

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 330 (28, 302) **Bible Study:** 76 (6, 31, 20, 6, 5, 8) **Youth Study:** 16

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement
	10:00 a.m.	Athletic Association, church
	10:00 a.m.	Band Rehearsal, school
	11:00 a.m.	Winterfest at FVLHS (until 5:00)
	1:00 p.m.	Men’s Bible Study, commons
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study, commons
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study, church basement
	7:00 p.m.	Elders Meeting
	7:30 p.m.	Church council
Wednesday	4:45 p.m.	Confirmation Class (5 th -8 th grade)
	4:45 p.m.	Bible History Class (3 rd -4 th grade)
	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class (1 st -2 nd grade)
	8:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	1:00 p.m.	Fun Day (3-5 year olds at school)
	7:30 p.m.	Worship
	8:30 p.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement
Friday	4:00 p.m.	B girls Basketball at Brillion Boys B game 7 or 8
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement
	8:00 a.m.	Challenges and Blessings Study, commons
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement
	6:30 p.m.	His Word—My Life Class, church

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/ELS members are welcome to commune with us. Visitors, please speak with the pastor or an elder before communing.

Alleluia Banners If you would like to decorate an “Alleluia Banner” to hang in the church for the “Farewell to Alleluia” on Transfiguration Sunday, Feb. 22, they are available in the back of church as you leave today. Please return them next week. Thank you!

Athletic Association will meet after worship on Sunday.

Band rehearsal will be after worship on Sunday in the school.

Men’s Bible study will meet Sunday at 1:00 p.m. in the school commons.

His Word—My Life Bible Class will not meet this Sunday evening or Monday morning.

Tuesday Bible Study will finish the study, *The Daze Before Christmas* at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday.

Adult Christ-Light Bible Study will meet this Thursday after worship. We will also meet Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement. Join us!

Blessings and Challenges Bible Study meets Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the commons. Next week we will study, *Our Christian Response to Blessings and Challenges When We Struggle with the Desire for Instant Gratification*. Join us!

B Basketball Tournament Brackets will be available at school Monday. The B Team tournament will be at Brillion next Thursday through Sunday.

MLC Choir Housing The MLC Choir will sing in a special worship service at Zion on Friday, February 27. We will need 20-25 people willing to house choir members that evening. There is a box in basement for cash donations to purchase the food for the sack lunch we will send with choir members. There is also a sign up sheet for housing choir members and for donations for the Friday evening meal for the choir. We will also be collecting water, soda, and cookies to send along with the choir as they continue their Spring Tour. Please check the sheets out to see if there is any way you can help!

Mom’s Day Out We will go to Chuck E Cheese on Friday, February 20. We will meet at school at 9:30. We eat lunch there around 11:15. Please let Amanda Humann know by Monday, February 16 if you are planning on coming (864-7751 or humannbj@mzluth.org).

Blindmen’s Volleyball Youth Group will be hosting its annual Blindmen’s Volleyball Tournament in March. Put together a team of friends and enjoy this fun-filled weekend. The Youth Tournament is Friday, March 13. The Adult Tournament is Saturday, March 14. Sign up information is in the church basement or ask Mr. Muchka. Registration ends February 22.

Questions/Comments about our congregation may be directed to:

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Today’s Organist: Joan Wegner

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Living Hope Counseling Ministries (WELS counseling)
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5th Sunday after Epiphany

February 5 & 8, 2009



Prayer before worship

Lord, in your miracles you displayed your divine power. Open my eyes today so that I see you more clearly every day of my life. Amen

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Hymns

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Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, you sent your one and only Son as the Word of life for our eyes to see and our ears to hear. Help us to believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Special Music Sunday Pre-K-K *Jesus Lead Us Day by Day* (after the Prayer of the Day)

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 103 (p. 105)

Sermon: Psalm 103:1-18

Do Not Forget God’s Blessings
They are many
They lead to praise

5th Sunday after Epiphany—Series B

Though the call to faith is general and always miraculous in its capacity to create a willing following, it is also always individual. In this calling Jesus shows himself glorious, but hides the glory in apparent weakness.

First Lesson: Job 7:1-7

Life is often hard, and it can easily seem futile. Our hope is in the fact that God does remember us.

"Does not man have hard service on earth?"

Are not his days like those of a hired man?

Like a slave longing for the evening shadows,
or a hired man waiting eagerly for his wages,
so I have been allotted months of futility,

and nights of misery have been assigned to me.

When I lie down I think, 'How long before I get up?'

The night drags on, and I toss till dawn.

My body is clothed with worms and scabs,
my skin is broken and festering.

"My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle,
and they come to an end without hope.

Remember, O God, that my life is but a breath;
my eyes will never see happiness again.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 103 (p. 105)

Second Lesson: Romans 8:28-30

Who are the one who love God? Those who have been called to faith by him. All of their personal history he governs and uses to accomplish his own ultimate purpose of their sharing in his glory.

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Shortly after his baptism, Jesus returns to Galilee. He heals Peter's mother-in-law, as well as the sick and demon-possessed, and he makes a preaching tour throughout the region. Jesus shows that the kingdom of God has come in might and mercy.

As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told Jesus about her. So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. The whole town gathered at the door, and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Simon and his companions went to look for him, and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!"

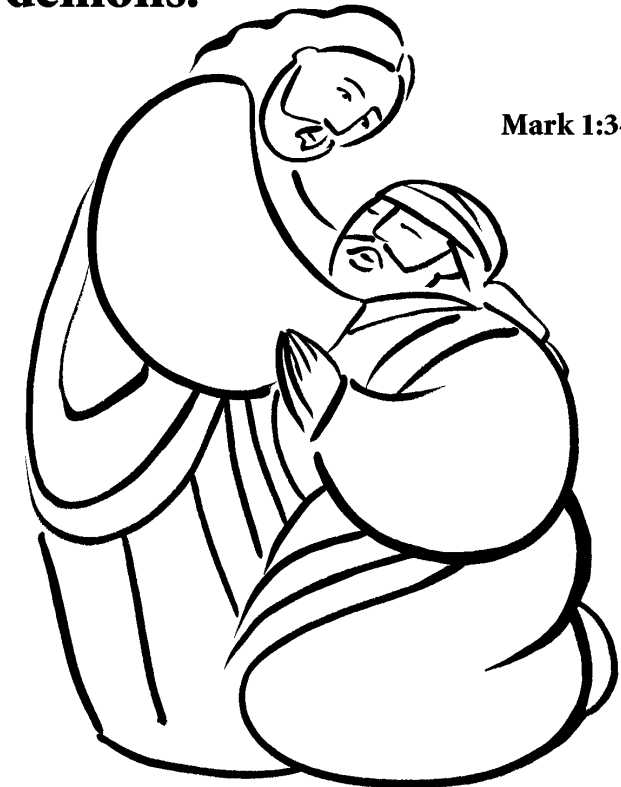
Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else--to the nearby villages--so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

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Our mission is to honor God as we help people Grow in the Gospel and Go with the Gospel

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Mark 1:34

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 basement near the double stairs.

Today we gather together in the very presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. 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.