

Mt. Zion Ev. Lutheran Church



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2nd Week after Epiphany

Sunday, January 15th, 2012
Monday, January 16th, 2012

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Welcome to our family of faith! Large Print Editions of our bulletin and hymnal (Christian Worship), as well as assistive listening devices are available by asking an usher. Please feel free to ask for help or with any questions that you may have. We are glad you are here!

IF YOUR CHILDREN BECOME RESTLESS OR HAVING A BAD DAY: our church basement is equipped with a closed circuit television feed for your viewing and listening pleasure. Please feel free to join us downstairs to make use of that service if you need a place to settle the children down before returning upstairs. We are pleased to provide this service to you to help enrich your time hearing God's Word!

A FAVOR PLEASE: Please take a moment to fill out the blue attendance card found in each pew for our church records (guests and members alike). On Sunday, the cards will be collected right after the offering baskets have been passed through (in the 2nd basket that will come around); on Monday, please drop the card in the offering basket as it comes around. Thanks for your help!

BIBLE TEXT: While our Scripture lessons are printed in the bulletin, you may appreciate reading them in their context from our pew Bibles. Please note the page number that corresponds to the pew Bibles for each lesson is included. Why not take a moment before the service begins to look up and mark the readings with a guest card, which can be returned afterwards to the rack?

THE ALTAR PARAMENTS are *GREEN* (the color symbolizing health & growth in a plant) during the Epiphany season, reminding us that God revealed His Son to the world to save and give the world life eternal; and the Holy Spirit gives us that Christ-won life, & grows us closer to Jesus for a life of real purpose through our continued connection to God's Word and the Sacraments! May we use them!

THEME OF THE DAY

It is God's own Word that we hear that has in it the power of God to give what He commands. So He commands: 'Believe,' and the Word actually creates faith; He says, 'Follow Me,' and the Word creates the desire and ability to follow Him. What a gift!

Hymn: 86 The Only Son from Heaven

Order of Service – We follow the '**Service of the Word**' found on page 38 in the front of our red hymnal, Christian Worship (C.W.) found in each pew or under each chair.

Prayer of the Day: Almighty God, you gave your one and only Son to be the light of the world. Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and sacraments, may shine

with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and believed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever. (we sing:) **Amen.**

THE WORD OF THE DAY

Old Testament Lesson: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (on page 264 in your pew Bibles)

¹ The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli. In those days the word of the LORD was rare; there were not many visions. ² One night Eli, whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see, was lying down in his usual place. ³ The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called Samuel. Samuel answered, "Here I am." ⁵ And he ran to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." But Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." So he went and lay down. ⁶ Again the LORD called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." "My son," Eli said, "I did not call; go back and lie down." ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD: The word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸ The LORD called Samuel a third time, and Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." Then Eli realized that the LORD was calling the boy. ⁹ So Eli told Samuel, "Go and lie down, and if he calls you, say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ The LORD came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." (NIV)

Psalm of the Day: We join to sing **Psalm 67** at the front of C.W. on p.91 [NOTE: our Psalm Cantor will sing the 1st phrase up to the *, the congregation will join together to sing the 2nd phrase in each couplet, the '*Glory be to the Father*' in bold print, and the Refrains.]

(Refrain): Let the peo-ple praise you, O God. Let all the peo-ple praise you.

*May God be gracious to us and 'bless us**
and make his face shine up'on us;

*may your ways be 'known on earth,**
your salvation among all 'nations.

*May the nations be glad and 'sing for joy,**
for you rule the peoples justly and guide the nations 'of the earth.

(Refrain): Let the peo-ple praise you, O God. Let all the peo-ple praise you.

*Then the land will yield its 'harvest,**
and God, our God, will 'bless us.

*God will 'bless us,**
and all the ends of the earth will 'fear him.

***Glory be to the Father and 'to the Son*
and to the Holy 'Spirit,
as it was in the be'ginning,*
is now, and will be forever. 'Amen.***

(Refrain): Let the peo-ple praise you, O God. Let all the peo-ple praise you.

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Epistle Lesson: 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17 (on page 1173 in your pew Bibles)

**** This will also serve as our Sermon Text ****

¹³ But we ought always to thank God for you, brothers loved by the Lord, because from the beginning God chose you to be saved through the sanctifying work of the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴ He called you to this through our gospel, that you might share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter. ¹⁶ May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, ¹⁷ encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word. (NIV)

Verse of the Day – spoken by Pastor: “Alleluia. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Alleluia.” Then we join to *sing* together: **“Alleluia. He said to me, “You are my servant in whom I will display my splendor.” Alleluia.”** (the music is on p. 40 in C.W.)

Gospel Lesson: John 1:43-51 (on page 1050 in your pew Bibles)

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, “Follow me.” ⁴⁴ Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” ⁴⁶ “Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?” Nathanael asked. “Come and see,” said Philip. ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, “Here is a true Israelite, in whom there is nothing false.” ⁴⁸ “How do you know me?” Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, “I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you.” ⁴⁹ Then Nathanael declared, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel.” ⁵⁰ Jesus said, “You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You shall see greater things than that.” ⁵¹ He then added, “I tell you the truth, you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and

descending on the Son of Man.” (NIV) / We sing our response: **“Praise be to You, O Christ!”**

Hymn: 770 **Oh Christ, Who Called The Twelve**
(From our Worship Supplement & can be found on page 10 of your Worship Bulletin)

Sermon by Pastor Scott Bergemann on 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17
' God Encourages Us to Pray for Encouragement '

Our Faith Responds – The Apostles’ Creed (found on p. 41 at the front of C.W.)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Our Offerings – The offering is a chance for God’s people to respond to God’s love by giving to carry on the ministry He has entrusted to us. If you are a visitor, please don’t feel obligated to give an offering. We are truly pleased that you have joined us for worship, so we could share the gospel with you! Please come again!

Attendance Cards - Please take a moment to fill out the attendance card found in each pew for our church records. On Sundays, the cards will be collected right after the offering baskets have been passed through on Sunday (in the 2nd basket that will come around). On Mondays, the cards will be collected with the offering as the ushers come around with a basket. Thank you!

Prayer of the Church – we pray the prayer responsively as it is found on p. 42 in C.W., concluding with the Lord’s Prayer together (below)

Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass

against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn: 453 Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spoke

Closing Prayer (as found on p. 43 in the front of C.W. after which we sing: 'Amen.')

Closing Blessing

M: Brothers & sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve your Lord with gladness. The Lord bless you & keep you. The Lord make His face shine upon you & be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor & (+) give you peace.

C: (*we sing*) '**Amen, Amen, Amen.**'

Hymn: 562 I Love to Tell the Story

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*Thank you for worshiping with us.
Go with God's Word in your hearts and minds!*

<p>Our Mission Here at Mt. Zion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> † Grow in God's Word † Gather around His Word and Sacrament † Go into our community and the world with the good news of eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ. 	
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<i>Our Response to God's Word . . .</i>		
<i>Attendance:</i>	<i>Sunday Worship</i>	<i>231</i>
	<i>Monday Worship</i>	<i>36</i>
	<i>Bible Study</i>	<i>98</i>

This Week at Mt. Zion

Sunday Worship Service – 8:00am & 10:45am (Usher Team 04 & 05)
 Adult & Teen Bible Studies and Sunday School – 9:15am
Fellowship Committee Meeting - 12:00pm
 WELS Volleyball (@ Friedens) - 3:30pm

- Monday** Pastor Study Club - 1:00pm
Board of Elders Meeting - 6:00pm
Worship Service - 6:30pm
- Tuesday** Bible Study - 10:00am
WICS Meeting - 11:00am
Pastors, Principles, & Presidents Meeting - 6:30pm
- Wednesday** Friedens Chapel (Rev B) - 8:00am
SLHS Chapel (Rev N) - 9:15am
Confirmation Class – 3:30pm
CAP Bible Study – 7:00pm
- Thursday** Preschool Staff Bible Study – 11:45am
1st Place 4 Health - 6:30pm
Oasis Board Meeting – 6:30pm
- Saturday** Tween Bowling Event - 11:00am
- Sunday** Communion Service – 8:00am & 10:45am (Usher Team 05 & 07)
Adult & Teen Bible Studies and Sunday School – 9:15am
Special Needs Committee Meeting - 10:30am
Voter's Meeting (& Potluck) - 12:00pm
WELS Volleyball (@ Friedens) - 3:30pm

Announcements

Our Current Bible Study Topics:

- † **Sunday** – *Congregational OPEN FORUMS begin to Evaluate our Ministry under God*
- † **Tuesday** – The N.T. epistle of Colossians: 'Where is TRUE WISDOM found? In Jesus!'
- † **Wednesday CAP Class** – *'The Disciples Dialogue with Doctrine'*
- † **1st Place for Health** – Give God Control!

Scrip – Shoreland Scrip will be available TODAY between services. You can buy the certificates and gift cards with no wait time. The profits can all go directly to SLHS or you may choose to sponsor a student. Please see Char VanSant or Kristin Bandi to purchase your Scrip.

The Annual Lutheran Bowling Tournament – The dates are set for Saturday, March 24th (for the singles and doubles events), and Sunday March 25th (for the team event) for this fun, fellowship opportunity away. The location for the bowling tournament this year is FonduLac, WI. The cost is \$18/event you participate in (***checks should be made out to the LBA***) and there are both men's and women's brackets. If you are interested in

participating, contact Pete Burditt (burdittp@yahoo.com, or 262-654-5982) **THIS WEEKEND.**

New Bible Class to Begin – Did you make a *spiritual* resolution this New Years to spend more time with your Lord in His Word for direction, comfort, and strength? If not, why not consider doing so? You'll be glad you did – and so will we to have you in class with us! We have a new Tuesday morning Bible class (10am) beginning on 1/17; it will be a study of the Epistle of Colossians under the theme: '*Where is TRUE Wisdom found? In Jesus, our all-sufficient Savior!*' This message of God was written to a world being inundated with worldly philosophies and new age ideology, coupled with a strong stressing of pious looking actions; these things were even making in-roads among believers who were being led to believe that faith in Jesus Christ wasn't enough! Sounds like *our* knowledge hungry society of today which has been led to believe that certain pious actions can replace an active growing relationship with God by faith! Come and hear again with us what God's answer to this problem was, and still remains! We'll keep your seat warm!

Tuesday Bible Study - If you attend the Tuesday Morning Bible Study, and are able & willing to pick up a Mt. Zion Member to join the class, please contact the church office (office@mtzionwi.org). This member is located at: 6808 - 56th Court, Kenosha, WI 53142. Thank you for your help!!!

New BIC Class to Begin - We plan to begin another session of this Bible Information Class (BIC) to go over the basic doctrines of the Christian faith THIS WEEK, since we have a group that is ready to start. There is no cost or obligation for attending this study, which does serve as a pre-communion and membership class IF people are interested in that (and they don't have to be to attend – they might just want to learn more about the Christian faith). The new class will be held on Tuesdays at 6pm here at church, starting January 17th. If you know of someone who might be interested, please contact Pastor Bergemann.

Tween Bowling – THIS Saturday, January 21st (from 11am-1pm), the Mt. Zion Tweens are going bowling!!! The cost for this is \$13 per Tween, and includes 2 games, pizza, soda, and your shoe rental. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the back of church; so sign-up if you want to join the fun!! This event is being hosted by Larsens; so if you have questions, please speak with Jeff or Nikkie.

Member Boxes – Twice a year we re-organize the Member Boxes here at Mt. Zion, and it's getting to that time again!! In order to make this go smoothly, and to make sure none of your items accidentally get put in the wrong box, please make sure to empty your Member Box! Take home any papers, crayons, glasses, books, toys, etc. With empty Member Boxes, the re-organization goes smoother! Thank you so much for your help & cooperation!

Choir - Calling all outstanding music and folders to be returned to the choir room for filing. Thank you!

Special Needs Committee – The Special Needs Committee meeting scheduled for today has been moved to next week, Sunday, January 22nd at 10:30am. Thank you.

SLHS Pacer Brunch – Parents of 7th and 8th grade students are cordially invited to attend Shoreland's Pacer Brunch on Sunday, January 29th at 11:30am. Besides being treated to a delicious meal, parents will have the opportunity to learn more about Shoreland Lutheran High School, take a tour of the facilities, and to meet our teachers as well other prospective parents. Please contact the Student Service office if you have any questions. RSVP to the office at 262-859-2595. We look forward to seeing you there.

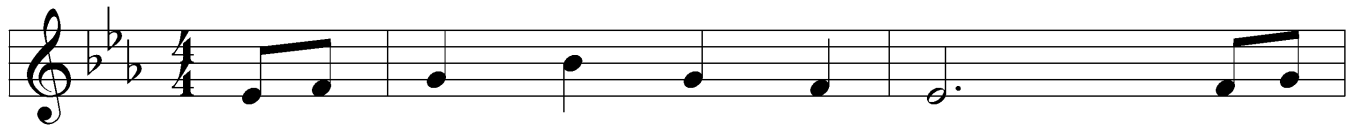
SLHS Alumni Night January 20th – Please join us for a special event on Friday, January 20th for Alumni Night. It is a unique night as both our Varsity Boys and Varsity Girls will be in action for cross-town rival games against St. Joseph. The Girls game starts at 5:45pm and the Boys game is scheduled to start at 7:30pm. During the night there will be drawings for prizes for alumni in attendance. There will also be an alumni gathering area between games where you will be able to catch up with old friends, with light snacks provided.

Quarterly Voter's Meeting and Potluck – Our next Voter's Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 22nd at noon; and in keeping with the will of the majority of the Voters, we will begin with potluck, so everyone is asked to please bring a dish to pass. Reports are in your member box this morning; please prayerfully review them and bring them along to the meeting. Remember, although God's Biblical principles permit only Voting members to take part in votes, ALL communicant members are invited and encouraged to attend to hear the discussion, ask questions, and give their feedback, and the like. This is OUR MINISTRY together under God; and we hope as many of our members as possible can join us as we prayerfully consider how best to carry out the Lord's work in our midst. (NOTE: David Zank has also agreed to serve on the Board of Elders. Please add his name to the Elders Report on page 7 of your Voter's Report to be considered for election at this January meeting)

The 30th Annual WELS Women's Retreat – at Olympia Village Spa and Resort in Oconomowoc, WI will be held March 23-25 under the theme '*Set your mind on things above, not on earthly things* (Colossians 3:2). A limited number of brochures are available on the table in the church entryway; but registration forms and specific information about the workshops offered, the schedule, etc. are also on-line at www.ChristTheLordBrookfield.org or ChristianWomanToday.org. If you have further questions, contact Maureen at 262-784-0412. The cost is \$115/lady plus the cost of your hotel room at the Resort (which is \$211.09/room for the 2 nights, which works out to \$105.55/lady if you share a room with a roommate, or \$52.78 if you have 4 ladies/room). The final registration deadline is 2/24. Financial assistance from a scholarship fund is available to assist a limited number of ladies with the registration fee if you apply by 1/28; you must apply in writing, and awards will be determined by 'casting lots.' Mt Zion ladies have attended in the past (including Niki Neumann), and truly found it to be uplifting. If you want more information, speak with Niki about her experience there.

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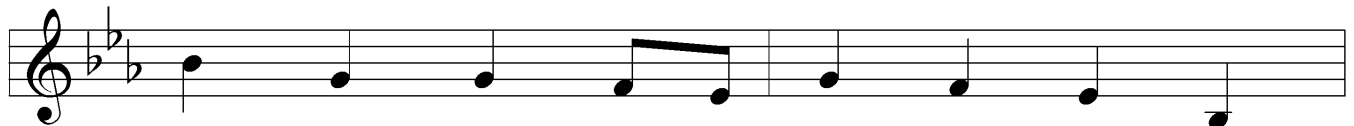
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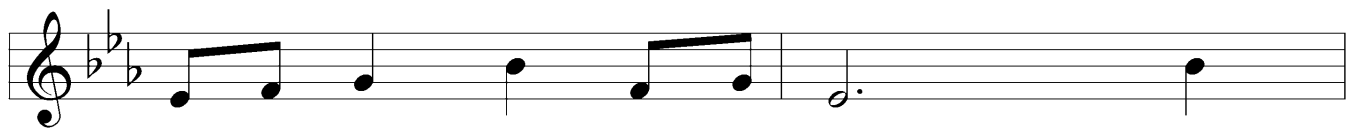
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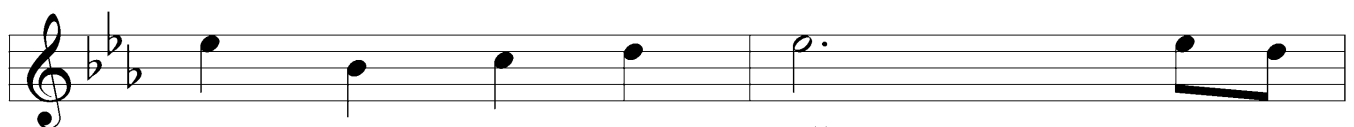
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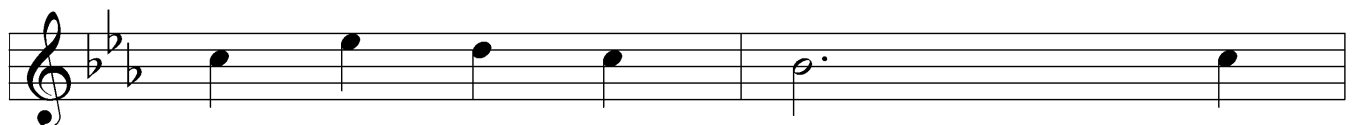
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This hymn leads us to consider the cost of discipleship and to pray for Jesus' guidance and strength to fulfill his will.

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 Tune: TERRA BEATA (66 86 66 86) English; adapt. Franklin L. Sheppard, 1852–1930

Oasis Youth Center – Want to help Oasis, but you don't have the time to volunteer? There is another way you can help! Oasis Youth Center is ALWAYS in need of Snack Size Chips, Pop-Tarts, Individually Packaged Rice Krispy Teats, Granola Bars, Juice Boxes, and 8oz Bottles of Water. These items can be dropped off at Oasis during normal hours, or can be given to Pastor Bergemann or Amy Haun. If you have any questions, please e-mail Oasis at office@oyckenosha.org. Thank you so much for your help and support!

** If you would like to add an announcement to the bulletin for next week, please have it to the church office (office@mtzionwi.org) by Wednesday. Thank you for your help **

Special thank you to . . .

- † **our Organist:** Emma Bailey
- † **our Psalm Cantor:** Pete Burditt
- † **our Ushers:**
 - **1st Service Team 04** - Tim Becker, Bill Demo, Liam Kopp, Jonathan Becker
 - **2nd Service Team 06** - Eugene Perry, Garrett Young, Nick Zupinski & Ron Zupinski
- † **our Nursery Attendant:** Michelle Treder
- † **our Bible Study Goodies:** Janice Buchholz, Pam Hauke, Sherrie Bunnel

Next Week's Servants. . .

- † **Next Sundays Organist:** Ken Jeske
- † **Next Sundays Elders:** Dan Krueger & Brent Artus
- † **Next Sundays Psalm Cantor:** Jeff Larsen
- † **Next Sundays Ushers:** Teams 05 & 07
- † **Next Sundays Nursery Attendant:** Katie Freitag
- † **Next Sundays Bible Study Goodies:** Pam Hauke