

End Times Bible Class continues next Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the commons. We will look at "While We Wait For Jesus' Return." Join us and bring the family!

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

MLC Choir Concert The Martin Luther College Choir will present a concert of sacred music on Friday, May 3 at 7:00 pm at Bethany Lutheran Church in Manitowoc. The program titled "Wait on the Lord" features selections based on texts from Isaiah 40, as well as works by Bach, Byrd, Basler, Mealor and others. The choir cordially invites you to come and enjoy the Gospel in song.

MLHS Fine Arts Department Pancake Breakfast May 11 Start the day with a great breakfast, and support the Fine Arts Department as well. 8-11 a.m. in the MLHS Commons. Funds raised will help to purchase equipment, as well as aid students in their biennial trip to Chicago next year.

As announced last week, Mr. Muchka returned his call to St. Paul's, Menomonie, Wisconsin. He will remain in his ministry here at Zion. He thanks all of you for your prayers and comments!

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The risen Lord prepares his followers for his visible departure by giving a new command: Love one another.

Service: Common Service with Communion (p. 15) Hymn 265 will replace *Glory Be To God*

Preparation for Communion: Page 156

Hymns: 496, 141, 491, 492, 497, 498

Prayer of the Day: O God, you form the minds of your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what you command and desire what you promise, that among the many changes of this world, our hearts may ever yearn for the lasting joys of heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Anthem: *Love!* (grades 7-8, Sunday)

First Lesson: 1 Samuel 20:12-17

Jonathan loved David more than his own father, because David was the LORD's anointed. Though Saul fought against David, Jonathan would not. Jonathan displays selfless love for David inspired by the God of free and faithful grace. At the same time, Jonathan calls on David to show the same selfless love to this son of Saul and his children.

Then Jonathan said to David, "I swear by the LORD, the God of Israel, that I will surely sound out my father by this time the day after tomorrow! If he is favorably disposed toward you, will I not send you word and let you know? But if my father intends to harm you, may the LORD deal with Jonathan, be it ever so severely, if I do not let you know and send you away in peace. May the LORD be with you as he has been with my father. But show me unfailing kindness

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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.

like the LORD's kindness as long as I live, so that I may not be killed, and do not ever cut off your kindness from my family—not even when the LORD has cut off every one of David's enemies from the face of the earth."

So Jonathan made a covenant with the house of David, saying, "May the LORD call David's enemies to account." And Jonathan had David reaffirm his oath out of love for him, because he loved him as he loved himself.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 145 (p. 119)

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Lack of love negates the greatest of spiritual gifts. This lesson is often heard at weddings. But isn't it amazing that these commands of love are not meant for husbands and wives, but for brothers and sisters in the body of Christ? Love each other like this, our Lord tells us. This is a new command, love each other this way! These verses really describe Christ's love for us, and so model the love that fulfills Christ's command.

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Verse of the Day: Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia. I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord. Alleluia.

Gospel: John 13:31-35

Having come from God and now preparing to return to God, Jesus gives his

disciples the command to love one another. Disciples of Jesus are marked by their love for each other. For it is a reflection of the same love our now glorified Savior has for us.

When he was gone, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will glorify the Son in himself, and will glorify him at once.

"My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come.

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

Sermon: **What's New?** John 13:31-35
As I have loved you
So you must love one another

Musical Offering: *Love is the Gracious Gift* CW 505 (Rodney Laabs, Sunday)

Lord's Prayer (sung by Rodney Laabs, Sunday)

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 323 (27, 296) **Bible Class:** 54 (29, 25. x) **Youth:** 20

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, chapter 8
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Class
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class, grades 1-5
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Worship
Friday	6:30 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday	1:30 p.m.	Wedding
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ Light Class, church
	8:00 a.m.	End Times Bible Study, commons
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, chapter 9

God's Blessings to Victor and Adela Laabs. On May 3 they will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary. On Sunday we will offer a prayer of thanksgiving. Also their son, Rodney will sing the musical offering and the Lord's Prayer as part of their celebration.

Book Study will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday and discuss chapter 8.

Tuesday Bible study will not meet again until Fall.