

Real wealth is found in heavenly treasure. Earthly riches are not a reward for doing good, but rather an opportunity to do good.

OPENING HYMN

Hymn 530

STAND

L O Lord, o - pen my lips.

C And my mouth shall de - clare your praise.

L Hasten to save me, O God.

C O Lord, come quickly to help me.

L Give glory to God, our light and our life.

C Come, oh, come, let us wor - ship.

© 1997 GIA Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.

COME, OH, COME LET US SING TO THE LORD

The congregation will sing the refrain and the verses

**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.

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.

Refrain

①
Come, oh, come, let us sing to the Lord,
②
let us shout with joy to our sav - ing Rock;
③
come, en - ter in with our songs of praise,
Repeat for use with canon
come, en - ter in with thanks - giv - ing.

Verses
1. You are a great and a won - drous God,
2. Come, let us wor - ship and, bow - ing low,
cup - ping in your hands all the depths of earth.
kneel be - fore the One who has made us all.
You made the hills and the moun - tains high,
You are the God whom we call our own,
to Refrain
you made the seas and the dry land.
we are the flock that you shep - herd.

© 1997 GIA Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.

BE SEATED

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 146 (page 120)

FIRST LESSON

Ecclesiastes 5:8-20

Solomon instructs his listeners on faithful work combined with gratitude to God. Hoarded wealth brings only harm to its owner. Earthly wealth is fleeting; to chase after it is as fruitless as chasing after the wind.

⁸ If you see the poor oppressed in a district, and justice and rights denied, do not be surprised at such things; for one official is eyed by a higher one, and over them both are others higher still. ⁹ The increase from the land is taken by all; the king himself profits from the fields.

¹⁰ Whoever loves money never has enough;
whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with their income.
This too is meaningless.

¹¹ As goods increase,
so do those who consume them.
And what benefit are they to the owners
except to feast their eyes on them?

¹² The sleep of a laborer is sweet,
whether they eat little or much,
but as for the rich, their abundance
permits them no sleep.

¹³ I have seen a grievous evil under the sun:
wealth hoarded to the harm of its owners,

¹⁴ or wealth lost through some misfortune,
so that when they have children
there is nothing left for them to inherit.

¹⁵ Everyone comes naked from their mother's womb,
and as everyone comes, so they depart.
They take nothing from their toil
that they can carry in their hands.

¹⁶ This too is a grievous evil:
As everyone comes, so they depart,
and what do they gain,
since they toil for the wind?

¹⁷ All their days they eat in darkness,
with great frustration, affliction and anger.

¹⁸ This is what I have observed to be good: that it is appropriate for a person to eat, to drink and to find satisfaction in their toilsome labor under the sun during the few days of life God has given them—for this is their lot. ¹⁹ Moreover, when God gives someone wealth and possessions, and the ability to enjoy them, to accept their lot and be happy in their toil—this is a gift of God. ²⁰ They seldom reflect on the days of their life, because God keeps them occupied with gladness of heart.

GOSPEL

Luke 16:19-31

The rich man loved his wealth more than doing the will of the Lord: helping those in need. Hoarding of wealth for one's own pampering manifests the poverty of one's soul. In a

heartbeat, the greedy will go from extravagance to begging for mercy. But it is too late. Not even their wealth will buy them relief. Here is also comfort for the righteous poor. Though not blessed with wealth in this life, they will have good things forever in paradise.

¹⁹“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. ²⁰At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores ²¹and longing to eat what fell from the rich man’s table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

²²“The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴So he called to him, ‘Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.’

²⁵“But Abraham replied, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. ²⁶And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.’

²⁷“He answered, ‘Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family, ²⁸for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.’

²⁹“Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.’

³⁰“‘No, father Abraham,’ he said, ‘but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’

³¹“He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

SEASONAL RESPONSE Give thanks to the Lord; call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Hymn 190

SERMON

Revelation 2:8-10

To the church in Smyrna: Here is comfort for the faithful who find themselves on the side of the poor and oppressed. In spite of physical poverty and persecution, lasting wealth is found only in Jesus, our priceless treasure. He has guaranteed for the faithful a “crown of life.”

⁸“To the angel of the church in Smyrna write:

These are the words of him who is the First and the Last, who died and came to life again. ⁹I know your afflictions and your poverty—yet you are rich! I know about the slander of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. ¹⁰Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you, the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and you will suffer persecution for ten days. Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you life as your victor’s crown.

¹¹Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. The one who is victorious will not be hurt at all by the second death.

**The Believer Grows In Christian Character
Christians Find Real Wealth In Heavenly Treasure**

STAND

YOU ARE GOD; WE PRAISE YOU *Te Deum*

The congregation will sing the refrain and the verses

Refrain



You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we ac - claim you.



To you, O Fa-ther ho - ly, all cre - a-tion of - fers praise.

Verses



1. With the an - gels in heav - en,
2. Cre - a - tor of all things, **We praise you, we**
3. O Christ, King of glo - ry,



praise you! With the cher - u - bim and ser - a-phim,
O Je - sus Christ, the Son of God, **We**
You be - came a man to set us free;



praise you, we praise you! With a - pos - tles and proph - ets,
O Spir - it, most ho - ly, **We**
You have ris - en to free us;



praise you, we praise you! With the mar - tyrs and your
To the Trin - i - ty most
And with all your saints in



ho - ly Church,
bless - ed, **We sing in end - less** *to Refrain*
glo - ry, **praise!** *to Refrain*
to Final Refrain

Final Refrain

1 2

You are God; we praise you. You are Lord; we ac - claim you.

To you, O Fa-ther ho - ly, all cre - a-tion of - fers praise,

all cre - a-tion of - fers praise, all cre - a-tion of - fers praise.

© 1997 GIA Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

STAND

LORD, HAVE MERCY *Kyrie*

L In the morn - ing, O Lord, I call to you;

be mer - ci - ful to me and hear my prayer.

C Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into

temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Mercifully grant, O God, that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, for without your help we are unable to please you; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR GRACE

M: Grant us, Lord, the spirit to think and do what is right that we, who cannot do anything that is good without you, may by your help be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**



L Let us praise the Lord.



C Thanks be to God.

BLESSING



L The Lord bless and keep you.



C A - men.



L The Lord's face ev - er shine up - on you.



C A - men.



L The Lord grant you peace for all your days.



C A - men.

© 1997 GIA Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN

Hymn 745

Today' Light Bible Readings

Week 5

September 30—October 5

Monday	Genesis 45-46
Tuesday	Genesis 47-48
Wednesday	Genesis 49-50
Thursday	Exodus 1
Friday	Exodus 2
Saturday	Exodus 3-4

Questions/Comments about Zion? Contact:

Pastor Randy Ott	home: 864-2348; mobile: 362-7118; otrr@mzluth.org
Principal Brian Humann	864-2349, school@mzluth.org
President Erv Zeamer	660-1161
Elders: John Ihlenfeldt	864-2822
School Board: Jim Laabs	864-2458

School Faculty: Joan Wegner, Brenda Kuchenbecker, Brian Humann, Tim Pingel, Rick Muchka

Website: www.mzluth.org **Synod :** www.wels.net

Custodian: Beverly Leiterman 864-2355

Church/School Secretary: Nancy Pantzlaff 864-7334

Wisconsin Lutheran Child and Family Service Appleton (WELS counseling) Kathleen Jasman 731-9798

Living Hope Counseling Ministries De Pere (WELS counseling) Dr. John Johnson, Director, 338-8699



News From Zion

Morrison Zion Lutheran Church
www.mzluth.org

Pastor Randy Ott
864-2348 (home) 362-7118 (mobile) ottrr@mzluth.org (email)

Announcements

Adult Christ Light meets Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the church. We will study the Old Testament this year.

Pancake and Porky Breakfast Served by the Youth Group this Sunday, September 29. We will serve from 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. and from 10:15am to 12:30pm. Come to the gym and join us!

Ladies Aid will meet after 10:30 worship this Sunday, September 29. This meeting is to decide on the future of Ladies Aid. Please join us for this meeting. If you have any questions please contact an officer.

Today's Light Bible Discussion will meet tonight at 7:00 p.m. We will discuss the last two weeks of daily readings. The Discussion Guide for the next four weeks is available in the church basement and on the radiator to the right of the double doors in the back of church.

Youth Group meets Monday at 7:00 p.m. We will begin a new study on Improving Our Personal Relationships. Join us! Open gym will follow the study.

Tuesday Bible Class meets at 2:00 p.m. in the church basement. We are studying: Christian Decision Making. This week we look at "God's Word builds maturity, which enables us to make God-pleasing decisions."

Translation Bible Study will finish its study next Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the commons.

The Believer Grows in Christian Character is our current seven week series. The remaining topics are:

- Christians do their duty*
- Christians live a life of thanksgiving*
- Christians are persistent in prayer*
- Christians serve God above all else*

Please join us and bring a friend who might benefit from the day's topic!

WELS Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Ministry is offering a series of webinars that would be useful for families of people with special needs and many other Christians! The webinars are free! You can sign up for as many as interest you. Check out poster at church and school for more info – all of them are offered at 9:00 pm Central time during October and November.

Pumpkin Fest is Oct. 19, 9:00-11:00 a.m. Join us for a morning of fun activities with pumpkins, crafts, tattoos, cookie decorating, and a bounce house in the gym. The event is free. Please invite your friends and neighbors. This event is for children 6 and under. Sign-up sheets are in the church basement or school commons; please sign up by Oct. 13. We need about 60 pumpkins of any size for this event. If you would like to donate any of your pumpkins or would like to make a cash donation toward the day, please speak to Mr. Humann.

Staffing Committee Presentation will replace Bible Study on Sunday, Oct. 13. We will meet in the church at 9:15 a.m. Please join us!

An Open Forum will be held after both service on Sunday, Oct. 13. Please join us!

Voters' Meeting will be after the 10:30 a.m. service on Sunday, Oct. 20. We will meet in the commons. Voters, please join us!

Volume 1, Issue 1

September 26 & 29, 2013
Pentecost 19

Our Mission
is to
Glorify God
as we
Gather
around the
Gospel
so that we
Grow
in the Gospel
and
Go
with the Gospel





Weekly Calendar

Sunday	11:30 a.m.	Ladies Aid Meeting, church
	7:00 p.m.	Today's Light Bible discussion, basement
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Class
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Class, church basement
	6:30 p.m.	School Board
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation class
	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class
	7:30 p.m.	Choir, school
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Worship
Friday	4:00 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday	1:00 p.m.	Wedding
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Worship
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement
	9:15 a.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Class, church
	9:15 a.m.	Translation Study, commons
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	7:00 p.m.	Today's Light Bible discussion, basement

Today's Light Bible Reading

Week 5

September 30—October 5

Monday	Genesis 45-46
Tuesday	Genesis 47-48
Wednesday	Genesis 49-50
Thursday	Exodus 1
Friday	Exodus 2
Saturday	Exodus 3-4

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

Worship:	301	(37, 192, 72)
Communion	198	(28, 131, 39)
Bible Study:	50	(39, x, x, 11)

You're Invited To An Open House

It's been nearly three months since the synod's administrative offices moved into the new WELS Center for Mission and Ministry in Waukesha, Wis. The boxes have been unpacked, the pictures hung, and our workers have settled into their new spaces. The shared reaction by all who work in this new building and by all who have visited is, "What a blessing!"

This building belongs to you, the members of our Wisconsin Synod. For that reason, we would like to

invite you to an open house on Tuesday, Oct. 8, from 3 p.m. until 8 p.m. Synod employees will be on hand to welcome you, show you around, and tell you a little bit about what they do on your behalf.

It just so happens that the Conference of Presidents (COP) will also be meeting on that day. The members of the COP will end their meeting a little early to give them a chance to greet and visit with you.

The address of the WELS Cen-



ter for Mission and Ministry is N16W23377 Stone Ridge Drive, Waukesha, WI 53188. A map and driving directions are available at www.wels.net/cmmaddress.

Forward in Christ digital edition is available for free through December at www.nph.net/efic. Subscribe to the digital or print edition online or call 1-800-662-6093.

News from Manitowoc Lutheran High School

Friends of the Lancer 5th Quarter Celebration. Alum, parents & friends are invited to enjoy a Lancer Homecoming victory at the annual "5th Quarter Celebration" after the game on Friday, Oct. 4. Get some friends together for a night of fun at the Rockin'

Blues Haus in Manitowoc! Tickets are available in the MLHS Main & Scrip offices, and at varsity home games.

Flag Football Tournament. Work out the kinks and relive some gridiron glory of your own. Lancer Field is the place to be on Satur-

day, Oct 5th, at 8am for this annual tournament. Get some friends together and be ready for the drafting of teams and some hotly contested (and some not-so-hotly-contested) games that morning.

Glorify

Gather

Grow

Go

