church basement if you would like to purchase either of these items.

**Geranium Sign Up Sheet** is in the basement. The cost is \$2. If you would like to help decorate the church for Pentecost by purchasing geraniums, please sign up today.

**Faith Centered WELS Singles** We are going to get in the spirit of football season a bit early this year! Join us for our last activity of the season on May 19th until we meet up again in September. We are going to and watch the Green Bay Blizzard take on the Sioux Falls Storm! Kickoff is at 7:00pm at the Resch Center. For those who would like to carpool to Green Bay, we will meet at the Ballard Road Park N Ride at 5:45pm so we can leave by 6:00 pm. Please RSVP to Meredith Toeder at (920) 265-9920 or mtoeder@gmail.com by May 13 so tickets can be purchased.

**WELS 40+ Singles** next Bible study will be Sunday, May 20, at Mount Olive on 930 E. Florida Ave, in Appleton. We will meet at 4:00 for a bible study and meeting, then we can decide where to go for supper. Any Questions email nitzlilly@yahoo.com, or phone 317-294-6269.

**Vacation Bible School** We invite you to join us as we go Back to Jerusalem and learn Gods Word! Well use a time machine called Rewind to travel back in time and learn about Jesus our Savior. We invite children ages 3 through grade 6 to participate in Bible study, crafts, games, and snacks the mornings of Monday, July 16, through Thursday, July 19. The program will run from 9:00-11:30 each day. Mark your calendars now for a week of fun and learning as we go back in time. Sign up sheets will be available soon for opportunities to help.

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6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter May. 10/13, 2012
Christ *for us* aims at visible results that show the life of Christ *in us*.
Service: Word and Sacrament (p. 26)
Hymns: 411, 377, 742, 761, 317, 491
Personal preparation for communion: p. 156
Preservice: Rachel & Leah Ihlenfeldt, Sunday
Prayer of the Day: Father of lights, every good and perfect gift comes from you. Inspire us to think those things that are true and long for those things that are good, that we may always make our petitions according to your gracious will; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Special Music:** *Hallelujah, Jesus Lives* (Sunday, after Prayer of the Day) PreK-K)

## First Lesson: Acts 9:36-42

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (which, when translated, is Dorcas), who was always doing good and helping the poor. About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!"

Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them.

Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said,

"Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called the believers and the widows and presented her to them alive. This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord.



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

Today we gather together in the 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 our worship.



## **Psalm of the Day**: Psalm 98 (p. 103)

## Second Lesson: 1 John 4:1-11

Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.

You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. They are from the world and therefore speak from the viewpoint of the world, and the world listens to them. We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us; but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehood.

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

## Gospel: John 15:9-17

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love. If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. This is my command: Love each other.

Sermon:	<b>Remain In Jesus Love</b>	John 15:9-17
	That your joy may be complete	
	That your fruit may last	

Musical Offering: Amazing Grace Bryanna Cappelle, Sunday

Communion Music: Hannah Ihlenfeldt, Sunday

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace Worship: 295 (23, 272) Bible Study: 72 (3, 18, 29, 7, 6, 9) Youth Study: 7

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study, church
Monday	7:00 a.m.	Bible study, church
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Christian Freedom Bible Study, church
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	5:15 p.m.	Bible History Class
	8:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	6:00 p.m.	New Life in Christ Class
	7:30 p.m.	Ascension Worship
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ Light Class, church basement
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Youth Rally Meeting, church
	10:45 a.m.	PreK & K graduation, gym
	11:00 a.m.	Picnic Potluck dinner, gym

**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 Pastor Ott before communing.

**Book Study Class** Sunday will finish the book *WELS & Other Lutherans* by looking at section three Sunday at 7:00 p.m.

- **Monday Bible Class** will continue the study, *Strategies for Sharing Our Faith* at 7:00 a.m. in the church basement. This week we look at "Dealing with Atheists and Agnostics". Join us!
- **Youth Group** will not have Bible class on Monday evening. Softball practice will be at 7:30 p.m. weather permitting.
- **Tuesday Bible Class** is studying Christian Freedom at 2:00 p.m. in the church basement. This week we look at "Freedom for Service." Join us!
- **Ascension Worship** Join us Thursday at 7:30 p.m. for this Special worship opportunity. Ascension is one of the minor festival of the church year. It is often called the third festival of the deity of Jesus. Please join us as we celebrate the festival!

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

**Youth Rally Meeting** All teens attending the rally and parents will meet after worship next Sunday to discuss this summer's rally.

**Parade Sign Up Sheets** are in the church basement. If you would like to help at on e of the parades this summer there are sign up sheets in the church basement. We need people on the floats and handing out information at the parades.

Church History Books and Ladies Aid Cookbooks are available in the