HOME WORSHIP SERVICE BULLETIN

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St. John's Lutheran Church

1107 14th Street, Clarkston, WA 10:15 am Sunday School and Bible Class, 11:00 am Service <u>www.ClarkstonLutheran.org</u> Watch the Service on YouTube (Search: St. John's Lutheran Church, Clarkston, WA)

Peace Lutheran Church

13946 1st Ave, Orofino, ID 7:30 am Bible Class, 8:00 am Worship Service <u>orofino.clclutheran.org</u> Organist: Sue Martin Members of the Church of the Lutheran Confession – CLC

Valley Bible Academy (K-8)

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ASCENSION SUNDAY

May 24, 2020

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 84 (front of the hymnal p. 139) The Hymns: 215, 216, 738, 212:7

Opening Prayer: Prayer O God the Holy Spirit, Who are One with the Father and the Son, we thank You for giving us saving faith in our baptisms, and for continuing Your work of sanctification in our hearts and lives. Cause our faith to increase, and make us ever more eager in good works. Clothed in our Savior's righteousness, exalt us and all believers to eternal life on the Last Day. In His saving name. Amen.

Opening Hymn 215

Draw us to Thee, For then shall we
Walk in Thy steps forever And hasten on
Where Thou art gone To be with Thee, dear Savior.
Draw us to Thee, Lord, lovingly;
Let us depart with gladness That we may be
Forever free From sorrow, grief, and sadness.
Draw us to Thee; Oh, grant that we
May walk the road to heaven! Direct our way
Lest we should stray And from Thy paths be driven.
Draw us to Thee That also we
Thy heavenly bliss inherit And ever dwell
Where sin and hell No more can vex our spirit.
Draw us to Thee Unceasingly,
Into Thy kingdom take us; Let us fore'er
Thy glory share, Thy saints and joint heirs make us. Amen.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



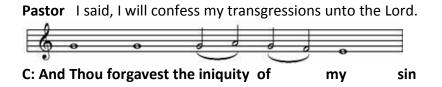
The Confession and Absolution of Sins

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 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 has given Your only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your 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.



The Introit

- P: Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice:
- C: Hallelujah!
- P: When You said, Seek My face, my heart said to You:
- C: Your face, Lord, will I seek. Hide not your face from me. Hallelujah!
- P: The Lord is my Light and my Salvation:
- C: Whom shall I fear?





The First Bible Reading:

Acts 1:1-11 The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, 2 until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, 3 to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God. 4 And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; 5 "for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 6 Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. 8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." 9 Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up,

and a cloud received Him out of their sight. 10 And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, 11 who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

The Gradual

- P: I came forth from the Father and am come into the world:
- C: again, I leave the world and go to the Father.
- P: God reigns over the heathen:
- C: God sits upon the throne of His holiness: Hallelujah! Hallelujah
- P: I will not leave you comfortless:
- C: I go, and I will come again to you, and your heart shall rejoice. Hallelujah!



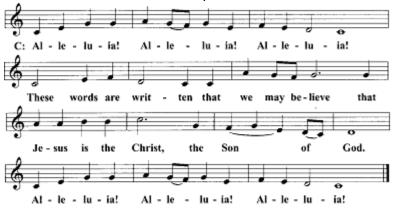
Pastor: The Gospel Reading is Luke 24 beginning in the 44th verse.



The Gospel Reading:

Luke 24:44-53 Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me." 45 And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures. 46 Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, 47 "and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 "And you are witnesses of these things. 49 "Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." 50 And He led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them. 51 Now it came to pass, while He blessed them, that He was parted from them and carried up into heaven. 52 And they worshiped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, 53 and were continually in the temple praising and blessing God. Amen.

Pastor: Here ends the Gospel Reading. Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



The Apostles' Creed

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.

Hymn 216

On Christ's ascension I now build The hope of mine ascension;
This hope alone has ever stilled All doubt and apprehension;
For where the Head is, there full well I know His members are to dwell
When Christ shall come and call them.

 Since He returned to claim His throne, Great gifts for men obtaining, By heart shall rest in him alone, No other rest remaining; For where my Treasure went before, There all my tho'ts shall ever soar To still their deepest yearning.
Oh, grant, dear Lord, this grace to me, Recalling Thine ascension,

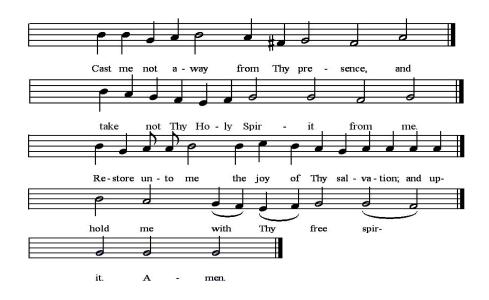
That I may ever walk with Thee, Adorning Thy redemption; And then, when all my days shall cease, Let me depart in joy and peace In answer to my pleading. Amen.

The Sermon

Ephesians 1:15-23 Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, 16 do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers: 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, 18 the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, 19 and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power 20 which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. 22 And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, 23 which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

Theme: "OUR ASCENSION BLESSINGS"





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. We sing the offering hymn 788:1: Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand Blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of giving with a spirit large and true. That our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.

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.

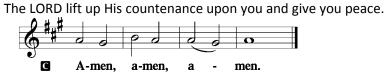
Hymn 738

Alleluia! sing to Jesus! His the scepter, His the throne.
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by His blood.
Alleluia! bread of angels, Thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful flee to Thee from day to day:
Intercessor, Friend of sinners, Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.
Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received Him when the forty days were o'er
Shall our hearts forget His promise, "I am with you evermore"?

The Benediction

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

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you.



The Closing Hymn 212:7 7. O risen Christ, ascended Lord, All praise to Thee let earth accord, Alleluia! Alleluia! Who art, while endless ages run, With Father and with Spirit One. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

WELCOME ...to you all who are worshipping at home. We pray the LORD is keeping you and yours spiritually and physically healthy and safe. Please join us regularly for worship services. Every Sunday here online you will find words of life and peace through Jesus Christ. May the blessings of our Triune God be upon you through the coming week!