



News From Zion



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Announcements

Voter's Meeting Last Sunday the voters decided to request a graduate from the Sem to serve as our second pastor. They also decided to have Pastor Enderle serve in the Lead Pastor role..

Call Mr. Biendenbender returned the call to teach grades 7-8 next year.

Sunday Morning Bible Study Join us Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the basement as we begin the study *Pass It On: Seeing opportunities to pass on the gift of faith through family, church and all of life.* The first lesson focuses on sharing your faith with your family. The second lesson focuses on how we share the faith as a congregation. The final lesson focuses on seeing our individual gifts and how we may share them with others. Join us this Sunday to learn ways to share Jesus with your family!

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

Sunday Book Study will meet at 7:00 p.m. we will discuss chapter 7, *Promise of Lutheran Spirituality.* We meet at Nickel funeral Home. . On May 21 we will begin *More Prepared to Answer*, Into through page 35.

Barnabas Ministry will meet on Tuesday, May 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the commons. Everyone in the ministry is encouraged to attend.

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

New Life in Christ Class will meet on Thursday, at 5:30 p.m. in the church basement. Join us!

Ascension Worship Join us as we celebrate Ascension this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. This is a special service for one of the minor festivals of the church year. It will be different than next Sunday's worship. Join us!

Women's Study We will meet on Saturday, May 13 at 9:30 a.m. Please bring a bible and invite a friend. Any questions contact Jen Enderle (920-372-3818).

Youth Group On Saturday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m., we will gather at school to bake muffins to share with moms (and others) after church the next day.

On Saturday, May 20, at 1:10 p.m. our grade school band will play the National Anthem at the Timber Rattler game. Tickets for band members have already been purchased. The link to buy your tickets is. <https://fevogn.com/event/Morrisonzion23>. For each ticket purchased, the Timber Rattlers will give \$3.00 to our school. The link will end on May 18 at 11:30 p.m. Tickets are \$14 (plus an online fee). The tickets will be emailed to you. You can print them out or use your smartphone. Join us for tailgating before the band plays. Meet at Wrightstown High School parking lot (600 High Street Wrightstown, WI 54180) to follow the group to the stadium. We will leave at 10:00 a.m. and travel sta-

dium in a group and park together. Bring your own tailgating supplies . Gates open at 11:30 a.m. The band will go in at 12:30 and take the field at 12:40. We **hope** you can join us!

Choir will rehearse on Wednesday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the balcony.

Church Golf Outing will begin on Wednesday, May 31 at 5:00 p.m. at Wander Springs. We will golf every Wednesday. Tee times are in Charles Edinger's name. Everyone is invited to join us!

Last Week we had 343 worship in person and 28 online. That is 50% 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. May 1-30: Romans: Deeper into Scripture.

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! Many new books, Bible tabs, bookmarks, jewelry, and other items have been added.

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

Friendship Witnessing Workshop This workshop will focus on how to build bridges with people and earn the right to talk to them about Jesus. This one hour workshop will meet at church on Saturday, June 3 at 9:00 a.m. and Monday, June 5 at 6:30 p.m. Join us!

Mr. Muchka Celebration Join us after late worship on Sunday, June 18 to celebrate Mr. Muchka's ministry at our school. There will be a meal in the gym. Please sign up on the sheets in the basement by June 11 if you plan to attend so we have enough food. Also, sign up if you would like to help or bring a dessert or salad. You can also contact Diane Suchomel at 920-680-8040.

Pastor Ott will retire at the end of August. A celebration of his ministry is set for Aug. 13. The Otts invite everyone in the congregation to South Shore, SD on Saturday, Sept. 2(Labor Day weekend) for a party. Please let Pastor Ott know if you plan to attend so we have enough food.

VBS Registration is open! Go to mzluth.org or the school facebook page to register. Invite your friends or neighbors to join us July 11-July 13, 9:00-11:00 a.m. All children 3 years old (potty-trained) through entering 6th grade are welcome. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mrs. Muchka at katie.muchka@mzls.org.

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Weekly Calendar

Sun. 9:15 a.m. <i>Prepared to Answer</i> Study, basement	Wed. 5:00 p.m. ESL class
9:15 a.m. Sunday School	Thur. 7:00 p.m. Ascension Worship
7:00 p.m. <i>Lutheran Spirituality</i> , ch. 8, Promise	Sun. 8:00 a.m. Easter 7 Worship
7:00 p.m. Youth Group Study	9:15 a.m. <i>Pass It On</i> Study, basement
Mon.. 6:30 p.m. Friendship Witnessing, church	9:15 a.m. Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Partnering Follow Up, school	10:30 a.m. Easter 7 Worship
Tues. 6:00 p.m. Barnabas Ministry Meeting, commons	7:00 p.m. <i>More Prepared to Answer</i> , intro-p. 35
7:00 p.m. Leadership Team	7:00 p.m. Youth Group Study

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

Worship: 343 (23, 118, 202) Online: 28 Bible Study: 60 (2, 9, 33, 9, 4, 3) Youth Group: 2

Synodical Council Holds Its Spring Meeting

WELS News

The Synodical Council (SC) met last week for its spring meeting.

The SC reviewed financial results for the synod and its subsidiaries. The results are very positive due to increased gifts and lower-than-planned spending, which has led to increased levels of special fund reserves. We thank God for moving his people and WELS congregations to give generously in support of the work we do together as a synod.

The SC approved the support forecast (an estimate of the financial support that will be available to support the synod's mission and ministry) for Fiscal Year 2024 and Fiscal Year 2025. On the basis of the support forecast, the SC approved the ministry financial plan that will be recommended to the synod convention this summer. Expenditure levels are anticipated to be \$88.7 million for Fiscal Year 2024 and \$90.9 million for Fiscal Year 2025.

The SC is recommending a 2.5 percent increase in salary for called and hired workers for each year of the coming biennium. The SC will continue to review the potential need for adjustments to the salary matrix throughout the biennium.

The SC encouraged the synod leadership to explore alternate funding models for capital projects to enable projects currently under consideration to move forward more quickly. Luther Preparatory School, Watertown, Wis., and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wis., were encouraged to determine the scope of planned projects and to begin efforts to seek financial support for those projects once the scope is determined. The SC authorized the establishment of a Capital Projects Fund to support current and future capital projects of the synod.

The SC made the following ap-

pointments or reappointments:

- WELS Foundation board: Mr. Scott Neitzel, Mr. John Pahmeier, Mr. David Wendland, Mr. James Brenn
 - WELS Church Extension Fund board: Mr. Joel Kock
 - WELS Retirement Commission: Mr. James Hahm, Mr. Thomas Medema
 - WELS VEBA Commission: Mr. Robert Bullens, Mr. Kyle Koltz, Mr. Daniel Markgraf, Rev. Joel Sauer
 - Northwestern Publishing House board: Rev. Justin Dauck
 - Accounting Oversight Committee: Mr. William Schultz
 - Advisory member of the SC: Mr. Jim Rademan, associate coordinator of Congregational Services
- Serving with you in Christ,
WELS President Mark Schroeder

News from our High Schools

MLHS will have 15 international students next school year! Host Families are needed for the 2023-2024 school year. Contact Nathan King. (nking@mlhslancers.org or 920-682-0215 x 420) to learn more.

MLHS Prism Concert is Saturday, May 20 at 4:00 & 7:00pm in the gym.

FVL Go to fvlhs.org/youth-sports for info on youth sports opportunities.

FVL Host families needed for 2023-24. Go to fvlhs.org/hosting or Monica Uhlenbrauck (muhlenbrauck@fvlhs.org) with questions.

FVL Golf Outing Sign up for \$125 per golfer from May 1-31. Beginning June 1, the price is \$150. The outing is Friday, June 16, at High Cliff Golf Course in Sherwood. More at fvlhs.org/golf.

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Living Hope Counseling Ministries De Pere (WELS counseling)	338-8699

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