

THE CHRISTIAN LIGHT

Passionate about proclaiming Christ's forgiveness to all people, Living Savior comes together as a Christian family to equip and care for all—from young to old—with the Gospel of Jesus."

Before You Were Ready

The Youth Rally keynote in three movements: *Stakes*, *Straying*, *Sent*

This summer I was asked to give the keynote at the WELS Youth Rally in Bowling Green—an arena filled with more than 1,700 teenagers. This is not my usual audience. Most of my ministry involves speaking to adults about difficult challenges facing our congregations.

So I told the teenagers up front that I was going to speak to them as emerging young adults—people who are already important to the future of their congregations. The challenge I put before them was simple and serious: young people are quietly slipping away from our churches.

The keynote was titled *Before You Were Ready*. The point was that these young men and women may not feel old enough, experienced enough, or spiritually mature enough to take part in ministry. Yet Christ has already made them his own and intends to work through them now.

Stakes - I began by helping them see what is at stake.

Every human life stretches into eternity. The only question is where that eternity will be spent. Scripture describes heaven as more beautiful and joyful than we can imagine. It also describes hell as far worse than physical suffering alone: separation from God, without hope, without love, and without end.

That eternal perspective changes the size of everything else. Things that seem enormous now—success, popularity, disappointment, rejection—will not seem so large ten thousand years from now. No one in hell will say, "But at least I got into my first-choice college." No one in heaven will look back and believe that earthly suffering outweighed the glory Christ gave them.

The point was not to frighten the teenagers. It was to be honest about the stakes—and then to make the gospel unmistakably clear.

In 2 Corinthians 5, Paul says that in Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting people's sins against them. Salvation is not a plan we must complete or a standard we must reach. It is finished work. Christ took our guilt to the cross and gave us his righteousness. He did that before we were ready, while we were still helpless to earn anything from God.

Straying - The second movement named something the teenagers are already watching happen: friends drifting away from church.

The reaction in the arena was immediate. They know the classmate who once sat beside them in confirmation class but is no longer around. They know the friend who has questions but is afraid to ask them. They know someone who did not make a dramatic decision to reject Christ; that person simply became busy, distracted, or disconnected.

Drift is usually quiet. It may begin with one skipped Sunday, then two, then a season. Jesus described seed that begins to grow but is slowly crowded out by the worries, pleasures, and distractions of ordinary life. It does not feel like leaving. It feels like being busy. But the gospel does not meet the wanderer with folded arms and a lecture.

When the prodigal son turned toward home, his father did not wait coldly at the door. While the son was still a long way off, his father saw him and ran. When one sheep wandered, the shepherd went after it and carried it home on his shoulders. (continued on page 11)

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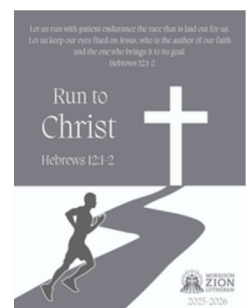
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*Our new logo is currently being developed. Read more on page 6.



Updates from the Leadership Team

The Leadership Team began our meeting with a devotion from Ephesians 4:4-6, which reminds us that there is one body, one Spirit, one hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all. As we begin this first year together as Living Savior, these words serve as an important reminder that while many things around us have changed, the most important thing has not. We have one Savior, Jesus Christ, who unites us through His life, death, and resurrection. It is His Gospel that brings us together as one family of believers and sends us out with one mission—to share His saving love with others.

For the past two years, much of the Leadership Team's work has centered on the Unifying for Ministries process. With the approval and creation of Living Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church, that important work has reached a significant milestone. As we look ahead, our focus for this coming year will be: **One Savior. One Family. One Mission.**

This theme reminds us that our identity is not found in buildings, campuses, or our past congregations, but in Christ alone. We are one church family, united by our Savior, encouraging one another in faith while carrying out the mission He has given us to proclaim His forgiveness to all people.

The teacher Installation will take place on Sunday, August 16, during joint outdoor worship before the Back-to-School Picnic. We will install all of our teachers, including those who are new to our ministry. This is a wonderful opportunity to thank God for the faithful servants who will be teaching and sharing the Gospel with our children. Please mark your calendar and join us as we pray for and encourage them.

The Leadership Team approved the transfer of membership for Jon and Kim Bare and their children from Christ Alone Lutheran Church in Thiensville, WI near Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary to Living Savior. The Bares are world missionaries in Thailand but visit family here during summers. Kim (Lemke) Bare is a daughter of the congregation. We also welcomed Jake and Alysha Klug and their children through Profession of Faith. We thank God for bringing these families into our church family. The Leadership Team also approved the release of Dan and Gail Bruegge, along with Bethany Reindl and her children, at their request. We pray God's continued blessings on them as they continue their walk of faith. *(continued on page 6)*

Wedding Rachel Ihlenfeldt, daughter of John & Sarah Ihlenfeldt, and Joey Lanera were united in marriage on Saturday, July 18 in an outdoor service at the Morrison Campus. Pastor Ben Kuerth from Divine Savior - Doral, FL presided. Rachel has served as a teacher at Divine Savior Lutheran School for the last two years and Joey was confirmed in to the Lutheran faith through class online with Pastor Kuerth. The Laneras will be living in Indiana near Chicago (similar to the Chicago Bears). God's blessings to the Lanera family!

Baptism Adelyn Verona Van Eperen, daughter of Brianna & Brett Van Eperen was baptized on Thursday, July 23 by Pastor Enderle. We thank God for his gift of grace!

Pastoral Needs Pastor Ruddat will be out of town July 30th -Aug 4th. If you need a pastor during these dates please contact Pastor Enderle (920) 949-1038. Pastor Enderle will be out of town Aug 6th - Aug 10th. Please contact Pastor Ruddat (920) 632-8632 during this time.

July Treasurer's Report

June Financial Reports for the Morrison Campus were shared and approved in June.

June Income: \$42,821

June Expenses: \$69,358

Monthly balance: -\$26,537

YTD Income: \$825,228

YTD Expenses: \$813,761

2025-26 Fiscal Balance: \$11,467

Checkbook balance: \$35,000

Gen. reserve fund: \$150,000

DPI Reserve Funds: \$2,533

Designated funds: \$172,000

Good Foundation: \$26,000

Investments: \$109,281

High Schools

June: \$922

Fiscal year total: \$19,216

2025-26 fiscal goal: \$16,000

Synod Mission

June: \$2,502

Fiscal Year Total: \$32,381

2025-26 fiscal goal: \$31,000

Average Attendance

		June
Bible Study (Adult)	2026	8
	2025	8
Worship In Person	2026	255
	2025	253
Worship Online	2026	20
	2025	28

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

Foundations of Faith Class has begun. If you are interested in becoming a member at Zion or reviewing your faith? We meet on Thursdays at 6pm at the Morrison Campus. Let Pastor Enderle know if you would like to join or just show up. Come to review your faith and invite a friend to join. Join us for worship at 7pm after study.

Sunday Morning Bible Study Please note that there will be no Sunday morning Bible class at Morrison during the summer schedule. Look for other varied Bible Study opportunities throughout the summer.

Sunday Night Book Study meets Sundays at 7pm. We continue to study the book *Vocation* written by Pastor Michael Berg. This book helps Christians find purpose and meaning in life. In September we will begin one of two outreach focused books. Either *Joining Jesus on His Mission or Tactics*. The Sunday group will decide which book in the coming weeks.

Thursday Bible Study at Shirley Campus at 3pm studying 2nd Peter starting on August 6th.

Women's Bible Study will begin again in September. Look for future announcements for more details.

Sunday School We are excited to begin another year of Sunday School in September. Look for coming announcements with details for locations and times for Living Savior Sunday School to share the love of Jesus with children. If you are interested in teaching or helping, please contact Jen Enderle at jen.enderle@Outlook.com or 920-372-3818.

Catechism Class for Public School Students

Catechism will begin this fall on Wednesdays in the church basement of the Morrison Campus. This class is for all public school students in grades 5-8. Parents or students can register using this QR code for updates and to communicate with the pastors. Pastor Enderle and Pastor Ruddat will both be involved in this class with Pastor Ruddat leading the class.



Fun Day

Fun Day is a free program to help 3 and 4 year olds (potty trained) with school readiness and grow in many areas, especially of Jesus' love! Fun Day is held in the church basement classroom at the Morrison campus on Tuesday mornings from 8:30-10:30am. Our first day will be on Tuesday, September 15th. Please scan the QR code to register. If you have any questions, please contact Jen Enderle at jen.enderle@Outlook.com or 920-372-3818.



Youth Group – Summer Bible Study Bonfires

Join us for great food and some summer fun!

Hosted by Living Savior Lutheran Church

- August 15, 6-10pm at Mrs Scray's house (with a pool!)- 5147 Langes Corners Rd, Denmark

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!

Starting 8th grade in the fall? Watch for our 8th grade welcome night in September!

Youth Group Maple Syrup

Sap collected from the trees on the Morrison Campus was made into Maple Syrup and is available in the church basement. The suggested donation for the Maple Syrup is \$12. We are thankful for Brad Hassemer who collected the sap, and Russell Lemke & Eric Cappelle who made the syrup and bottled the syrup.

WORSHIP IN AUGUST

In August we continue The Season after Pentecost finishing our series **What Makes Christians Different**. The Bible says Christians are different. Christians are people who believe in Jesus as their Savior. But they often look the same as those who do not believe in Jesus. How are Christians different? The answer is often something internal, attitudes or perspectives that come only from the work of the Holy Spirit in Word and sacrament. Ultimately, Christians are people who run to Christ for forgiveness because they have failed to live perfect lives. As we receive the mercy of Christ, it moves us to strive with all our being to do all the things that Jesus says Christians do, things that make Christians different.

The Season of Pentecost - What Makes Christians Different				
July 30/Aug 2	10 th Sunday after Pentecost	Christians Trust God to Provide		Green
	Sermon: Matthew 14:13-21	Hymns: 517, 602, 603, 617		<i>communion</i>
Aug 6/9	11 th Sunday after Pentecost	Christians Answer Doubt with Faith		Green
	Sermon: Romans 8:28-29	Hymns: 849, 847, 832, 819		

In August we will begin the series **Unexpected Truths**. The opening lines of the United States Declaration of Independence boldly assert that certain truths are “self-evident”—truths accessible to human reason and widely recognized by observation of the world. Among these are that all people are created equal and possess unalienable rights such as life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. The founders appealed to principles they believed reasonable people could recognize simply by reflecting on human nature and justice. These truths were meant to be obvious, clear to the mind, and persuasive in the public square.

Lutherans, however, note that the most important truths revealed in the Bible are not self-evident at all. In fact, they frequently appear surprising or even contrary to human expectations. Scripture teaches that humanity is not naturally good but deeply sinful. It declares that salvation cannot be achieved through human effort but comes entirely by God’s grace. Most unexpected of all is the message that God brings forgiveness and eternal life through the suffering and death of Jesus Christ.

Biblical truth is revealed by God rather than discovered by reason alone. While some truths may seem obvious to human judgment, the truths of the Bible are often unexpected.

The Season of Pentecost - Unexpected Truths				
Aug 13/16	12 th Sunday after Pentecost	The Church is for All (8/16 Outdoor at Morrison)		Green
	Sermon: Ephesians 2:13-22	Hymns: 854, 855, 861, 675, 510, 570		<i>communion</i>
Aug 20/23	13 th Sunday after Pentecost	The Son of Man is God		Green
	Sermon: Matthew 16:13-20	Hymns: 581, 510, 519		
Aug 27/30	14 th Sunday after Pentecost	Cross Comes Before Crown		Green
	Sermon: Romans 8:18-25	Hymns: 867, 694, 812		
Sharon Pischke is serving for Alter Committee in August.				

Music in the Park - Youth Group Concessions - August 25

Due to several cancelations from weather, a Music in the Park at Way-Morr Park has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 25 at 6-8pm. The Youth Group will be hosting the concessions. Come out for good music, ice cream, and to support the Youth Group. Youth group families and others who are interested in helping setup or serve please contact Kelly Ruddat at kruddat@gmail.com.

School Choice Application

The next application period for applying for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program will run August 1 -August 20. If you wish to know more information or are wondering if you are eligible, contact Mr. Geidel anytime!

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August 2026

Morrison Zion Lutheran School

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 Worship <i>Communion</i> 8am Morrison Child Care 9:45am Shirley <i>Commons reserved</i> 7pm Book study Morrison	3	4 6:30pm School Board Meeting	5 5pm Golf at Wander Springs 6pm Music in the Park-Area schools focus	6 Park Playdate Way-Morr Park, Greenleaf 3pm Bible study Shirley 7pm Worship Morrison	7 WELS Night at the Brewers	1 Food Pantry 7am set up Hours 8-10am 8
9 Worship 8am Morrison 9:45am Shirley Open Forum Shirley	10	11	12 5pm Golf at Wander Springs	13 Park Playdate Quarry Park, De Pere 3pm Bible study Shirley 6pm Foundations of Faith - Morrison 7pm Worship Morrison <i>Communion</i>	14	15 6pm Youth Group Bonfire at Scray's home
16 Outdoor Worship <i>Communion</i> 10am @ Morrison Back to school picnic to follow 7pm Book study Morrison	17 6:30pm ECM Meeting Shirley 7:15pm Fellowship Hall reserved Shirley	18 7pm Leadership Team Meeting Morrison	19 School Audit-Kerber Rose 5pm Golf at Wander Springs	20 3pm Bible study Shirley 6pm Foundations of Faith Morrison 7pm Worship Morrison	21	22
23 Worship 8am Morrison 9am-12pm Drop off day at school 9:45am Shirley Voters Meeting Shirley 7pm Book study Morrison	24	25 6pm Music in the Park Youth Group Concessions	26 5pm Golf at Wander Springs	27 School begins for grades 5K-8 3pm Bible study Shirley 6pm Foundations of Faith Morrison 7pm Worship Morrison	28	29
30 Worship 8am Morrison 9:45am Shirley 7pm Book study Morrison	31	September 1 School begins for PreK 6:30pm School Board meeting Morrison	2 5pm Golf at Wander Springs	3 3pm Bible study Shirley 3:30pm Faculty & staff meeting 6pm Foundations of Faith Morrison 7pm Worship Morrison	4	5 Food Pantry 7am set up Hours 8-10am

Living Savior Leadership Team Update - Continued from page 2

Financially, the Leadership Team reviewed the preliminary financial results for the previous fiscal year. Final year-end reports will be reviewed and approved at our August meeting. As Living Savior continues its first year, we are also working to combine resources and operations where appropriate. The

Leadership Team approved Church Mutual as our insurance provider for the coming fiscal year.

The Leadership Team also reviewed enrollment projections for Living Savior Lutheran School and continues to discuss future plans for the school's boys' and girls' restrooms to determine the best long-term solution for both the school and church ministries.

The LT also discussed the need for air conditioning in the Lil Sprouts classroom at the Shirley Campus. Additional information and recommendations will be reviewed during our August meeting before any decisions are made.

Please mark your calendars for two important upcoming meetings. An Open Forum will be held on Sunday, August 9, followed by the Voters' Meeting on Sunday, August 23. Both meetings will take place following the 9:45 a.m. worship service at the Shirley Campus. Topics currently planned for discussion include the worship schedule for the coming year and the possible approval of air conditioning for the Shirley Campus.

As always, thank you for your continued prayers, encouragement, and support. As Living Savior begins this new chapter, we remain thankful that, through Christ, we are One Savior, One Family, One Mission.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Scheider - President

Living Savior Lutheran Church is the new name for unified ministries of Morrison and Shirley. Our school will remain Morrison Zion until the 27-28 or 28-29 school year. This is due to how we are restructuring our budget and for school choice purposes.

Living Savior Logo

A logo for our unified ministry is being developed by Corissa Nelson, a WELS artist who has worked with numerous churches and WELS organizations. You can find her work at www.corissanelsonart.com

Online Giving - One time and recurring option.

Our unified ministry will be using the Church Center App. There is a simple way to give online through this app. If you connect your checking account the fee is \$0.30 per transaction while credit card fees are less than 3%. You can choose to pay the fee yourself to help save the church the cost. We are asking those who use Vanco giving to switch to Church Center since there is no yearly fee and the per giving fee is also less. Please speak to Pastor Enderle if you would like assistance in switching from Vanco. Scan the QR code to support our Gospel ministry. You can give to several funds at the same time and set recurring monthly or weekly gifts.



Sweet Corn Fest – Coming Soon!

Greetings from the MLHS Academic Voucher Committee,

The MLHS “Sweet Corn Fest” is almost here! Our congregation will receive fresh-picked corn sometime between August 8 and August 22. Watch for more details in upcoming bulletins and newsletters.

Proceeds from this effort support the MLHS Academic Voucher Program, which has awarded 2,456 vouchers to students in grades 5–8 who participate in the MLHS Academic Fair. Since the program began, just over \$315,000 has been awarded — much of it raised through Sweet Corn Fest. Thank you for your continued support!

Living Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church's Mission Statement

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Summer Schedule & Special Services

We are pleased to share that the schedule was approved during the April 28 Voters Meeting and will be implemented as a summer trial from May 31 through September 6. The schedule is as follows:

- Sundays:
 - 8:00 AM – Morrison Campus
 - 9:45 AM – Shirley Campus
- Thursdays:
 - 7:00 PM – Morrison Campus

Holy Communion will be offered on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Please note that there will be no Sunday morning Bible class at Morrison during the summer schedule. Look for other varied Bible Study opportunities throughout the summer.

Several special services and events are being planned throughout the summer to bring both congregations together. These include:

- **Sunday, August 16:** Joint Outdoor Worship & Back-to-School Fellowship Picnic (Morrison Campus)

Thank You

A big thank you to Corey Swanningson, Tom Soderlund, Evan Soderlund, Jeremy Wittig, and Erv Zeamer for all the work on the Morrison Campus parsonage (the Enderle's home) refinishing the hard wood floor in the living and dining room. It is beautiful! Thank you for all the time and work put into this project.

Offering Envelopes and Giving

We will begin using the name *Living Savior* going forward. Please continue to use the 2026 offering envelopes for Shirley and Morrison that you currently have. New *Living Savior* envelopes will start in 2027. We encourage you to make checks out to "Living Savior Lutheran Church" but checks made out to Immanuel Shirley or Morrison Zion will be accepted for several months.

Golf at Wander Springs

Join us at Wander Springs golf course each Wednesday evening at 5 pm. All are invited.

Power Hour



Power Hour is starting back up in September! This program is for kiddos ages 1-4 to come with their grown-up for an hour of fun. We will meet on Saturday, September 19th at 9am. Come for music, movement, a bible story, and craft! This is open to the community, so share with friends and family. Please use the link/QR code to register, so we can plan materials accordingly.

Contact Jen Enderle at jen.enderle@Outlook.com with any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

College/Military Addresses

If you know of college students away from home this year, please share information concerning their new address with secretary Jackie Zeamer. We would like to have them receive updates from our church and also be connected with local ministries.

Parents you can register your college student to receive free devotionals and other Bible Study resources by scanning the QR Code or following this link
<https://data.wels.net/CampusMinistryForms/Referral>.



Food Pantry

We served 24 families during the July 4 giveaway. Each family received ground beef, cheese, eggs as available, peppers, strawberries, spinach, and nonperishable and hygiene items. We are happy to distribute any excess of garden veggies you may have during our next giveaway, please put in the basement food pantry fridge/counter area or drop off during the 7-8 am set up on August 1st. Thank you!

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 August 1st! Set up starts at 7 am and distribution is from 8-10 am.

Child Care for 8 am Worship - 1st and 3rd Sunday

Childcare for 1-4 year-olds continues during the 8 a.m. service on the first and third Sunday of each month. 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. Please speak to Corey Swanningson (920-241-2762) cswanningson@gmail.com if you have questions or if you can help volunteer.

SCRIP

Our SCRIP program currently has a special opportunity available! At this time, we have two \$250 Walmart gift cards on hand and ready for purchase. These larger denomination cards are perfect for stocking up on household essentials, groceries, or back-to-school items while supporting our school.

If you are interested in purchasing one (or both) of these gift cards, please reach out. Thank you for your continued support of our SCRIP program! You can also order from raiseright.com by scanning the QR Code and using Enrollment Code LCE5EE7B2774L

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Soup for Souls

Soup for Souls has restocked free meals at the school and church! These meals are available to anyone in need and are a wonderful way to share the love of Jesus with others. Current meals include: Mashed potatoes and shredded beef, lasagna, and Mac n cheese.

"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you." — John 15:12

Forward in Christ

The magazine from the synod filled with Bible studies, stories of faith and gospel ministry can be picked up at church. August has arrived. A yearly donation of \$20 is welcomed. If paying by check make payment to Living Savior Lutheran Church.

The Meditations The August 30-November 28 will be available mid August and in the racks at the entrance of church and in the basement entrance from the back parking lot. Large print books are also available. A \$5 donation is appreciated.

Aluminum cans can be dropped off in the barn behind the teacherage. The cans are brought in and the donations are put towards Youth Group events.

Bible Reading Plan for August

Saturday, Aug 1 Matthew 21:1-22 I Chronicles 1	Saturday, Aug 8 Matthew 24 I Chronicles 9-11	Saturday, Aug 15 Matthew 27:1-26 I Chronicles 24-26	Saturday, Aug 22 I Corinthians 4-5 II Chronicles 10-14	Saturday, Aug 29 I Corinthians 10:23-11:34 II Chronicles 29-31
Sunday, Aug 2 Matthew 21:23-46 I Chronicles 2-4	Sunday, Aug 9 Matthew 25:1-30 I Chronicles 12-14	Sunday, Aug 16 Matthew 27:27-66 I Chronicles 27-29	Sunday, Aug 23 I Corinthians 6 II Chronicles 15-17	Sunday, Aug 30 I Corinthians 12:1-11 II Chronicles 32-33
Monday, Aug 3 Matthew 22 I Chronicles 5	Monday, Aug 10 Matthew 25:31-46 I Chronicles 15-16	Monday, Aug 17 Matthew 28 II Chronicles 1-3	Monday, Aug 24 I Corinthians 7 II Chronicles 18-21	Monday, Aug 31 I Corinthians 12:12-13:13 II Chronicles 34-36
Tuesday, Aug 4 Proverbs 15:1-11 Psalm 96-100	Tuesday, Aug 11 Proverbs 15:12-24 Psalm 101-103	Tuesday, Aug 18 Proverbs 15:25-33 Psalm 104-105	Tuesday, Aug 25 Proverbs 16 Psalm 106	
Wednesday, Aug 5 Grace day/off	Wednesday, Aug 12 Grace day/off	Wednesday, Aug 19 Grace day/off	Wednesday, Aug 26 Grace day/off	
Thursday, Aug 6 Matthew 23:1-12 I Chronicles 6-7	Thursday, Aug 13 Matthew 26:1-35 I Chronicles 17-20	Thursday, Aug 20 I Corinthians 1-2 II Chronicles 4-6	Thursday, Aug 27 I Corinthians 8-9 II Chronicles 22-24	
Friday, Aug 7 Matthew 23:13-39 I Chronicles 8	Friday, Aug 14 Matthew 26:36-75 I Chronicles 21-23	Friday, Aug 21 I Corinthians 3 II Chronicles 7-9	Friday, Aug 28 I Corinthians 10:1-22 II Chronicles 25-28	



Scan to join the
online reading
plan and
discussions.

Reformation Bible Reading Plan

Join us in 2026 in a new Bible Reading Plan for reading the Bible in 1 year. This plan strives to have gospel predominate. It will mix up Proverbs and Psalms to be read once a week and gives a day of grace each week. Scan the QR Code to join and discuss or use the printed plan to follow along at home.

Lil' Sprouts

July Update Lil's Spouts ministry has been blessed as Emily Bublitz has started her work as ECM Director. The ministry continues to be blessed with 17 students. We thank Alec Otto, Danielle Ripp, Pastor Ruddat and others who have helped her with her transition here. Ms. Bublitz will be installed along with the Morrison Zion Lutheran School called workers on Sunday, August 16. Thank you also to the Lil' Sprouts staff Harmony Baril, Carla Phillips, and Janet Doyen for all their work.

You can purchase items for donation directly from our Amazon Wishlist at https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3DDGP4P39ZD5W?ref_=wl_share



Thursday Park Playdates for Summer 2026

Park playdates are such a great time for the kids and adults!! Meet ups are on Thursdays 10am-12pm, feel free to come early or stay later and eat a picnic lunch. 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! Please invite other families to join us! We will be inviting local church and school families to join us for more Christian fellowship, too.

August 6: Way-Morr Park, Greenleaf

August 13: Quarry Park, De Pere *updated

August 20: Brown County Fair *updated

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



SCHOOL NEWS

4K/5K News

Mrs. Geidel

Welcome Back!! I am so excited to be welcoming 18 students into our classroom this year. The room will have 11 kindergarten friends and 7 preschool friends. What a blessing!! Current families, you should have received an email about signing up for home visits. Please let me know if you have any questions. The first couple weeks will include lots of routine learning and rules of the school. We love learning these things all while beginning our curriculum work. Have a blessed school year!

School Registration: At this time of writing we are anticipating 58 students for the 2026-2027 school year. If you know of someone in the area that is looking for a fantastic Christian education, please get them in contact with Mr. Geidel, we only have two openings remaining in our 4K & 5K classroom!

Teachers will call soon for “home visits” which will be conducted as each family sees fit. School registration paperwork this year is all done online through TADS and is due by the end of July. Please contact Mrs. Zeamer at jackie.zeamer@mzls.org if you need additional arrangements.

Students can also bring in their school supplies on August 23rd after worship between 9am-12pm.

On Sunday, August 16th, we will host our annual Back-to-School Game Day. We look forward to everyone joining us!

New at School: We have been busy getting ready for the new school year. Ms. Bigelow and Ms. Bublitz are busy preparing for their roles at Lil’ Sprouts and Morrison Zion Lutheran School. Make sure you introduce yourself to them when you see them at church or school.

Thrivent Choice: If you are giving your Thrivent Choice dollars to church or school, thank you! If you have not done this, please consider designating your choice dollars. This needs to be done quarterly. Please call Thrivent if you have any questions.

School Notes:

- Thank you to everyone who has helped clean or maintain our school!
- Thank you to the Maintenance Committee for their work repairing items around school this summer.
- The first day of school for 5K-8th grade is Thursday, August 27th. The first day of school for 4K is Tuesday, September 1st.
- Picture day is Thursday, September 3.

Helpers needed for the 2026-2027 After School Care/Wrap Care Program at Morrison School: We are currently looking for a few dedicated individuals to join our team and support the After School Care/Wrap Care program, which already has 10 students signed up. This is a paid position, with opportunities available Monday through Friday from 3:15pm to 5:30pm. Even if you can assist just a few days a week, your help would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to work this service please contact Mr. Geidel at jacob.geidel@mzls.org.

It’s Back! Save the date for A Morning with my Grandpals on Saturday, September 12 from 9-11am!

This is a morning when children can bring a grandparent or older pal to enjoy games, snacks, a devotion, and show their special guest their classroom. This event is also open to the community to come and enjoy the morning and check out our school. Please use the QR code to register so we can plan accordingly. Hope to see you there!



(continued from cover article - page 1) The message for a straying friend is not merely, "Try harder." It is this: the door is open. The Father wants you home. Christ has already done everything necessary to bring you back.

Sent - The final movement was the sending.

The theme of the rally was Christ Through Us. Of those three words, through may carry the most weight. God does the saving work. God creates faith through his Word. Yet he chooses to carry that Word through ordinary people—and often through people who do not feel ready.

He worked through David, a shepherd boy too young to be taken seriously, when he faced Goliath. He worked through a young servant girl, taken captive far from home, who spoke one faithful sentence and pointed Naaman toward the God who could heal him. He worked through Mary, a young woman in Nazareth who trusted God's promise and carried the Savior of the world.

None of them looked qualified in the usual sense. Readiness was never the requirement. God's promise and calling were enough.

So I told those teenagers what I now want to tell you: you were sent before you were ready because Christ was ready for you first.

You do not carry the gospel because you have every answer or because your faith never struggles. You carry it because Christ has reconciled you to God, claimed you in baptism, and entrusted his message to you. You may feel too young, too old, too uncertain, or too ordinary. Christ has always done extraordinary work through ordinary believers.

An invitation—and a request

Out of the rally, we built a simple thirty-day plan at beforeyouwereready.com (QR Code above). Each day includes a brief devotion, a prayer, and one practical step. There is nothing to install and nothing to sign up for—just thirty unhurried days, an open Bible, and a willingness to let Christ shape how you live for the people around you.

It was created for the teenagers in that arena, but it was never meant only for them.

So here is my request: begin it yourself. Better yet, do it beside a young person in your life—a child, grandchild, student, neighbor, or friend. Use it as a family, a small group, a youth group, or a Bible class.

You were sent before you were ready. You have been reconciled to God and welcomed home. And now, like a servant girl with one faithful sentence, you have the privilege of pointing someone else toward the God who saves.

Christ through us.

- Pastor Jonathan Hein (WELS Congregational Service Coordinator)

Living Savior invites you begin this 30 day devotional together on Monday, August 10.

Scan the QR code or go to beforeyouwereready.com



MLHS -2026-2027 School Year Host

Dear Lancer Families,

It's almost August! And hard to believe that classes will start in a few weeks and maybe you're starting to think about it. As we look to the start of the year, we are still in need of host families for 3 international students this school year. Mrs. Ruediger and I have visited several of the congregations this summer, so perhaps you know. But it's also the summertime when many are away.

Typically, our host families are families who have their own children as current students. It makes sense. It's easier to get to school and work with athletic and fine arts schedules, etc. Host families receive \$800 per month for 10 months to host international students, as we recognize the need to feed, house, and transport the students. Your commitment then is mostly of time, Christian love, and patience so that our domestic students can be exposed now to the reality of the "every nation, tribe, language, and people," that will be gathered around the Lamb's throne on the Last Day, and that the international students that come are grounded in the saving gospel of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation.

If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Ruediger -- rruediger@mlhslancers.org.

Pastor Jason Hacker -- President 920-682-0215 Ext. 501

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Open Forum and Voters Meeting An open forum will be held Aug 9 after 9:45 am worship at the Shirley campus with a voters meeting on Aug 23. We will give updates about the Living Savior unification, worship times, and other items related to the ministry and mission of Living Savior. Please join us to discuss any questions you may have and to stay updated on our united mission.

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and *care* for all—

from young to

old—with the

Gospel of Jesus."

School and Church Picnic We are looking for help with our school and church picnic on Sunday, August 16. If you are able to bring a dish to pass and your last name between A-K, please bring a dessert. Last names of L-Z please bring a side salad/dish. We appreciate your help to make this a wonderful time of fellowship and we prepare for the school year ahead.

Helpers needed for the 2026-2027 After School Care/Wrap Care Program at Morrison School:

We are currently looking for a few dedicated individuals to join our team and support the After School Care/Wrap Care program, which already has 10 students signed up. This is a paid position, with opportunities available Monday through Friday from 3:15pm to 5:30pm. Even if you can assist just a few days a week, your help would be greatly appreciated. If you are able to work this service please contact Mr. Geidel at jacob.geidel@mzls.org.

New Church App Scan the QR code to download the *Living Savior Church Center*

App for Morrison and Shirley. This app will allow you to check in for worship, update membership information, give offerings online, join groups, and stay informed about events like Bible Studies and more!



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School Choice Application

The next application period for applying for the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program will run August 1 -August 20. If you wish to know more information or are wondering if you are eligible, contact Mr. Geidel anytime!