



Morrison Zion

Weekly Announcements



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

Gather

Divine Call Pastor Andrew Lindke (St. Mark - Normal, IL) was called to serve as a second pastor at Zion on Dec. 1. Please keep him, his family, and his ministry in your prayers.

Advent/Christmas Concert Sunday, December 15 at the 8:00 am and 10:30 pm service with the choirs and band.

School Christmas Presentation is Friday, December 13 at 2:00 pm at Morrison Zion School.

Concert Joint Rehearsals

- Wednesday, December 11 at 7:45 pm with the choir and Jr. choir. at church.
- Saturday, December 14 at 8:15 am. for Jr choir and 8:30 am Choir at church

Leadership meeting on Tuesday, December 17 at 7:00 pm
ESL Class on Thursday, December 19 at 5:30 pm at church
Immanuel Shirley Carols & Lessons on Tuesday, December 24 at 2:00pm.

Children Christmas Program on Tuesday, December 24 at 9:00 am and 6:00 pm

Candlelight Service on Tuesday, December 24 at 10:00 pm

Christmas Day on Wednesday, December 25 at 9:00 am

No Worship on Thursday December 26

Grow

Sunday Book Study meets Sundays at 7pm to to read *Unoffendable* by Brant Hansen. We will look at Chapters 12 & 13 on December 15. Books are available for \$10.

Fun Day at Immanuel Shirley from 8:30-10:30 am. is a free program for children who are 3-4 years old and potty-trained. Invite your friends and neighbors. Questions, contact Danielle Ripp, dani.pues27@gmail.com or 920.621.3196.

Introducing Jesus Bible Study is on Sundays at 9:15 am. This study looks at the uniqueness of the Bible and why we have 4 separate gospels about Jesus.

Strange Visions Bible Study looking at the book of Ezekiel is held at Immanuel Shirley on Thursdays at 3 pm, at 4:15 pm (online) and at 7 pm.

Sunday School will have a special joint Christmas lesson/party on December 15 from 9:15-10:15 am. Sunday school will be on break after Dec. 15 until January 12, 2026.

Youth Group All those in grades 8-12 are invited to join the Morrison Zion and Immanuel Shirley youth group. Scan the QR Code to RSVP to events and to see the full calendar of events.

- Sunday, Dec. 15 - 12:45 pm - 3 pm: Bowling and Christmas Gift Exchange



Meditations The new *Meditations* daily devotions beginning Dec. 1 are now available at church. Donations of \$5 are encouraged.

Advent Devotionals from Martin Luther College are available at church. Please take one home for your family.

Events

Midweek Advent Worship A series called "Christmas Trees" will be Wednesday, December 4, 11, 18. Worship at 11 am (lunch to follow) and at 7 pm (dinner before). There will be no Thursday worship during these weeks.

Christmas Crafternoon All are invited to join us on Saturday, December 14 from 2-4pm at school. Make crafts for yourself or to give to others. Each craft made is \$1 - cash only. Please bring your own scissors. Enjoy complimentary snacks and drinks. Questions: Hillary Geidel, hillary.geidel@mzls.org

Governance Committee meeting is on Monday, December 16 at 6 p.m. at Morrison Zion Lutheran School.

Thanks, Go, and Give

Thank you for your generosity in helping Morrison Zion serve the community and share the love of Jesus. \$6,174 were given to the Food Pantry Thanksgiving Offering. \$4000 of that offering will be matched by WELS Christian Aid and Relief.

Poinsettias The worship committee is offering to pick up poinsettias for Christmas. This year we would like to give the opportunity to purchase a poinsettia in memory of a loved one or in honor of one. These names will be included in the weekly announcement sheet on Christmas. Please sign up in the church basement by Sunday, Dec. 15. The cost per poinsettia is \$12. Please indicate on the sign up sheet the name of the person the poinsettia is being purchased in honor of/memory of.

Please plan to pick up all poinsettias after Christmas Day worship or by Sunday, Dec. 29. After this date, any leftover poinsettias will be donated. Thanks for helping beautify our Christmas worship.

Snow Shovelers needed for church & school Please talk to Randy Lopnow if you are interested.

Direct Deposit Jesus does not prescribe how often or how much we are to give to the Lord. But God's Word encourages faithful planned giving of our first fruits, given with a cheerful heart. One way to give in this manner is with scheduled direct deposits. This is one way to give in a planned and easy manner to the Lord. Direct Deposit enrollment sheets are available downstairs. Return the sheet in the offering basket or to Secretary Jackie Zeamer. Speak to Pastor Enderle if you have any questions.

12/13	Fri	2:00 PM	Christmas Presentation at school	12/18	Wed	5:00 PM	Catechism
12/14	Sat	8:15 AM	Jr. choir practice at church/ 8:30 AM Choir			7:00 PM	Midweek Advent Service (supper at 6:00 pm)
		2:00 PM	Crafternoon			7:45 PM	Choir
12/15		8:00 AM	Advent 3 Worship - Advent/Christmas Concert	12/19	Thur	5:30 PM	ESL Class
		9:15 AM	Sunday School (Christmas lesson and party)	12/22	Sun	8:00 AM	Advent 4 Worship w/communion
		9:15 AM	Bible Study				NO Sunday School
		10:30 AM	Advent 3 Worship - Advent/Christmas Concert			9:15 AM	Bible Study
		12:45 PM	Youth Group (Bowling and gift exchange)			10:30 AM	Advent 4 Worship w/communion
		7:00 PM	Book Study Unoffendable (ch 12 & 13)			7:00 PM	Book Study Unoffendable (ch 14-16)
12/16	Mon	6:00 PM	Governance Committee Meeting at school	12/24	Tues	9:00 AM	Children Program (Noon dismissal of school)
12/17	Tue	8:30 AM	Fun Day			2:00 PM	Carols and Lesson (at Immanuel Shirley)
		7:00 PM	Leadership Team Meeting			6:00 PM	Children Program
12/18	Wed	11:00 AM	Midweek Advent Service (Lunch to follow)			10:00 PM	Candlelight Service

Call Letter - Pastor Andrew Lindke

Dear Members of Morrison Zion Lutheran Church,

On December 1st, 2024, you extended a divine Call to me to serve as your new pastor. I am thankful and honored that you, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, have Called me to serve you in this way. As I prayerfully deliberate this Call, I ask that you keep me in your own prayers. I look forward to speaking to you about the work that you are doing in the Lord's name, as I learn more about your ministry, and discover how I can best continue to serve the Lord.

Your brother in Christ,
Pastor Andrew Lindke

Bible Reading Plan Week 48

Sunday, Dec 15
Revelation 7
2 Chronicles 18
Monday, Dec 16
Revelation 8
2 Chronicles 19 & 20
Tuesday, Dec 17
Revelation 9
2 Chronicles 21
Wednesday, Dec 18
Revelation 10
2 Chronicles 22 & 23
Thursday, Dec 19
Revelation 11
2 Chronicles 24
Friday, Dec 20
Revelation 12
2 Chronicles 25
Saturday, Dec 21
Revelation 13
2 Chronicles 26

Grow Numbers

12/3	Fun Day	9
12/4	Catechism	4
12/8	Bible Study	19
12/8	Sunday School	14
12/8	Youth Group	7
12/8	Book Study	12
	Total	65

High School News

MLHS Pizza Fundraiser Show your support for the Manitowoc Lutheran High School National Honor Society (NHS) Students service trip with prayers and pizza orders! **From now until Sunday, January 12th**, the NHS students will be taking orders for freshly made 12" pizzas! Most meals and housing will be taken care of by the congregation members. Dollars raised will go towards plane tickets for the students and chaperones, (plane tickets are \$435 per person), van rental, and some food. Visit www.mlhslancers.org/nhs-pizza-sale Pizzas pick up day is Sunday, January 26th from 2-4pm at MLHS

MLHS Gym Dedication service will take place on **Sunday, January 12, 2025 at 2:00PM**. Following the dedication service all of our guests are welcome to an MLHS open house starting at 3:30PM.

MLHS Christmas Concert All are welcome and encouraged to join us on Friday, December 20 as the we present 'Come & Worship', our annual Sacred Christmas Concert held at the Capitol Civic Centre in downtown Manitowoc. Join at **4:30pm or 7:30pm**, both concerts will be streamed live by the MLHS Broadcasting club on youtube.com/@mlhslancers.

FVL Choirs Christmas Concert The FVL Choirs invite you to attend their annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, Dec. 15, at 4:00pm. The concert is free, and all are invited to join with the choirs as we celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus. It will also be livestreamed on the FVLHS YouTube Channel youtube.com/@FVLFoxes

	Gather Numbers	Members	Visitors	Total	Communion
12/4	Wed 11 am	96	8	104	
12/4	Wed 7 pm	28	4	32	
	Total	124	12	136	
	Online	8	0	8	
12/8	Sun 8 am	134	3	137	109
12/8	Sun 10 am	86	7	93	72
	Total	220	10	230	181
	Online	15	3	18	

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