THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY February 7th, 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 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.

God speaks to us from the Scriptures:

The First Reading: Job 7:1-7

Job's experience of suffering is extreme but by no means unique. In pain his only recourse is prayer that trusts in the mercy of God and in the power of God to relieve and to rescue.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 103, on page 105 in your Hymnal

The Epistle Reading: Romans 8:28-30

Even the evil that we have and are God uses for our good: he humbles us with its consequence, and then he brings us to see the greatness of his grace in his pardon. So we glorify God as he leads us from faith here to sight and glory hereafter.

Verse of the day: Alleluia. Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." Alleluia. (John 8:12)

The Gospel Reading: Mark 1:29-39

Each and every one of the problems and hindrances that affected Jesus' followers was a blessing in disguise. For each one of them gave people a reason to despair of their own abilities and to seek in Jesus the compassionate and merciful Savior.

Applying God's Word to our Lives this Week:

Sermon Text: Mark 1:29-39

Sermon Theme: Jesus' Glory is in his Words.

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, December 31st was 27; 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 \$1481.00 for the work of his Church.

GOD'S PEOPLE GROWING AND SERVING

Usher/Altar Guild Schedule

February 21 — Dianne Bodey and Audrey Schultz

Cleaning Crew February: Dave and Dianne Bodey

NEWS AND NOTES

Today's Theme The Lord calls us and works all things for our good.

Council Meeting The council will meet next Sunday after worship.

OUR PATH OF WORSHIP

"The Common Service"

PREPARATION p.10

Opening Hymn: #283

Confession of Sins: p. 15

Prayer and Praise: p. 16-17

THE WORD

Job 7:1-7

Psalm 103, page 105

Romans 8:28-30

Verse of the day, p. 30

Mark 1:29-39

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Hymn of the Day: #288

The Sermon

Create in Me p. 20

The Offering

Prayers, p. 20

THE SACRAMENT p. 22-24

Distribution Hymn: #310

1,2,5,6,11,13

THANKSGIVING p. 24

Blessing, p. 25

Closing Hymn: #293

Next Sunday Worship – 9am / Council Meeting 10:15am

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