**Shepherding Ministry** The Shepherds who were unable to make the meeting can pick up copies of *The Shepherd's Voice* in Pastor Ott's mailbox in the basement. Thanks for your service to the Lord!

**New Life in Christ Class** will look at "The Christian and God's Will—Part 2" this week on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. in the 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!

Annual Reports and Membership Rosters are available in the basement.

**Ash Wednesday** is February 13. We will have midweek Lenten worship at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Soup Suppers will follow the morning service and begin at 6:00 p.m. in the evening. If you would like to make soup, bars, or help serve there are sign up sheets in the basement by the kitchen. Thanks!

**Thank you** to Nickel Funeral Home for the 2013 calendars. They are available in the basement. Please pick up a calendar today for yourself and a friend.

After worship on Feb. 3 there will be a short video about Feeding the Hungry. Out school is involved with this project at MLHS. If you wish to donate towards the project there will be a door offering as you leave.

Winterfest at FVLHS is scheduled for Sunday, January 27.

4<sup>th</sup> annual **Men of His Word Conference** will be at the Oshkosh Convention Center on Sat., Feb. 16 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. Space is becoming quite limited. For a brochure describing the itinerary, tour conditions and costs, please e-mail 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 3** January 24 & 27, 2013

Jesus reveals himself as the Anointed one with the Father's authority to proclaim himself as fulfillment of prophecy. The Word made flesh points to the Word and boldly proclaims, "Fulfillment." This bold proclamation carries joy to the very heart of the body of Christ and emboldens its members to trust in the Lord and proclaim the same.

Service: Word and Sacrament (p. 26)

Hymns: 84, 85, 740, 742, 496, 334

Prayer of the Day: Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# First Lesson: <u>Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10</u>

All the people assembled as one man in the square before the Water Gate. They told Ezra the scribe to bring out the Book of the Law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded for Israel.

So on the first day of the seventh month Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, which was made up of men and women and all who were able to understand. He read it aloud from daybreak till noon as he faced the square before the Water Gate in the presence of the men, women and others who could understand. And all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra opened the book. All the people could see him because he was standing above them; and as he opened it, the people all stood up. Ezra praised the LORD, the great God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, "Amen!

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Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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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.

Amen!" Then they bowed down and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

They read from the Book of the Law of God, making it clear and giving the meaning so that the people could understand what was being read.

Then Nehemiah the governor, Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who were instructing the people said to them all, "This day is sacred to the LORD your God. Do not mourn or weep." For all the people had been weeping as they listened to the words of the Law.

Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is sacred to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

**Psalm of the Day**: Psalm 19 (p. 70)

### Second Lesson: Acts 4:23-31

On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said to them. When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. "Sovereign Lord," they said, "you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David:

""Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord and against his Anointed One.'

Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. Stretch out your hand to heal and perform miraculous signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus."

After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

# Verse of the Day: (Sunday) Grades 1-2 *Jesus, Messiah*Jesus, Messiah, Savior, Redeemer, Sweet little baby, born to be King. Hero of heroes, Warrior of warriors. Gift of salvation - to you we sing. And nothing is too difficult for You, Lord. you are our strength and victory. By your mighty arm you rescue us from harm; Nothing is too difficult for you.

## **Gospel**: <u>Luke 4:14-21</u>

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. He taught in their synagogues, and everyone praised him.

He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. And he stood up to read. The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me

to preach good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners

and recovery of sight for the blind,

to release the oppressed,

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him, and he began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

## **Sermon:** Put Your Hope In The Lord 2 Samuel 22:26-34

### Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 315 (18, 297) Bible Study: 40 (19, 21) Youth Study 23

Sunday	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Confirmation Parents' Meeting, front of church
	7:00 p.m.	No Book Study
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Youth Group Bible Study
Tuesday	2:00 p.m.	Bible Class
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
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
	7:00 p.m.	Book Study

**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.

**Thank You** to Pastor Jon Bare for leading us in worship this morning. Pastor Bare serves the Lord and his people overseas. Please remember him and his ministry in prayer!

**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.

**Tuesday Bible Class** will meet this week. We will look at "God, Why Won't You Take Away Our Burdens?" Join us in the church basement at 2:00 p.m.