



# News From Zion



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## Announcements

**Call News** The Lord called Rev. Matthew Kuske to serve as our associate pastor last Sunday at our voters' meeting. Pastor Kuske presently serves St. Paul's in Lomira, WI and St. Luke's in Knowles, WI. Please pray for God's blessings on Pastor Kuske as he deliberates on his call.

**Festival of Friendship** will be the week of Sept. 17. Invite a friend to join us in worship to meet Jesus or get reacquainted with him. Invitations will be available for you to use or do it in your own words!

**Sunday Morning Bible Study** Join us Sunday in the church basement at 9:15 a.m. as we continue a study of *Esther* from the God's People Series.

**Morrison Market** is Sunday, September 10. Join us for Booyah and burgers, crafts, vendors, and a chance to get know more members and the community.

**Wednesday Confirmation Class** for public school students 5th-8th grade meets on Wednesdays from 5:00 pm to 6:15 pm. Classes are held at Morrison Zion Lutheran Church. Please contact Pastor Enderle with any questions.

**Sunday School** for ages 3 - 6th grade starts on September 17th! We will meet at school 9:15-10:15 am. Speak to Jen Enderle if you can be a teacher or assistant.

**Men's Study** will meet Monday, Sept. 4 at 7:00 p.m.. Join us at the bonfire or in the church basement.

**Women's Study** will meet Saturday, Sept. 9 at 9:30 a.m. at Ruth Zeamer's. Contact Jen Enderle with questions.

**Breakfast served by our Youth Group** Morrison Zion Youth Group will be serving breakfast on Sunday September 24th and all are invited! Join us anytime from 7:30 a.m. - noon in the school gym. Menu will include breakfast burritos and hashbrowns. All donations at the breakfast will support the Youth Group's upcoming International Youth Rally trip to Colorado in summer of 2024. Youth group please plan to help this morning. *A special welcome back Youth Group Night will be Sept. 9 from 6-9 pm at Immanuel Shirley. All youth from 8th to 12th grade are welcome to join!*

**Leadership Team** will meet Sept. 26 . Please note the change of date.

**SCRIP** is looking for an assistant or two to help with orders and distribute physical cards. Speak to Pastor Enderle if you are interested.

**Sweet Corn** will be available after worship this week. Donations support MLHS' voucher program.

**Fun Day** will start on Tuesday, September 12 from 8:30am – 10:30 am. In the church basement. It will be held every Tuesday morning unless there is no school at Morrison Zion.

**Sunday Book Study** will meet starting Sunday, September 10 at 7 p.m. in the church basement to discuss the book "The Freedom of Self-Forgetfulness" by Timothy Keller. Books are available downstairs for \$2.

**Thrivent Card for Children's Bags** We are looking to replace some items in our children's bags at church. If you are able to help us out with a Thrivent Action Team card please reach out to Mrs. Geidel (hillary.geidel@mzls.org). Thank you!

**Ladies and Daughters of Morrison Zion** Let's sprinkle Jen and baby girl Enderle with some love! A little sprinkle for Jen to help welcome their newest addition will take place on Sunday, Sept. 17 at 12:00p.m. in the commons of school. Scan the QR Code to sign up and for more details. If you have any questions or would like to attend or help in any way please reach out to Hillary Geidel, (262)-689-3492.



**MLHS Groundbreaking Celebration** is on Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 5:30PM followed by a cookout and bonfire. Go to [www.mlhslancers.org/campaign](http://www.mlhslancers.org/campaign) for more information.

### Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

**Worship:** Members (Visitors) **Communion**

8/24 Thur. 28 (4) **25**

8/27 Sun. 8 102 (8) **90**

8/27 Sun. 10:30 94 (3) **81**

**Total** **190 (15) 196**

**Online:** 17 (6) **Total 23**

**Bible Study:**

8/27 English Class 4

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8/27 Sunday Morning 28

**Total** **32**

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## Weekly Calendar

9/ 3 Sun.	9:15 a.m.	<i>Esther</i> study (p. 27-28), basement	9/9 Sat.	9:30 a.m.	Women's Study
9/4 Mon.	7:00 p.m.	Men's Study	9/9 Sat.	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group - Welcome, Shirley
9/5 Tue.	7:00 p.m.	School Board	9/10 Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Pent. 15 Worship, communion
9/6 Wed.	5:00 p.m.	Catechism Class, church		9:15 a.m.	<i>Esther</i> study (p. 29-33)
9/7 Thur.	5:30 p.m.	ESL - English Class		10:30 a.m.	Pent. 15 Worship, communion
9/7 Thur.	7:00 p.m.	Pent. 15 Worship, communion		10:30 a.m.	Morrison Market
				7:00 p.m.	Book Study - <i>Self-Forgetfulness</i> , church

## Brats and building bridges for Jesus!

WELS News

Sometimes you just need to be creative.

The core group for a new mission start in Kronenwetter, Wis., was looking for a way to both get the word out that a new church was coming to this growing community, and to begin building a prospect list for sharing the gospel. We knew that there was going to be a community garage sale weekend in mid-summer. This meant there would be a lot of residents moving around the village eager to find bargains and hidden treasures at the nearly 100 garage sales that would be taking place in our target area. They were going to get hungry during the day, and of course some of them would need to go to the bathroom.

The core group got creative and saw a golden opportunity! In this part of our country, folks love their bratwurst as much, if not more, than they do their Green Bay Packers. So, it was decided to hold a free brat fry. We would also use this opportunity to open the doors of Northland Lutheran High School, where the mission will eventually begin, to allow garage sale shoppers to use the facilities and become familiar with the building and the ministry it does.

On the day of the brat fry, the Lord blessed us with perfect weather. A good number of residents stopped by to take us up on the offer of free brats and hot dogs and to use the Northland High School's bathrooms. That got them in the door. The banner by the food table proclaimed that a new mission church was coming. This accomplished our exact goal, as questions

were asked and comments were made, resulting in natural and easy conversations about our intentions. Most of the people who came wanted to give us free will donations.



While we thanked them for their thoughtfulness and politely refused their money, we asked them instead to fill out a 60-Second Survey. We told them that their opinions were valuable because we wanted our mission church to meet the needs of people living in Kronenwetter. If they wanted to be put on our mailing list for regular updates on how the mission was progressing, they could give us their name and address. Twenty-eight surveys were completed, and nine families are now on the prospect list. It's a start!

I had the opportunity to meet (and eat with!) a young couple blessed with a four year old daughter. Not long ago they moved to Kronenwetter, they told me that they had Lutheran backgrounds from where they used to live but had not

found a new church home. They were concerned because their daughter had not been baptized yet, and now she was starting to ask questions about God. It was obvious to me that they were feeling guilt for not doing a better job of Christian parenting. It was a joy to share with them the good news about forgiveness in Jesus, and to let them know I would gladly work with them to have their daughter baptized and that it wouldn't cost them anything. I also told them they could bring their daughter to my church's Sunday School starting this fall. They were thrilled to know that a church was coming soon to help them all grow in God's Word and love on their journey to eternal life in heaven.

As the core group was cleaning up at the end of the day, the consensus was clear. Even if the only result of the brat fry was this little girl's baptism, our efforts were more than worth it. But we are confident of God's blessings and we praise and thank him for letting us use brats and bathrooms to build bridges for sharing Jesus!

*Written by Rev. Jeff Mahnke, pastor at St. Peter Lutheran in Schofield, Wis., and chairman of the Western Wisconsin District Mission Board.*

## News from our High Schools

**FVL Schools Parent Night** is Wed., Sept. 20 at 6:30. The topic is, "Against the Grain: Raising Christian Children in an Ungodly World." Free babysitting is offered. Go to [fvlschools.org/events](http://fvlschools.org/events) for details.

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