# THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY January 24th, 2016

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 worshiping 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.

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## God speaks to us from the Scriptures:

The First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-6

Isaiah records for broken hearts and imprisoned souls the Voice of Salvation. The Anointed one proclaims healing and freedom – the making of all things right. No longer will there be sin and sorrow, but restoration and righteousness.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 19, on page 70 in your hymnal The words of everlasting life revealed to us in God's Word are most precious to us.

### The Epistle Reading: Acts 4:23-31

The Apostles are blessed to see the fulfillment of prophecy: Messianic Psalm 2 foretells of Herod and Pilate conspiring against the Lord's Anointed. Yet it was the will of the Lord that was carried out for the salvation of many souls.

**The Verse of the Day:** Alleluia. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease. Alleluia. (Matthew 4:23)

# The Gospel Reading: Luke 4:14-21

All that was promised to Adam and Eve, all that was renewed with the Patriarchs, all that was foretold through Isaiah, all that was passed from generation to generation...is fulfilled. It is no longer a future promise to fainting hearts, blind eyes, and bound souls. It is a promise fulfilled as the Anointed One reveals himself to be the Fulfillment.

**Applying God's Word to our Lives this Week:** 

Sermon Text: Acts 4:23-31

**Sermon Theme:** In Difficult Times "Return to Your Own"

For there we remember God's promises

and pray for their fulfillment.

#### STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS TO US

Worship service attendance for Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup> was 42. 30 received the comfort of Holy Communion. 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 \$1150.00 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**

January 31st — 2

\*denotes Communion Sunday

#### **NEWS AND NOTES**

**Today's Theme** Jesus reveals *himself* to be the Christ!

<u>Midweek Bible Class</u> Because of the Christmas and New Year holiday the midweek Bible Class will resume January 6th at 10am.

<u>Midweek Bible Class</u> We will continue our study of "Dealing with the sins of Society" this Wednesday at 10am.

**Annual Voters' Meeting** has been scheduled for Sunday, January 24th after the worship service. The meeting will open in the fellowship area with a presentation on the history of our Congregation.

The Ladies will meet next Sunday after Bible Class

Next Sunday Worship – 9am/Bible Class – 10:15am

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