

# Joseph forgives his brothers



## 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  
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## Peace Lutheran Church

13946 1st Ave, Orofino, ID  
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7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

FEBRUARY 19, 2017

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 146 (front of the hymnal p. 156)

The Hymns: 279, 767, 315, 769

*Prayer: We thank You, gracious Father in heaven, for the forgiveness of sins you have given us in our loving Savior Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit to work in our hearts forgiveness for all people. Above all, strengthen and keep us in our saving faith by Your Word unto eternal life. In Jesus' name, 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.

**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.



**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:** All Your works shall praise You, O LORD,

**C: And Your saints shall bless You.**

**P:** They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom,

**C: And talk of Your power,**

**P:** To make known to the sons of men His mighty acts,

**C: And the glorious majesty of His kingdom.**

### 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.



**C** 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.



**C** A - men.

### THE BIBLE READINGS

*God speaks to us.*

#### The Epistle Reading:

1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50 But someone will say, "How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?" 36 Foolish one, what you sow is not made alive unless it dies. 37 And what you sow, you do not sow that body that shall be, but mere grain; perhaps wheat or some other grain. 38 But God gives it a body as He pleases, and to each seed its own body. 42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. The body is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption. 43 It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. 44 It is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. 45 And so it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit. 46 However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual. 47 The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven. 48 As was the man of dust, so also are those who are made of dust; and as is the heavenly Man, so also are those who are heavenly. 49 And as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Man. 50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption.

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

### THE GRADUAL

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

**P:** Let the morning bring me word of Your unfailing love,

**C: For I have put my trust in You.**

**P:** Show me the way I should go,

**C: For to You I lift up my soul. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

**P:** Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life,

**C: And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever. Hallelujah!**



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

PASTOR The Gospel Reading comes from Luke 6, beginning there in the 27<sup>th</sup> verse.



Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

**The Gospel Reading:**

Luke 6:27-38 "But I say to you who hear: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, 28 "bless those who curse you, and pray for those who spitefully use you. 29 "To him who strikes you on the one cheek, offer the other also. And from him who takes away your cloak, do not withhold your tunic either. 30 "Give to everyone who asks of you. And from him who takes away your goods do not ask them back. 31 "And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. 32 "But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. 33 "And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. 34 "And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. 35 "But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. 36 "Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful. 37 "Judge not, and you shall not be judged. Condemn not, and you shall not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. 38 "Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you."

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.

St. John's – Anthem by the teachers of the Pacific Coast Teachers' Conference

**Hymn 767**

**THE SERMON**

Genesis 45:3-8,15 Then Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph; does my father still live?" But his brothers could not answer him, for they were dismayed in his presence. 4 And Joseph said to his brothers, "Please come near to me." So they came near. Then he said: "I am Joseph your brother, whom you sold into Egypt. 5 "But now, do not therefore be grieved or angry with yourselves because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. 6 "For these two years the famine has been in the land, and there are still five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvesting. 7 "And God sent me before you to preserve a posterity for you in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance. 8 "So now it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt. 15 Moreover he kissed all his brothers and wept over them, and after that his brothers talked with him.

Theme: "THE BLESSINGS OF FORGIVENESS"

I. With no conditions (3-5a,15)

II. Understanding God's plan (5b-6)

III. Trusting God's will (7-8)

**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 315

### 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.

Al - le - lu - ia! . . . Al - le - lu - ia! . . . Al - le - lu - ia!  
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### 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 think only of that 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.

is now, and ev-er shall be, world without end. A-men.

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

and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

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

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

**THE NUNC DIMITTIS**

*Latin: "Now Dismiss." Simeon's words after seeing the Christ Child. (Luke 2:29-32)*

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-  
 cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
 peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
 to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,

reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

A - men.

**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.

A-men, a-men, a - men.

Closing Hymn 769

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

# Announcements

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

**WELCOME EVERYONE!** We are glad you are here today and pray that God's Word and songs of praise sung to His glory 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 the free Bible study he offers to explain what we believe, teach, confess, and practice. The LORD's richest blessings to all!

**PACIFIC COAST TEACHERS' CONFERENCE** We especially welcome the Christian elementary school teachers of our synod who were able to be here this weekend for their yearly conference meetings. They are:

Mr. Quinn Sprengeler of Redemption Lutheran School of Lynnwood WA;

Miss. Kirsten Gullerud of St. Stephen's Lutheran School of Mountain View (San Francisco Bay Area, West), CA;

Mr. Josh Ohlmann of Holy Cross Lutheran School of Phoenix AZ.

Mrs. Desirae Naumann of Valley Bible Academy – St. John's Lutheran, Clarkston WA.

We thank Jim Tank for graciously housing the conference teachers at his residence in Joseph, OR, at Wallowa Lake.

**ST. JOHN'S Today:** Planned (chicken provided) potluck dinner following service so you can meet and greet the teachers of the Pacific Coast Teachers Conference. Please join us – all are welcome!

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY** this week at 10:30 am. Please join us!

**Valley Bible Academy Education Fair** – Sunday Feb. 26. Students will be singing after the morning service and then presenting their work in the classroom. Come and see what your Lord has done in your school and the students you support!

**BOXTOPS For Education** are due March 1. Please bring them in!

**CLC NEWS** <> Mt. Zion Lutheran, Madison Heights MI, has called the Rev. Matthew Hanel, pastor of St. Matthew Lutheran, Dallas TX. <> The Rev. David Baker, pastor of Our Redeemer's Lutheran, Red Wing MN, is taking a month's leave of absence, due to an unknown illness and unexpected fatigue. Pastor Emeritus Paul Fleischer is serving in the interim. <> The Rev. Paul D. Nolting, co-pastor of Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has the call to the Tri-parish of Grace Lutheran, Valentine NE, Peace Lutheran, Mission SD, and St. Paul's Lutheran, White River SD.

## *Weekly Memory Verse*

**"But I (Jesus) say to you who hear: Love your enemies,**

**do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, and pray for those who spitefully use you. " Luke 6:27-28**

*St. John's and Peace Lutheran Churches*

STRIVE TO BE . . .

- + 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 God above the size and outward 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 education by supporting its own Christian elementary school – Valley Bible Academy.
- + 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 are curious about 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.

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### **The Epistle Reading:**

*Because of the Love of God toward us in Christ Jesus and because of the forgiveness of sins we have in Jesus Christ, our future resurrection with glorified bodies is assured. We read...*

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**Hallelujah!**

### **The Gospel Reading:**

*The Bible says "We love Him because He first loved us." God's grace towards us enables us to reflect that incredible mercy, love and kindness toward everyone... and I mean everyone... around us. We read...*

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**PASTOR** Here ends the Gospel Reading.

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



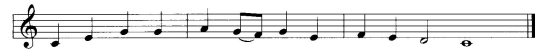
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