

Fifth Sunday of Epiphany February 8th and 9th, 2015



Welcome in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you with us. We pray that your worship will be enriched and blessed by the Word of God. Restrooms are located in the hallway off the west side of the sanctuary. We also ask that you sign one of our Friendship Registers which are located in each of the pews. Please come and worship with us again!

Our Worship Service

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WELCOME

Contentment has a lot to do with Christian giving because contentment gives us freedom. If we are content we are freed from having to spend money on what we don't really need; we are free to have better and sharper priorities. If we are content we are free from the message of the world to collect as much stuff as we can. If we are content we are free to give more to the Lord. We are free to know that the Lord is the most important Person in our lives. With those truths ringing in our ears we ask God to make us more content!

THE OPENING HYMN "What Is the World to Me" *Christian Worship #477*



1 What is the world to me With all its vaunt - ed
2 The world seeks to be praised And hon - ored by the
3 The world seeks af - ter wealth And all that mon - ey
4 What is the world to me! My Je - sus is my

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plea - sure When you, and you a - lone, Lord
might - y, Yet nev - er once re - flects That
of - fers, Yet nev - er is con - tent Though
trea - sure, My life, my health, my wealth, My



Je - sus, are my trea - sure! You on - ly, dear - est
they are frail and flight - y. But what I tru - ly
gold should fill its cof - fers. I have a high - er
friend, my love, my plea - sure, My joy, my crown, my



Lord, My soul's de - light shall be; You are my
prize A - bove all things is he, My Je - sus,
good; Con - tent with it I'll be; My Je - sus
all, My bliss e - ter - nal - ly. Once more then



peace, my rest. What is the world to me!
he a - lone. What is the world to me!
is my wealth— What is the world to me!
I de - clare: What is the world to me!

Text: Georg M. Pfefferkorn, 1645–1732, abr.; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.
Tune: WAS FRAG ICH NACH DER WELT (67 67 66 66) Ahasverus Fritsch, 1629–1701, alt.

Please Stand

THE INVOCATION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS

P: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in

Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.

P: God, our heavenly Father has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AND PRAISE

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

OH, TASTE AND SEE

C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues forever. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray. Father, you have refreshed us with your forgiveness, and you promise to watch over us every day, giving exactly what we need for our body and life. Continually draw us closer to you through Word and sacrament, and lead us to love what you command as we carry out your will with thankful hearts through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: A - men.

Please be Seated

THE FIRST LESSON..... Proverbs 30:5-9

A wise person understands that only God knows what is truly best for us.

⁵Every word of God is flawless; he is a shield to those who take refuge in him. ⁶Do not add to his words, or he will rebuke you and prove you a liar. ⁷Two things I ask of you, O Lord; do not refuse me before I die: ⁸Keep falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches, but give me only my daily bread. ⁹Otherwise, I may have too much and disown you and say, 'Who is the Lord?' Or I may become poor and steal, and so dishonor the name of my God.

THE PSALM OF THE DAY..... Psalm 23

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Refrain

The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.

Psalm tone *

The Lord is my 'shepherd,*
I shall not 'be in want.

He makes me lie down in green 'pastures;*
he leads me beside quiet 'waters.

He re'stores my soul;*
he guides me in paths of righteousness for his 'name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley
of the shadow of death, I will fear no 'evil,*
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they 'comfort me.

Refrain



The Lord is my shep - herd; there is noth - ing I shall want.

Psalm tone *



You prepare a table before me in the presence of my 'enemies.*
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup 'overflows.

Surely goodness and love will follow me
all the days 'of my life,*
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for'ever.

**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

THE SECOND LESSON..... Philipians 4:10-13

Even though St. Paul is "in chains" as he writes this letter, he finds contentment in Christ.

¹⁰I rejoice greatly in the Lord that at last you have renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you have been concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. ¹¹I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹²I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in

any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

VERSE OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia. But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Alleluia. (1 Timothy 6:6-8)



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Please Stand

THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 12:22-34

Jesus assures us that his Father and ours will surely provide for our earthly needs, since he has already shared his kingdom with us.

²²Then Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. ²³Life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. ²⁴Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! ²⁵Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? ²⁶Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest? ²⁷Consider how the lilies grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ²⁸If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire,

how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! ²⁹And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. ³⁰For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. ³²"Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom. ³³Sell your possessions and give to the poor. Provide purses for yourselves that will not wear out, a treasure in heaven that will not be exhausted, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.



C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be Seated

CHILDREN’S TALK 10:30 AM

**THE HYMN OF THE DAY..... “Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me”
Christian Worship #439**



1 Lord, take my hand and lead me Up - on life’s way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear;
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en And night has come,



Di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me From day to day.
For you, the Rock of A - ges, Are al - ways near.
I know that you will strength - en My steps toward home,



With - out your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
And noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend!



So take my hand, O Sav - ior, And lead the way.
For when your hand is guid - ing, In peace I go.
So take my hand and lead me Un - to the end.

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Tune: SO NIMM DENN MEINE HÄNDE (74 74 D) P. Friedrich Silcher, 1789–1860.

THE SERMON Philippians 4:10-13
“True Riches-Called to be Content”

Please Stand

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

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.

Please be Seated

THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please Stand

THE PRAYERS

THE 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.

Please be Seated

CONGREGATION HYMN..... "Where Your Treasure Is"

Christian Worship Supplement #757



Where your treas - ure is, there your



heart shall be. All that you pos - sess will nev - er set you



free. Seek the things that last; come and



learn from me. Where your



treas - ure is, your heart shall be. be.



1 What do you gain from all your wor - ry,
 2 Look at the ra - vens high a - bove you.
 3 Be - hold the lil - ies in their splen - dor.
 4 O lit - tle flock, do not be fright - ened;

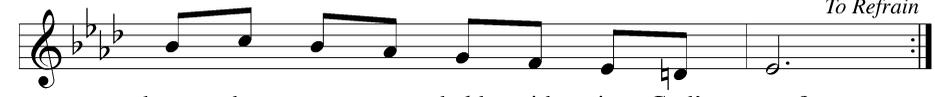


What you should eat or what to wear?
 They do not work their whole life through,
 In grace and beau - ty they are dressed,
 Yours is the king - dom of the Lord.

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There is no peace in stress or hur - ry. Do you not
 And yet God feeds them and pro - tects them. So how much
 And yet so soon their bloom is fa - ded. So how much
 Give your pos - ses - sions to the need - y; Ob - tain a



know that you are held with - in God's care?
 more will God pro - tect and care for you?
 more will those who look to God be blessed?
 trea - sure in God's heav - en safe - ly stored.

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Please Stand

P: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C: A - men.

THE BENEDICTION

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

Please be Seated

THE CLOSING HYMN “I Am Content! My Jesus Lives Again” vs. 1 & 2
Christian Worship # 158



1 I am con-tent! My Je-sus lives a-gain, In whom my
 2 I am con-tent! My Je-sus is my head; His mem-ber
 3 I am con-tent! My Je-sus is my light, My ra-diant
 4 I am con-tent! Lord, set me ev-er free And wake me



heart is pleased. He has ful-filled the law of God for
 I will be. He bowed his head when on the cross he
 sun of grace. His cheer-ing rays beam bless-ings forth for
 from the dead That I may rise for-ev-er-more to



me; God's wrath he has ap-peased. Since he in
 died With cries of ag-o-ny. Now death is
 all: Sweet com-fort, hope, and peace. This Eas-ter
 be With you, my liv-ing head. The chains that



death could per-ish nev-er, I al-so shall not
 brought in-to sub-jec-tion For me, too, by his
 sun has brought sal-va-tion And ev-er-last-ing
 hold my bod-y, sev-er; Then shall my soul re-



die for-ev-er. I am con-tent! I am con-tent!
 res-ur-rec-tion. I am con-tent! I am con-tent!
 ex-ul-ta-tion. I am con-tent! I am con-tent!
 joyce for-ev-er. I am con-tent! I am con-tent!

Text: Johann J. Möller, 1660–1733, abr.; tr. August Crull, 1845–1923, alt.
 Tune: ES IST GENUG (10 6 10 6 99 44) Johann R. Ahle, 1625–73, alt.

Worship Participants

Liturgist and Preacher.....Pastor Brian Adams
 Organist Miss Heather Schmidt

Announcements

CHURCH COUNCIL: The Church Council will meet on Tuesday, February 10th at 6:30pm.

NO PSCIC: There will be no Public School Confirmation Instruction Class on Tuesday, February 10th due to the Church Council meeting.

BOARD OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH MEETING: The Board of Spiritual Growth will meet on Thursday, February 12th at 6:00pm.

“GRILL KINGS”: The next Grill Kings meeting (men’s bible study) will be on 02- 21-15 From 4:30 to 8:30 at St John’s Lutheran Church Wauwatosa. The topic is “Redefining your sin - A) The Delusion, B) The Deception, C) The Description, D) Forgiven through Christ.” To RSVP contact Brian Lampe at ceobalampe@gmail.com.

MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE (MLC) CHOIR: The choir of MLC will be performing a concert at Zion Lutheran Church on Friday evening, February 27, 2015. The concert begins at 7:00pm. The 60+ voice choir, under the direction of Dr. Moldenhauer, is making its inaugural stop there on its Spring tour. The concert will be held at the school, which is located at 3600 S. Chicago Avenue, in South Milwaukee.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT WISCONSIN LUTHERAN COLLEGE: 1. Theatre Production: The Wisconsin Lutheran College Theatre Department will present a 10-Minute Original Play Showcase February 19-22 in the Center for Arts and Performance. The performances will feature eight original short plays by WLC students beginning at 7:30 p.m. (The February 22 show is at 2:30.) Tickets (\$5 for adults and \$3 for students) may be purchased by calling 414.443.8802, or visit wlc.edu/boxoffice. **2. Band Concert:** The Wisconsin Lutheran College Concert Band presents its Mid-Winter Band Concert on Friday, February 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the college's Center for Arts and Performance. Call the Box Office at 414.443.8802 to purchase tickets (\$6), or visit wlc.edu/boxoffice. **3. Butterfly Brunch:** The Christian Women's Leadership Circle hosts its annual Butterfly Brunch at Wisconsin Lutheran College on Saturday, March 7 at 8 a.m. The keynote speaker will be Teri Jendusa-Nicolai, a domestic violence survivor. To register, visit wlc.edu/cwlc.

GET READY TO MAKE A SPLASH: Wisconsin Lutheran High School is inviting 4th and 6th grade students, on separate nights from 5:30-7:30 pm, to a fun evening of waterslides and swimming at Country Springs Waterpark Hotel in Pewaukee. There is no cost, however at least one parent must attend with their child. The children will swim and the parents will learn more about WLHS. **4th grade students are invited on Monday, March 2, and must RSVP by Monday, February 23. 6th grade students are invited on Monday, March 9,**

and must RSVP by Monday, March 2. To RSVP, e-mail mark.ricke@wlhs.org or call [414-453-4567](tel:414-453-4567) ex.2024.

WLHS DANCE CAMP: All girls K-8th grade are invited to WLHS Dance Camp at Wisconsin Lutheran High School on February 28, 2015 from 12:30-4:30 p.m. Girls K-3rd will focus on physical movement and putting moves to music. Girls 4th-8th will focus on basic dance team concepts and more complex skills. During this non-competitive, fun event, campers will learn a routine and perform for family and friends. Cost is \$10 and the registration deadline is February 13, 2015. T-shirts are available for \$7.50. Please visit www.wlhs.org for registration and more information. Contact Coach Maddy Krueger at wlhsvarsitydance@gmail.com or 414-828-9236 with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE: Invitation to all families of our church – you are invited to join us on Thursday, February 26th for tubing at The Rock Sports Complex in Franklin (76th and Rawson). Time to be determined. All tubes are \$16 and this is the last year they will let us share! Let's get a big group together to take advantage of this lower pricing. Last year we had a blast and many families said it was their favorite event. More information to come soon! If you have any questions, please contact Jill Archer.

CURRENT SERMON SERIES: God has given us many different areas in our lives to manage. One of those areas is the management of the treasures that he gives us. Over the next three weeks, we will take a look at this area under the theme: *“True Riches.”*

January 18 & 19 - “True Riches – Called to be Free” - We are free from the control of money because we are controlled by God. And that's what Christian stewardship is. Instead of being controlled by money and possessions, we are under the control of the Lord; by his grace we can use the money, possessions, time, and talents he has given to us in service to him. In the coming weeks we'll look at various aspects of how we use the money God has given to us.

January 25 & 26 – Praise Service

February 1 & 2 – “True Riches – Called to Give our Best” - It's possible to give your money away without giving yourself, but it's impossible to give away yourself without giving away your money. Please understand that what God ultimately desires is not your wealth. How silly a thought would it be that the God who created the universe needs material goods from us! Rather, God who created us to be in a loving relationship with us, desires our hearts. However, when we give freely to him the thing which the world holds on to most tightly, the thing that grips the hearts of many, it's a tangible expression of love to God. It shows that our hearts belong to him, that he is truly present in our hearts. For this grace we give thanks.

February 8 & 9 – “True Riches – Called to be Content” - Contentment has a lot to do with Christian giving because contentment gives us freedom. If we are content we are freed from having to spend money on what we don't really need; we are free to have better and sharper priorities. If we are content we are free from the message of the world to collect as much stuff as we can. If we are content we are free to give more to the Lord. We are free to know that the Lord is the most important Person in our lives. With those truths ringing in our ears we ask God to make us more content!

MEN'S CONFERENCE: “Ironmen of God Wisconsin” - Last year over 180 men from all over southern Wisconsin gathered to hear God's Word aimed right at them! Hear Pastors Wayne Shevey, Jason Ewart, Clark Schultz, and Jim Buske remind us of our God-given roles as "Ironmen of God." Our theme this year: *“His Sacrifice... Our Response.”* (Galatians 2:20) Enjoy a delicious catered lunch and fellowship with your brothers in Christ! Ironmen of God is being held at St. Paul's Lutheran School in Ixonia, WI from 9 am to 2 pm on March 21, 2015. Cost is \$25. Space is limited! Register today at www.ironmenofgodwi.org

CHRISTIAN WOMAN TODAY RETREAT: The Christian Woman Today Retreat, sponsored by Christ the Lord in Brookfield, WI, will be held March 20-22, 2015, at the Olympia Spa and Resort in Oconomowoc, WI. Throughout the weekend we will study God's encouragement to "be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18b). Retreat brochures with registration forms are available at the following websites: ChristianWomanToday.org and ChristTheLordBrookfield.org. The registration deadline is February 20, 2015. For questions or additional information, please contact Maureen at 262-784-0412.

EARLY CHILD ENRICHMENT CENTER: St. Paul's Early Child Enrichment Center is now open for enrollment for the 2015/2016 school year. Children must be 3 or 4 years old by September 1st, 2015. Interested families may contact Mrs. Patti Krizan or Mrs. Nancy Willms at 414-421-1833 for more information. Registrations are taken on a first come first serve basis.

Kids Carnival at Wisconsin Lutheran High School--Step right up and try your luck at over 45 fun games! Once again, the WLHS student body is hosting the Kids Carnival on **Sunday, February 22 from 1:00-3:30**. Children age 3 through fourth grade are invited to play games, meet live animals and participate in other fun activities. Each \$3 admission receives 20 play tokens. Cotton candy and concessions will be available for purchase. Parents and grandparents are admitted free of charge and encouraged to bring their cameras for some great photo opportunities.

WLHS Musical Shrek the Musical—“Once upon a time, there was a little ogre named Shrek . . .” And thus begins the tale of an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. Throw in a short tempered bad guy, a cookie with an attitude, and over a

dozen other fairy tale misfits, and you've got the kind of mess that calls for a real hero—Shrek! **Performances will be held on Friday, March 6, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 8, at 1:30 p.m. in the WLHS auditorium.** Reserved seat tickets are available at the WLHS reception desk, or by printing out the on-line ticket order form at www.wlhs.org.

Before the Friday, March 6, performance, you can enjoy the Choir Associates Spaghetti Dinner served in the cafeteria from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Wisco Kids and Inspiration will perform during the dinner. Tickets will be sold at the door, adults \$8 and children \$6.

Wisconsin Lutheran High School Job Opening—Wisconsin Lutheran High School’s Mission Advancement office has a job opening for a full time event planner. Primary responsibilities for this position are: **event administration** (including: annual auction, golf outing, Grandparents Day, etc.), and **alumni relationship coordination** (including: management of alumni mailings, and facilitating reunions). Two or more years of experience desired. Please submit resume by February 16, to: Ann Nischke, Mission Advancement & Human Resource Specialist, Wisconsin Lutheran High School, 330 North Glenview Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53213, or e-mail ann.nischke@wlhs.org

Volunteers

GREETERS THIS WEEK (2/8 & 2/9)

8:00 AM- Allyn & Patsy Curler
 10:30 AM- Brian & Kristal Young; Noelle & Declan
 6:00 PM- Donna LaBlanc

GREETERS NEXT WEEK (2/15 & 2/16)

8:00 AM- Randy & Nancy Willms
 10:30 AM- Doreen Kresa
 6:30 PM- Richard & Kathy Hinz

USHERS FOR FEBRUARY:

8:00 AM TEAM #2-Bob Goelz, Todd Flunker, Scott Sievert, Tony Tripoli, Steve Mess
10:30 AM TEAM #6-Andy Goede, Reed Goede, Nolan Romeis, Cooper Goede, Zach Matthews
6:30 PM TEAM #9-Curt Stellwagen, Dave Long, Max Grueneberg

ALTAR GUILD:

February 4-17 Team #4-Marge Gebert, Marilyn Krueger, Renate Nazimek
February 18-24 Team #1-Sherry Kosovich, Gale Bartow, Beverly Garves

The Weekly Schedule

Sunday, February 8

Worship Service8:00 AM
 Adult Bible/Sunday School9:15 AM
 Worship Service10:30 AM

Monday, February 9

Worship Service 6:30 PM

Tuesday, February 10

NO PSCIC
 Church Council Meeting 6:30 PM

Wednesday, February 11

Senior Choir Rehearsal 6:30 PM

Thursday, February 12

Board of Spiritual Growth Meeting 6:00 PM
 Adult Hand Bells..... 6:30 PM

Friday, February 13

School Devotion.....8:30 AM

Sunday, February 15

Worship Service with Communion8:30 AM
 Adult Bible/Sunday School.....9:15 AM
 Worship Service with Communion.....10:30 AM

Statistics – Last Week

Worship Attendance: 8:00 AM –55; Communed 46 10:30 AM –123, Communed 82;
 6:30 PM –54, Communed 38; Total Attendance – 232; Total Communed 166 Bible Study 18;
 Sunday School n/a