# AND APPOINTED YOU SO THAT YOU MIGHT GO AND BEAR FRUIT. IDHN 15:15 NKIV \$\$\$\$ \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$

YOU DID NOT CHOOSE ME.

**EI CHOSE YOU** 

# **GOD CHOSE YOU!!! AMEN**

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

1107 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Clarkston, WA 10:30 am Summer Worship Service www.ClarkstonLutheran.org Watch the Service at <u>www.ustream.tv</u> (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

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### **10<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

AUGUST 13, 2017

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 18 (front of the hymnal p. 125) The Hymns: 279, 767, 37, 54

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 279**

#### 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.



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**Congregation sings:** 

#### 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.



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.



(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: Behold, God is my Helper:
- C: The Lord is with those who uphold my soul.
- P: He shall reward evil to my enemies:
- C: Cut them off in Your truth, O Lord.
- P: Save me, O God, by Your name:
- C: And judge me by Your strength.









#### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY



PASTOR Let us pray.



#### The Epistle Reading:

<sup>ESV</sup> Romans 8:28-39 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.<sup>29</sup> For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. <sup>30</sup> And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. <sup>31</sup> What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? <sup>33</sup> Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died--more than that, who was raised--who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. <sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." <sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor

powers, <sup>39</sup> nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

#### THE GRADUAL

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

- P: O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is Your name in all the earth:
- C: You who have set Your glory above the heavens. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- P: Blessed is the man who fears the Lord:
- C: Who truly loves to keep His commandments. Hallelujah!



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





Congregation stands for:

#### 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.

**HYMN 767** 

#### THE SERMON

<sup>ESV</sup> **Deuteronomy 7:6-9** "For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. <sup>7</sup> It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, <sup>8</sup> but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. <sup>9</sup> Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations."

Theme: "GOD CHOSE THE UNLOVABLE LOSERS TO BE THE ULTIMATE WINNERS"

I. Despite our slavery to sin

II. Because of His liberating love and unrelenting faithfulness

#### Sermon Notes

#### THE OFFERTORY

Having heard God's Word, we ask Him to spiritually heal us, giving us the gift of, the Holy Spirit.. 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!

### <u>PRAYERS</u> - (Pastor) <u>THE LORD'S PRAYER</u> - (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 37

Congregation stands for:

#### THE BENEDICTION

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.



The Closing Hymn 54

\*\*\* Silent Prayer \*\*\*

# <u>Announcements</u>

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

**WELCOME EVERYONE!** We pray that God's Word and our worship today will help you grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus. We ask our visitors to please sign our guest book. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. Ask our Pastor about a free Bible study he offers to explain what we believe, teach, confess, and practice. Where and when? Your convenience. **THANK YOU** We thank Pastor Tom Naumann for the Gospel message preached and 2<sup>nd</sup> year seminary student Sam Naumann for conducting worship services this morning. All five children of Pastor Dave and Desirae Naumann (and their families) are here visiting this week. Pastor Joe and Rachel Naumann & daughters Eleanor and Olivia from Mankato, MN; Pastor Tom and Ashley Naumann from Detroit, MI; Sam and Katie Naumann from Eau Claire, WI; Becca Naumann – Clarkston; Ben Naumann - Clarkston.

#### TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY 10:30am. Please join us!

#### VALLEY BIBLE ACADEMY OPENING DAY - TWO WEEKS FROM TUESDAY

We thank the LORD for the blessing of beginning our third year with an opening worship service at 8:30am Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. All are invited and encouraged to attend! Our current enrollment for 2017-18 stands at 11 students. While student tuition is designed to help support the school, please remember that the school is primarily a mission out-reach effort of our congregation. Working together with our prayers and offerings, we support the school. The LORD has certainly blessed our efforts with many new contacts and opportunities to spread God's Word. To help make this a financial success, we are encouraging the members of St. John's and Peace to consider increasing your regular offerings. You might also consider sponsoring a student this year. Can you afford all or part of \$250 per month for nine months to send a child to our Christian school? Please speak with Treasurer Ken Martin or Pastor Naumann.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFERINGS LAST SUNDAY** From thankful hearts... Needed: \$2,215. Received: \$2,168. (\$47) **2** Corinthians 8:9 "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich."

**CLC NEWS** <> Immanuel Lutheran Church of Mankato, MN, has called as its second pastor the Rev. Mike Wilke of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Saginaw, MI. <> St. Luke's Lutheran, Lemmon SD, has called the Rev. Richard Kanzenbach, pastor of Morning Star Lutheran, Fairchild; Peace with God Lutheran, Onalaska; and Trinity Lutheran, Millston, all in WI. <> The opening worship service for Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary will be on Sunday, August 20, 3 pm, at the campus fieldhouse, in Eau Claire, WI.

# Weekly Memory Verse

"He who did not spare His own Son but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?" Romans 8:32 The Epistle Reading for the 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost comes from Romans chapter 8:28-39.

Your faith, wrought by the Holy Spirit, helps us to understand the treasures of comfort that are found in these verses. We read...

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