



**MORRISON
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Wisconsin Evangelical
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Our mission is to
Glorify God
as we
Gather
around the Gospel
to 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.

If your children need to leave worship, please take them to the basement. A TV broadcasts the service in the basement.

Today we gather together in the presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We 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.

May 30 & June 2, 2024
2nd Sunday after Pentecost



Rest is a Gift, Not Something to Be Earned

After a long day of work, you have earned the right to sit down in your favorite chair, put your feet up, and watch your favorite program. After a hard week on the job, you have earned the opportunity to relax a bit that weekend. After doing your job well for many months, you have earned those two weeks of vacation at the beach. This is how everyone thinks: rest is something you earn through hard work. We even teach that to our kids: no gaming until homework is done, no playing with friends until chores are complete.

Since that concept of rest being earned is so deeply engrained in us, to properly understand spiritual rest requires a top-down faith. God needs to send us the Spirit so that we can grasp this truth. True spiritual rest cannot be earned. In fact, the harder you try, the more restless and the less peaceful you become. Spiritual rest is a gift that God gives. The rest we need most—from guilt, from worry, from shame, from hopelessness—is graciously given to us by the Lord of the Sabbath.

Opening Hymn:

Baptized in Water CW 297



1 Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,
2 Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,
3 Bap - tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,



Cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
Dead in the tomb with Christ our King:
Marked with the sign of Christ our King:



Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust - ing his prom - ise,
One with his ris - ing, Freed and for - giv - en,
Born of one Fa - ther, We are his chil - dren;



Faith - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
Thank - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.
Joy - ful - ly now God's praise we sing.

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Tune: BUNESSAN (55 8 D) Gaelic melody, 19th century.

Thursday and Sunday 10:30 continues on p. 4. Sunday 8:00 continues below.

Remain Seated

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Our Savior Jesus Christ commanded baptism when he said: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." All of us are born into this world with a deep need for baptism. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature; we are without true fear of God and true faith in God and are condemned to eternal death. But Jesus took away our sin by giving his life on the cross. At our baptism he clothes us with the robe of his righteousness

and gives us a new life. Our sinful nature need not control us any longer. We recall what baptism means for our daily lives as we speak these words:

C: Baptism means that the sinful nature in us should be drowned by daily sorrow and repentance, and that all its evil deeds and desires be put to death. It also means that a new person should daily arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

M: As baptized children of God we confess our sins:

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed 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.

The Rite of Baptism continues at the font.

M: In obedience to the command of our Lord and trusting in his promise, you have brought this child to be baptized. Jesus told us, “Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” It is in baptism that God grants the new life of forgiveness, joy and peace to little children. By the power of God’s Word, this gracious water of life washes away sin, delivers from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe.

Receive the sign of the cross from the head to the heart to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

Ryan Kay Saluja, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven. May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace be with you.

Stand

EXHORTATION

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love therefore urges all of us, especially parents and sponsors, to assist in whatever manner possible so that Ryan may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, as God gives me strength.

C: Yes, as God gives me strength.

M: Let us pray:

Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the blessing of baptism by which you offer and grant the forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Help us to regard our baptism as the robe of righteousness we are to wear all the days of our life. Look with special favor on Ryan and grant him a rich measure of your Spirit that he may grow in faith and godly living. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to those who have been baptized, so that all of us may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus our Lord.

C: Amen

Worship continues with the Prayer and Praise "By Grace I'm Saved" on page 5.

Thursday and 10:30 worship continues here.

Stand

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

C: Amen.

CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.

For faithless worrying and selfish pride,

For sins of habit and sins of choice,

For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,

You should cast me away from your presence forever.

O Lord, I am sorry for my sins, Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

Absolution (pronouncement of forgiveness)

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

Hymn

By Grace I'm Saved CW 384:1-2

1 By grace I'm saved, grace free and bound - less;
2 By grace God's Son, our on - ly Sav - ior,
My soul, be - lieve and doubt it not. Why wa - ver
Came down to earth to bear our sin. Was it be -
at this word of prom - ise? Has Scrip - ture ev - er
cause of your own mer - it That Je - sus died your
false - hood taught? So then this word, must true re -
soul to win? No, it was grace, and grace a -
main: By grace you, too, shall heav'n ob - tain.
lone, That brought him from his heav'n - ly throne.

Text: Christian L. Scheidt, 1709-61, abr.; tr. composite.

Tune: O DASS ICH TAUSEND ZUNGEN HÄTTE (DREITZEL) (98 98 88) Cornelius H. Dretzel, 1697-1775, alt.

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

O God, you rule over all things in wisdom and kindness. Take away everything that may be harmful and give us whatever is good; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Be Seated

THE WORD

First Lesson

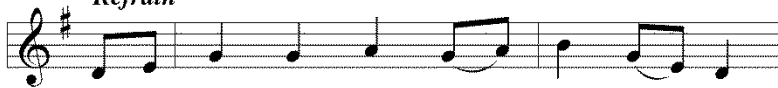
Deuteronomy 5:12-15

The LORD commanded that the Sabbath day be observed so that we might rest and remember all that he has done for us.

¹² “Observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy, as the Lord your God has commanded you. ¹³ Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁴ but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your ox, your donkey or any of your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns, so that your male and female servants may rest, as you do. ¹⁵ Remember that you were slaves in Egypt and that the Lord your God brought you out of there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the Lord your God has commanded you to observe the Sabbath day.

(NIV)

Refrain



I re - joiced with those who said to me,



“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

Psalm Tone



I rejoiced with those who said to me,
 “Let us go to the house of the LORD.”
 Our feet are standing in your gates,
 O Jerusalem.

Refrain

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
 “May those who love you be secure.
 May there be peace within your walls
 and security within your citadels.”

Refrain

For the sake of my brothers and friends,
 I will say, “Peace be within you.”
 For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,
 I will seek your prosperity.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
 and to the Holy Spirit,
 as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain

Second Lesson

Colossians 2:13-17

All God's commands about religious festivals and the Sabbath day were meant to point us to the spiritual rest found in Christ.

¹³ When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, ¹⁴ having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

¹⁶ Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. ¹⁷ These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ. (NIV)

Verse of the Day

M: Alleluia. Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Alleluia.
(Psalm 119:105 NIV)

Stand

Gospel

Mark 2:23-3:6

The Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath.

²³ One Sabbath Jesus was going through the grainfields, and as his disciples walked along, they began to pick some heads of grain. ²⁴ The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?"

²⁵ He answered, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need? ²⁶ In the days of Abiathar the high priest, he entered the house of God and ate the consecrated bread, which is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions."

²⁷ Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. ²⁸ So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."

^{3:1} Another time Jesus went into the synagogue, and a man with a shriveled hand was there. ² Some of them were looking for a reason to accuse Jesus, so they watched him closely to see if he would heal him on the Sabbath. ³ Jesus said to the man with the shriveled hand, "Stand up in front of everyone."

⁴ Then Jesus asked them, "Which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?" But they remained silent.

⁵ He looked around at them in anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts, said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was completely restored. ⁶ Then the Pharisees went out and began to plot with the Herodians how they might kill Jesus. (NIV)

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be Seated

Hymn of the Day

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say CW 338



1 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to
2 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I
3 I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this



me and rest; Lay down, O wea - ry one, lay down Your
free - ly give The liv - ing wa - ter, thirst - y one; Stoop
dark world's light. Look un - to me; your morn shall rise And



head up - on my breast." I came to Je - sus as I
down and drink and live." I came to Je - sus, and I
all your day be bright." I looked to Je - sus, and I



was, Wea - ry and worn and sad; I found in
drank Of that life - giv - ing stream; My thirst was
found In him my star, my sun; And in that



him a rest - ing place, And he has made me glad.
quenched, my soul re - vived, And now I live in him.
light of life I'll walk Till trav - 'ling days are done.

Text: Horatius Bonar, 1808-89.

Tune: VOX DILECTI (CM D) John B. Dykes, 1823-76.

Sermon

Mark 2:23-3:6

Stand

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Be Seated

Offering

Stand

Please sign the friendship register located in your pew.

Guests please don't feel a necessity to give an offering today. *"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver"* (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

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.

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

Benediction

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Be Seated

Closing Hymn

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing CW 329



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; Fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For the gos - pel's
3 So when - e'er the sig - nal's giv - en Us from earth to



joy and peace. Let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
joy - ful sound; May the fruits of your sal - va - tion
call a - way, Borne on an - gels' wings to heav - en,



Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. Oh, re - fresh us,
In our hearts and lives a - bound! Ev - er faith - ful,
Glad the sum - mons to o - bey, May we ev - er,



oh, re - fresh us, Trav - 'ling through this wil - der - ness.
ev - er faith - ful To your truth may we be found.
may we ev - er Reign with Christ in end - less day.

Text: John Fawcett, 1740–1817, alt.
Tune: NEW ULM (87 87 87) Friedrich O. Reuter, 1863–1924.

Thanks for many years of service to the Lord by Mrs. Katie Muchka at Morrison Zion Lutheran.

Katie was born in Cudahy, Wisconsin and grew up in South Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She graduated from Luther Preparatory School in 2000 and from Martin Luther College in 2004.

Following graduation from MLC Katie was assigned to teach first and second grade at St. Philip's in Milwaukee. In 2005 she was called to teach preschool at St. John-St. James in Reedsville. Katie was called to teach at Morrison Zion in 2006, and after spending several years at home with her two children, was called back to Morrison Zion in 2015.

Over the years, Katie has held a variety of positions here at Morrison. Katie has taught third and fourth grade. She currently teaches seventh and eighth grade, is the athletic director, and has served with school promotions coordinator.

Katie is married to Rick Muchka who also served at Morrison Zion for 18 years, and together they have been blessed with two children: Isaiah and Hope. We thank Katie and the whole Muchka family for being Christian leaders focused on the gospel in our church, school, and community. Thank you!

Please join us in the school gym after the 10:30 am service for a meal and program thanking Katie for her years of service.

