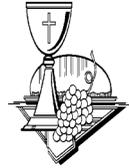




February 4 & 5, 2018 5th Sunday after Epiphany

To our friends, welcome. To the first time visitor, we extend our sincere greeting. To those looking for a church home, we offer fellowship with a living Savior, membership in His church & citizenship in His eternal kingdom.

We receive the Lord's Supper today - a most precious medicine for the soul. Like all medicine, of course, the right person must use it at the right time and for the right purpose, or it does more harm than good. We ask our visitors to speak to pastor before joining us at the table. We join together in "Service of Word and Sacrament," beginning on page 26.



We have large print service binders available - please ask an usher for one.

Today's Hymns: #372, #238, #312, #465 (stanzas 1 & 2)

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 believe what the Scriptures proclaim about him and do the things that are pleasing in your sight; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading: Job 7:1-7, 19:25-27

¹ "Do not mortals have hard service on earth? Are not their days like those of hired laborers? ² Like a slave longing for the evening shadows, or a hired laborer waiting to be paid, ³ so I have been allotted months of futility, and nights of misery have been assigned to me. ⁴ When I lie down I think, 'How long before I get up?' The night drags on, and I toss and turn until dawn. ⁵ My body is clothed with worms and scabs, my skin is broken and festering. ⁶ "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and they come to an end without hope. ⁷ Remember, O God, that my life is but a breath; my eyes will never see happiness again...

²⁵ I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth. ²⁶ And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God; ²⁷ I myself will see him with my own eyes - I, and not another. How my heart yearns within me!

Psalm 103 (page 105)

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:29-39

²⁹ As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. ³⁰ Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. ³¹ So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

³² That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. ³³ The whole town gathered at the door, ³⁴ 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.

³⁵ 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. ³⁶ Simon and his companions went to look for him,

³⁷ and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!"

³⁸ Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." ³⁹ So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

Today's Message: (based on Mark 1:29-39)

**"Just Another Day for Jesus!
...Prayerfully Conquering Sickness, Satan, and Sin."**

Thank you to our Sunday organist, Jennifer Knutson and Monday pianist, Amibeth Olderman.

This week - God willing.....

TODAY: Worship 8:00 & 10:45am / Sunday School & Teen Bible Class 9:20am
Adult Bible Class 9:20am & 6:30pm "Prophecies of the Book of Zechariah"

Mon: Delmar Teesch Funeral 4:00pm (visitation 2:00-4:00) - luncheon to follow service
Worship 6:30pm

Tue: Catechism 5:30pm

Wed: Bible Class 1:30 & 6:30pm - "Study of John's Epistles"

Thu: Grace Circle Meeting 2:00pm

Thu & Fri: NO Preschool or After Care

Sat: MLHS Delegate meeting 9am /Haese & Gardner wedding in Reedsville 1pm

Sat & Sun: Grade School "B" Team Basketball Tournament @ MLHS

Sun: Worship 8:00 & 10:45am / Sunday School & Teen Bible Class 9:20am
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February "Forward in Christ" magazines are available on the Information table.

February Newsletter & Calendar are in member boxes - please stop & pick up your copy.

New Office Staff Member! We would like to welcome Heidi Malley to her new position of 'Office Assistant'. Her office hours are Mon - Fri 8:15am - 12:15pm.

Lent Midweek services begin on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. Thank you to everyone that has signed up to host one of the evening suppers between services. **The only week not covered is Feb 28.** If no one signs up for this week by Feb 20, we will not have a meal that night. If you would like to host the supper on Feb 28, please call Ann or Heidi in the office at 682-7377 by Feb 20th.

The LES Families will be hosting the supper on Feb 21. If you can help prepare, serve and/or cleanup, please contact Jeremy Wagner at 682-0956. The free will offering that night will go into the LES Fund to help offset the cost that Grace pays for tuition.

Martin Luther College Choir will be at First German Church on Saturday Feb 17 at 7pm. This sacred concert features music for choir, congregation & instruments. A free will offering will be gathered to support the ministry of MLC.

Red Cross Blood Drive at Grace on Monday, Feb 19 from 2:00 - 6:00pm in the fellowship hall. Sign-up sheets to donate blood or to help with the Registration during the drive are out on the Information Table. You can also go online to www.redcrossblood.org to sign up for an appointment to donate blood.

“A Mother Remembers”: We will have a very special program here for worship on **Sunday, February 25th at both the 8:00 & 10:45 services.** A few of the ladies from Grace will present this program in place of our normal worship services. “A Mother Remembers” is based on the WELS DVD “My Son, My Savior” and was a well received Advent by Candlelight program at Grace this past December. It a Scriptural reflection on Mary’s memories of her life with Jesus, from conception to the days following his death and resurrection. It will be a blend of slide show, Bible narrations, Scripture and hymns that highlight the gospel from Mary’s perspective. We join her in singing, “My soul praises the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior” (Luke 1:46,47).



Kids, adults, parents, grandparents - ALL are invited to join us for our “Grace Family Night” on Sunday, Mar 4 from 4:30 - 7:00pm. There will be something for all ages - from the young to the Young-at-Heart! This is a great opportunity to spend time with your Grace friends, and maybe even make some new friends! Please join us for an evening full of fellowship, food, entertainment and fun! If you would like to be part of the entertainment, please call Ann in the church office at 682-7377. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE! The 3rd Annual Lancer “Spring Showcase Tasting Event” fundraiser is **Saturday, Mar 24th from 6:00 - 9:00pm at Twin Fountains.** Tickets are available online at www.mlhslancers.org/springshowcase; \$35 in advance or \$40 at the door. Enjoy a great evening sampling wines and appetizers from area vendors, silent and live auctions, and a relaxing evening with Lancer parents, friends and families! Bring your friends!

Last Week’s Attendance: Sunday 8:00 - #79, 10:45 - #83, Monday: #52 = Total - #214

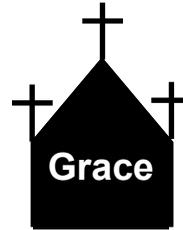
Upcoming Conferences & Retreats
(see the round display table for more information)

For Men:

- **“Men of His Word Conference”** - Saturday, Feb 24, 2018 in Oshkosh.
- **Lakeshore WELS Men’s “Cross+Men Conference”** - Saturday, March 17: 9am - 2:00pm at St John’s Lutheran Church

For Ladies:

- **“Pathways to Christ Retreat”** - March 9-11 in Oshkosh



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Mark 1:32-34

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