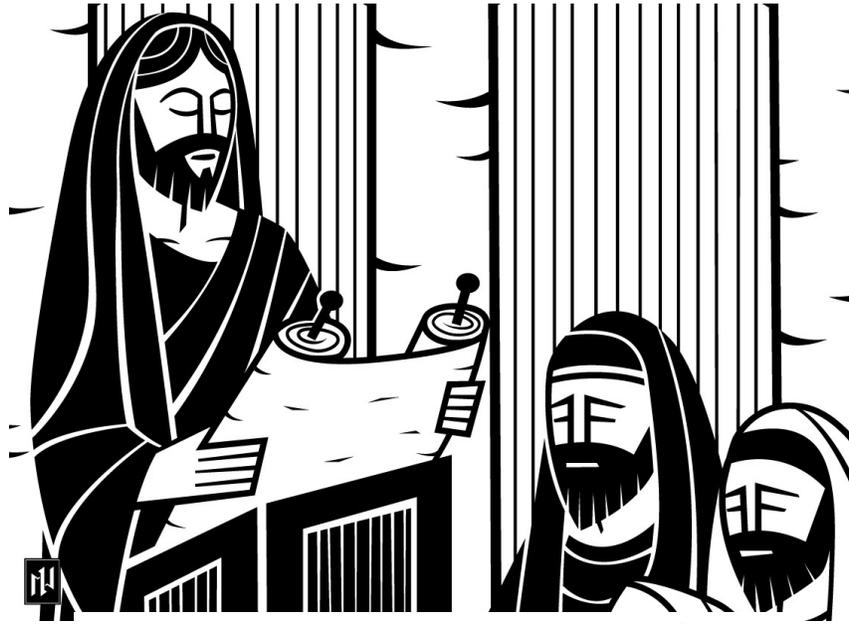


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Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS)

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Notes for Visitors:

- **Restrooms** are located in the hallway north of the sanctuary.
- **Nursery Room:** If you need a quiet place for your children, we have a room near the church offices. If you need help finding the room, please ask an usher for assistance.
- **Hymnals:** Use the red hymn books in the rack ahead of your pew to follow along in the service. If you need help or guidance, please ask someone nearby to assist you.
- **Holy Communion:** The Sacrament of Holy Communion (The Lord's Supper) will be celebrated at the close of our church services today. If you are a communicant member of another WELS congregation, we invite you to share this Sacrament with us. If you are not a member of our church, we ask you to honor our Biblical practice of close communion and refrain from coming forward until you have completed doctrinal discussions with one of our pastors. (Please read "Attending the Lord's Supper" for more information. Pamphlets are in

January 23, 2022 *Third Sunday after Epiphany*

The Pastors' Notes

The season of Epiphany highlights how Jesus reveals himself to us. (Epiphany comes from a Greek word, meaning: "appearance" or "manifestation.") Epiphany is a season which helps us move from the Christmas season (where the Savior is first revealed), to the season of Lent (where the Savior suffers and dies). Green will be the color each Sunday until Transfiguration. Green signifies growth and new life in the Church as Jesus reveals himself to us.

On this third Sunday after Epiphany, Jesus reveals the anointed Messiah. The titles "Messiah" and "Christ" both mean *anointed*, or *chosen*. Jesus is the one who has the Father's authority to proclaim the saving truth to sinners. He is the one who has been anointed to fulfill the prophecies and promises of God. Jesus is the one who has been anointed to give authority to proclaim his saving message to his people, the body of believers.

The lower image on today's is part of Isaiah 61:1 in the original Hebrew language. Jesus read these very words to the synagogue in Luke 14. The words sound like this, "*ma-sach Adonai oh-tee*" and are translated, "The LORD has anointed me."

Order Of Worship: Common Service , pg. 15

Hymns.....	238; 85; 86
Distribution Hymns.....	12; 28
Sermon Theme.....	Isaiah 61: 1-6

Prayer Of The Day

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 61: 1-6

The Spirit of the LORD God is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to preach good news to the afflicted. He sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release for those who are bound, ² to proclaim the year of the LORD's favor and the day of vengeance for our God, to comfort all who mourn, ³ to provide for those who mourn in Zion, to give them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, a cloak of praise instead of a faint spirit, so that they will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD to display his beauty. ⁴ Then they will rebuild ancient ruins. They will raise up what was formerly devastated, and they will renew ruined cities, which have been devastated for generations. ⁵ Strangers will stand and shepherd your flock, and foreigners will be your farmers and vinedressers. ⁶ You will be called the LORD's priests. You will be named ministers of our God. You will eat the wealth of nations, and you will boast about their riches.

Psalm 19 (hymnal, pg. 70)

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 12: 12-21, 26, 27

¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so also is Christ. ¹³ For by one Spirit we all were baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free people, and we were all caused to drink one Spirit. ¹⁴ Furthermore, the body is not one member, but many.

¹⁵ If the foot says, "Because I am not a hand, I am not part of the body," it does not on that account cease to be part of the body. ¹⁶ If the ear says, "Because I am not an eye, I

am not part of the body,” it does not on that account cease to be part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But now God has arranged the members in the body, each and every one of them, as he desired. ¹⁹ If they were all one member, where would the body be? ²⁰ But as it is, there are many members, yet one body.

²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need for you,” or again the head to the feet, “I have no need for you.”

²⁶ So if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it, or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

²⁷ You are the body of Christ, and individually you are members of it.

Verse of the Day

Alleluia. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease. Alleluia. (Matthew 4:23 cf. NIV)

Gospel Lesson: Luke 4: 14-21

¹⁴ Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through all the surrounding area. ¹⁵ He was teaching in their synagogues and being honored by everyone. ¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. As was his custom, he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood up to read. ¹⁷ The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: ¹⁸ The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free those who are oppressed, ¹⁹ and to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor. ²⁰ He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began to tell them, “Today, this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

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