

Peace Lutheran Church of Orofino ID

13946 1st Ave 7:30 am Bible Class, 8:00 am Worship Service <u>orofino.clclutheran.org</u>

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Clarkston WA

1107 14th Street 10:00 am Sunday School, 10:15 am Bible Class, 11:00 am Service www.ClarkstonLutheran.org

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4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 3, 2013

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 96 (front of the hymnal p. 144)

The Hymns: 19, 244, 767, 283

Prayer: Lord God, heavenly Father, make us diligent in the use of Your Word, and enable us by the grace of Your Holy Spirit to walk before You in fervent faith and all holy obedience. Through the Word made flesh, Your Son and our Savior Jesus Christ, work Your blessings in us for now and eternity. In His saving name, Amen.

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn 19

The Invocation

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation sings:**



THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness. **Pastor** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.



Pastor Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.



Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, often from the Psalms.

- P: Worship Him, all you His angels:
- C: Zion heard, and was glad.
- P: The daughters of Judah rejoiced:
- C: Because of Your judgments, O Lord;
- P: The Lord reigns, let the earth rejoice:
- C: Let the multitude of the isles be glad because of it.





has a complaint against His people, And He will contend with Israel. 3 "O My people, what have I done to you? And how have I wearied you? Testify against Me. 4 For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, I redeemed you from the house of bondage; And I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. 5 O My people, remember now What Balak king of Moab counseled, And what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, From Acacia Grove to Gilgal, That you may know the righteousness of the LORD." 6 With what shall I come before the LORD, And bow myself before the High God? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, With calves a year old? 7 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, Ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, The fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? 8 He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?

PASTOR Here ends the Old Testament Reading. We continue with the responsive reading of:

THE GRADUAL

The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament. P: The Lord sent His Word and healed them:

- C: And delivered them from their destructions.
- P: Oh, that men would praise the Lord for His goodness:
- C: And for all of His wonderful works to the children of men. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- P: Be praising Him, all you His angels:
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PASTOR The New Testament Bible Reading comes from Matthew chapter 5, beginning there in the 1st verse.



The New Testament Bible Reading

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comforted. 5 Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth. 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled. 7 Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy. 8 Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God. 9 Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God. 10 Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11 "Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. 12 "Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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THE APOSTLES' CREED

We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 12)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

Congregation sings Hymn 244

THE SERMON

1 Corinthians 1:26-31 For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called. 27 But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; 28 and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, 29 that no flesh should glory in His presence. 30 But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God; and righteousness and sanctification and redemption; 31 that, as it is written, "He who glories, let him glory in the LORD."

> Theme: "GOD HAS CHOSEN" I. His called believers (26) II. His meek methods (27-29) III. His glorious plan (30-31)





THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. While the ushers present our offerings at the Lord's Altar, we stand and sing the offering hymn 438:4-5: We Lord would lay at Thy behest The costliest offerings on Thy shrine But when we give, and give our best, We give Thee only what is Thine. O Father, whence all blessings come; O Son, Dispenser of God's store; O Spirit, bear our offerings home: Lord, make them Thine forevermore.

PRAYERS - (Pastor)

THE LORD'S PRAYER - (All)

Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever, Amen.

Congregation sings Hymn 767

Congregation stands for:



The Closing Hymn 283

*** SILENT PRAYER ***

<u>Announcements</u>

"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

WELCOME EVERYONE! Especially any visitors who may be with us. We are glad you are here and invite you to join us again soon in our worship of the One true God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. If you'd like to become a member, we offer a free "Information Course" in which the Pastor will meet with you at your convenience to study and discuss the Bible's teachings. Just ask!

ST. JOHN'S Today: Potluck following service. Over dinner we hope to discuss the possibility of opening a Lutheran Elementary School here in Clarkston.

CRAFT NIGHT: This Wednesday, February 6th @ 6:30 pm at ST. John's.

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE Every Sunday there are three Bible Readings in our service; a reading from the Old Testament, a reading from the Gospels, and a reading from the Epistles. This year the sermon is based on the Epistle Readings. If you'd like to read ahead the Bible readings for next Sunday, they are: Exodus 24:12, 15-18; Matthew 17:1-9; and 2 Peter 1:16-21 (the sermon). This list (called a pericope) contains the readings for 52 Sundays (1 year). It is designed so that every major Bible teaching is reviewed once a year.

LENT The church season of Lent begins one week from this Wednesday with the opening Ash Wednesday Communion Service. For the next six weeks until Easter, we will be having an extra midweek church service. 6:30 pm Wednesdays at St. John's; 6:30 pm Thursdays at Peace in Orofino. I encourage all to take advantage of these extra blessings from your LORD!

CLC NEWS <>Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids MI, has called the Rev. George Dummann, Pierre SD. <>The Rev. Thomas Schuetze, Coloma MI, has returned the call to be missionary in India and East Africa. <>Our brother in Christ and current president of the Nigerian-CLC, Pastor Patrick Udo has gone home to the LORD. He died of asthma related problems. We join his family, friends, students, and fellow kingdom-workers of the N-CLC in mourning this loss as we also rejoice in the victory that is his in Christ!

ASLEEP IN JESUS On Friday January 18, the LORD in His gracious timing called Velma Diehl (92) to her eternal rest. As planned by the family, burial has

taken place and a memorial service of both Velma and late husband Gordon will be, Lord willing, 11:00 am Saturday, February 23rd at St. John's. **"Precious in the sight of the LORD Is the death of His saints."** Ps. 116:15

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN LANCERS BASKET BALL (Eau Claire, WI)

Perhaps some may not be aware, but this basketball season has been one of the greatest in Immanuel's history for both the boys and girls high school. The boys are 11-4 (2nd in conference) and the girls are 12-3 (1st in conference). The girls are now off to the best start in ILC history. Here's an online blog to keep up with the girls:

http://lancersgirlsbasketball.blogspot.com/

You can even watch many of the boys and girls home games from your home: <u>http://www.ilc.edu/tv/</u> Audio is also available for many of the away games. The volunteers are pretty incredible to make such broadcasts possible and of high quality. I don't know of any other high school that has anything close to what Immanuel has. Since ILC is our Lutheran High School, tune in and support your teams this year as they have a chance to do something really special. Go Lancers!!

YOUTH CONFERNECE—SAVE THE DATE: Immanuel Lutheran Church— Mankato, MN is sponsoring a Youth Conference this Summer. Due to a variety of scheduling/planning challenges, we are later than we had hoped in releasing information about the conference. Details will come as soon as possible, however, for now, Please set aside August 13-18 for YC13! Youth Conference is an opportunity for youth from across the CLC—8th grade graduates through 2nd year college—to meet and spend several days with indepth study and application of the Word as well as Christian fellowship and recreation. So, mark your calendars and keep watching for the details and registration! *At a glance...* **Event**: Youth Conference; **Dates**: August 13-18, 2013; **Location**: Divide, Colorado; **Cost**: TBD...approx. \$300 (including all except transportation)

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God; and righteousness and sanctification and redemption; that, as it is written, `He who glories, let him glory in the LORD.'" 1 Corinthians 1:30-31

Old Testament Reading for the 4th Sunday after Epiphany

God's desire is that His light alone should guide our lives. Whenever we don't we end up asking spiritual foolish questions like: 'Why is God unhapopy and what more can He want from us?" After warning His people, the LORD again invites them to follow His righteousness and love. We read...

Micah 6:1-8 Hear now what the LORD says: "Arise, plead your case before the mountains, And let the hills hear your voice. 2 Hear, O you mountains, the Lord's complaint, And you strong foundations of the earth; For the LORD has a complaint against His people, And He will contend with Israel. 3 "O My people, what have I done to you? And how have I wearied you? Testify against Me. 4 For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, I redeemed you from the house of bondage; And I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. 5 O My people, remember now What Balak king of Moab counseled, And what Balaam the son of Beor answered him, From Acacia Grove to Gilgal, That you may know the righteousness of the LORD." 6 With what shall I come before the LORD, And bow myself before the High God? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, With calves a year old? 7 Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, Ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, The fruit of my body for the sin of my soul? 8 He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God?

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New Testament Reading

Here Jesus sheds light on some of the many blessings that apply to each of us as Christians for our growth in faith. Not one or two – but all of these, by faith, apply to you. We read...

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