with dissipation, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you unexpectedly like a trap. ³⁵For it will come upon all those who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.”

Sermon:

Prepare To Stand Before The Son Of Man

Luke 21:25-36

Know when it will be near

Know what draws near

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 367 **Thanksgiving:** 325 (103, 233) **Bible Class:** 73 (2, 30, 15, 13, 13) **Youth Study:** 12

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, Nahum church
Monday	1:00 p.m.	Naomi Circle Tea
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible class
	6:30 p.m.	School Board
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	Midweek Advent Worship <i>Hark the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes!</i>
	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class
	7:00 p.m.	Midweek Advent Worship <i>Hark the Glad Sound! The Savior Comes!</i>
	8:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Band
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ Light Class, church