

Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. Please sign our guest book near the double door front entrance. Restrooms are in the basement near the steps in the back of the church.

Today we gather together in the very presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and the Sacraments. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of all of our worship.

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 296 (23, 273) **Bible Study:** 73 (3, 3, 41, 8, 10, 8) **Youth Study:** 13

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| Thursday | 8:30 p.m. | Adult Christ Light Bible Study, basement |
| Sunday | 8:00 p.m. | Adult Christ Light Bible Study, basement |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Worship |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Sunday School |
| | 6:30 p.m. | His Word—My Life Class, basement |
| Monday | 7:00 a.m. | His Word—My Life Class, Cindy's Café |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Youth Group Bible Study, school |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Worship Committee, church basement |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Building Committee, school |
| Tuesday | 2:00 p.m. | Bible Study, church basement |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Elders Meeting |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Church Council |
| Wednesday | 4:30 p.m. | Confirmation Class |
| | 5:30 p.m. | Bible History Class |
| | 6:30 p.m. | New Life in Christ Class |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Band |
| | 8:15 p.m. | Choir |
| Thursday | 7:30 p.m. | Worship with Communion |
| | 8:30 p.m. | Adult Christ Light Bible Study, basement |
| Friday | | Volleyball Tournament at MLHS |
| Saturday | 8:30 a.m. | Season of Life Workshop, FVL |
| Sunday | 8:00 p.m. | Adult Christ Light Bible Study, basement |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Worship with Communion |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Sunday School |
| | 10:00 a.m. | Open Forum |
| | 6:30 p.m. | His Word—My Life Class, basement |



Communion is a part of worship today. Because God speaks of communing together as an expression of unity in faith we practice close communion. All WELS members are welcome to commune with us. Visitors, please speak with the pastor or an elder before communing.

It has pleased our Heavenly Father to call the soul of Ervin Loeh to his eternal home. Ervin went to heaven on Saturday, September 30. He received a Christian Funeral on Wednesday, October 04. Please remember those who mourn in prayer.

His Word—My Life Bible Study will continue *A Study of World Religions* this week. Join us Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement or Monday at 7:00 a.m. at Cindy's Café.

Youth Group Bible Study will meet Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the school basement. Open gym will follow.

Growing, Building, Together, In CHRIST Sunday morning after worship Erv Zeamer, one of the appeal chairmen, will address the congregation. We have recruited 36 telephone callers. The telephone callers training meeting will be Monday, October 14 at 7:30 p.m. Thank you for your service to the Lord and his people!

Tuesday Bible Study continues its study of The Smalcald Articles. Please join us Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. Children are welcome.

Adult Christ Light meets Thursday after worship and on Sunday at 8:00 a.m. Please join us as we study the Bible history stories the children of the congregation will study next week.

Open Forum All members are welcome to join us next Sunday after worship for an open forum to prepare for the voters meeting on Oct. 22.

Saturday, October 21 at 8:00 a.m. there will be a **Work Day** at church and school to complete various projects. On this day **Bread of Life** will also meet at 9:00 a.m. We will make pizza to take home and pizza for the **Parent/Player Volleyball game** that will be at 11:00 a.m.

The Christian Life Resource Convention Oct 26- 28 (Blue Harbor Resort, Sheboygan) are in need of volunteers to work in the "CLR Store," assist with Registration, or help direct people during the breaks from the workshops to the lunch area, etc. Any time you can give would be greatly appreciated! Please contact Linda Berezowitz at 1-800-729-9535.

Questions/Comments about our congregation may be directed to:

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18th Sunday After Pentecost
October 5 & 8, 2006

Peace Through Jesus
Know it. Live it. Share it.

Prayer before worship

Lord, you are beyond my understanding. Help me rejoice in what I do understand; you love me and have taken away my sins. Amen

Lessons are on the back cover

Preservice Music

Kara Schultz

Service

Word and Sacrament (p. 36)

Personal Preparation for Holy Communion

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Hymns:

472, 486, 309, 523, 510

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, you call us to work in your kingdom and leave no one standing idle. Help us to order our lives by your wisdom and to serve you in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 31 (p. 77)

Special Music: Pre-K – K

Come Follow Me
(after Gospel)

Sermon: Jeremiah 11:18-20

God Tests The Heart And Mind

For Faithful Obedience
For Trusting Obedience

18th Sunday after Pentecost: Series B

Jesus has called us to take up our cross and follow him. This is not natural for us. We do not want to face the attacks of those who despise God. We are not eager to live to God's glory. We often want to serve for our own glory instead of God's glory. The only way we are able to walk faithfully with our God is through his power that comes to us in Word and sacrament.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 11:18-20

Because the LORD revealed their plot to me, I knew it, for at that time he showed me what they were doing. I had been like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter; I did not realize that they had plotted against me, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree and its fruit;
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
that his name be remembered no more."

But, O LORD Almighty, you who judge
righteously
and test the heart and mind,
let me see your vengeance upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 31 (p. 77)

Second Lesson: James 3:13-18

Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom. But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. Such "wisdom" does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, of the devil. For where you have envy and self-

ish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. Peacemakers who sow in peace raise a harvest of righteousness.

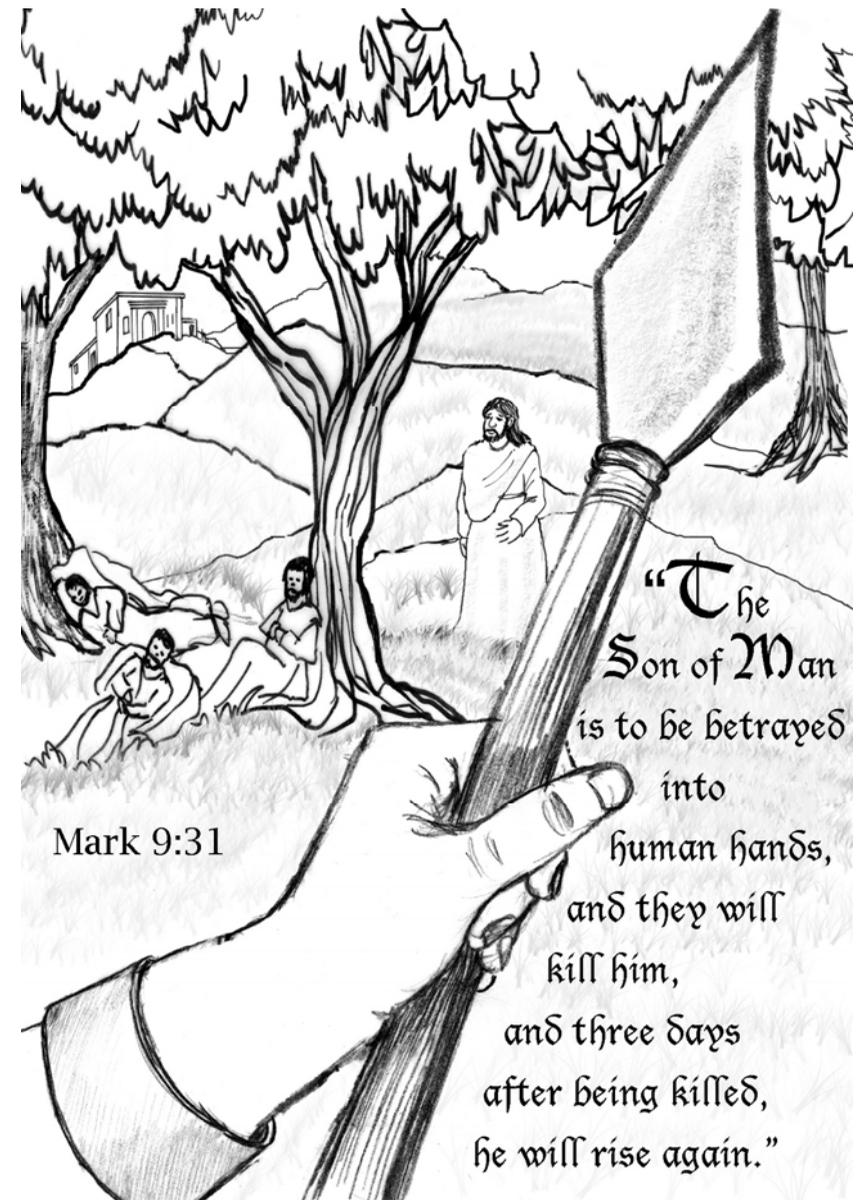
Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise." But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it.

They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and the servant of all."

He took a little child and had him stand among them. Taking him in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."



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