this week on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. We meet in the school commons.

Adult Christ Light Bible Class will meet at 8:00 a.m. in the Bible Study room in the church basement. In this class we will look at Bible Stories from the New Testament. Join us and bring the family!

Voters Meeting will be after worship next Sunday, January 20.

Thank you to Nickel Funeral Home for their donation of 2013 calendars. They are available on the table by the mailboxes, the back table in the church basement, and by the elevator. Please pick up your calendar today and take a copy along for someone unable to get to church.

Christmas Cards The theme for this coming VBS is "Christmas at Camp." We need donations of Christmas cards old or new for a craft project. If you have any cards you are going to throw away, please drop them off in the school office. Thank you in advance!

Winterfest at FVLHS is scheduled for Sunday, January 27.

Sunday Book Study will not meet this evening. Next Sunday we will begin the book *Connecting Sinai to Calvary: A Guide to the Old Testament.* The book costs \$15. Sign up sheets are in the basement. You will also find a discussion guide in the church basement.

4th annual **Men of His Word Conference** will be held at the Oshkosh Convention Center on Saturday, February 16, 2013. registration is online at www.menofhisword.org.

Retired WELS pastor, James Humann, will host a 16 day tour to China and Hong Kong, June 24-July 9, 2013. The tour leaves from the west coast and includes a 4-day cruise on the Yangtse River. Thirty three people have already enrolled in the tour, so space is becoming quite limited. For a colorful brochure describing the daily itinerary, tour conditions and costs, please email Pastor Humann at JHumann383@aol.com and include your name and mailing address or call him at 253-839-9055.

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Epiphany 1 The Baptism of Our Lord January 13, 2013

The long-expected Christ has arrived; the waiting is over as the Son of David is anointed. The Father's approval sounds from heaven and book-ends the season of Epiphany, when with the Holy Spirit and with power it thunders again on the Mount of Transfiguration as the Son is revealed in glory.

Service: Divine Service II (p. 28, CWS)

Hymns: 739, 89, 309, 88, 79, 91:3

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.

First Lesson: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

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?"

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Glorify God
as we help people
Grow in the Gospel
and
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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.

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: Psalm 2 (p. 65 CW)

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.

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."

Sermon: Messiah is Revealed
By the testimony of John
By the testimony of God

Hebrews 9:24-28

Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace: Worship: 299

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Open forum, in church
	7:00 p.m.	No Book Study
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	No Bible Class
	6:30 p.m.	Shepherding Ministry Meeting
Wednesday	5:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	5:30 p.m.	Bible History Class, grades 1-5
	8:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Worship
Friday		Basketball at home vs. Sturgeon Bay
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	New Life in Christ Class, commons
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Christ Light Class, church
	8:00 a.m.	New Life in Christ Class, commons
	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Voters' Meeting, commons
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study

Communion is a part of worship today. Because the Bible speaks of communion together as an expression of unity in faith we practice closed communion. All WELS members are welcome to commune with us. Visitors, please speak to Pastor Ott before communing. Registration sheets for communion are located in the back of church, both rooms before entering for communion, by the elevator door, and on the table in the church basement. Members, please take the time to register. Visitors, please write your name and the church you attend so we can inform them you communed.

Friendship Register Please take the time during the offering to sign the register and pass it down the pew. Thank you!

Open Forum will meet in the front of church after worship today. Items to be discussed include two services on Confirmation, staffing committee report, and any comments or questions about our ministry that you might have. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Tuesday Bible Class will not meet this week.

Shepherding Ministry Meeting will be Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. We will begin with a meal and then discuss how the ministry is going and what adjustments we may need to make. All shepherds are encouraged to attend if you are able!

New Life in Christ Class will look at "The Christian and God's Will—Part 1"