

THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
February 9th, 2020

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: Isaiah 58:5-9a

Here God tells his people that the proof of repentance doesn't consist in the form of their fast but in the deeds of their faith. In the same way merely going through the motions of faith in Christ is not an acceptable substitute for a true change of heart. God wants us to fulfill the Law by loving him and our neighbor. Real repentance leads to fruits—living as salt and light.

The Psalm of the Day: Psalm 111, on page 106 in your hymnal

The Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Although Jesus commands us to be salt and light as a witness for the world, our deeds can never become a source of pride. Paul's ministry among the Corinthians was not based on eloquent words or superior wisdom—but only on Christ and him crucified. Our lives as salt and light always point not to self but to Christ that faith might rest not on men, but on God.

The 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." (John 8:12) Alleluia.

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:13-20

Jesus' sermon moves from the promises of the Beatitudes to his commands for the Christian life. The Christians blessed by Christ are called to be blessings to the world around us. You are salt, Christ says, so be it: act as the preservative that keeps this world from rotting. You are light, so be it: shine into the darkness of the world that people might see and know how different you are.

Applying God's Word to our Lives this Week:

Sermon: 1 Corinthians 1:31-2:5

Theme: Boast in the Lord!

It's his message. It's his power.

STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS TO US

Worship service attendance for Sunday, February 2nd was 37. 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 \$1295.00 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 16 — 3*

February 23 — 1 * Communion Sunday

Cleaning Crew for this Month: Terry and Jan Stocker

NEWS AND NOTES

Today's Theme The Savior's Sermon: Let your light shine!

Council meeting The council will meet today following Bible Class.

Midweek Bible Class will meet this Wednesday at 10am.

Pastors' Conference Pastor will be away at Conference in Saginaw this Monday and Tuesday.

Next Sunday Worship — 9am
Bible Class/SundaySchool 10:15

**OUR PATH OF
WORSHIP**

"The Service of
the Word" p.38

PREPARATION p.10

Opening Hymn: #279

Confession of Sins: p. 38

Prayer and Praise: p. 39

THE WORD

Isaiah 58:5-9a

Psalms 111, page 106

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Verse of the day, p. 30

Matthew 5:13-20

Response: p. 40

Hymn of the Day: #Insert

The Sermon

Apostle's' Creed p. 41

THANKSGIVING

The Offering

Prayers p. 42-43

Hymn: #403

Closing Prayer p. 43

Blessing p. 44

Closing Hymn: #325

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