THE CHRISTIAN LIGHT

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

Lead Yourself - Part 1

A child comes home from school and tells his parents, "I'm in charge of me." His parents are at first shocked, but then they ask more. The child goes on to explain. The child's preschool teacher makes a huge deal out of that statement. The teacher cannot make a child pick up his toys after he's finished playing with them. She cannot force a child to eat his food. She cannot keep a child from hitting a classmate for calling him a name. While this concept might seem strange or shocking at first, it is such an important concept to know. No one can make you do anything.

"I have recalled that conversation so many times because the implication of that truth is so powerful for every one of us. It's not just true for three-year-olds; it's true for thirty-one-year-olds. You are in charge of you. You are in charge of your emotions, your thoughts, your reactions, and your decisions. It's the law of personal responsibility, because everyone is responsible for leading something, even if that something is just you" (How to Lead When You're Not in Charge, Scroggins p 92).

Why is this concept important? So often we blame others for the situations we are in. If it's at school, at work, or within your family. It's my parents' fault for being too strict. My boss isn't a good leader, that is why the project failed. If only my teacher would do it this way, then I would be a better student. I am not in control of others. I can't make them do anything. Parents, you can't make your children do things. You can scold and punish, but in the end they need to do it. But you are in charge of your own actions and emotions. You are in charge of how you react to others and the situations you are in.

On Sunday nights we are reading the book *How to Lead When You're Not in Charge*. The author, Clay Scroggins first encourages the reader to examine their identity and priorities.

"Near the core of what makes a person a leader is their sense of identity. The way you see yourself is determinative for your life and for the decisions you make as a leader. Your sense of identity directs you in every situation. It is foundational, determining the level of confidence you have when you challenge your boss in a disagreement. It establishes your sense of security when you face doubts. It's what enables you to process your emotions during tense conversations. Though much of your identity is formed at an early age, your identity is always evolving. So it's never too early or too late to begin processing your sense of self" (p 38).

Do you have a clear understanding of your identity and purpose? As Christians, we have a sure and certain identity that can guide us in every situation of life, no matter what difficulty we are facing. Scroggins writes, "the two truths that have had more impact on my identity than anything else are: 1. Because I have been created in the image of God, I am a chosen child of the King. 2. For God so loved me that Jesus died for me" (*p* 51). All of this fits well with the resiliency prayer that has been shared before. It focuses on your identity and what you are in control of and dealing with the things you are not in control of.

Resiliency prayer: Lord, I know that I am loved and forgiven, a precious child of God, bought by the blood of Christ. I know that today events will happen, some good and some bad, some that are in my control but most that aren't. I know that these events will trigger thoughts (why me, this shouldn't happen to me, poor me) and those thoughts will produce feelings that will impact my behavior. So when these events happen help me remember that you have promised to never leave me or forsake me (Hebrews 13) and that you will work it out for my eternal good (Romans 8), so that I can have feelings of hope, peace, confidence, and joy with the goal that my behavior brings you glory in all I say and do, Amen.

In the next part of this series on *Lead Yourself*, we'll look at the four behaviors to help find peace and to be faithful even when you're not in charge. 1) Lead Yourself 2) Choose Positivity 3) Think Critically 4) Reject Passivity. Join us Sunday nights for our book study at 7 p.m. for more on this topic.

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Updates from the Leadership Team

The Leadership Team - April 15, 2025

- The devotion was based on John 19:30 focus on the 3 words It is Finished.
- For our study we viewed the final chapters of the Unity Factor.
- The Leadership Team had a discussion on onboarding of new members. More discussion to follow.
- The list of elected and nominated positions was reviewed and updated. This will be voted on at the annual meeting on April 27, 2025.
- LT received Kim Kibilowski into membership via transfer from Immanuel Shirley, WI
- Pastor Enderle shared information regarding the call to serve Truth In Love Ministries in Nampa, ID. Please keep him and his family in your prayers as he deliberates the 2 calls he holds.
- LT needs to think about how we may be able to create a work area for the pastor at school.
- Recommendations from the Accreditation Team regarding a couple of items in our
 constitution around the LES and the School Boards role were brought forward. The LT
 will review and bring recommended changes to the voters at a later date.
- ECM Updates: They presented their potential board names for next year. The inspection was done on April 11, 2025. Working on final rates for the program as well as policies.
- We are waiting for Tony Tasch to have the updated recommendations for the boiler system at school. It started as an issue with the gym area but upon further investigation Foremans is finding a number of other issues with the boilers. They are 20 years old and may need replacement. We need to review a 3-5 year property needs plan. We plan to act on the gym issue at the voters meeting.

• The May meeting is set for May 20th, 2025. Newly elected members will be invited to the meeting.

-Randy Loppnow (President)

Pastor Call Returned

On Tuesday, March 11 Pastor Enderle received a call to serve as a missionary with Truth in Love Ministries. Pastor Enderle returned that call to serve with Truth in Love on Friday, April 25 and will continue to serve at Morrison Zion. Thank you to everyone for their thoughts and prayers and conversations.

Baptism

On Sunday, March 30 in a private ceremony, Wynnie Charlotte Vande Hey was baptized and became a child of God. Wynnie is the daughter of Walker and Alyssa Vande Hey. We thank God for his gift of grace!

The treasurer shared reports for March balances. Income is higher partly due to a deposit from School Choice landing this month.

March Income - \$33,212
March Expenses - \$57,912
Monthly balance - (\$24,699)
Checkbook balance - \$47,443
Gen. reserve fund - \$160,962
DPI reserve fund - \$2,521
Designated funds - \$172,343
Investments - \$103,622
High School - \$766.75

Fiscal year total - \$16,871 2024-25 fiscal goal - \$13,000 Synod Mission - \$1,042 Fiscal Year Total - 21,287

Average Attendance			
		March	Yearly
Bible Study	2025	36	35
(Adult)	2024	41	36
Worship In Person	2025	235	220
	2024	347	290
Worship	2025	25	30
Online	2024	33	29

Unifying for Ministry

A video update for the ongoing work between Morrison Zion and Immanuel Shirley was shown at both congregations in February. You can watch this video with the QR Code above. You can submit questions or comments about the Unifying for Ministry by scanning the QR Code on the right.



Meditation Booklets

The new meditation booklets will be available in May for starting your daily devotions on June 1st. They are available at the entrance way of the church or by the back door going to the parking lot from the basement. The cost of the meditation booklets are approximately \$5. Donations are greatly appreciated to help cover the cost.

Communion

Please remember to register for communion using the sheets in the back of the church, elder's room or the sacristy room and in the basement. 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 palm down to let the server know you would like the gluten free wafer.

BIBLE STUDIES Grow and Keep on Growing in the Grace and Knowledge of Jesus

Foundations of Faith Class a class to review your faith and to join Morrison Zion is not currently meeting. If you are interested in starting a class please speak to Pastor Enderle

Sunday School We will have our final Sunday School lesson on Sunday, May 11 then break for the end of the school year and summer. A special thank you to Chelsea Scheider, Erv Zeamer, Ethan Hassmer for teaching and Madie Laabs, Carlissa Heling, and Kiley Hassemer for being helpers!

Sunday Morning Bible Study meets at 9:15 am in the church basement. We will continue a study on David using the book "David - Israel's Shepherd King" from the God's People Series from NPH. Books are available for free.

Sunday Night Book Discussion meets at 7 p.m. in the church basement. In May we continue the book *How to Lead When You are Not* In Charge by Clay Scroggins. Most of us aren't the boss or leader at work or school and many situations at life. How can you as a Christian lead and be a model to others? This book develops good Christian virtues and helps us remove excuses in our lives.

Women's Study Women's Bible Study will continue our "19 Minutes With the Messiah" series. We will meet on Saturday, May 10th at 9:30 at Ruth Zeamer's home. Feel free to invite a friend to join us! Any questions contact Jen Enderle at 920-372-3818.

English as a Second Language will meet Thursday, May 8 and 15 in the church basement.

Youth Group

We look forward to seeing you there for faith, fellowship, and fun! Scan the QR code above to get updates about youth group.

- Last Bible study of the year will be May 4th!

Watch Announcements for Summer Youth Groups and a Waterpark Adventure!





Cheesecake and Kringle Fundraiser

A fundraiser for the 2026 WELS International Youth Rally is available from Five Thumbs Up Bakery in Green Bay. Cheesecakes are \$45 and Kringles are \$17. Gift cards will be available for purchase from the Youth Group members or by scaning the QR Code.

Small Groups

Thank you to everyone who took part in this last session of small groups. We especially thank the hosts, the Brauns and the Ihlenfeldts. We will see how we can incorporate small groups with our next stages of Unifying for Ministry.

Planting Gosepl Seeds

In 2022 members of Zion showed in a visible way how we shared the gospel with the beautiful art in the back of church. Let's plant gospel seeds again in 2025! Please place a seed in the fields in the back of church when you talk about Jesus outside of worship. The seeds will be on each side of the double doors. We will clear off the fields before Lent begins. Pray for opportunities to share Jesus with friends and family and place a seed so we may all rejoice as the gospel spreads.

Church Band and Choir

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. Last choir rehearsal Wednesday, May 14. No church band rehearsals.

Worship committee meeting Monday, May 5 at 7 p.m.

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WORSHIP IN MAY

Easter - Because He Lives It is easy to become so engrossed in the details of historical events—who, when, where—that we miss their significance. For example, consider World War II. There are many compelling stories. Lots of dates and data to remember. However, for a moment, set all that aside, and just imagine the Allies had lost. How would the world be different today? What would life be like for those of Jewish heritage? Would freedom exist in Europe? Would we be speaking German? With historical events, you miss out if you focus only on the details: who, when, where. You also need to focus what that historical event means. The Allies won. That means something!



In this season of Easter, it is good we review the details: who, when, where. That reminds us that the resurrection of Christ is not fairytale or fable. It is a historical event. . . the historical event. However, we do ourselves a disservice if we simply recall the historic details of Easter without thinking long and hard about Easter's significance. Jesus won. That means something! It is our privilege and pleasure to use the fifty days of Easter to discuss this fact: because he lives, not only is our eternity secure, but we have abundant resources to face the present.

May 1 / 4	3rd Sunday of Easter	We Can See Things Clearly	white
	Sermon: John 21:1-14	Hymns: 455, 459, 461	
May 8/11	4th Sunday of Easter	We Know Jesus is Trustworthy and True	white
	Sermon: John 10:22-30	Hymns: 551, 552, 554, 804, 930	communion
May 15 / 18	5th Sunday of Easter	We Live Lives of Lavish Love	white
	Sermon: John 13:31-35	Hymns: 726, 469, 728	
May 22 / 25	6th Sunday of Easter	We Have Deep and Lasting Joy	white
	Sermon: John 16:16-24	Hymns: 919, 449, 557, 513	communion

Worship Notes

May 22 - 8th Grade Graduation

May 29 - Ascension

Dawn Vaughn will be serving for Altar Committee in May.

Reading for the Needy

For our final month in support of our food pantry, Grades 1-2 have a special reading challenge. We're encouraging the kids to read for others instead of for themselves. For every picture book that is read and reported, \$.25 will be donated to our food pantry in honor of our readers. (chapter books earn \$.50). If you would like to help challenge the kids to keep reading, contact Mrs. K. to arrange for any donations. (For example, you could choose a student and give a certain donation for each book they read.) At the end of the challenge, the class will be going to Festival Foods to shop with the money they earn.

Memorial Day Parade

The school's promotion committee is excited to be participating in the De Pere Memorial Day Parade this year. We would love to have members from school and church to join us as we walk and pass out invitations to our VBS. If you are interested in walking with us please scan the QR code or sign up in the church basement so we have a number for our day. Please reach out to Danielle Ripp with any questions at dani.pues27@gmail.com.



Food Pantry

We served 41 families during the April 5th giveaway. Each family received bacon, cheeses, spinach, carrots, potatoes, laundry detergent, and nonperishable items. Thank you to those who donate their extra eggs from their coops to our pantry each month! We also distribute produce from gardens during the summer months so if you have extra room in the garden you're planning, we'd be happy to distribute your excess garden bounty!

The De Pere VFW Post 2113 has organized a food drive to support 6 rural food pantries in Southern Brown County, including ours! If you see them May 1st at Kwik Trip on O'Keefe Rd in De Pere or May 2nd at Dick's Foods please thank them for including our church in their efforts!

If you or someone you know needs assistance, please call the food pantry phone #(920) 246-5435 to schedule an appointment. We serve families living within 20 miles of our church. Erin Braun, can be reached at (920) 660-9504 with any questions. Volunteers are welcome to join us for our next distribution on May 3rd! First time volunteers are welcome, you don't need to come every month to help make a difference! Set up starts at 7 am and distribution is from 8-10 am.

Food Pantry items currently low in stock are mac & cheese, jello, baking mixes, canned corn, snack items, and cereal. Donations can be placed in the shopping carts at church and school.

Scrip

Scrip is a great fund-raising tool for the church and school. Everyday purchases can result in cash back to the school or church and all you need to do is use a scrip physical gift card or e-cards through the app or website.

- Groceries: 3-4 % rebates
- Gas: 4-10 % rebates
- Restaurants: up to 11% rebates
- Fleet farm/Home Depot/Menards: up to 4% rebates

Anyone can use this- look for Rhonda between services most Sundays in the church basement. She is happy to help you get started.

We are looking for someone who would be interested in taking over the physical gift card ordering and selling starting in Summer/Fall. The process is simple, and we can teach you all you need to know. If you are interested, please contact Rhonda Heling at 920-676-6277.

Soup for Souls

Thank you to Jr and Marie Pantzlaff for doing a Thrivent Action Card and helping restock our Soup for Soul meals. Please share the love of Jesus by utilizing this ministry tool. Don't forget to grab a card that shares an encouraging message of our Saviors love for us.

Cemetery Plots

The Cemetery and Grounds committee approved increasing the cost of the lots to \$500 for members and \$750 for members at a voter's meeting held on January 26, 2025. The effective date for these costs is July 1, 2025.

Flower Fundraiser - Orders and Pick up

Morrison Zion Athletics is having a flower/vegetable fundraiser in partnership with Braun Acres to raise funds to support the ongoing costs of our athletic programs. Orders will need to be placed online using this QR code and will be accepted from April 13 - May 4. Curbside pick-up will be in the church parking lot on Sunday, May 18, from 10:30am to 12:00pm. Thanks for your support! If you have any questions, please contact Abbey Laabs at abbeymlaabs@gmail.com.

BIBLE READING PLAN FOR MAY

Thursday, May 1
Song of Songs 6
Hebrews 6
Friday, May 2
Song of Songs 7
Hebrews 7
Saturday, May 3
Song of Songs 8
Hebrews 8
Sunday, May 4
Isaiah 1
Hebrews 9
Monday, May 5
Isaiah 2
Hebrews 10
Tuesday, May 6
Isaiah 3 & 4
Hebrews 11
Wednesday, May 7
Isaiah 5
Hebrews 12

Thursday, May 8 Isaiah 6 Hebrews 13 Friday, May 9 Isaiah 7 James 1 Saturday, May 10 Isaiah 8 James 2 Sunday, May 11 Isaiah 9 James 3 Monday, May 12 Isaiah 10 James 4 Tuesday, May 13 Isaiah 11 & 12 James 5 Wednesday, May 14 Isaiah 13 1 Peter 1	
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Isaiah 13	James 5
	Wednesday, May 14
1 Peter 1	Isaiah 13
	1 Peter 1

Thursday, May 15
Isaiah 14
1 Peter 2
Friday, May 16
Isaiah 15
1 Peter 3
Saturday, May 17
Isaiah 16
1 Peter 4
Sunday, May 18
Isaiah 17 & 18
1 Peter 5
Monday, May 19
Isaiah 19 & 20
2 Peter 1
Tuesday, May 20
Isaiah 21
2 Peter 2
Wednesday, May 21
Isaiah 22
2 Peter 3

Thursday, May 22
Isaiah 23
John 1
Friday, May 23
Isaiah 24
John 2
Saturday, May 24
Isaiah 25
John 3
Sunday, May 25
Isaiah 26
John 4
Monday, May 26
Isaiah 27
John 5
Tuesday, May 27
Isaiah 28
2 John 1
Wednesday, May 28
Isaiah 29
3 John 1

Thurs	sday, May 29
	Isaiah 30
	Jude 1
Frida	y, May 30
	Isaiah 31
	Revelation 1
Satur	day, May 31
	Isaiah 32
	Revelation 2

Scan to join the online reading plan and discussions.



Vacation Bible School

Our VBS is scheduled for July 8-10. This year's theme is Magnified. We will have so much fun learning about our Savior through lessons, crafts, snacks, games, and science. Please scan the QR code to register. Reach out to Mrs. Geidel with any questions. hillary.geidel@mzls.org.



Volunteers for VBS



The Promotions Committee looking for volunteers for our VBS event this summer. The dates for VBS are July 8-10 from 9-11am. Students entering 7th grade through adults are welcome to help. These can count for any volunteer hours needed. Please scan the QR code and fill out your information if you or your child are interested in helping. You may also email Mrs. Geidel or fill out the sign up sheet in the church basement. We will reach out with updates as the dates get closer.

Child Care for 8 am Worship

We're excited to announce a trial run of childcare for 1-4 year-olds during the 8 a.m. service on select Sundays (May 18)! This is a great opportunity for parents to participate fully in the service while their little ones are cared for in a safe and nurturing environment. You can make use of this the whole service or for a part of the service like the sermon. Scan the QR Code to learn.



SCHOOL NEWS

4k and 5k Mrs. Geidal

Wow! I cannot even believe we are in our final month of school. This year has really gone by fast but we have had so much fun. This month we will wrap up our curriculums. In Bible class we will talk about the times after Jesus rose from the dead and ascension. In math, the 5K students will learn about measurement and the 4K students will learn about positional words. In reading, the 5K students will continue to learn the uppercase letters and new tricky words while reading new stories each day. The 4K students will finish up their unit on Habitats and learn the letters Y and Z. In science, we are studying chicks and we currently have 12 eggs in our classroom that will hopefully hatch the week of May 12. We are also having so much fun with our ABC countdown. Here are our days for May. J-Jelly bean math; K-Kindness; L-Letters to Mrs. K and incoming students; M-Muffins with Misses; N-New names; O-Oreos; P-Picnic outside; Q-Queen and King day(Dress fancy); R-Ride to Woodland Dunes; S-Show and Snacks; T-Travel to Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary; U-Under(work under our tables); V-Vacation(dress like you are going on vacation; W-Water Day; X-Xchange Autographs; Y-Year end cleanup; Z-Zip up and zoom out. We are excited to go on two field trips this month. Our graduation will take place on Friday, May 23rd at 11:00 in the gym. Have a wonderful summer!

1st and 2nd Grade Mrs. Kuchenbecker

Thank you to our awesome substitute teachers that kept everything rolling in our classroom while Mrs. K recovered from surgery. We spent April learning the classifications of animals and learning about the habitats that God made for them to live in. The students made models of an animal or habitat to share with our friends. We'll be visiting the NEW Zoo in May. The second graders worked hard on 3 digit adding and subtracting. The first graders felt like second graders doing 2 digit adding and subtracting. In art we enjoyed making spring crafts. The second graders have almost learned the whole alphabet in cursive writing. They enjoyed learning and writing fairy tales in language arts. All the kids have grown so much in their reading and are using their free time to read, read, read. We'll finish the year with one last reading challenge. Always lots going on in grades 1-2.

3rd and 4th Grade Mrs. Hagenow

There is a lot of excitement in our classroom as the school year winds down! The 3rd and 4th graders have worked so hard each day and learned so much this year. I am very proud of all of them! We wrap up our school year with learning about the last days of Jesus' life on this earth in Christ Light. We will be learning about shapes and angles in Math. Our last Language Arts unit has us studying Ecology which also ties in perfectly with our Science unit- God's wonderful creation of plants and animals. We are excited for our end of the year field trip where we will visit Barkhausen Waterfowl Preserve and get to wade into the marsh to look for water creatures. Please keep us in your prayers as we finish out the school year!

5th and 6th Grade Mrs. Richter

We are currently studying all fifty states and capitals. We have been working on this in class, 10 states a week. The students are working on all 50 state coloring sheets plus a cover. These will be made into a booklet.

7th and 8th Grade Mr. Geidal

God's blessings to you and happy Spring from the 7th and 8th grade classroom! In our Christ Light class, we are studying Paul's three missionary journeys and the Book of Acts. In English Language Arts we have been discussing Poetry & Poe. Math class has taken our students into basic geometry and probability with statistical analysis. In Social Studies, we have finished our final unit on Europe and have began discussing Africa.

Continue to keep our students, parents, and teachers in your prayers as we venture into the end of the school year!

Thank You!

Thank you to Tony Tasch and all the members he has recruited for helping with the various tasks around school! What a blessing to have so many people willing to use their talents to assist our school!

Thursday Park Playdates for Summer 2025

Park playdates are coming back for this summer! Meet ups are on Thursdays 10am-12pm, feel free to come early or stay later. All dates are weather permitting. The park playdates give families a chance to enjoy the outdoors in God's creation, socialize (both kids and adults), students of MZLS to hang out and play and to meet new families as well! We will be inviting local church and school families to join us for more Christian fellowship, too. Feel free to invite others to join us!

May 29 - Titletown, Ashwaubenon

June 5 - Lower Cato Falls, Reedsville

June 12 - Way-Morr Park, Greenleaf

June 19 - Schuette Park, Manitowoc

June 26 - Appleton Memorial Park, Appleton

July 3 - Josten Park, Green Bay

July 10 - Join us for VBS at school July 17 - Waupekun Park, Wrightstown July 24 - Neshota Co. Park, Denmark

July 31 - Optimist Park, Allouez

August 7 - Sherwood Park + Splash Pad, Sherrwood

Contact Jen Enderle with any questions: 920-372-3818 or jen.enderle@Outlook.com

Academic Fair Results

The students at Morrison Zion Lutheran School participated in the Lakeshore Lutheran Schools Academic Fair on Saturday, April 12tj. They were able to use their God-given talents and abilities to the fullest and were very successful in doing so.

Our Academic Bowl team made up of Carlissa Heling (8th Grade), Madeline Laabs (8th Grade), Rosemary Ruddat (8th Grade), Audra Wittig (8th) and McCoy Mathies (8th Grade) finished 6th out of 16 teams.

Charlie Dobberpuhl (7th Grade) placed 2nd out of all spellers in the Spelling Competition and McCoy Mathies (8th) placed in 3rd.

One of our Math Meet teams, Morrison#1, placed 1st out of 15 teams. This team consisted of: McCoy Mathies (8th), Audra Wittig (8th), Rosemary Ruddat (8th), Henry Baerenwald (8th), and Crosley Fields (7th). Both math teams passed the individual round and made it into the 8-team bracket play. The first round of bracket play matched up both Morrison teams. Morrison#1 consisting of McCoy Mathies (8th), Audra Wittig (8th), Rosemary Ruddat (8th), Henry Baerenwald (8th), and Crosley Fields (7th) knocked out Morrison#2 consisting of: Madeline Laabs(8th), Carlissa Laabs (8th), Gabriele Nommensen (7th), Claire Laabs (6th), Trinity Schuettpelz (6th). It was an exciting round to be able to cheer on both Morrison teams at once!

Carlissa Heling (8th) and Charlie Dobberpuhl (7th) each received 1st place ribbons for their individual forensics performances. Additionally, out of eight Science Fair projects entered, 4 of them received 1st place ribbons and the other 4 placed 2nd. God has truly blessed our students with tremendous gifts!

School Enrollment

If you know of anyone interested in a solid Christian education, please feel free to mention our school! Mr. Geidel is more than willing to set up a meeting with prospects, give them a tour, or just discuss their child's education. Our projected enrollment is around 64, and we have room for plenty more children to learn about Jesus!

2025-2026 School Year

The 2025-2026 school calendar is set with a starting date of Thursday, August 21st for grades 5K - 8th. The first day for the 4K students will be Tuesday, August 26th. The final day of school is set for Friday, May 22, 2026.

Dates to Note

- May 22 8th Grade Graduation at church 7:00 p.m.
- May 23 4K5K Graduation in the gym 11:00 a.m.
- School Picnic/Last Day of School 11:15 a.m.
- July 8-10 Vacation Bible School

Music Festival

On Saturday, April 5th, MLHS hosted the Lakeshore Music Festival. There were 214 music events happening throughout the day, 18 of which were from our school. Our school band and junior choir did not participate this year because Mrs. K was unable to attend. Our students performed solos on piano, their band instruments and vocals. We also had a vocal duet, and a vocal quartet. The students received 1 good score and all the rest excellent ratings. Congratulations to all and thanks for using your God-given gifts.

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Lil' Sprouts Learning Center - Enrollment Interest Form

We are thrilled to announce that Lil' Sprouts Learning Center's first day of operation will be September 2, 2025! We will begin officially enrolling children ages 30 months through age 5 (but not eligible for Kindergarten) on or around July 1, 2025!

If you, a friend, or relative is interested in enrolling at Lil' Sprouts, please fill out the "Interest Application" survey by scanning the QR Code to help us with planning, scheduling, and coordinating staff. You can find out more information on the website https://immanuelshirley.com/lilsprouts/ like hours and rates, so please take a moment to fill it out. Several applications have already been filled out so don't hesitate to express your interest!



Fun Day Help

Our fun day program has been such an amazing success, we do not want to see it go. With Danielle Ripp accepting the director position for the new ECM, we are looking for someone who may be interested in helping run our fun day program. You definitely would not need to do it alone. Danielle would be willing to share how she has done it and Hillary can definitely help with planning things. If this is something that interests you, please reach out to Hillary Geidel hillary.geidel@mzls.org.

Scrip

We are looking for someone who would be interested in taking over the physical gift card ordering and selling starting in Summer/Fall. The process is simple, and we can teach you all you need to know. If you are interested, please contact Rhonda Heling at 920-676-6277