



# News From Zion



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## Announcements

**Baptism** On Thursday, Jan. 5 Gentry David Evenson was baptized into Christ. Gentry, the son of Keith and Ashley Evenson, was born on Jan. 4, 2023. Please pray for God's blessings on Gentry and his family!

**Noah-God's Builder** Join us Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the basement as we continue a study of Noah, from the God's People series.

**Sunday School** will meet in the school at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday.

**Commons Bible Study** will meet at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday. We will look at Genesis. Join us!

**Food Pantry Open House-Coin Shower** will be between services on Jan. 15 and after late worship. Refreshments will be served.

**Youth Group** will meet Sunday at 7:00 p.m. at school.

**New Life in Christ Class** We will finish the class this week. A new class will begin on Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. Join us to review the basic teachings of the Bible or if you are interested in joining our congregation!

**Sunday Book Study** will meet on Sunday, Jan. 8 at 7:00 p.m. at Nickel Funeral to discuss, *Prepared to Answer*. We will discuss pages 26-57. This book equips us to share our faith using Bible narratives. Books are available from Pastor Ott for \$10.

**God's Great Exchange** Join us Monday, Jan. 16 at 6:30 p.m. for a God's Great Exchange workshop. In this hour long class you will learn one way to share Jesus with others. 1 Peter 3:15.

**Altar Committee** will meet Monday, Jan. 16 at 7:30 p.m. to plan for February 2023 through January 2024. If you are interested in serving in this ministry please talk to Pastor Ott or join us at this meeting. The Altar Committee changes, paraments, banners, and takes care of setting up for communion and cleaning the communion ware. Please let Pastor Ott know if you intend to serve in 2023.

**Fun Day** is a free program held in the church basement. The focus is to learn school readiness and the love of Jesus, while having fun with peers. Fun Day is 8:30-10:30 a.m. for 3 & 4 year olds (already potty trained). In January we will only meet on Thursday, Jan.19.

**Rooted Game Night and Study** Join us on Friday, Jan. 20 at 5:00 p.m. for food, games, and Bible Study at the parsonage.

**Youth Skate Night** is Saturday, Jan 21, 7:00-10:00 p.m. Cost is \$8. We will leave Morrison at 6:15. There will be a bus to take kids to and from skating. Speak to Pastor Enderle if you are interested or have questions.

**Last Week** we had 274 worship in person and 39 online. That is 27% of our membership. Please encourage your brothers and sisters in Christ to stay close to Jesus through use of Word and sacraments!

**Bible Reading Plan** Go to mzluth.org or our Facebook page to join. Contact Pastor Enderle with any questions. Jan. 1-29: Matthew; Jan. 30-Feb. 14: Mark.

**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!

**Books** are available in the church basement. New books are added each week. Take and keep as many as you would like. There is a box for any free will offering you wish to give. Take a look at these excellent resources to grow your faith!

**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.

**Children's Activity Bags** By the balcony stairs you will find activity bags for children during worship.

**Mailboxes** have been updated, your box may have moved. Envelopes for 2023 are in your mailbox. Please pick them up and take along a friend or neighbors. Please discard your 2022 envelope boxes.

**Men of His Word** is Saturday, Feb. 18. Registration is now open at [www.menofhisword.org](http://www.menofhisword.org).

**Registration** is open for the 2023-24 school year at Morrison Zion for grades 4K-8! Please complete the enrollment form at [mzluth.org/enroll](http://mzluth.org/enroll) or contact school for more information (920-864-2349).

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2023  
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Our  
Mission  
is to  
**Glorify  
God**  
as we  
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around  
the  
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so that we  
**Grow**  
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and  
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### Weekly Calendar

- Sun. 9:15 a.m. *Noah* Study, basement
- 7:00 p.m. Book Study, *Prepared to Answer*, p. V-25
- Mon. 6:30 a.m. God’s Great Exchange Workshop, basement
- 7:30 p.m. Altar Committee, basement
- Tues. 7:00 p.m. Leadership Team
- Wed. 10:00 a.m. New Life in Christ class, basement
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation, basement
- Thur. 5:30 p.m. New Life in Christ Class, basement
- Sun. 7:00 p.m. Epiphany 3 Worship, communion
- Sun. 8:00 a.m. Epiphany 3 Worship, communion
- 9:15 a.m. *Noah* Study, basement
- 9:15 a.m. Commons Study
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Epiphany 3 Worship, communion
- 7:00 p.m. Book Study, *Prepared to Answer*, p. 58-81

### Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

**Worship:** 274 (51, 134, 89) **Communion:** 206 (40, 98, 68) **Online:** 39 **Bible Study:** 43 (x,34, 9)

### The Evangelical Lutheran Light at Christmas

WELS News

“An evangelical? Lutheran? church? This I gotta check out...” Such was the thought process for Steve Yetter, when he received a new-mover mailer from the people of Mount Calvary in Redding, Calif. It was late 2020 when Steve moved from his home in Santa Cruz to be closer to family and that put him within Mount Calvary’s mailer radius. Steve had been part of evangelical churches before, but he wasn’t sure how evangelical and Lutheran went together. He stopped by our church on a Saturday, got a tour, and came back the next day for worship. Steve’s experience is a good example of how that “Evangelical Lutheran” comes shining through in Word and Sacrament. Steve continued to worship, took instruction classes, and joined the congregation. The Lord’s light was shining.

Now, Steve occasionally plays guitar for worship, sings in the adult choir, and attends Bible class regularly. After being in various churches throughout

his life, the gospel-centered nature of Mount Calvary congregation is refreshing for Steve—that’s the true meaning of “evangelical.” It’s all about Jesus and his free salvation. “I got the love from the front and when I was in the pew, that love comes from the Light,” Steve said. The Lutheran emphasis on the Holy Spirit’s work through the means of grace has also been different from Steve’s past experience. “Other churches talk about being in the Word, but here we’re saturated with it.”

Christmas is commonly considered the season of light. Evangelical Lutherans get to share that light, so that sinners repent and believe the good news. This Christmas, that Evangelical Lutheran light was shining at two locations. Steve is part of a Core Group reaching out at a second campus in Anderson, Calif. Earlier this year Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church of Anderson voted to unite their ministry with Mount Cal-

vary’s. It wasn’t an easy decision, but we now have two campuses and one joint congregation. Thankfully, we’re getting support and direction from our District Mission Board and working on growing together to share the light of Christ. It’s all new for us, and this Christmas we were able to experience the blessing of the Evangelical Lutheran light. The congregation at both locations welcomed over 40 visitors who came because of online advertising, personal invitations, and mailers—something Steve knows a little about. The adult choir sang on Christmas Day at both locations—something Steve got to be part of too. “It’s about getting the light out to more and more people,” Steve says. “I’m happy to be part of it.” We’re happy to be little lights, who know the one true Light. As Jesus said, “Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” (John 8:12).

*Written by Rev. Benjamin Schaefer, home missionary at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Redding, Calif.*

### News from our High Schools

**MLHS** Continue to help us reach our phase one goal to raise at least an additional \$4 million! Contact Martin Plocher, Campaign Director or Jerry Haupt, Campaign Chair at [campaign@mlhslancers.org](mailto:campaign@mlhslancers.org) with any questions. You may also visit [www.mlhslancers.org/campaign](http://www.mlhslancers.org/campaign).

**FVL** Grads who were a part of the band program, please join us for a special

alumni band performance at Musicfest on Sunday, Feb. 5. Details and registration are at [fvlhs.org/musicfest](http://fvlhs.org/musicfest) and registration deadline is Jan.10.

**FVL Musicfest** is Sunday Feb. 15, 1:00-4:30 p.m.. Admission is free .

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