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#### Announcements

**Commons Bible Study** The Commons Bible Study will meet in the church basement this Sunday. There is no Romans study. Those who normally come to the Romans study can join us as we study the 4 Ds of Disciple-ship.

Romans-Part Two Study will not meet this Sunday.

International Youth Rally Meeting is in church this Sunday after each service. The Rally is June 28-July 1 at the University of Tennessee. Register by February 15. Earlybird registration is \$375. Contact Pastor Enderle with questions. Signup online.

Sunday School meets at 9:15 a.m. at school.

Last Week we had 257 worship in person and 52 online. That is 41.3% of our membership. Please encourage your brothers and sisters in Christ to stay close to Jesus through faithful use of Word and sacraments!

Pastor Ott will be gone Feb. 3-8.

New Life in Christ Class will not meet this Monday.

**Choir** meets Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the church balcony. Please join us!

Sunday Night Book Discussion will not meet this Sunday. On Feb. 13 we will begin, *Being Lutheran*. We meet at Nickel Funeral Home at 7:00 p.m.

**Call** The Lord led Jacob Geidel to accept the call to teach grades 5-6 at MZL next year. God also led Hillary Geidel to accept the call to teach 4K-5K at MZL next year. The Geidels are married and presently teach at Zion Lutheran School, Rhinelander, WI. Please pray for God's blessings on Zion Lutheran School, Rhinelander!

Bible Reading Plan Join us in an online reading plan. Feb. 2-6: Justice against evil; Feb. 7-11: God's Word to abuse victims; Feb. 12-16: Where is God's grace in your life?; Feb. 17-22: Answering skeptics-part 2; Feb. 23-28: Where do I go? Go to mzluth.org or our Facebook page to join. Contact Pastor Enderle (864-2348) with questions.

**Planting Gospel Seeds** Place a seed on the picture in the back of church when you talk about Jesus outside of worship. The seeds are on each side of the double doors. Whenever you are at church put up a seed for each time you shared Jesus!

**Soup For Souls** Meals are available at school and at church for all to share the message of Jesus love with others. Please include a card with the meal when you deliver it to a friend/neighbor.

**Streaming Worship** If you worship online, please take the time to let us know that you worshipped! Please register online or text 920-362-7118.

316NOW's 15 Days of Prayer 316NOW mentors future

Confessional Lutheran church leaders in Asia. China's New Year and Spring Festival celebrations begin on Feb. 1. These 15 days mark the most significant of China's holidays. 316NOW suggests we use these days to ask the Holy Spirit to bring the gospel to millions more in China and to strengthen the faith of Chinese Christians. Prayer guides for personal and family use are available in the back of church. Questions? Contact Pastor Enderle.

**Rooted** Bible study for those in their 20s and 30s will meet Monday Feb. 14 and Feb. 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. We will look at contentment and joy in Philippians 4. Join us!

**Church Band** Join us in the church band as we prepare for Easter worship. Rehearsals will be Tuesday, Feb. 15 and 22 at 6:30 p.m. at school

**Men of his Word Conference** is Feb. 19 at the Best Western Convention Center in Oshkosh. Registration is open. Go to menofhisword.org for information.

Men's Bible Study We will meet Monday, Feb. 21 to take a closer look at the weekly worship readings. Join us!

**Concert** On Friday, Feb. 25 our grade school will present a concert at 6:30 p.m. in the gym. The school band will perform. Each instrumentalist will also perform a solo. Please come and support our young musicians.

Partnering in the Gospel seminar is Feb. 26, 10:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m. This seminar covers what it means to be a part of our congregation and how we can partner in the Gospel to get more Jesus to more people. We hope to have every member (new and old) go through this seminar! We will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month. Join us when it works for you!

Join us on Saturday, Feb. 26, 12:00-2:00 p.m. for a 5 Senses Rainbow Sensory Play Time at Morrison Zion Lutheran School. This free event is open to the public, and recommended for children ages 2-5. To learn more or to register, visit our Facebook Page or Website. We hope you can join us and bring a friend!

Blindmens Volleyball is March 4-5. Registration deadline is Feb. 18.

Pancake Porky Breakfast is March 6.

**Can You Help?** We would like people to help with keeping our website up to date. If you are interested in taking on a role in this area, please talk to Pastor Enderle!

Enrollment is open for Grades 4K-8th at Morrison Zion Lutheran School for the 2022-2023 school year! MZLS is part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP)! To learn more about what MZLS has to offer or to learn more about the WPCP, contact us! Phone: (920)-864-2349 E-mail:<u>school@mzls.org</u>

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

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### Weekly Calendar

Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Youth Rally Meeting	Thurs.
	9:15 a.m.	Commons Bible Study, basement	Sun.
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School	
	11:30 a.m.	Youth Rally Meeting	
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group	
Tues.	7:00 p.m.	School Board	
Wed.	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation, basement	
	7:00 p.m.	Choir, church balcony	

5. 7:00 p.m. Epiphany 6 Worship, communion 8:00 a.m. Epiphany 6 Worship, communion 9:15 a.m. Romans Study, basement 9:15 a.m. Commons Bible Study 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Epiphany 6 Worship, communion 7:00 p.m. Book Study, Nickel (intro, ch. 1) 7:00 p.m. Youth Group

## Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

Worship: 257 (27, 81, 149) Online: 52 Bible Class: 25 (x, 14, x, 4, 5, 2) Youth Group: 8

## Home Missions Begins Planning for 100 Missions in 10 Years

#### WELS News

News From Zion

At the synod convention last summer, the Board for Home Missions presented a proposal to open 100 new missions in 10 years, beginning in 2023. The convention enthusiastically embraced the proposal.

On Monday and Tuesday of this week, the planning for the project began in earnest. To start the planning process a meeting was held to bring together representatives from the synod Board for Home Missions, district mission boards from all 12 districts, mission counselors, and Home Missions administrators.

The group discussed a wide range of issues such as funding and manpower, the process for identifying and prioritizing locations for new missions, and the important responsibilities of the district mission boards to do the work necessary to carry out the project.

It's an ambitious goal, but we've es-

# News from our High Schools

- MLHS During the Epiphany season the members of the MLHS federation congregations are encouraged to give support to the campaign with pledges or donations.
- MLHS Open House is Tuesday, Feb. 15, 4:00-7:00 p.m. Come check out Manitowoc Lutheran High School as they have an open house. See what MLHS has to offer for the mind, body and soul. Take a guided tour.
- MLHS Spring Showcase is Saturday, March 19 at Knox's Silver Valley and will include a plated dinner, live/silent auctions, & a raffle Go to: <u>https://</u>

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tablished that goal with trust in God's promises, asking for the Lord's blessings on our efforts. God uses us to plant and water, but he alone makes his church grow.

#### New Bible Readings Begin

This month, *Forward in Christ* readers can enjoy selections from the book of Galatians in a study entitled, "Every day with Galatians."

Luther writes the following regarding Paul's letter to the church in Galatia:

Without any merit or work on our own, we must first be justified by Christian righteousness . . . but this righteousness is heavenly and passive. We do not have it of ourselves; we receive it from heaven. We do not perform it; we accept it by faith. . . . In this epistle therefore, Paul is concerned to instruct, comfort, and sustain us diligently in a perfect knowledge of this most excellent and Christian righteousness. (*Luther's Works*, Vol. 26:8,9)

This month's daily readings are short but powerful—a fuel for our day-to-day lives. "It is a comfort to know that I am justified by what Jesus did for me. It's important to renew that truth because there are still so many distortions that lead us to think that we can earn God's love," says John Braun, FIC's executive editor. "Because he has given me this gift I find courage to live as God wants me to live. His grace changes me so that I can live as a child of God. That's important every day."

Additionally, short excerpts from Martin Luther's 1535 lectures on Galatians will be available online at forwardinchrist.net/galatians-biblereadings.

www.mlhslancers.org/showcase for all the details

- **MLHS Musical** is Fiddler on the roof. Please join us March 11-13, Friday and Saturday evening at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. You can purchase your tickets at <u>www.mlhslancers.org/drama</u>.
- FVL Musicfest is Sunday, Feb. 6 at 1:00 p.m. Admission is free for all. Find out more at <u>fvlhs.org/fvl-musicfest</u>

**FVL Theatre** will perform *Disney's The Little Mermaid* March 4-5 at 6:30 p.m. and March 6 at 2:00 p.m. Visit <u>fvlhs.org/</u> <u>mermaid</u> for more info and a link to buy tickets.

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