

“As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you”

Isaiah 66:13



St. John's Lutheran Church & Valley Bible Academy (K-8)

1107 14th Street, Clarkston, WA
10:30 am Summer Worship Service
www.ClarkstonLutheran.org

Watch the Service at www.ustream.tv
(Search: St. John's Lutheran Church, Clarkston, WA)
Nursery Room with Service Monitor

Peace Lutheran Church

13946 1st Ave, Orofino, ID
8:00 am Summer Worship Service
orofino.clclutheran.org

Members of the Church of the Lutheran Confession – CLC

Organists: Deena Irby, Donna Lowary, Sue Martin

Pastor Dave Naumann – VBA Teacher Desirae Naumann

1119 14th Street Clarkston, WA 99403

email: pastordavenaumann@gmail.com Cell: 920 266-5384

Church and School: 509 758-8261

7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 23, 2017

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 143 (front of the hymnal p. 155)

The Hymns: 462, 464, 307, 401

Personal Prayer: Heavenly Father, God of all mercy, You have established the Church of Jesus Christ, wherein we receive forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Grant unto us the opening of our hearts to receive the instruction which You give us in Your holy Word for the eternal welfare of our souls. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn 462

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:

A - men.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness.

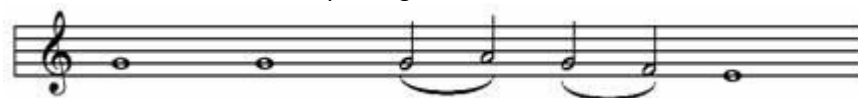
Pastor Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



C: Who made heaven and earth.

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



C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of

my sin

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

PASTOR: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called servant of God's Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ; I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.



C

A - men.

(congregation is seated)

THE INTROIT

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: Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice:

C: **You have been my Help.**

P: Leave me not, nor ever forsake me:

C: **O God of my salvation.**

P: The Lord is my Light and my Salvation:

C: **Whom shall I fear?**

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST *Gloria in Excelsis*



C: 1 Glo - ry to God, we give You thanks and praise;
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, the Fa - ther's on - ly Son,
3 A - lone, O Christ, You on - ly are the Lord,



Of heav'n - ly joy and peace on earth we sing.
You bore for us the load of this world's sin.
At God's right hand in maj - es - ty most high:



We wor - ship You, to You our hearts we raise,
O Lamb of God, Your glo - rious vic - t'ry won,
Who, with the Spir - it wor - shiped and a - dored,



Lord God, al - might - y Fa - ther, heav'n - ly King.
Re - ceive our prayer, grant us Your peace with - in.
With all the heav'n - ly host we glo - ri - fy.

THE SALUTATION *(Greeting)*

PASTOR The Lord be with you.



☐ And with thy spir - it.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer.

PASTOR Let us pray.



☐ A - men.

THE BIBLE READINGS

God speaks to us.

The Epistle Reading:

^{ESV} **Galatians 3:23-29** Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. ²⁴ So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. ²⁷ For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

PASTOR Here ends the Epistle reading. We continue with the reading of:

THE GRADUAL

The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament.

P: Behold, O God, our Shield:

C: **And look on us, Your servants.**

P: O Lord God of hosts:

C: **Hear our prayer. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P: The king shall joy in Your strength:

C: **And in Your salvation, how greatly shall he rejoice! Hallelujah!**



☐ Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

PASTOR The Gospel Reading is from Luke 9, beginning there in the 18th verse.



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

The Gospel Reading:

^{ESV} **Luke 9:18-24** Now it happened that as he was praying alone, the disciples were with him. And he asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" ¹⁹ And they answered, "John the Baptist. But others say, Elijah, and others, that one of the prophets of old has risen." ²⁰ Then he said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" And Peter answered, "The Christ of God." ²¹ And he strictly charged and commanded them to tell this to no one, ²² saying, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised." ²³ And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. ²⁴ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.

PASTOR Here ends the Gospel Reading.

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

THE NICENE CREED

We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 22)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn 464

THE SERMON

Isaiah 66:10-14 "Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her; ¹¹ that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance." ¹² For thus says the LORD: "Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees. ¹³ As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. ¹⁴ You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like

the grass; and the hand of the LORD shall be known to His servants, and He shall show His indignation against His enemies.

Theme: "Rejoice in Your Family – God's Church"

- I. For nourishing love (11)
- II. For comforting peace (12-13)
- III. For hope-filled growth (14)

Sermon Notes

THE OFFERTORY

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen**

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 441:1-2:

**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!**

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.

Hymn 307

The Communion Liturgy

THE PREFACE/ PROPER PREFACE

Now we approach the second high point of the liturgy, the Sacrament, in which the Lord comes to bless us with His very body and blood. We move toward the Sacrament with prayers of thanksgiving and songs of adoration. **Please stand.**

P The Lord be with you.

C And with thy spir - it.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up un - to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

C It is meet and right so to do.

PASTOR: Thanks and praise be to You, our Father, almighty Creator, merciful Lord, God of promise and fulfillment, for You kept Your promises through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, Your Son. By His death He has destroyed death and by His resurrection has restored to us everlasting life. And so, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn.

THE SANCTUS

Latin: "Holy." We join our voices to the angels who sing, "Holy, Holy, Holy" around His throne"

1 HOLY are You, the heav'-nly King! With an - gel hosts we
2 HOLY are You, our Lord most high! Bless-ed is he who
3 HOLY are You, through endless days! Our glad ho - san - nas

join to sing, Your ma - jes - ty fills ev' - ry - thing!
now draws nigh In God's own name! with joy we cry:
now we raise To greet You with ex - al - ted praise.

A Note To Our Guests About Communion: All CLC Churches practice "Close Communion." We ask that only those who are members of our church or another congregation in the CLC come forward to receive the Sacrament.

This NOT a judgment on your faith! Rather, it is an expression of our own faith and unity. If you would like more information, or are interested in becoming a member, please speak to Pastor Naumann.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(The words spoken by Jesus the night He instituted the Lord's Supper by which our Lord assured to His Church the real presence of His sacramental body and blood for all time

PASTOR: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C A - men.

THE AGNUS DEI

Latin: "Lamb of God." As we approach the Table of Forgiveness, we want to be thinking about the Lamb of God who was sacrificed for us on Calvary's cross.

C O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak - est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a - way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

The Distribution of the Sacrament *(congregation is seated)*

(Congregation stands)

PRAYER BY THE PASTOR: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us by the forgiveness of our sins through this Sacrament, and we beseech You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.



THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26)

PASTOR:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



Closing Hymn 401

***** Silent Prayer *****

Announcements

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

WELCOME EVERYONE! *We especially greet our guests and visitors today. It is the prayer of the congregation that you have all received God's blessings in abundance through the preaching of His pure Word and the singing of His praise. Feel free to sign our guest book, and thank you for joining us today!*

TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S School Board meets following service.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY 10:30 am at St. John's.

2nd QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETINGS Sunday July 30 at both congregations.

NEXT SUNDAY'S THREE BIBLE READINGS To help prepare hearts:
Deut. 30:9-14 – Moses provides for the reading of the Law (sermon)
Colossians 1:1-14 – We have not stopped praying for you
Luke 10:25-37 – The Parable of the Good Samaritan

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR ILC - Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI.

North Hall Update and Cleaning: The boys dormitory at the Immanuel campus, North Hall, is being updated this summer. Parts of the solar heating system had to be removed in order to install a more efficient natural gas boiler system. New windows are also being installed. The project is progressing as planned. Because of this project occurring over summer, there will be a small window of opportunity to clean it appropriately prior to the opening of the school year. Those willing to help with cleaning during the first two weeks of August are encouraged to contact the Facilities Manager, Paul Heinze ([715-456-7194](tel:715-456-7194)/ilcmaintenance@ilc.edu).

Partners in Ministry Program: The 2016 CLC Convention approved the Partners in Ministry Program which is designed to link active CLC called servants who have obligations to repay ILC Student Aid Fund loans with sponsors who agree to provide matching funds for payments on those loans. The donor and recipient would remain anonymous to each other. This program is now ready for implementation. There are about a dozen eligible account holders who will be contacted directly to see if they are interested in participating and would then need to fill out an application annually. While donors may get involved with this at any time, it would be helpful to have the initial slate of donors in place by August 15. Those interested in being donors or those who have questions may contact the ILC Business Manager, Jim Sandeen, ([715-836-6622](tel:715-836-6622)/jimsandeen@gmail.com).

CLC Contractors: Our ILC Facilities Manager is seeking contractors within the CLC willing to be on a list available to the Immanuel Maintenance Department. The list could include contractors for roofing/building, electrical, plumbing, concrete, etc., who could be called upon for expertise or to submit bids on large projects to save money for Immanuel. Some of the work would require the contractor to be licensed and bonded. But such a list would still obviously be helpful. Those interested can contact Paul Heinze ([715-456-7194](tel:715-456-7194)/ilcmaintenance@ilc.edu).

Weekly Memory Verse

“You are all sons of God, through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. “ Galatians 3:26-27

The Epistle Reading:

Here we are assured of the truth that each of us has by faith in Jesus Christ inherited a place as sons in God’s family – His Church. We read...

^{ESV} **Galatians 3:23-29** Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. ²⁴ So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. ²⁷ For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

THE GRADUAL

P: Behold, O God, our Shield:

C: And look on us, Your servants.

P: O Lord God of hosts:

C: Hear our prayer. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: The king shall joy in Your strength:

C: And in Your salvation, how greatly shall he rejoice! Hallelujah!

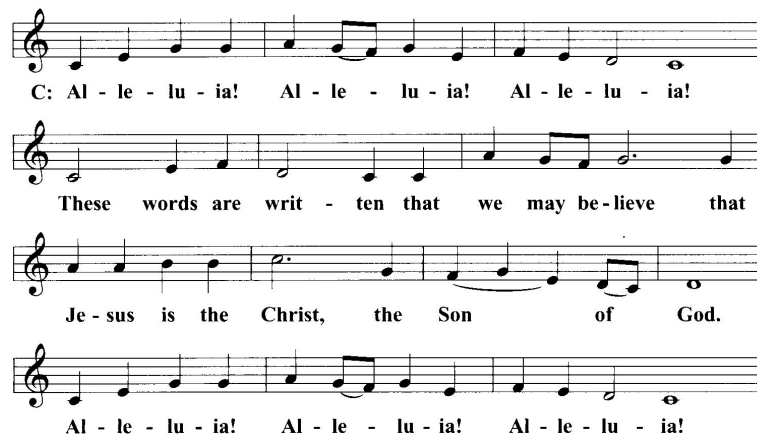
The Gospel Reading:

Being part of God’s family involves faith in His Son Jesus Christ, following Him and denying our sinful selves. We read...

^{ESV} **Luke 9:18-24** Now it happened that as he was praying alone, the disciples were with him. And he asked them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" ¹⁹ And they answered, "John the Baptist. But others say, Elijah, and others, that one of the prophets of old has risen." ²⁰ Then he said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" And Peter answered, "The Christ of God." ²¹ And he strictly charged and commanded them to tell this to no one, ²² saying, "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised." ²³ And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. ²⁴ For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.

PASTOR Here ends the Gospel Reading.

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!