

News From Zion



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Announcements

Saints Triumphant worship today will include an In Memoriam for all the saints from Zion called to heaven this year. Family members are invited to take a rose and vase home.

Bible Information Class Are you interested in becoming a member at Morrison Zion or want to review your faith? Join us Fridays at 1 pm. We won't meet Nov. 24. There is interest in a Monday night class as well. If you have interest in joining speak to Pastor Enderle.

Sunday Morning Romans Study continues this week at 9:15 am. This study will also be offered online on Wednesdays at 8 pm. Join us at https://bit.ly/xfactoronline

Sunday School for ages 3 - 6th grade meets each Sunday at school 9:15-10:15 a.m. in the school building.

Fun Day meets on Tuesdays from 8:30am – 10:30 am. in the church basement.

Youth Group meets Sun, Nov. 19 for a Packers Party at Immanuel Shirley starting at noon. Join for a devotion, games, food, and fun. There will be no Sunday night study this week.

Sunday Book Study meets each Sunday at 7 p.m. in the church basement. This Sunday we will finish "Revolution" by George Barna. Next we will study a short book on the "Basics of Faith" written by Pastor Mike Novotny. This book is free and would be great to share with a friend.

Choir rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7pm in the church balcony. There is no choir Nov 22.

Church Band will have rehearsal on Tuesday, Nov. 28 at 7:00pm in the school basement.

SCRIP Rhonda plans to be available at church in November between service with scrip cards and to take orders. You can also drop your orders off at the office. Scrip cards make wonderful gifts for the holidays.

Lord's Supper will be served at the altar after Thanksgiving. If you have questions or concerns speak to pastor or another leader. We will continue to serve communion to those who wish to remain in the pews.

Christmas Wreath and Planter Fundraiser pickup is Sunday, Nov. 26

Next Call Meeting to call a second pastor will be December 3 after 10:30 am worship.

Thanksgiving Worship is Wednesday, November 22nd at 7:00pm and Thursday, November 23 at 9:00am. Thanksgiving Cards are available in the church basement library area.

4 Weeks of Mid-Week Advent Worship begins Wednesday, Nov. 29. We will worship at 11:00 am and 7:00 pm. Soup suppers will be after morning worship and before evening worship. This year's theme is "The Clothing of the King."

Happy Birthday Jesus is Dec. 9 from 9 am—10:30 am. This FREE event for ages 3—grade 4, we will celebrate the birth of our Savior, listening to the story of Jesus' birth, do a craft, play games, and enjoy a snack. Register online by Dec. 1, or scan this code.



Food Pantry Sock Drive giveaway is December 2nd. Please consider donating new socks only, in all sizes, men's, women's, and children's, both boys and girls before December. Look for the red bin at church or at school to donate.

Soup For Souls meals have been restocked in the freezers at church and at school. Cards are also available to send with your meal. 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!

Facility Maintenance/Project Manager is a volunteer position at Morrison Zion. We are looking someone new to help in this position. If interested speak to Randy Loppnow.

Our Stewardship of Bible Study: the Means of Grace 11/8 Catechism Worship: Members (Visitors) Communion 11/10 Bible Information Class 3 11/9 Thur. 35 (1) 33 11/11 Youth Group 10 11/12 Sun. 8 am201 (34) 148 23 11/12 Sunday Morning 11/12 Sunday School 15 11/12 Sun. 10:30 42 (16) **41** Teachers/Helpers 3/7 Total 278 (51) 222 11/12 Book Study 8 11/13 Men's Study 6 329 11/14 Fun Day 4 Online: 13 (1) Total 14 Total 78

Our Mission is to **Glorify God** as we **Gather** around the Gospel so that we **Grow** in the Gospel and **Go** with the Gospel

Weekly Calendar

11/19 Sun.9:15 a.m.Sunday School, school11/22 Wed. 7:00 p.m.Thanksgiving Worship9:15 a.m.Romans study, church basement11/23 Thur. 9:00 a.m.Thanksgiving Worship

12:00 p.m. Youth Group Packer Party and 11/26 Sun. 8:00 a.m. Christ the King Worship, Communion

Devotion, *Immanuel Shirley* 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 7:00 p.m. Book Study - *Revolution* 9:15 a.m. Romans Study

11/21 Tue. 8:30 a.m. Fun Day, *church* 10:30 a.m. Christ the King Worship, Communion

7:00 p.m. Leadership Team Meeting 6:00 p.m. Youth Group Bible Study 11/22 Wed. 5:00 p.m. Catechism Class, *church* 7:00 p.m. Book Study - *Basics of Faith*

What's the deal with the name?

WELS News

On Aug. 2 of this year, following a rousing address to convention delegates by Rev. Tonny Quintero of Medellin, Colombia, the hundreds of delegates assembled in the Michigan Lutheran Seminary gymnasium to officially recognize fellowship between WELS and Iglesia Cristo WELS Internacional.

I had the privilege of attending the convention with Rev. Quintero (being by his side for what some have called the most energetic 20 minutes in synod convention memory) and was able to hear the warm response both from the convention as a whole and from countless individuals who approached the Colombian visitor with a warmth that transcended the language barrier. One question, though, that did come up multiple times was something to the effect of, "So what's the deal with the name?" And, "Why wouldn't the word "Lutheran" appear in the name of a Lutheran church body?"

It's a fair question. First of all, it is not because the church body is ashamed of its "Lutheran-ness." Quite the contrary. When I meet with the founders of this synod, the words "luterano confesional" constantly find their way into conversation and the first article of the synod's constitution proudly proclaims, "El nombre de este Sínodo Luterano Confesional es: Iglesia Cristo WELS Internacional." – The name of this confessional Lutheran Synod is . . .

News from our High Schools

MLHS Christmas Concert—Joy to the World is at 4:30pm and 7:30pm on Thursday, December 21. Join in us for this free concert at the Capitol Civic Centre in downtown Manitowoc!

The founders of this synod chose the name it did not because they have a low regard for being Lutheran, but rather because they have such a high regard for the Lutheran-ness they have received. They love that WELS had such a love for the truth that they brought them a Lutheran-ness that was not degraded by compromising what the Bible says, but that stands on scripture alone. They love that WELS had such a love for the lost that they offered their treasures and talents to send missionaries south to share the precious truths of grace alone and faith alone with them. So, these church leaders brought to faith and to Lutheranism by "us" adopted the name "WELS" in a hope to also emulate the confessional stance and mission zeal of their sister synod to the north.

Additionally, there is one other parallel worth mentioning. The WELS was founded by a tiny group of church leaders who met in equally tiny Granville, Wis., many years ago. When the synod met at convention this past August, there were hundreds of delegates present who represented hundreds of thousands of WELS members from across the country.

The month after I was with Rev.
Tonny Quintero in that packed gym in
Saginaw, Mich., the two of us traveled
to the first annual convention of

The FVL Choirs invite you to attend their annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, 12/17 at 4 PM. The concert is free.



the Iglesia Cristo WELS Internacional in the rural outskirts of Moca, Dominican Republic. The convention there had just 12 attendees. Although the gathering was small, they look forward to the possibility of welcoming many more into their fellowship. As they made their plans Isaiah 55:10-11 came up many times. That group, now so small, made bold plans built on the confidence that the Word will not return empty; plans made with the prayer that their small synod will soon swell with churches formed through the training provided by Academia Cristo.

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