

Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. Please sign our guest book near the double door entrance. Restrooms are 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.

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

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| | Worship: 271 (22, 249) | Bible Study: 59 (6, 6, 47) |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Adult Christ Light Bible Study, 6-8 grade room | |
| | 9:00 a.m. Worship with Communion | |
| | 10:00 a.m. Sunday School, 1-2 grade room | |
| | 5:30 p.m. New Life in Christ Class, church basement | |
| | 6:30 a.m. His Word – My Life Bible Study, church basement | |
| Monday | 7:00 a.m. His Word – My Life Bible Study, Cindy’s Café | |
| | 7:00 p.m. Youth Group Bible Study, school basement | |
| | 7:30 p.m. Worship Committee, school | |
| Tuesday | 2:00 p.m. Bible Study, church basement | |
| | 7:00 p.m. Elders | |
| | 7:30 p.m. Church Council | |
| Wednesday | 4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class | |
| | 5:30 p.m. Bible History Class | |
| | 7:00 p.m. Band | |
| | 8:00 p.m. Choir | |
| Thursday | 7:30 p.m. Worship | |
| | 8:30 p.m. Adult Christ Light Bible Study, 6-8 grade room | |
| Friday | 7:30 p.m. Band | |
| | 8:00 p.m. Choir | |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m. Adult Christ Light Bible Study, 6-8 grade room | |
| | 9:00 a.m. Worship Choir Concert | |
| | 5:30 p.m. New Life in Christ Class, church basement | |
| | 6:30 a.m. His Word – My Life Bible Study, church basement | |

Communion is a part of worship today. We will commune in front of the three sections. Please exit to the right of your row and come forward and then return to your row by the opposite aisle. 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.

His Word—My Life Bible Study will conclude our study, *The Ideal Congregation in the Light of Holy Scripture*. Join us Sunday at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement or Monday at 7:00 a.m. at Cindy’s Café.

Tuesday Bible Study will meet at 2:00 p.m. in the church basement. We will continue our study, *The Service Zone*. This most recent study in the

Fifth Pew From the Front Bible Study series looks at serving in God’s kingdom. Please join us.

Adult Christ Light Bible Study will look at *Zacchaeus* next week, Please join us after worship Thursday or before worship Sunday.

New Life in Christ Class We will begin the Bible Information Class, New Life in Christ, this Sunday, at 5:30 p.m. in the church basement. If you know of anyone who is interested in joining our congregation, or learning what we teach and believe, this is the class for them. If you would like to review what you learned in confirmation class, this is the class for you. We will meet each Sunday in the church basement, from 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Please join us!

Church Renovations If you would like to see how things are progressing as the church is renovated and repainted, the doors will be open after worship. Feel free to stop and carefully take a look around. There also are pictures of the renovations on the church website.

Pictorial Directory The sign up sheets for the new pictorial directory are by the gym entrance today. Please sign up as soon as possible to get your picture taken. Picture taking will be on Thursday, March 1, Friday the 2nd, Saturday the 3rd, and Thursday the 15th.

Sunday School will not meet on February 18.

Blindmen’s Volleyball Tournament The Youth group hosted tournament will be Friday, March 9 (youth) and Saturday, March 10 (adults). Contact Mr. Muchka for more information.

Questions/Comments about our congregation may be directed to:

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| Pastor Randy Ott | 864-2348 |
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School Faculty: Brenda Kuchenbecker, Katie Muchka, Joan Wegner, Brian Humann, Rick Muchka

Today’s Organist: Beverly Leiterman

Website: www.mzluth.org **Synod Website:** www.wels.net

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6th Sunday after Epiphany

February 8 & 11, 2007

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

Service

Word and Sacrament (p. 26)

Personal Preparation for Holy Communion

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Hymns

372, 283, 315, 84, 93, 403:3

Prayer of the Day

Lord God, in mercy receive the prayers of your people. Grant them the wisdom to know the things that please you and the grace and power always to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 1 (p. 95)

Special Music: Sunday

Pre-K & Kindergarten
(after 2nd Lesson)

Sermon: 1 Cor. 15:12,16-20

Resurrection Assumptions

No Resurrection=A hopeless end
Resurrection=Hope without end

6th Sunday after Epiphany: Series C

Jesus reveals himself as the Lord who gives blessings.

First Lesson: Jeremiah 17:5-8

This is what the LORD says:

"Cursed is the one who trusts in man,
who depends on flesh for his strength
and whose heart turns away from the LORD.
He will be like a bush in the wastelands;
he will not see prosperity when it comes.
He will dwell in the parched places of the desert,
in a salt land where no one lives.

"But blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD,
whose confidence is in him.
He will be like a tree planted by the water
that sends out its roots by the stream.
It does not fear when heat comes;
its leaves are always green.
It has no worries in a year of drought
and never fails to bear fruit."

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 1 (page 64)

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20

But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men. But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Gospel: Luke 6:17-26

He went down with them and stood on a level place. A large crowd of his disciples was there and a great number of people from all over Judea, from Jerusalem, and from the coast of Tyre and Sidon, who had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases. Those troubled by evil spirits were cured, and the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.

Looking at his disciples, he said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

Blessed are you who hunger now,
for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when men hate you,
when they exclude you and insult you
and reject your name as evil,
because of the Son of Man.

"Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, because great is your reward in heaven. For that is how their fathers treated the prophets.

"But woe to you who are rich,
for you have already received your comfort.

Woe to you who are well fed now,
for you will go hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,
for you will mourn and weep.

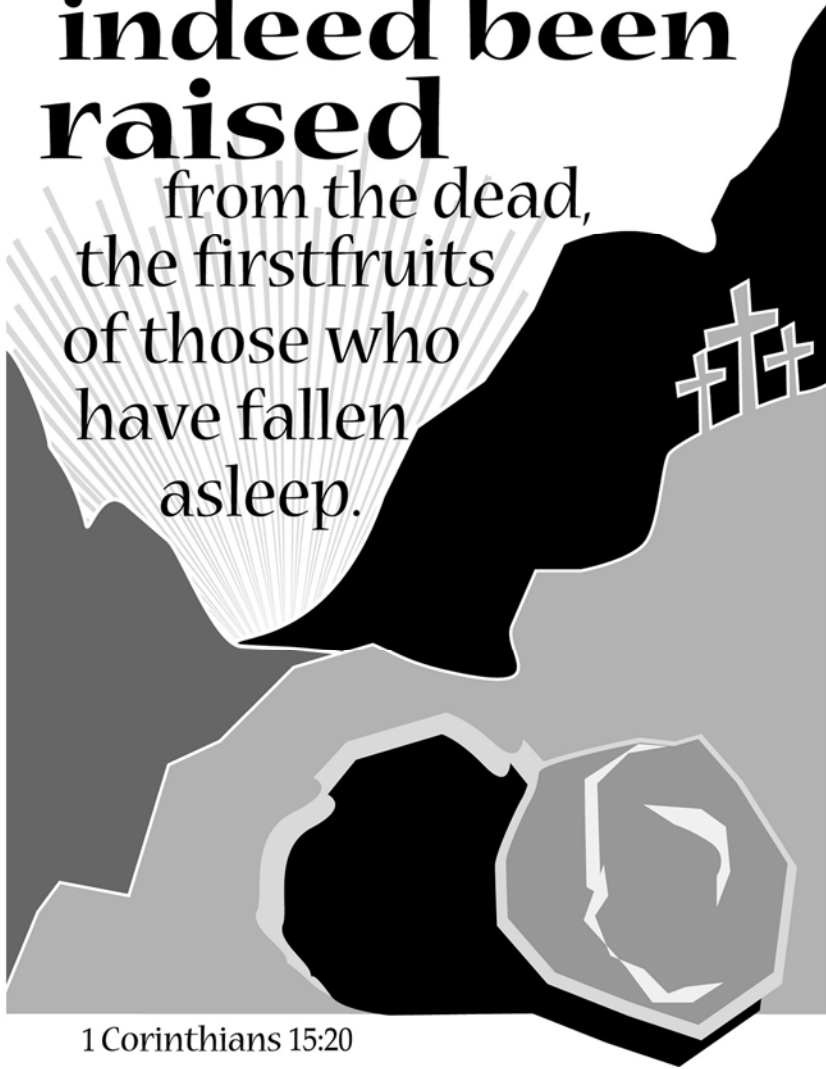
Woe to you when all men speak well of you,
for that is how their fathers treated the false prophets.

Worship in the Gym

- Please reserve the back 3 rows by the bleachers for parents and children.
- If you need a chair with arms they are in the section by the kitchen.
- Coffee and cookies will be served from the kitchen windows on Sunday.
- If you are able to help pick up chairs after worship it is greatly appreciated. The brown chairs and the padded yellow chairs go into the storage container located next to the softball field. The racks for the other chairs are located in the gym.
- The hymnals can be placed in the boxes at the tables after worship. Please put the bookmark inside the hymnal.
- Cards are available in the hallway. If you are looking for something specific please talk to Nancy Pantzlaff.
- Mail is on the table in the back of the gym.

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1 Corinthians 15:20

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