

## St. John's Lutheran Church

1107 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Clarkston, WA 10:30 am Summer Worship 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 8:30 am Summer Worship Service <u>orofino.clclutheran.org</u>

Members of the Church of the Lutheran Confession – CLC

Organists: Jessica Buck and Sue Martin

# Valley Bible Academy (K-8)

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## 17<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**SEPTEMBER 29, 2020** 

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 124 (front of the hymnal p. 153) The Hymns: 657, 517, 457, 50

Personal Prayer: Lord God, heavenly Father, We beseech You, graciously abide among us with Your blessing, and keep us from greed and the cares of this life, that we may seek first Your kingdom and righteousness, and in all things needful for body and soul, provide Your ever-present help; through Jesus Christ, Amen.

## Opening Prayer Opening Hymn 657

#### 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

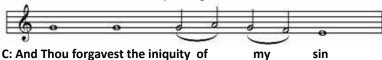
We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness. **Pastor** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



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)

#### <u>The Introit</u>

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: How lovely are Your worship places, O Lord of all:
- C: I yearn for, yes, I faint with longing for the courts of the Lord.
- P: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house:
- C: They are always praising You.
- P: The Lord will give grace and glory:
- C: No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly.





The Collect for the Day

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



#### The Old Testament Reading:

Jeremiah 15:5-21 "For who will have pity on you, O Jerusalem? Or who will bemoan you? Or who will turn aside to ask how you are doing? 6 You have forsaken Me," says the LORD, "You have gone backward. Therefore I will stretch out My hand against you and destroy you; I am weary of relenting! 7 And I will winnow them with a winnowing fan in the gates of the land; I will bereave them of children; I will destroy My people, Since they do not return from their ways. 8 Their widows will be increased to Me more than the sand of the seas; I will bring against them, Against the mother of the young men, A plunderer at noonday; I will cause anguish and terror to fall on them suddenly. 9 "She languishes who has borne seven; She has breathed her last; Her sun has gone down While it was yet day; She has been ashamed and confounded. And the remnant of them I will deliver to the sword Before their enemies," says the LORD. 10 Woe is me, my mother, That you have borne me, A man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! I have neither lent for interest, Nor have men lent to me for interest. Every one of them curses me. 11 The LORD said: "Surely it will be well with your remnant; Surely I will cause the enemy to intercede with you In the time of adversity and in the time of affliction. 12 Can anyone break iron, The northern iron and the bronze? 13 Your wealth and your treasures I will give as plunder without price, Because of all your sins, Throughout your territories. 14 And I will make you cross over with your enemies Into a land which you do not know; For a fire is kindled in My anger, Which shall burn upon you." 15 O LORD, You know; Remember me and visit me, And take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In Your enduring patience, do not take me away. Know that for Your sake I have suffered rebuke. 16 Your words were found, and I ate them, And Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; For I am called by Your name, O LORD God of hosts. 17 I did not sit in the assembly of the mockers, Nor did I rejoice; I sat alone because of Your hand, For You have filled me with indignation. 18 Why is my pain perpetual And my wound incurable, Which refuses to be healed? Will You surely be to me like an unreliable stream, As waters that fail? 19 Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, Then I will bring you back; You shall stand before Me; If you take out the precious from the vile, You shall be as My mouth. Let them return to you, But you must not return to them. 20 And I will make you to this people a fortified bronze wall; And they will fight against you, But they shall not prevail against you; For I am with you to save you And deliver you," says the LORD. 21 "I will deliver you from the hand of the wicked, And I will redeem you from the grip of the terrible."

**PASTOR** Here ends the Old Testament Reading.

#### <u>The Gradual</u>

The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament. P: It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord:

- C: And to sing the praises of Your name, O most High.
- P: To show forth Your loving-kindness in the morning:
- C: And Your faithfulness every night. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
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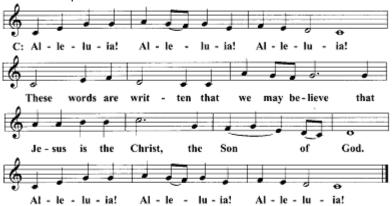
**Pastor:** The Gospel Reading is Matthew 16 beginning in the 21<sup>st</sup> verse.



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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.

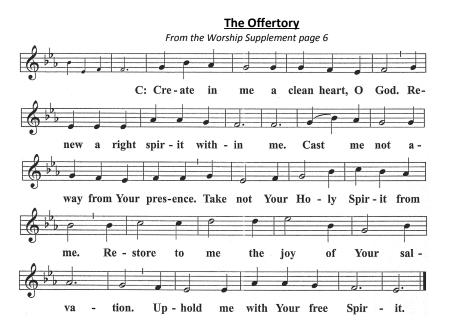
I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

#### Hymn 517

#### The Sermon

Romans 12:1-8 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. 3 For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. 4 For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, 5 so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. 6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; 7 or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; 8 he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

Theme: "WE ARE ONE BODY IN CHRIST" I: For Christ has made us one (3, 4A, 5) II: Yet Christ has made us different (4B, 6-8)



#### **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 he 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.

#### 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 457

### The Benediction

Pastor: The

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 50

\*\*\* 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, 20 lesson "Information Class" led by the Pastor to study and discuss the Bible's teachings.

**IN OUR PRAYERS** Desirae Naumann as she recovers from brain tumor surgery with chemo and radiation therapy. Dean Hattan as he recovers from a leg amputation. Bob Jensen, that he might receive a heart and kidney transplant. O LORD, Your gracious will be done.

Isaiah 56:5 "...to them I will give in My house and within My walls a place and a name better than that of sons and daughters; I will give them an everlasting name that shall not be cut off."

#### THE FALL SCHEDULE

Peace: 7:30 am Bible Class followed by Service at 8:00 am St. John's: 10:15 am Sunday School & Bible Class, 11:00 am Service

NEXT SUNDAY'S BIBLE LESSONS Read ahead to help prepare: Ezekiel 33:7-9 – God holds His watchmen responsible Romans 13:1-10 – Submit to the government, love one another (sermon). Matthew 18:15-20 – Win back your erring brother

# CHURCH AND SCHOOL CLEANING VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED AT ST. JOHN'S.

Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

**CLC NEWS** <> Prof. John Reim, Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI has announced his retirement effective at the end of the school year in May, 2021. <> Pastor Chad Sebyt, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Cheyenne, WY has **accepted** the calls to a tri-parish of Morningstar, Fairchild; Trinity, Millston; and Peace with God, Onalaska, WI. Meanwhile Pastor Emeritus John Schierenbeck has accepted the vacancy call. <> Pastor Tom Schuetze, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Lakewood, CO. has **received** the call to Bethel Lutheran Church, Morris, MN. <> Seminary graduate Nick Naumann has **received** the call to Redeemer, Bowdle and Zion, Ipswich, SD.

# WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

Romans 12:2

# The Old Testament Reading for the 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:

The prophet Jeremiah is tired and worn out. No one wants to have anything to do with him. Why? Because he preached what God revealed instead of what the people wanted to hear. God promises to strengthen him, making him a "fortified wall of bronze" and through His Word God does the same for us giving us the stamina to withstand the sinful world. We read... Jeremiah 15:5-21 "For who will have pity on you, O Jerusalem? Or who will bemoan you? Or who will turn aside to ask how you are doing? 6 You have forsaken Me," says the LORD, "You have gone backward. Therefore I will stretch out My hand against you and destroy you; I am weary of relenting! 7 And I will winnow them with a winnowing fan in the gates of the land; I will bereave them of children; I will destroy My people, Since they do not return from their ways. 8 Their widows will be increased to Me more than the sand of the seas; I will bring against them, Against the mother of the young men, A plunderer at noonday; I will cause anguish and terror to fall on them suddenly. 9 "She languishes who has borne seven; She has breathed her last; Her sun has gone down While it was yet day; She has been ashamed and confounded. And the remnant of them I will deliver to the sword Before their enemies," says the LORD. 10 Woe is me, my mother, That you have borne me, A man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! I have neither lent for interest, Nor have men lent to me for interest. Every one of them curses me. 11 The LORD said: "Surely it will be well with your remnant; Surely I will cause the enemy to intercede with you In the time of adversity and in the time of affliction. 12 Can anyone break iron, The northern iron and the bronze? 13 Your wealth and your treasures I will give as plunder without price, Because of all your sins, Throughout your territories. 14 And I will make you cross over with your enemies Into a land which you do not know; For a fire is kindled in My anger, Which shall burn upon you." 15 O LORD, You know; Remember me and visit me, And take vengeance for me on my persecutors. In Your enduring patience, do not take me away. Know that for Your sake I have suffered rebuke. 16 Your words were found, and I ate them, And Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; For I am called by Your name, O LORD God of hosts. 17 I did not sit in the assembly of the mockers, Nor did I rejoice; I sat alone because of Your hand, For You have filled me with indignation. 18 Why is my pain perpetual And my wound incurable, Which refuses to be healed? Will You surely be to me like an unreliable stream, As waters that fail? 19 Therefore thus says the LORD: "If you return, Then I will bring you back; You shall stand before Me; If you take out the precious from the vile, You shall be as My mouth. Let them return to you, But you must not return to them.

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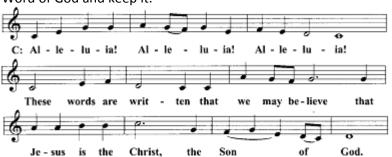
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## The Gospel Reading:

True discipleship often means the opposite of what you might feel or think. Peter found that out in this instance. Being a believer often means sacrifice. This is only reasonable service as the recipients of Christ's sacrifice for us. We read...

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