



News From Zion



Morrison Zion Lutheran Church
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Announcements

Call News On January 3 Pastor Ben Schone decline the call to serve as an associate pastor at Morrison Zion. On January 3 Mrs. Katie Muchka accepted the call to serve as 7th grade teacher at Bethany in Manitowoc. We are especially thankful for the many years of service of Mrs. Muchka at Morrison Zion. Both call letters are on the back.

A Call Meeting to call a new teacher at Morrison Zion will be held after the 10:30 am service on Sunday, January 21. A Pastor Call Meeting will be held in February.

Foundations of Faith Would like to become a member? Join us Fridays at 1pm and Mondays at 6:30pm starting on Jan. 8. Members are invited to join this 12 session Bible Class to review your faith. Come and bring a friend!

Sunday Morning Study will meet next on Jan. 21 to study Paul's letter to the Romans at 9:15 am. On January 14 and 28 there will be an Open Form at 9:15 am.

Christ to the Cross in Sunday School! This spring, the Sunday School lessons will focus on Christ's ministry and passion to the cross in line with the church season. Join us each week as we grow closer to Christ and learn of his unconditional love for each of us!

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

Fun Day will meet on Thursdays from 8:30-10:30 am beginning January 18. Please take note of the change from Tuesdays to Thursdays.

Knight for a Day has been rescheduled for Thursday, February 1 due to snow. Morrison Zion Lutheran School would like to welcome children ages 3 and 4 to spend the morning in Mrs. Geidel's 4K/5K classroom from 8:30am – 10:30am. Contact Mrs. Geidel with any questions: hillary.geidel@mzls.org

Youth Group meets Sunday nights at 6 pm at school. We will not meet Jan 14th.

Youth Group Sledding Join us January 13th for sledding at Kewaunee Winter Park. Cost is approximately \$5.

Sunday Book Study meets Sundays at 7 p.m. in the church basement to begin, "Hidden Christmas" by Timothy Keller. We will meet Jan. 14 to discuss Ch. 3. Books are still available. Join us for the discussion even if you miss a chapter.

School Enrollment Join is open for the 2024-2025 school year at Morrison Zion! Parents wishing to enroll their children should notify MZLS as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Principal Jacob Geidel at 920-864-2349.

Open Forum Join us for an open forum and God's Word on Sunday, January 14 and 28 from 9:15 am – 10:15 am to discuss current and future opportunities of ministry cooperation with Immanuel Shirley. The Morrison Zion and Immanuel Shirley leadership teams met at the end of October. We discussed current collaborations of ministry, such as our Lutheran Elementary, Youth Groups, and Online Bible Studies. We also discussed future opportunities. Join us to rejoice in what God is doing now at our churches and discuss what we could do better for the gospel by working together. If you are unable to attend in person, please feel free to connect with a leadership team member at any time to learn more or share your thoughts.

Choir rehearsals are Wednesdays at 7 pm in the balcony.

Church Band will have rehearsal on Tuesday, Jan. 16 at 7:00pm in the school basement.

SCRIP Rhonda will take SCRIP orders between services. Check out the special holiday bonus cards and new local cards.

Bible Reading Plan Join us in reading through the whole Bible in 2 Years beginning January 1. Look on the back to see the scheduled readings for next week. You can also scan the QR code to join online discussion groups, the YouVersion group, and to receive daily text messages. During January we will read Genesis 1-32, all of Matthew, and Mark 1-3.



Blindmens Volleyball Due to scheduling conflicts, Blindmens Volleyball has moved to Saturday, March 16. The adult tournament will be in the morning and the teen tournament in the afternoon and evening.

Family Game Day Join us for an afternoon of fun and games on February 18 from 2-4pm! School will have some games for families to play, but we encourage you to bring your favorite game and play it with friends! Snacks and drinks will be provided! This event is FREE! Invite your friends and neighbors!

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

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| <p>1/14 Sun. 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Open Forum 7:00 p.m. Book Study - <i>Hidden Christmas Ch. 3</i></p> <p>1/15 Mon. 6:30 p.m. NO Foundations of Faith class Pastors Conference (Mon-Tue morning)</p> <p>1/16 Tue. 6:00 p.m. Barnabas Meeting 7:00 p.m. Leadership Team Meeting 7:00 p.m. Church Band Practice</p> <p>1/17 Wed. 5:00 p.m. Catechism Class 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice</p> | <p>1/18 Thur. 7:00 p.m. Worship, Epiphany 2</p> <p>1/19 Fri. 1:00 p.m. Foundations of Faith</p> <p>1/21 Sun. 8:00 a.m. Worship, Epiphany 2 9:15 a.m. Sunday School 9:15 a.m. Bible Study 10:30 a.m. Worship, Epiphany 2 11:30 a.m. Call Meeting 6:00 p.m. Youth Group Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Book Study - <i>Hidden Christmas Ch. 4</i></p> <p>1/22 Mon. 6:30 p.m. Foundations of Faith</p> |
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Call Letters

To the brothers and sisters of Morrison Zion Lutheran Church & School,

On Monday, December 4th, I received a divine call from Bethany Lutheran Church and School to serve as the seventh grade homeroom teacher and athletic director. I am incredibly thankful to those who shared their thoughts and prayers with me as my family and I deliberated between the two calls.

With this letter I share with you that I have accepted the call to serve our Savior at Bethany Lutheran School. While I am sad to be leaving a ministry I have been a part of for 19 years, I am excited to begin this new ministry and look forward to seeing how God can use the gifts and talents he has given me to serve the students, families, and congregation of Bethany.

Please join with me in continuing to keep the brothers and sisters of Morrison Zion Lutheran Church and School in your thoughts and prayers as you now wait patiently for the Lord to place a new teacher in this ministry.

In Christ,
Katie Muchka

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church,

I thank you for the many prayers for me and my family, the conversations, and thoughts through the deliberation process. Throughout our conversations, your love for our Savior and his Word flowed from your hearts. God has blessed you with a sincere desire both for his Word and for his work that is clearly seen and heard. The work God has set before you in Morrison is filled with opportunities to spread the gospel.

After many conversations and prayerful deliberation, the Lord has set before me work here at Abiding Word in which I must continue. And so, I am returning the call to serve at Zion. I pray that you continue to hold unwaveringly to his Word and that God blesses your work in his kingdom.

In Christ,
Pastor Ben Schone

Bible Reading Plan
Week 3

Monday, Jan 15

Genesis 16
Matthew 15

Tuesday, Jan 16

Genesis 17
Matthew 16

Wed., Jan 17

Genesis 18
Matthew 17

Thursday, Jan 18

Genesis 19
Matthew 18

Friday, Jan 19

Genesis 20
Matthew 19

Saturday, Jan 20

Genesis 21
Matthew 29

Sunday, Jan 21

Genesis 22
Matthew 21

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

Worship: Members (Visitors)

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| 1/4 Thur. 7 pm | 15 (0) |
| 1/7 Sun. 8 am | 101 (4) |
| 1/7 Sun. 10:30 | 68 (9) |

Total **184 (13)**
 197

Online: 11 (0) Total: 11

Bible Study:

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| 1/3 Catechism Class | 9 |
| 1/7 Sunday Morning | 19 |
| 1/7 Sunday School | 8 |
| Teachers/Helpers | 3/3 |
| 1/7 Youth Group | 5 |
| 1/7 Book Study | 10 |
| 1/8 Foundations of Faith | 3 |
| Total | 44 |

News from our High Schools

Night to Shine Registration is NOW OPEN for Night to shine here at MLHS. Please help us spread the word that we are hosing Night to Shine here. Register by visiting the MLHS website www.mlhslancers.org

Long Term Care Seminar sponsored by the FVL Mission Advancement Office is Thursday, 1/18 at 6 PM. Go to fvlhs.org/seminar for more.

FVL Musicfest 2024 will be held Sun. 2/4 from 1-4:30 PM. Admission is free for all. Join us to enjoy music, socializing, and homemade desserts. Event donations will go to support the FVL Music Department. Find out more at fvlhs.org/musicfest.

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

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