## **Drawn to the Cross**



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

1107 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Clarkston, WA 10:15 am Sunday School and Bible Class, 11:00 am 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 7:30 am Bible Class, 8:00 am Worship Service orofino.clclutheran.org

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### **5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT - JUDICA**

#### **MARCH 18, 2018**

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 118 (front of the hymnal p. 148) The Hymns: 140, 390, 307, 721

Prayer: Blessed Redeemer, grant Your blessing to us during this Lenten season. By faith may we always see You as our Substitute, Who bore the burden of our sin and quilt perfectly, so that we now stand pure and sinless in God's holy eyes. Hear us, for the sake of Your love. Amen.

## **Opening Prayer Opening Hymn 140**

#### 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:** 

#### 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.



Who made heaven and earth. **C**:

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

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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.



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(congregation is seated)

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#### 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: Judge me, O God:
- C: And plead my cause against an ungodly nation.
- P: Oh, deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man:
- C: For You are the God of my strength.
- P: Oh, send out Your light and Your truth:
- C: Let them lead me; let them bring me to Your holy hill.







THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

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



#### THE BIBLE READINGS

God speaks to us.

#### **The Old Testament Reading:**

Jeremiah 31:31-34 "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah; 32 "not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the LORD. 33 "But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. 34 "No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

#### THE GRADUAL

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

- P: Deliver me, O Lord, from my enemies: Teach me to do Your will.
- C: He delivers me from my enemies:
- P: Yes, You lift me up above those that rise up against me;
- C: You have delivered me from the violent man. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- P: Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth; May Israel now say:
- C: Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth; yet they have not prevailed against me. Hallelujah!



Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

#### **The New Testament Reading:**

Hebrews 5:7-9 (Jesus) "who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, 8 though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. 9 And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him."

**PASTOR** The New Testament reading is from 1 Corinthians 7 beginning in verse 29

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





#### 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 390

#### THE SERMON

John 12:20-33 Now there were certain Greeks among those who came up to worship at the feast. 21 Then they came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and asked him, saying, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." 22 Philip came and told Andrew, and in turn Andrew and Philip told Jesus. 23 But Jesus answered them, saying, "The hour has come that the Son of Man should be glorified. 24 "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain. 25 "He who loves his life will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 "If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him My Father will honor. 27 "Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour. 28 "Father, glorify Your name." Then a voice came from heaven, saying, "I have both glorified it and will glorify it again." 29 Therefore the people who stood by and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to Him." 30 Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come because of Me, but for your sake. 31 "Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. 32 "And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself." 33 This He said, signifying by what death He would die.

Theme: "DRAWN TO THE CROSS" (31-33)

We see Jesus (20-22)
 We serve Jesus (25-26)
 We praise Jesus (23-24, 27-29)

#### 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 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

#### <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 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.



**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 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.









**PASTOR:** Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.



**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.





# <u>A n n o u n c e m e n t s</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.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY at St. John's this week at 10:30 am. Please join us!

6<sup>th</sup> MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICE THIS WEDNESDAY Theme: "Keeping Your Eyes on Jesus." Please come and join with your fellow believers in the worship of our Savior. Receive blessings from your LORD! Preaching: Pastor Wayne Eichstadt.
Peace Lutheran Church, Orofino: 3:30 pm service with refreshments following.
St. John's Lutheran Church Clarkston, 6pm service with a soup supper at 5pm.

**HOLY WEEK** Communion services will be held on Thursday March 29<sup>th</sup>. Peace in Orofino at 3:30 pm. St. John's in Clarkston at 6:00.

**EASTER VBS** We are planning a one-day Easter Vacation Bible School on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, (8 days before Easter Sunday), 9am – 3pm. Enrollment will be for 4 year olds through 6th Grade. Lunch will be provided. Registration forms are on the bulletin board. If you can volunteer to help, please speak to Pastor. Also, please let your family and friends know of this one-day VBS – it is a wonderful way to introduce our school to parents and their children.

**BABY GIFT** St. John's Ladies Aid is going to bless the growing Mac and Jessica McCabe family with a cash gift to spend as they need. They are expecting twin daughters on April 22 to join their other two sons and two daughters. If you would like to contribute, please earmark your gift as "Ladies Aid Blessing".

**APRIL 1**<sup>st</sup> – **EASTER SUNDAY** Services celebrating our LORD's resurrection will be held at 8:00 am at Peace in Orofino and 11:00 am at St. John's in Clarkston. Sunday school and Bible class are in recess. Come and worship the Risen Jesus! Be sure to use the ancient greeting with your fellow Christians: "He is risen!" answer: "He is risen indeed!"

**EASTER BREAKFAST** will be served at 7:00 am at Peace and 10:00 am at St. John's. Omelets and eggs cooked to order, pancakes and waffles! Any able-bodied men willing to help are encouraged to do so. You may also bring a plate of donuts, pastry or fruit (and your appetites!). Thank you!

WE NEED A HOUSE A "Teacher Housing Fund" has been established to provide permanent housing for our new teacher. Free temporary housing has been offered as a gift by a family in the congregation. In the mean time, it is hoped that a long term solution may be found. Please help contribute to this fund for the future of our school, Valley Bible Academy.

"We will not hide (the Bible) from... children, telling to the generation to come the praises of the LORD, and His strength and His wonderful works that He has done." Ps. 78:4 "Even so the Lord has commanded that those who preach the gospel should live from the gospel." 1 Cor. 9:14

**CALL ACCEPTED** – Brian Fox has accepted the call to be Primary Teacher/Principal at Valley Bible Academy! Brian, 53, is the son of Les and Wyona Fox. For the last five years he has been the Boys' Dorm Supervisor at Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, WI. During that time, he has taken classes from ILC for the purpose of graduating with teaching degree. He already has an elementary education degree from LCSC here in the Valley. We thank the LORD of the Church for providing another teacher for our Christian school, and we look forward to working with Brian in the vitally important Christian education of the young souls entrusted to our care. God has given us another great gift! Let us give thanks and praise His holy name!

Ephesians 4:11-12 "And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ."

Dorm Supervisor Needed at ILC: ILC is in need of a boys' dormitory supervisor for the 2018-19 school year. Men who are CLC members in good standing and are able and willing to fill this position should ask the pastor for more information about the responsibilities and compensation for this position. Those who are interested in applying should contact the ILC president, Prof. Steve Sippert (steve.sippert@ilc.edu, 715-523-1138), for an application or for more information. It is hoped that interested parties can reply by April 5.

**NEXT SUNDAY'S THREE BIBLE READINGS** To help you prepare your hearts: Zachariah 9:9-10 – See, your King comes to you Philippians 2:5-11 – The Humiliation and Exaltation of Christ Mark 11:1-10 – Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem (sermon)

**CLC NEWS** <> The Rev. David Schierenbeck, pastor of Berea Lutheran, Inver Grove Heights MN, has announced his plan to retire from the ministry and from his call to Berea at the end of June. <> Collette Krause has accepted the call to be principal and K-8 teacher at Trinity Lutheran School, Watertown, SD. <> Luther Memorial Church, Fond du Lac WI, has called the Rev. Nathan Pfeiffer, pastor of Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA.

## Weekly Memory Verse "For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." 1 Corinthians 1:18

## St. John's and Peace Lutheran Churches

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| + A Church | which keeps foremost the purpose to proclaim, preserve, and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ  |
| + A Church | which values faithfulness to the Word of<br>God above the size and outward<br>success of its membership  |
| + A Church | which recognizes but one Master in all matters of faith, the God-man Christ Jesus, our Savior  |
| + A Church | which promotes true Christian unity by both proclaiming the Gospel and by identifying error  |
| + A Church | which backs its commitment to Christian<br>education by supporting its own Chris-<br>tian elementary school – Valley Bible<br>Academy. Grades K – 8. |
| + A Church | which respects your privacy in the matter of Christian giving  |
| + A Church | which refuses to become just another political pressure group  |
| + A Church | which seeks people to serve the LORD   |

## Welcome!

If you would like to find out what we believe and teach... At your convenience the Pastor is ready to arrange free Bible instruction classes at your home or at church for you and your family so that you may be sure of eternal life. As the Principal of the school he is also ready to discuss with you what the Lord wants most for your children regarding a truly Christian education.

Pastor/Principal Dave Naumann Call or text: (920) 266-5384 Email: pastordavenaumann@gmail.com Church and School Website: www.ClarkstonLutheran.org

### The Old Testament Reading for 5th Sunday of Lent

How will the LORD judge me? That is a question that every person asks himself. In these verse the LORD explains that He will not judge us according to the Old Covenant of the Law, but rather according to the New Covenant of the Gospel – full forgiveness in the cross of our Savior Jesus Christ. We read...

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