News From Zion

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Announcements

It has pleased our heavenly Father to call the soul of Wilmer Loppnow to his heavenly home. Wilmer died on Tuesday, March 7. His Christian funeral will be at Morrison Zion on Sunday at 5:00 p.m. Visitation begins at 2:00 p.m. Please pray for those who mourn Wilmer's death.

Prepared To Answer Study Join us Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the basement as we continue the study, Prepared to Answer on Sunday, March 5. This study equips us to share Jesus. It is based on the book of the same name. One book available from Pastor Ott for \$10.

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

Commons Bible Study will not meet in March.

Call Meeting This Sunday, March 12 there will be a call meeting after late worship to call a principal for the school. We will meet in church.

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

Sunday Book Study There will be no class on March 12. On March 19 at 7:00 p.m. we will begin *Lutheran Spirituality*. We meet at Nickel funeral Home.

Lenten Meals will be served after the morning service and before the evening service at 6:00 p.m. Tamara Schultz is overseeing the meals. If you would like to help make or serve the meals, please contact Tamara. Thank you!

Midweek Lenten Worship will focus on "Acceptable?" Sins this year. We often focus on the sins of others. We talk about what we think of as "big" sins we see in the world. In this Lenten series we will focus on sins God hates with which we have, unfortunately, grown comfortable. We will worship at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The series begins this Wednesday, March 1. We will look at Impatience. Join us! The 11:00 a.m. service will be streamed live and also be available at your convenience after it airs live.

English as a Second Language will meet March 15 at 5:00 p.m. in the church basement. New students and volunteers are welcome!

Choir meets Wednesdays after worship in the balcony.

New Life in Christ Class meets Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. Join us to review the basic teachings of the Bible or if you are interested in joining our congre-

gation!

God's Great Exchange This hour workshop is Saturday, March 18 at 9:00 a.m. and Monday, March 20 at 6:30 p.m. You will receive information on how to share Jesus using a simple law/gospel presentation. Join us and strengthen your ability to share Jesus! Simple Law/Gospel Presentations workshop will be on April 15 and 17.

Women's Study Join us at Ruth Zeamer's home on Saturday, March 18 at 9:30 a.m. to study Psalm 32.

Men's Study Join us Monday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m. for time in the word! We will meet in the basement.

Last Week we had 253 worship in person and 45 online. That is 40% 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. Feb. 15-March 11: Luke, March 12-31: John.

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. 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 3 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.

Dare to Lead Conference is April 24-25 in Green Bay. For detailed info on the keynote and breakout session speakers and the 2023 schedule, visit StMark-Ministries.com/d2l Early bird registration is \$99 until March 1. Pastor Enderle will attend. Please reach out to him if you have questions or plan to attend

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Weekly Calendar

Sun. 9:15 a.m	Prepared to Answer Study, basement		8:00 p.m.	Choir, balcony
9:15 a.m	Sunday School	Thur.	5:30 p.m.	New Life in Christ Class, basement
11:30 a.m	Call Meeting, church	Sat.	9:00 a.m.	God's Great Exchange Workshop, basement
Tues. 7:00 p.m	School Board		9:30 a.m.	Women's Study, at Ruth Zeamer's
Wed. 11:00 a.m	"Acceptable? Sins" Worship, Silence	Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Lent 4 Worship, communion
12:00 p.m	Lenten Meal, basement		9:15 a.m.	Prepared to Answer Study, basement
5:00 p.m	Confirmation Class		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
5:00 p.m	ESL, basement		10:30 a.m.	Lent 4 Worship, communion
6:00 p.m	Lenten Meal, basement		7:00 p.m.	Lutheran Spirituality, ch. 1, Word of God
7:00 p.m	"Acceptable? Sins" Worship, Impatience		7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Study

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

Worship: 289 (223, 66) Online: 34 Bible Study: 61 (4, 8, 33, 10, 6) Youth Study: 9 Lent: 210(139, 71)

Connecting People to the Gospel

WELS News

"I would use the illustration of a switchboard operator from the early days of telephone communication to explain the work of a diaspora ministry facilitator," says Rev. Neil Birkholz, WELS' Asian ministry consultant and diaspora ministry facilitator for East Asia. "When an inquiry from my designated people group comes to me directly or to someone else in WELS, I become the middleman/operator and connect them to the right person."

Birkholz further explains, "If someone from Korea is looking to connect their son with a WELS church in the United States, I help connect them with the local WELS church where their son will be living. If a member of my WELS church in California is returning to their home country of Thailand, I help connect them with our WELS World Mission

One Team in Thailand so this member can continue to worship with other confessional Lutherans while living in Thailand."

The role of diaspora ministry facilitator is a new one. As globalization has increased, so have global migration rates, which has opened up new mission opportunities for WELS churches. Diaspora ministry or people group ministry- is coordinated by Joint Missions because it involves both World Missions and One Team (Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, and Native American) has at least one diaspora ministry facilitator, which is a role that a pastor takes on in addition to his full-time call. These facilitators have experience serving the people group with

which they are working and stay in touch with the World Missions One Team for their area.

"Diaspora ministry certainly makes the world feel a lot smaller," says Rev. Aaron Bublitz, pastor at Heritage, Gilbert, Ariz., and the diaspora ministry facilitator for Africa. "Our WELS congregations have opportunities to connect to and share the gospel with people who have come here from all over the world. We then have the opportunity to connect to and share the gospel through them in Home Missions. Each World Missions many places in the world. We are helping facilitate the Great Commission we have been given to take the gospel to all nations."

> Learn more at wels.net/ jointmissions, including how to contact diaspora ministry facilitators to connect people groups.

News from our High Schools

MLHS Continue to help us reach our phase one goal to raise an additional \$4 million! Contact Martin Plocher or Jerry Haupt at campaign@mlhslancers.org with any questions. Visit www.mlhslancers.org/ campaign.

MLHS Spring Showcase is Saturday, March 18 at Knox's Silver Valley in Manitowoc . Raffle Tickets available in the MLHS main office or showcase@mlhslancers.org. Cost for dinner is \$60, deadline to purchase is March 3. There will be free admission after 7:00 for the silent and live auctions. All proceeds will go towards the MLHS Track & Field facilities.

FVL Incoming freshmen and new students for the 2023-24 school year are eligible to apply for the Ladies Guild Memorial Scholarship. The application is Feb.1-March 20. Details are on the website fvlhs.org/lg-mem-scholarship.

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