News From Zion

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Announcements

Wedding On Friday, Oct. 14 Amber Van Iten & Joshua Olejniczak were united in Christian marriage at Morrison Zion. Pray for God's blessings as they begin their married life!

Baptism In late service this Sunday, Waylen Jax Herzog will be baptized. Waylen, the son of Eli and Kourtney Herzog, was born on May 20, 2022. Please pray for God's blessings on Waylen, and his families!

Christian Freedom Join us Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the basement as we continue, *Christian Freedom*. In this study, we look into many aspects of our freedom in Christ, discussing both the scriptural teachings and various freedoms that are not defined in the Bible. This week's lesson is: Freedom from Slavery.

Commons Study will look at Everything New—A Study of Genesis, on Sundays at 9:15 in the commons.

Sunday School for age 3 through grade 6 meets at school at 9:15 a.m.

Sunday Book Study will not meet this Sunday. On Oct. 30 we will meet at 7:00 p.m. at Nickel Funeral Home. And discus chapter 8 of *Has American Christianity Failed?*

Youth Group will meet on Sunday at 7:00 p.m. in the commons. Please join us!

Wednesday Confirmation Class for grades 5-8 meets in the church basement, 5:00-6:15 p.m.

Choir meets on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the church balcony. Join us!

Church Band will rehearse Monday Oct. 24 at 6:30 p.m. in the school basement. Join us!

New Life in Christ Class will meet at 11:00 a.m. this Thursday.

Trunk or Treat Needs Vehicles If you are interested in decorating a trunk for our Trunk or Treat event, please sign up at school or church. Please plan on 100 pieces of candy to distribute. This Free event is this Sunday, Oct. 23, 4:00-5:30 p.m. in the school parking lot! We hope you can join us!

Last Week we had 254 worship in person and 56 online. That is 41% of our membership. Please encourage your brothers and sisters in Christ to

stay close to Jesus through use of Word and sacraments!

Partnering in the Gospel seminar is Nov. 26, 10:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. We want every member (new and old) go through this seminar! We will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month. Join us!

Soup For Souls Meals and cards are available in the freezers at church and at school. Please share the love of Christ in a tangible way by taking a meal and card to a friend, neighbor, or co-worker to brighten their day!

Bible Reading Plan Join us in an online reading plan. A special 46 day devotional started Sept. 17: Tough and Tender-A study of Peter, John and Jude. Scan the code with your phone to join.

Jonah Online Bible Study Pastor Enderle and Pastor Ruddat from Immanuel Shirley hosted an online Bible Study on Jonah. Scan this code to join the Facebook group

Books are available in the church basement. New books are added each week. Take as many as you would like. There is a box for any free will offering you wish to give.

Snow Removal If you are interested in removing snow from the sidewalks at church ad school this year please contact Randy Loppnow (864-7584).

Can you help with tech? We are looking for 5 people to help with slides in worship and 10 people to train to run the livestream Sundays at 8:00 a.m. If you are interested in helping, please talk to Pastor Enderle.

Our School will have a Christmas wreath and planter sale in partnership with Braun Acres to raise funds to support athletic programs. All orders need to be placed online by Nov. 11 via the link at mzluth.org or on the school Facebook page. Thank you in advance!

Blanket Drive Please help our friends who visit our Food Pantry. We will collect new blankets to give out on Dec. 3. Donations can be brought to church or school in October or November and placed in the food pantry carts. Thank you for your help!

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Weekly Calendar

Sun.	9:15 a.m.	Christian Freedom Study, basement	Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Reformation Worship, communion
	9:15 a.m.	Commons Study		4:30 p.m.	Youth Group Corn Maze
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School	Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Reformation Worship, communion
	4;00 p.m.	Trunk or Treat, school parking lot		9:15 a.m.	Christian Freedom Study, basement
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group, commons		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
Mon.	6:30 p.m.	Church Band, school basement		10:30 a.m.	Reformation Worship, communion
Wed.	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation class, basement		7:00 p.m.	Book Study, ch. 7 Nickel
	7:00 p.m.	Choir, balcony		7:00 p.m.	Youth Group, commons

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

Worship: 254 (51, 82, 121) Online: 56 Bible Class: 49 (3, 28, 7, 11) Youth Group; 8

Luther's: Die Deutshe Messe on Reformation Sunday

WELS News

On October 31, 1517, All Saints' Eve, Martin Luther of the University of Wittenberg in Germany posted his 95 Theses. His desire to debate was the spark that began the Reformation. In the years of turmoil that followed, Luther and others continued to speak out against the abuses of the Roman Church that clouded the gospel. Ultimately, they formed the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

One of the first orders of business for the new Lutheran churches was forms of worship. As a reformer, not a radical, Luther wrote, "It has not now nor ever has been our intention to abolish the liturgical service of God completely, but rather to purify the one that is now in use."

Accordingly, Luther retained many of the customary worship practices: chanting, candles, incense, traditional vestments, the crucifix; in general, any ancient customs that served the gospel. On the other hand, anything that contradicted the gospel, such as making Holy Communion a meritorious sacrifice, simply was not tolerated. He also recommended restoring or reemphasizing prac-

tices that had fallen into disuse like the congregational hymn singing, a sermon based on the Gospel for the Sunday or festival, and offering the wine in communion to the laity.

After cleansing the medieval mass of abuses. Luther produced the order of service we will use on Reformation Sunday this year, "Die Deutsche Messe," a German mass, and the "Formula Missae," a service of Holy Communion which retained, in part, the customary use of Latin. Both services were based on the historic order of worship of the Western church. Few Lutheran churches slavishly followed one or the other of these masses after Luther's time but incorporated elements of both of them while adapting them to their own circumstances, always in the context of the historic order called the Western Rite.

Our service on Oct. 31 will be similar to services used throughout the Lutheran Church in Germany from the 16th to the 18th century, before the

twin scourges of Pietism and Rationalism impoverished Lutheran worship.

When we celebrate this traditional Lutheran service, some worship practices may seem new and unusual to many members of the congregation, even "catholic" to some. We will use a processional cross like Luther did. However, you will remember that the good and sound traditions of the church retained by Luther and his followers are truly catholic; that is, representative of the ancient tradition which was the common possession of all Christians. They are not representative of the theological abuses in worship found in the late medieval Roman Catholic Church, abuses Luther vigorously opposed.

We pray that you will be en-riched and edified by your use of this historic Lutheran service and grow in your appreciation of our Reformation heritage, not simply by using the historic forms, but by believing and proclaiming the same precious Gospel which has been entrusted to us by faithful Christians through the centuries.

News from our High Schools

MLHS If you would like to be involved with Jr. Lancer cross country, or band, go to www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers to learn more. Contact Ryan Holper with any athletic questions Rholper@mlhslancers.org. Contact Joel Ungemach with Jr. Lancer Band questions jungemach@mlhslancers.org.

FVL Veterans Day Breakfast & Service is Friday Nov. 11, 8:30-10:30 a.m.. Veterans from the FVL Federation and family members are invited. Information and registration is online at fvlhs.org/veterans-day. Please register by Nov. 4. After breakfast, a special worship service will be held in the Auditorium

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