box, there are extras by the mailboxes or speak with Nancy Pantzlaff.

**Anniversary Items** may be ordered next Sunday in the church basement. Payment is due when you place the order. Order sheets for shirts, blankets, plates, etc. are in the basement today.

Martin Luther College Band Concert On Thursday, Feb. 9 at 7:00 p.m. the Martin Luther College Band will have a concert at Manitowoc Lutheran High School

**Blindmen's Volleyball!** The Youth Group will host a Blindmen's Volleyball Tournament again this year. Youth Group teams play March 2. Adult teams play March 3. Get your friends together and sign up soon for this exciting event! Sign-up sheets are in the church basement, school commons, or you can contact Mr. Muchka at muchkarc@mzluth.org. Sign up deadline is Sunday, February 19!

**MLHS Sunday Showcase** March 4, 11am - 4pm. Great food, musical entertainment by our students and area groups, silent & live auctions, and kids games. Advance tickets are available at a discount from Paula Griepentrog.

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# Epiphany 5

Feb. 2/5, 2012

Though the call to faith is general and always miraculous in its capacity to create a willing following, it is also always individual. It comes to each in his own special or unique set of circumstances. Jesus both arranges and takes those circumstances into account when he calls us to follow him. He so rules over history that he allows and then overcomes the obstacles in each of us to heeding his call. Again he shows himself glorious, but hides the glory in apparent weakness.

Service: Evening Prayer (p. 52 Thurs.) Word, (p. 38 Sun.)

Hymns: 238, 93, 764, 353

**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.

**First Lesson**: Job 7:1-7 "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.

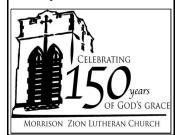
"My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and they come to an end without hope.

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



Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. . Restrooms are located in the basement. Hearing loop headphones are available from an usher.

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.



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

**Psalm Prayer**: Good and gracious God, you have compassion for the sinner, as a father has compassion for his children. Forgive the sins of your people, heal our weaknesses, and crown our lives with your love, that with all the saints and angels we may glorify you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

### Second Lesson: Romans 8:28-30

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: <u>Mark 1:29-39</u>

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.

### Sermon:

<u>Job 7:1-7</u>

Out of the Depths I Cry to You I am weak, but you are mighty I am in need, but you are my Savior

**Special Music:** *When Peace Like A River* (CWS 760, Sunday, after the offering) Grades 5-6

### Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace

Worship: 358 (23, 335) Bible Study 82 (23, 27, 15, 4, 13) Youth Study: 20

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	No Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	School Board
	7:00 p.m.	No Book Study
Monday	7:00 a.m.	Bible Study, church
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group, commons
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study, church
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Committee
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.	Bible History Class
	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	8:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	MLC Band Concert at MLHS
	7:30 p.m.	Worship
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Be My Witnesses Study, commons
	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ Light Study
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School, church basement
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, church

Sunday School will not meet this Sunday.

**Commons Bible Class** We are studying, *Go, Be My Witnesses*. This ten lesson course from the book of Acts will motivate and equip us to share the Gospel with others. God has told you to always be ready to give an answer for the hop that you have. This class is the opportunity to get yourself ready

Adult Christ Light Class will meet next Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the church basement. We will look at *Jericho*.

**The Book Study Class** will not meet this Sunday. On Sunday, Feb. 12 we will look at chapters 5-6.

**Monday Bible Class** The Christians living in Jerusalem twenty centuries ago were members of a growing congregation. Are there things which God taught them that we can study and apply to our situation? Yes! Are there timeless truths set into the biblical description of that Jerusalem congregation that we can use so that we continue to worship and work together enjoying God's blessing? Yes! That's what our next Bible study series is all about. *The Growth of the Church: A Bible Study Based on Acts 1 - 12.* 

**Tuesday Bible Class** will look at the third lesson of "Forging Our Church into a Caring Community" this Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. The lesson is entitled, *The Christian—Caring*. Join us as we grow and learn to be the gathering of believers that God desires us to be.

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