



# News From Zion



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## Announcements

**It has pleased** our heavenly Father to call the soul of Ron Timm to his heavenly home. Ron died on Wednesday, March 15. His Christian funeral will be at Morrison Zion on Sunday at 4:00 p.m. Visitation begins at 1:00 p.m. Please pray for those who mourn Ron'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*. This study equips us to share Jesus. It is based on the book of the same name.

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

**Commons Bible Study** will not meet in March.

**Call Meeting** The Lord called Jake Geidel to serve as principal through the voters last Sunday. Please pray God guides Mr. Geidel as he deliberates on this call!

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

**Sunday Book Study** This Sunday at 7:00 p.m. we will begin *Lutheran Spirituality*. We meet at Nickel funeral Home.

**God's Great Exchange** This hour workshop is 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.

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

**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.

**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 congregation!

**Leadership Team** will meet Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

**Porky Breakfast** is Sunday, March 25, 7:30 a.. To noon.

**Last Week** we had 230 worship in person and 51 online. That is 38% 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](http://StMark-Ministries.com/d2l) Pastor Enderle will attend. Please reach out to him if you have questions or plan to attend

**Crafting Night** join us for a fun crafting night on Friday, May 5, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Children ages 3 (potty trained) through 4th grade are welcome to come craft! Parents are welcome to stay! Registration is required, so please register by Friday, April 21 via the link on our website ([mzluth.org](http://mzluth.org)) or Morrison Zion Lutheran School's Facebook page. Join us and bring a friend!

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2023  
4th Sunday in  
Lent

Our  
Mission  
is to  
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**God**  
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so that we  
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### Weekly Calendar

Sun. 9:15 a.m. <i>Prepared to Answer Study</i> , basement	8:00 p.m. Choir, balcony
9:15 a.m. Sunday School	Thur. 5:30 p.m. New Life in Christ Class, basement
7:00 p.m. <i>Lutheran Spirituality</i> , ch. 1, Word of God	7:00 p.m. Leadership Team
Mon. 6:30 p.m. God's Great Exchange Workshop, basement	Sun. 7:30 a.m. Pancake Porky, gym
7:00 p.m. Men's Study, basement	8:00 a.m. Lent 5 Worship, communion
Wed. 11:00 a.m. "Acceptable? Sins" Worship, Selfishness	9:15 a.m. <i>Prepared to Answer Study</i> , basement
12:00 p.m. Lenten Meal, basement	9:15 a.m. Sunday School
5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class, 8th grade only	10:30 a.m. Lent 5 Worship, communion, Good Confession
6:00 p.m. Lenten Meal, basement	7:00 p.m. <i>Lutheran Spirituality</i> , ch. 2, Word of God
7:00 p.m. "Acceptable? Sins" Worship, Selfishness	7:00 p.m. Youth Group Study

### Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

**Worship:** 230 (90, 140) **Communion:** 169 (68, 101) **Online:** 51 **Bible Study:** 61 (4, 8, 33, 10, 6) **Lent:** 217(160, 57)

### 2023 Synod Convention Planning Underway

WELS News

Every two years, our synod holds its synod convention. This year the convention will meet at Michigan Lutheran Seminary in Saginaw, Mich., July 31–Aug. 3. The theme of the convention is "Embrace the Cross—Anticipate the Crown." Planning for the convention has already begun.

Rev. Phil Hirsch, president of the Nebraska District, will deliver the essay that expands on and articulates the convention theme. Rev. James Huebner, first vice president of the synod, will preach for opening worship.

One high point of the convention will be the declaration of fellowship with the Obadiah Lutheran Synod in Uganda. This declaration of fellowship is possible because in-depth doctrinal discussions over the past several years have shown that our two synods are united in biblical doctrine and in our adherence to the Lutheran Confessions. Rev. Musa Makisimu, president of the Obadiah Lutheran Synod, will give a presentation to

familiarize delegates with his synod's history and ministry.

Another high point will be the public affirmation of fellowship between WELS and *Iglesia Cristo WELS Internacional*. This is a newly formed synod in Latin America, comprised of a merger of national churches that have already been in fellowship in WELS. (That's why fellowship is being "affirmed" rather than "declared.") In the future, new house churches forming out of *Academia Cristo* efforts also will be joining this synod. Rev. Tonny Quintero, secretary of the governing board of his synod, will address the delegates and give a presentation describing *Iglesia Cristo WELS Internacional*.

This convention will feature elections for the offices of synod president and second vice president. Other elections will be held to determine membership on various synod boards and commissions.

About 400 voting delegates from

around the country will attend the convention. Roughly half of the delegates are lay members while the other half are pastors, teachers, and staff ministers. The convention will also be attended by advisory delegates from the Synodical Council, the Conference of Presidents, and various areas of ministry. All voting delegates will be assigned to a floor committee. Each floor committee deals with a specific part of the synod's mission and ministry and brings reports and resolutions to the convention for action. Memorials, which are calls for action on specific topics, will be assigned to the appropriate floor committee for discussion and recommendations.

All business to be considered by the convention will be published in the *Book of Reports and Memorials* (BORAM). The BORAM will be available on the convention website, [welsconvention.net](http://welsconvention.net), by May 5, and all delegates and WELS congregations will receive hard copies by the end of May.

Serving with you in Christ,  
WELS President Mark Schroeder

### News from our High Schools

**MLHS** Continue to help us reach our phase one goal to raise an additional \$4 million! Visit [www.mlhslancers.org/campaign](http://www.mlhslancers.org/campaign).

**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](http://fvlhs.org/lg-mem-scholarship).

**FVL Choirs Sacred Concert** is Sunday, April 2, at 2:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.

**FoxFest Dinner Auction** registration deadline is March 31! Join us at the Hilton Appleton Paper Valley on Friday, April 14, to support FVL's Tuition Assistance Program. Visit [fvlhs.org/foxfest](http://fvlhs.org/foxfest) for more info and to register.

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