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## Opportunities of Involvement in Merge for Mission

Both congregations, Morrison Zion and Immanuel Shirley, voted on April 28 to move forward to Phase 2 of the Merge for Mission program. We have not voted to merge but to take the next steps in planning. Our current vision is that of a multi-site merger of one united ministry with two locations. The leaders of both congregations recently met to learn more about *Phase 2 – The Envisioning Phase*. In this phase the conversation starts to set out formal plans of what a merger of the two congregations might look like. This phase gives an opportunity for members of our congregation to be involved in a number of committees. While the Executive Committee which will guide the work and determine exactly which committees they feel are needed, here is a snapshot of some of the committees typically involved in this phase along with a brief description of the work of each committee.

**Property Subcommittee** – This group is responsible for studying the property and facilities at each location. They might report on the size of the property and facilities; study and share the potential sale value of the property, facility, and any equipment at all locations; note and report any needed maintenance; study and report on traffic patterns; etc. Ultimately, they are compiling a report on the strengths and weaknesses of the location and facilities of each congregation. This is an opportunity for anyone who had interest/talents in real estate and/or property valuation to serve.

**Finance Subcommittee** – This group is responsible for studying and producing a report about the assets and debts of each congregation. The Finance Committee also produces a report summarizing how each church approaches called worker and staff compensation and makes recommendations for compensation guidelines in the merged entity. If you have talents/interest in finances, this is an opportunity for you to serve.

**Human Resource Subcommittee** – This group is responsible for interviewing all called workers and staff that would be affected by any partnership, merger, or consolidation that might result. The HR Committee would want to determine how all staff feels about the potential merger. Do

they think it wise or unwise, and why? Do they want to participate in the merger? If they want to participate, how do they see their skills and interests slotting into the new ministry efforts?

**School Subcommittee** – Since the thought of an early childhood ministry (ECM) is one of the big points of discussion in this merger idea, this committee will be an important part. They will work with advisors from the WELS Commission on Lutheran Schools to determine what the ECM and a joint school might look like. They will have to determine tuition/funding models as part of their vision for the school portion of the merge. This committee will help build community and buy in for the elementary school and ECM at each congregation. This committee is an opportunity to serve for those who desire to help shape the future of Christian education in the merged entity.

**Governance Subcommittee** – If the resulting partnership is a legal merger, it requires setting up a transition governance group. This committee works with the congregational leadership to plan that transition. It also works on producing an updated (or new) congregational constitution. If you have an interest in governance or legal matters, this is your opportunity to serve.

**Ministry Subcommittee** – This is the committee that produces a two-to-five year ministry plan. It includes long-range components: mission statement, core values, vision. This committee also works with called workers to work towards a unified philosophy of ministry. If you do well in planning a vision for an organization or working on a long range plan or its components, this would be a place for you to serve.

*If you are interested in possibly serving on one of these committees, please speak to Pastor Enderle or Randy Loppnow by July 15.*

This phase allows the members of each congregation to give grassroots input on shaping how we envision that the merger might look. We ask you to prayerfully look at the gifts God has given you and see if you might serve a particular committee.

*- written by Pastor James Enderle and Joel Gaertner from WELS Congregational Services*



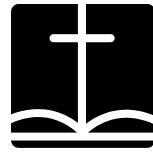
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 Gospel  
 to  
**Grow**  
 in the  
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 and then  
**Go**  
 to others  
 with the Gospel



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# Congregational News



## Leadership Team Notes

### Annual Meeting April 28, 2024

The voters approved the fiscal 2024-2025 budget along with the 2024-2035 High School Goal. Copies of the budget are available in the church basement.

The voters approved moving to Phase 2 with Merge for Missions. Immanuel Shirley held their voters meeting the same day and also approved moving to Phase 2. The Leadership Teams from both congregations will be meeting with the synod on May 28th. More communication on the committees needed and next steps will be coming in the weeks ahead.

The 2024-2025 Leadership Team consisting of Randy Loppnow, Erv Zeamer, Steve Laabs, Kurt Voster, Kris Scheider, Ben Evenson, and Jeff Krueger was approved by the voters. Dennis Griepentrog was approved as the new member on school board.

We thank Hans Herzog, Charles Edinger, and Kurt Heling for their faithful service.

Committee Reports were shared from the various areas of ministry. What a blessing to have so many members serving in many different capacities.

We discussed the opportunity to review worship service times for the summer. After speaking with Immanuel it

had been determined that we will not change times for this summer.

### May Leadership Team Meeting - May 21, 2024

Our priority was to review the options for the teacher vacancy we currently have. The Commission on Lutheran Schools had provided the School Board with a few names of qualified individuals that we could call as an emergency teacher for 1 year. The school board had the recommendation to place a call to one of these candidates. The Leadership team approved this recommendation. If the Lord has them return the call they presented 3 additional options-call a under grad from MLC for a year, look for retired teachers from the area that may be willing to share duties, the last option would be to restructure the classrooms. Know that God will provide us what we need.

We received word that we will not be receiving a seminary graduate for the 2nd pastor. Calls dates are approximately 6 weeks out. Please watch for future updates on when our next call meeting will be.

The election of the officers was held. Randy Loppnow was elected President, Erv Zeamer was elected Vice President/Secretary and Steve Laabs was elected Treasurer.

Ministry Focus documents continue to be worked on. This is helping us to create 1-3-5-10

year plans in the different areas of our ministry.

We discussed moving to the new hymnal. Our thoughts are to possibly role this out in fall. Pastor Enderle will be getting the quote for hymnals and the service builder. We will review this information in the June meeting.

Leadership Team installation was set for June 30, 2024 during the 10:30 service.

Due to the sever weather predictions we table some items until next month to get the members home safely to their families.

This is something new we are adding to the newsletter. I would appreciate any feedback you have on how to improve or additional information you would like to see in the future.

- Randy Loppnow  
(Church President)

## Membership Changes

In the May Leadership Team Meeting the following membership changes were approved. We welcomed to 2 new members and their baptized children through adult confirmation after taking the Foundations of Faith class: Rachel Ecker (children Claire, Grant, & Jordyn) and Carla Phillips (children Kylie and Ashley). We pray for God's blessings to transfer out—Jesse Doyen to St. Peter (Freedom).

	Average Attendance			
	April		Yearly	
Bible Study	2024	43	2024	41
	2023	51	2023	51
Worship	2024	233	2024	277
	2023	373	2023	284

## Grow and Keep On Growing in the Grace and Knowledge of Jesus

**Foundations of Faith Class** Dig into the Bible, either to review your faith in Jesus or to become a member at Zion. We will begin a new session Fridays in June at 1 pm. The first class will be June 7. Speak to Pastor Enderle if you have interest in joining this class or have friends interested in becoming members.

**Sunday Morning Bible Study** In June we will begin a new study 9:15 am on Sundays, “Let’s Go: Love, Listen, Lead.” God’s people want to tell others about the peace, joy, and forgiveness they have in Jesus. But many Christians are unsure how to do this. Join us as we learn some simple, practical ways to reach out to the lost souls God has brought into our lives.

**Sunday Night Book Discussion** meets Sundays at 7 p.m. in the church basement. We will be studying “Freedom in Forgiveness” by Pastor Mike Novotny. Books are available for \$2. Later in June we will begin our next book Sticky Church by Larry Osborne. Cost will be \$5.

**Men’s Study** will not meet in June.

**Women’s Study** We are studying Jesus’ life and looking especially at his miracles. We will meet on Saturday, June 8th at 9:30am at Phyllis Wegner’s home. Please bring your Bible and invite a friend to join us. In June, we will be studying Jesus feeding the 5,000. Any questions contact Jen Enderle at 920-372-3818

**English as a Second Language** will meet Thursday, May. 30 and June 13 at 5:30 p.m. in the church basement. New students and volunteers are welcome!

**Whole Bible Reading Plan** Join us in reading the whole Bible in 2 years. Find the schedule on page 6.

## Youth Group Summer Bonfire and Bible Study Series

Join us for these great nights hosted by Immanuel Shirley and Morrison Zion. Each night will be a little different but all will include Bible Study, supper, and fun! Please bring your own lawn chair. Text your friends – invite them too! All youth finishing 8th grade through High School are welcome. Watch for our 8th grade welcome night in September!

<b>June 22, 6-9pm</b> at Stein’s house 5531 County Rd X, De Pere Pudgie Pies and More Fire	<b>July 12, 6-9pm</b> at Morrison Zion 7395 County Rd W Burgers and Yard Games	<b>August 10, 6-9pm</b> at Immanuel 3737 Shirley Rd, De Pere Brats and Activities
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## MLC Assignment News

Two Zion members were assigned at call day. Leah Nushart (Lus art) was assigned to teach Grades 6-8 at Trinity Lutheran in Aberdeen, SD. Rachel Ihlenfeldt was assigned to teach 5th Grade at Divine Savior in Doral, FL.

Morrison Zion Lutheran School was not assigned a graduate from MLC for a 7th and 8th grade teacher.

## Call Issued

During the May LT Meeting the School Board and Leadership Team voted to issue a divine call to Sharon Richer to teach Grades 5-6.

## Financial Report

During the May LT Meeting the Treasurer reported the following balances for April. Some reserve funds have been moved to CDs to earn a higher interest rate.

Income	\$46,832
Expenses	\$60,047
Monthly balance	-\$13,215
Checkbook balance	\$49,270
Gen. reserve fund	\$109,130
Investment CDs	\$150,592
DPI reserve fund	\$2,512
High School	\$1,900
Fiscal year total	\$11,179
2023-24 fiscal goal	\$18,000
Synod Mission	\$1,280
Fiscal year total	\$28,386
2024 goal	\$32,500

## Worship In June

*Notes on Worship*

We have entered the second half of the Church Year, the half that focuses on the teachings of the Christian faith. When we call Christianity a “top-down faith,” we mean that it tells us things about God that are so beautiful and good—teachings that couldn’t possibly have originated from human thinking. The Christian faith contains teachings that are so wonderful that we would never believe them unless God himself revealed them to us.

### *A Top-Down Faith*

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost **Rest Is a Gift, Not Something to Be Earned** green

**May 30 / June 3** Sermon: Mark 2:23-3:6 Hymns: 267, 238, 329

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost **The Devil Does His Worst, Yet Jesus Always Wins** green

**June 6/9** Sermon: Mark 3:20-35 Hymns: 396, 153, 754, 343 *communion*

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost **From the Tiniest Seed Grows the Largest Kingdom** green

**June 13/16** Sermon: Mark 4:26-34 Hymns: 188, 544, 324

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost **Our Gracious God Is with Us through Every Storm** green

**June 20/23** Sermon: Mark 5 Hymns: 441, CW<sup>21</sup> 812, 760, 765 (Sun. outdoor) *communion*

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost **The Living Lord Completely Changes Our View of Death** green

**June 27/30** Sermon: Mark 6:1-6 Hymns: 145, 428, 451

Sunday morning worship at 8:00 a.m. is livestreamed on YouTube and Facebook and on demand. at [www.youtube.com/c/morrisonzionlutheran](http://www.youtube.com/c/morrisonzionlutheran). The online register has been simplified.

Altar Committee members serving in June: Dawn Vaughn

## Worship Committee

We will be having outdoor worship on **Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>** and **August 25<sup>th</sup>** 8:00 and 10:30 services. (If weather permits) Please bring your lawn chairs and have fellowship together under the trees.

## Choir and Band Thank You

We would like to express our thanks to our choir and band members for all of their time and dedication to using their gifts to beautify our worship services. A special thanks to the parents who brought their children so that they could be a part of our band. Your time is appreciated as well. If anyone would like to help out musically in a worship service, please feel free to contact Mrs. Kuchenbecker to pick music and to set a date for this special service to the Lord.

## Communion

2 individual cups of white grape juice are available in each tray for those who prefer/need to have a nonalcohol alternative to wine. Gluten free wafers are also available. Hold your hand palm down to let the server know you would like the gluten free wafer. Please also remember to register using the sheets in the back of church or in the basement.

## Meditation Booklets

New meditation booklets are in the racks. Pick one up for yourself or a friend. A donation of \$5.00 is greatly appreciated.

## Children’s Bags

We have children bags hanging where you go to the balcony if you would like to use one during worship for your child. Please return it to the hook by the balcony after worship.

## Wedding

Alyssa Laabs and Walker Vande Hey were married at Vertical Timbers, Valders on May 25 at a service conducted by Pastor Enderle. God’s richest blessings to this Christian family.

## Summer Fun Days!

This free program is for children who are ages 3 (potty-trained) - 5 (entering kindergarten). We will meet Tuesday mornings from 8:30am-10:30am starting June 4. Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle and small snack. Fun Day will be held outside at Morrison Zion Lutheran School. Please note, we will not meet on July 9 (join us at VBS) and July 16. Questions: Danielle Ripp, dani.pues@gmail.com or 920.621.3196.

## Scrip

It is a reminder that you can purchase Scrip throughout the summer by contacting Rhonda Heling at 920-676-6277 or catch her in church. You are welcome to drop off orders at school also and Nancy will contact Rhonda that your order was dropped off. Remember that June 30th is the end of Scrip program being applied to the 2024-2025 school year. Starting July 1st any Scrip purchased will go towards the 2025-2026 school year.

You are able to find order forms in the church basement or at school. Another easy way to use the program is with the RaiseRight app. This is the most cost efficient for both you and the church. E-cards and reloadable cards can be used instantly! They also run specials and bonuses that you will be notified of only through the app. The sign-up code is LCE5EE7B2774L.

Our order form has many retailers but a full list can be found at [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com). The credits earned by the purchase of Scrip are split 50/50; one half of the revenue will stay in the Scrip program for expenses and distribution to MZLC and one half will be credited to a families tuition account.

**EXAMPLE:** The revenue from Kwik Trip is 4%. The purchase of \$100 of Kwik Trip. Scrip will generate \$4.00 in revenue. \$2.00 would be credited to the families account and \$2.00 would go the needs of MZLC scrip program and church.

As a grandparent, can I earn tuition credits for my grandchildren(s) family? As a member of church, you can also give your credit towards a family with children attending Morrison Zion School. Yes, fill out an enrollment form and designate which family you would like the revenue to be credited to. When filling out an enrollment form please check one of the options listed at the bottom of the form.

Reminder that orders will be made the second and fourth week of the month. Please make note of this to plan accordingly for placing your orders.

## Soup for Souls

Share the love of Jesus with others using our Soup for Souls Ministry. We have filled the freezers with meals and delicious cookies. All the meals are free and available at school and at church. Don't forget to take a card that shares the special message of Jesus love as well. Currently we have Swedish meatballs, meatloaf, pork and mac meal, chicken and mashed potatoes, and larger pans of tator tot casserole and lasagna. You can support the Soup for Souls compassion ministry with special envelopes found in your offering boxes.

## Food Pantry

We served 37 families during the May 4th giveaway. Each family received ground beef, eggs, cheeses, bananas, potatoes, peppers, cilantro, light bulbs and nonperishable items. Many thanks to Penny Barta for organizing a giveaway of diapers and wipes to our families with young ones as part of her community service project required for graduation from high school. Students looking for service hours are always welcome to come volunteer for the food pantry!

We gladly accept garden produce during the summer months, so if you've got a green thumb and room in your garden, please consider growing an extra row of tomatoes or vegetables for food pantry this summer! If you or someone you know needs assistance, please call the food pantry phone #(920) 246-5435 to schedule an appointment. Volunteers are welcome to join us for our next distribution on June 1st! Set up starts at 7 am and distribution is from 8-10 am. You can support the Food Pantry compassion ministry with special envelopes found in your offering boxes.

## Bible Reading Plan for June

<b>Saturday, Jun 1</b> Deuteronomy 6 Psalm 89	<b>Saturday, Jun 8</b> Deut 13 & 14 Psalm 99-101	<b>Saturday, Jun 15</b> Deut 21 Ps 108 & 109	<b>Saturday, Jun 22</b> Deut 28 Psalm 119	<b>Saturday, Jun 29</b> Joshua 2 Ps 123 - 125
<b>Sunday, Jun 2</b> Deuteronomy 7 Psalm 90	<b>Sunday, Jun 9</b> Deut 15 Psalm 102	<b>Sunday, Jun 16</b> Deut 22 Ps 110 & 111	<b>Sunday, Jun 23</b> Deut 29 Psalm 119	<b>Sunday, Jun 30</b> Joshua 3 Ps 126 - 128
<b>Monday, Jun 3</b> Deuteronomy 8 Psalm 91	<b>Monday, Jun 10</b> Deut 16 Psalm 103	<b>Monday, Jun 17</b> Deut 23 Ps 112 & 113	<b>Monday, Jun 24</b> Deut 30 Psalm 119	
<b>Tuesday, Jun 4</b> Deuteronomy 9 Psalm 92 & 93	<b>Tuesday, Jun 11</b> Deut 17 Psalm 104	<b>Tuesday, Jun 18</b> Deut 24 Ps 114 & 115	<b>Tuesday, Jun 25</b> Deut 31 Psalm 119	
<b>Wed., Jun 5</b> Deut 10 Psalm 94	<b>Wed., Jun 12</b> Deut 18 Psalm 105	<b>Wed., Jun 19</b> Deut 25 Psalm 116	<b>Wed., Jun 26</b> Deut 32 Psalm 119	
<b>Thursday, Jun 6</b> Deut 11 Psalm 95 & 96	<b>Thursday, Jun 13</b> Deut 19 Psalm 106	<b>Thursday, Jun 20</b> Deut 26 Psalm 119	<b>Thursday, Jun 27</b> Deut 33 & 34 Psalm 119	
<b>Friday, Jun 7</b> Deut 12 Psalm 97 & 98	<b>Friday, Jun 14</b> Deut 20 Psalm 107	<b>Friday, Jun 21</b> Deut 27 Psalm 119	<b>Friday, Jun 28</b> Joshua 1 Ps 120 - 122	

Scan to join the online reading plan and discussions.



## Summer Park Play Dates

Join us for fun at the park! Enjoy the outdoors in God's creation, meet new friends, and socialize (both kids and adults)! Playdates are weather permitting. If you have any questions, contact Jen Enderle at 920-372-3818 or jen.enderle@outlook.com. You are welcome to bring your lunch to enjoy at the park!

- May 30 - Sand Acres Park, De Pere
- June 6 - Optimist Park, Allouez
- June 13 - Appleton Memorial Park, Appleton
- June 20 - Josten Park, Green Bay
- June 27 - Quarry Park, De Pere
- No meet up on July 4
- July 11 - Join us for VBS at School
- July 18 - Sherwood Park + Splash Pad, Sherwood
- July 25 - Way-Mor Park, Greenleaf
- August 1 - Voyager Park, De Pere
- August 8 - Waupekun Park, Wrightstown
- August 15, Jaycee Park, Appleton

## Childcare During 8 AM Worship

Anyone who would be interested in utilizing or volunteering for a childcare service for 1-4 year olds during the 8am Sunday church service in the church basement, please reach out to Corey Swanningson to plan/coordinate this new service. Corey and his wife Cassie are new members and have interest in organizing this program if there are enough volunteers and families who would make use of it. You can contact Corey at (920-241-2762) or cswanningson@gmail.com.

## School News

### 4K and 5K

Mrs. Geidel

We have had an amazing year in 4K and 5K. We have grown and learned so many things this year. We have gone on many field trips to learn more about God's amazing creation. Thank you, parents, for this opportunity to teach your little one. Our room truly becomes a little family over the 9 months together and I will miss them very much this summer. Thank you, parents, also for your help driving and chaperoning our field trips. I appreciate all of your help. We are ready to rest and refresh this summer and come back ready for 1st grade and Kindergarten. Have a wonderful summer!

#### 4K Graduates

Elliott Braun  
Onycha Enderle  
Axel Geurts  
Ella Hendricks

#### 5K Graduates

Jerrick Bauldry  
Logan Dahlke  
Oaken Douglas  
Jackson Lemke

### Grades 1-2

Mrs. Kuchenbecker

We can't believe another school year has ended! We finished all of our books, have everything cleaned and packed away and are ready for a nice summer vacation. We finished the year looking ahead at next year's work. The second graders started some basic multiplication and division while the first graders tried their hand at 2 digit addition and subtraction. The second and third graders (as they now like to be called) have come so far! We had a fabulous trip to 1000 Island Nature Center! God blessed us with perfect weather to explore the nature trails, look for bugs and enjoy both indoor and outdoor scavenger hunts. We learned about plants and insects in science, watching plants grow, and watching the life cycle of butterflies and silk moths. To finish our year, we ended with a bang. Each week the children worked to read 10 or more books each to earn a prize hidden inside a balloon. There was a lot of excitement as we popped the balloons to find out the prize for that week! As our year comes to a close, we want to thank everyone for their prayers and support. A special thanks to our class helpers, book report listeners, guest readers, class trip drivers and everyone else involved in our classroom. We are truly blessed! Have a super summer

### Grades 5-6

Mr. Geidel

The 5th and 6th graders were getting excited for the end of the school year. We concluded our year with a field trip to Lambeau Field stadium tour and a visit to the Hall of Fame. As we reflect back on our year we are thankful for all the ways the Lord has blessed our school and the people that he has encouraged to help us do what we do best, Christian education.

### Grades 7-8

Mrs. Muchka

Happy summer vacation to all of our seventh and eighth grade students! The Lord has blessed us with another wonderful school year. Thank you to everyone who helped our classroom with your prayers and support! I look forward to seeing our students and families throughout the summer in worship! God's blessings on a safe and relaxing summer!

### 2024-2025 School Calendar

The 2024-2025 school calendar is set. The first day for grades 5K-8th is Thursday, August 22, 2025. The first day for 4K is Wednesday, August 28, 2024. The final day of school is Friday, May 23, 2025.

### Mrs. Muchka Appreciation of Ministry Dinner

Join us Sunday June 2 for a special meal after 10:30 a.m. worship to show our appreciation and thanks to Katie Muchka for many years of faithful service to the Lord. School and church families are invited to bring a dessert and a salad. Thank you in advance.

## Morrison Zion Lutheran Church

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Principal Jacob Geidel

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Pastor Enderle 920-949-1038  
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### Thank You

- Sunday School Thank You! What a wonderful year of learning about Jesus! We are grateful for the teachers and helpers of the Sunday School classrooms. But especially, thank you to the parents for bringing your children to class! It is a wonderful blessing to watch the love of Jesus grow in their hearts!
- Thank you for making this year a success at school. Without volunteers and your prayers, we could not have done it. We look forward to a relaxing summer as we prepare for another school year. of teaching God's Word to his precious lambs.
  - ◆ Thank you to everyone who has helped keep our school, activities, and events running smoothly.
  - ◆ We want to thank everyone for the support shown to our school band this year. Thank you, parents, for encouraging your children to participate in our band program. Thank you to all who voted for our school in the Heid Music Big 10 Band competition. Thank you to all who bought tickets and came out to support us at the Timber Rattler baseball game. We sold 100 tickets which in turn brought in \$300 for our school.
  - ◆ Thank you to Danielle Ripp for leading Fun Day.
  - ◆ Thank you to Bonnie Evenson for coming to read to grades 1- 6.
  - ◆ Thank you to Rhonda Heling for doing a great job with the scrip program.
  - ◆ Thank you to all we may have missed. Your time and donations are appreciated.
  - ◆ Thank you to everyone who supported the Morrison Zion Athletics Spring flower fundraiser! The funds that were raised will support the ongoing costs of our athletic programs. Thank you for your continued support of our young Christian athletes!



## Urgent Need for Coaches!

Without coaches we cannot have teams. Coaches are needed for school sports next year, specifically an assistant B team volleyball coach, C team boys basketball coaches, A team boys basketball coaches, an assistant A team girls basketball coach. These are all very important roles to fill! Please contact Mrs. Muchka if you can help. No experience is needed! Thank You!

## Vacation Bible School

VBS Registration is open! Please register your children, ages 3 (potty-trained) - entering 6th grade, by scanning the QR code or using the following link: <https://forms.gle/y3UFFgbRagrvGxXN6>



Please invite friends and neighbors to this fun, free event that will be held July 9-11 from 9-11am at Morrison Zion Lutheran School.

## Dates to Know for Next Year

- School registration materials for school will be available for pick up at VBS (July 9th) Any folders left after VBS will be in church basement unless you contact the office and want them mailed.
- School Registration Paperwork Drop Off will be July 29 thru Aug. 6, Please contact Nancy when you would like to drop off your paperwork along with payments and she will make every effort to meet you at school at your convenience.
- Supply Drop off is set for August 18th from 9:15-10:15am and 11:30am until 12:30pm for 2024-2025

## School Registration for 2024-2025

If you know of anyone interested in a solid Christian education, mention our school! Mr. Geidel will meet with prospects, give a tour, or just discuss the education students receive here at Morrison Zion. You are the best promoters of our wonderful school. Contact [jacob.geidel@mzls.org](mailto:jacob.geidel@mzls.org) with questions or to set up a tour.

## Call Day Thoughts from an MLC Graduate

*We have heard updates from Morrison Zion member and Morrison Zion Lutheran School graduate Rachel Ihlenfeldt from her time serving in Grenada. This month she shares with us what it is like returning to Martin Luther College to receive a call on Call Day.*

Call Day is a part of Commencement at MLC when all of the eligible teachers receive their first assignments in the public ministry. But it is so much more than that. Call Day is the culmination of 4 or 5 years of studying and preparing for ministerial work. It is a day of suspense and anticipation, as you wait to hear where God, working through the Assignment Committee, wants you to serve. It is more than just that excitement of getting your first job out of college. It is when you get to cry like the prophet Isaiah, "Here am I. Send me!" and God answers.

Typically, the majority of the candidates assigned on Call Day are recent graduates who are getting their first call. This year I was returning to the Assignment Committee to be reassigned. When I graduated in 2022, I received a 1-year Call to teach in Grenada. My school and I agreed that my ministry should continue for another year, so in 2023, I was reassigned to Grenada for a 2nd year. This year, my school and I decided that it was time for me to come back to the States. Because the terms of my previous calls had each been 1 year in length, I needed to return to the Assignment Committee, and on May 18, 2024, I was assigned to teach Grade 5 at Divine Savior Academy in Doral, FL. I look forward to continuing my ministry there.

- Rachel Ihlenfeldt

## Golfing at Wander Springs

Join members from Morrison Zion at Wander Springs golf course each Monday afternoon at 5 pm starting June 5. Join us for fun and fellowship. All are invited.