

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
January 17th, 2021

Welcome to Shepherd of the Lakes!

The members of Shepherd of the Lakes are very pleased to have you worship with us today. We invite you to join with us in worshipping the Triune God: the Father who created us, the Son who redeemed us, and the Holy Spirit who sets us apart to be God's people through his powerful word. Our church is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod, a group of Lutheran churches committed to the Bible's teaching about life and salvation.

God speaks to us from the Scriptures:

The First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

God reveals himself at an important turning point in Israel's history and calls Samuel to the prophetic office.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 67, page 91 in your Hymnal

The Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

It is the sanctifying work of the Spirit in the Word that calls and creates faith. The call remains glorious when it is translated into the life that follows faith. For that life always has its source, its inspiration, its direction, its strength to persevere in the Word.

The Verse of the Day: Alleluia. The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel. Alleluia. (Matthew 1:23)

The Gospel Reading: John 1:43-51

There is always a miraculous element in the call of Jesus. For anyone looking at him on the basis of appearance or reason will say what Nathanael said and turn away. In Nathanael's case Jesus read from a distance the thoughts of Nathanael and then promised even more wondrous things; he promised that Nathanael with the eyes of faith would see the fulfillment of God's promise of a Savior.

Applying God's Word to our Lives this Week:

Text: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Theme: What are we missing?

Holy Communion: In Holy Communion we are receiving Jesus' true body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins, new life, and salvation. But that's not all. We also receive strength, encouragement, and comfort knowing that in this sacrament **we are at one with our God** through Jesus' death on the cross for our sins, **we are one in faith with those communing beside us**, and **we are joined with all the saints**, who share our common faith. For this reason we practice **close communion**, inviting only WELS or ELS members to partake of the sacrament so as not to call into question the communion that we share. **If you are a visitor, please speak to Pastor Seelow before communing.**

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS TO US

Worship service attendance for Sunday, January 10th was 28. Our hearts acknowledged God's love for us in all he has blessed us with and showed our trust in his continued blessing by offering him \$1895.00 for the work of his church.

"Whatever you do, do it all to the glory of God!"

GOD'S PEOPLE GROWING AND SERVING

Usher/Altar Guild Schedule

February 7 — Pat Seelow/Sharon Borchers

Cleaning Crew January: Terry and Jan Stocker

NEWS AND NOTES

Today's Theme God shows himself and calls us to serve him.

Voters Meeting The voters will meet Sunday, January 31st, after the service.

Next Sunday Worship – 9am

**OUR PATH OF
WORSHIP**

“The Service of Word and Sacrament” p. 26

PREPARATION p.10

Opening Hymn: #283

Confession of Sins: **p. 26**

Prayer and Praise: **p. 27-29**

THE WORD

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Psalm 67, page 91

2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

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John 1:43-51

Response, p. 30

Hymn of the Day: #86

The Sermon

Nicene Creed, p.31

The Offering

Prayers, p. 32

THE SACRAMENT

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Distribution Hymn: #315
1,4,5,6

THANKSGIVING p. 36

Blessing, p. 37

Closing Hymn: #452

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The Second Sunday

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