



# News From Zion



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## Announcements

**Christian Freedom** Join us Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the church basement as we begin the study, *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 Declared

**Commons Study** will look at the 3D Gospel – Guilt, Fear and Shame, on Sundays at 9:15 am in the school commons. Recognizing these will help you see more peace in the Bible and how our culture struggles or ignores these issues that affect us spiritually.

**Sunday School** for age 3 through grade 6 meets at school at 9:15 a.m. If you would like to help please contact Jen Enderle (920-372-3818, jen.enderle@Outlook.com)

**Sunday Book Study** We will not meet this Sunday, Oct. 9 or Oct. 23. Join us Oct. 16 at 7:00 p.m. at Nickel Funeral Home. We will discuss chapter 7 of *Has American Christianity Failed?*

**Youth Group** will meet for Bible Study on Sundays at 7:00 p.m. in October. Join us on Saturday, Oct. 22 when we will go to a corn maze! Invite a friend to these events!

**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!

**New Life in Christ Class** will meet this Thursday at 11:00 a.m. in the church basement. Join us!

**Last Week** we had 241 worship in person and 31 online. That is 37% of our membership. Please encourage your brothers and sisters in Christ to stay close to Jesus through use of Word and sacraments!

**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. We normally have 10 join us, let's have 30 for this series. Scan the code with your phone to join.



**Partnering in the Gospel** seminar is Oct. 22, 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!

**Jonah Online Bible Study** Pastor Enderle and Pastor Ruddat from Immanuel Shirley will host an online Bible Study on Wednesday nights at 8:00 p.m. 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 and school this year please contact Randy Lopnow (864-7584).

**Looking for Help:** The Enderle family is looking for child care to help occasionally with Eli (1 year old) and Onycha (3 years old). If you are interested or have questions, contact Jen Enderle 920-372-3818. Thank you!

**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!

**Trunk or Treat** will be Sunday, Oct. 23, 4:00-5:30 p.m. in the school parking lot. All families are invited to decorate a trunk and join us. If you would like to participate with a decorated trunk or have any questions about the event, please email promotions@mzls.org.

**Morrison Market** Join us this Sunday, October 9 from 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. for the final Morrison Market of 2022. It will be held in the school gym. Morrison 4H will have burgers and brats for sale. Come buy some baked goods to support Soup for Souls and check out the Thai Village booth for some Christmas gifts.

**Blanket Drive** Please help give the gift of warmth to our friends who visit the Morrison Zion Food Pantry. We will be collecting new blankets to give out at our December 3 Food Pantry. Any donations can be brought to church or school during the months of October or November. Donations can be placed in the food pantry carts. Thank you for your consideration and help!

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Mission  
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**Glorify**  
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### Weekly Calendar

Sun.	9:15 a.m. <i>Christian Freedom Study</i> , basement	Sun.	8:00 a.m. Pent. 18 Worship, communion
	9:15 a.m. Commons Study		9:15 a.m. <i>Christian Freedom Study</i> , basement
	9:15 a.m. Sunday School		9:15 a.m. Commons Study
	Morrison Marketplace		9:15 a.m. Sunday School
	7:00 p.m. Youth Group, commons		10:30 a.m. Pent. 18 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
Thurs.	7:00 p.m. Pent. 18 Worship, communion		

### Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

Worship: 241 (42, 118, 81) Online: 31 Bible Class: 48 (8, 3, 26, 4, 7) Youth Group: 2 (17 on 9/25)

### A New Approach To African Mission Work

In May and June of this year, three of WELS' sister church bodies in Cameroon and Nigeria graduated a combined 25 men after five years of seminary studies. Seven of those men will serve as pastors in the Lutheran Church of Cameroon (LCC); nine will serve Christ the King Lutheran Church of Nigeria; and nine will serve All Saints Lutheran Church of Nigeria.

Mission work in Africa looks significantly different now than it did 30 years ago. Gone are the days of American seminary-trained pastors driving out to remote African villages to preach in churches. "Years ago, we had the idea that we were going to bring what we knew from the United States and just transplant that into Africa. It was generally missionary-driven," says Rev. Dan Kroll, a One Africa Team missionary based in Malawi.

Now the relationship between WELS missionaries and our African church bodies is shifting to one of partnership.

The ministerial training of the recent Cameroonian and Nigerian graduates

demonstrates this shift. At the outset of the LCC's five-year seminary program, Kroll was working in person to hand the worker training program over to the capable, spirit-driven men of Africa. Kroll's time in Cameroon soon came to an unexpected end, however, when COVID-related challenges and dangerous political unrest made face-to-face contact with the men impossible for the final three years. The situation in Nigeria was similar.

Suddenly, the African teachers in both Cameroon and Nigeria bore the responsibility for completing the seminarians' training. While Kroll and Rev. Dan Witte, a One Africa Team missionary based in Zambia, worked tirelessly to provide guidance and materials via e-mail, the stunted communication proved challenging.

But the Lord promises us in Isaiah 55:11 that when his Word is preached, his purposes are fulfilled. Kroll explains, "The men graduated, and they're going to be in ministry. They

studied, and the Holy Spirit will strengthen them and encourage them and put out whatever he wants to put out."

The next seminary class began its studies this month, with the African national pastors now taking the lead in the training. "Now it's their thing, and we're going to assist," says Witte. "It's important for us to empower people with Holy Spirit-given gospel gifts to do their thing their way, as opposed to us saying, 'How can they replicate our thing our way?'"

Witte and Kroll recently met in Cameroon with their African brothers to preview course materials and seek feedback as the national pastors work to shape their own ministerial programs. "Our goal is to work ourselves out of a job," Witte explains. "Our goal is that on the day we need to leave, [this ministry] is in someone else's hands."

Learn more about work in Africa at [wels.net/missions/africa](http://wels.net/missions/africa). Read more about our African partners at [forward-inchrist.net/doing-their-thing-their-way](http://forward-inchrist.net/doing-their-thing-their-way).

### 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](http://www.mlhslancers.org/juniorlancers) to learn more. Contact Ryan Holper with any athletic questions [Rholper@mlhslancers.org](mailto:Rholper@mlhslancers.org). Contact Joel Ungemach with Jr. Lancer Band questions [jungemach@mlhslancers.org](mailto:jungemach@mlhslancers.org).

**FVL Theatre** presents *Clue: High School Edition* on Friday, Oct.21 (6:30 p.m.), Oct.22 (6:30 p.m.), and Oct. 23 (2:00 p.m.). Reserved seating available online or at the door

**FVL Fall Sacred Concert** is Sunday, Oct. 9 at 2:00 p.m. in the auditorium. The concert will also be streamed on the FVL YouTube channel.

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