Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. Please sign our guest book near the kitchen gym entrance. Restrooms are located in the hallway outside the gym.

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.

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Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship:

New Year's Eve:

New Year's Day:

Bible Study:



Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School 1-2 grade room
	10:00 a.m.	Ladies Aid, 3-5 grade room
	7:30 p.m.	His Word – My Life Bible Study
Monday	7:00 a.m.	His Word – My Life Bible Study
-	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study
	7:30 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting, church basement
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study, church basement
2	7:00 p.m.	Elders Meeting
	7:30 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	4:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class
-	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class
	7:30 p.m.	Band
	8:15 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Worship with Communion, gym
-	8:30 p.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, gym
Friday	5:30 p.m.	Basketball vs. Bethany at home
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Bread For Life Bible Study
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, 6-8 grade room
	9:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion, gym
	10:00 a.m.	Athletic Association Meeting, 6-8 grade room
	6:30 p.m.	His Word – My Life Bible Study, basement

Instalation of the Church Council will be after the offering on Sunday.

Sunday School will meet Sunday morning after worship in Mrs. Kuchenbecker's room.

Ladies Aid will meet in Mr. Humann's room after worship.

His Word—My Life Bible Study will meet this week. We will continue our study, *The Ideal Congregation in the Light of Holy Scripture*, by look-

ing at "The Ideal Congregation Contributes Generously to God's Work." 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 will meet Monday at 7:00 p.m. Eight graders are welcome to join us!

Tuesday Bible Study will meet this Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. in the church basement. We will begin a study on the WELS North American Outreach Bible Study, *Proclaim Peace Through Jesus*, by studying Ephesians 5. Please join us.

Adult Christ Light Bible Study Next week we will study "*The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant*." We meet Thursday at 8:30 p.m. in the gym and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in Mr. Muchka's room.

Bread For Life Bible Study will meet next Saturday, January 13 at 9:00 a.m. not on the 20th as it is listed on the church calendar. If you plan on coming please let Paula Ott know by Wednesday so she can pick up the ingredients for the meal that will be made.

Pictorial Directory A letter introducing you to our new pictorial directory will be on the table in the back of the gym this Sunday. They are arranged alphabetically. Please pick up your letter as you leave.

Worship In The Gym After worship we will need help in taking down the chairs and putting things away. Please help if you are able. Coffee and cookies will be available at the serving windows of the kitchen. Thank you for your help!

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

Lord, you make yourself known through your teaching and miracles. Touch my heart through your powerful Word today. Amen

THURSDAY

Service: Evening Prayer (p. 52)

Hymns: 291, 89, 91:3,5

Psalm Prayer

Lord God, you anointed your Son to be king for the sake of your Church. Help us, as members of his kingdom, to serve him faithfully and to come to the full knowledge of his grace and glory, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Psalm of the Day:

Psalm 2 (p.65)

Sermon: Titus 3:4-7 Washed By Grace A washing of rebirth A washing of renewal

SUNDAY Service: Common Service (p. 15) Hymns: 291, 89, 294, 91:3,5

Prayer of the Day

Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the river Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

1st Sunday after Epiphany: Series C The Baptism of our Lord

Today's lessons show us the meaning of the name "Christ," the Anointed One.

First Lesson: <u>1 Samuel 16:1-13</u>

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king."

But Samuel said, "How can I go? Saul will hear about it and kill me."

The LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what to do. You are to anoint for me the one I indicate."

Samuel did what the LORD said. When he arrived at Bethlehem, the elders of the town trembled when they met him. They asked, "Do you come in peace?"

Samuel replied, "Yes, in peace; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves and come to the sacrifice with me." Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed stands here before the LORD."

But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

Then Jesse called Abinadab and had him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, "The LORD has not chosen this one either." Jesse then had Shammah pass by, but Samuel said, "Nor has the LORD chosen this one." Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him, "The LORD has not chosen these." So he asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?"

"There is still the youngest," Jesse answered, "but he is tending the sheep."

Samuel said, "Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives."

So he sent and had him brought in. He was ruddy, with a fine appearance and handsome features.

Then the LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; he is the one."

So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came upon David in power. Samuel then went to Ramah.

Psalm of the Day: <u>Psalm 2</u> (page 65)

Second Lesson: Titus 3:4-7

But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

Verse of the Day

Alleluia. You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased. Alleluia. (Make 1:11b)

Gospel: <u>Luke 3:15-17,21,22</u>

The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Christ. John answered them all, "I baptize you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."



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