# On Mt. Nebo the Lord showed Moses the Promised Land



# 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 <u>www.ClarkstonLutheran.org</u> 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 7:30 am Bible Class, 8:00 am Worship Service <u>orofino.clclutheran.org</u>

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#### TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

**FEBRUARY 26, 2017** 

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 90 (front of the hymnal p. 142) The Hymns: 39, 246, 719, 655

Prayer: Lord God, heavenly Father, in You we trust. Strengthen our faith through the power of the Word and working of Your Holy Spirit, Then we will always confidently trust in the forgiveness of sins in Your Son Jesus Christ, and walk before You in fervent faith and all holy obedience. In Jesus name we ask it, Amen.

#### Opening Prayer Opening Hymn 39 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.



#### 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: The lightnings lightened the world:
- C: The earth trembled and shook.
- P: How lovely is Your tabernacle, O Lord of hosts!
- C: My soul longs, yes, even faints for the courts of the Lord.
- P: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house:
- C: They will be praising You forever.







#### THE BIBLE READINGS

#### **The Epistle Reading:**

2 Corinthians 4:3-6 But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, 4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them. 5 For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus' sake. 6 For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**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: You are fairer than the children of men:
- C: Grace is poured into Your lips.
- P: The Lord said to my Lord, Sit down at My right hand:
- C: Until I make Your enemies Your footstool. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- P: Sing to the Lord, bless His name, and show forth His salvation from day to day:
- C: Declare His glory among all people. Hallelujah!



**PASTOR** The Gospel Reading comes from Luke 9, beginning there in the 28<sup>th</sup> verse.



#### The Gospel Reading

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



#### 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 246

#### THE SERMON

Deuteronomy 34 Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is across from Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land of Gilead as far as Dan, 2 all Naphtali and the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, 3 the South, and the plain of the Valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. 4 Then the LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to give Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants.' I have caused you to see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." 5 So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD. 6 And He buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth Peor; but no one knows his grave to this day. 7 Moses was one hundred and twenty years old when he died. His eyes were not dim nor his natural vigor diminished. 8 And the children of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. So the days of weeping and mourning for Moses ended, 9 Now Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him: so the children of Israel heeded him, and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. 10 But since then there has not arisen in Israel a prophet like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, 11 in all the signs and wonders which the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, before Pharaoh, before all his servants, and in all his land, 12 and by all that mighty power and all the great terror which Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

> Theme: "IN CHRIST THE LORD KEEPS HIS PROMISES" I. To Moses and the Children of Israel II. To you and whole world

> > 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 568:1

> We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator, In grateful devotion our tribute we bring; We lay it before Thee, we kneel and adore Thee, We bless Thy holy name, glad praises we sing.

#### 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 719

#### 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 655

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

# <u>Announcements</u>

"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!

**IN OUR PRAYERS** George Sack, member of St. John's, is under hospice care in a nursing home in Walla Walla. He has a fast growing cancer. "O LORD, save!"

**ST. JOHN'S Today: Valley Bible Academy Fair!** Students will be singing after the morning service and offering a chance for you to view their Bible Fair Projects in the classrooms. Come and see what God has accomplished in your students!

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

**THE CHURCH SEASON OF LENT** begins with Ash Wednesday Communion services this week. Lent is a time of repentance and reflection on the sufferings and death our Savior went through to earn the forgiveness of sins for us. We will be having a pulpit exchange with the Pastors of our sister congregations in Spokane. Services:

2pm at Peace Lutheran Church in Orofino.

6pm at St. John's Lutheran in Clarkston, with a soup supper at 5pm.

**ILC TOUR CHOIR CONCERT AT ST. JOHN'S ON MARCH 14** Mark your calendars for this rare opportunity to hear beautiful anthems of praise to God by the Students of Immanuel Lutheran College, traveling to us from Eau Claire, WI. We will need everyone's help to provide housing and food for some 32 students. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board. Please take a look today to see what you can do!

**CLC NEWS** <> St. Luke's Lutheran, Lemmon SD, has called the Rev. David Reim. pastor of St. Paul Lutheran, Vernon BC. <> The Rev. Matthew Hanel, pastor of St. Matthew Lutheran, Dallas TX, has returned the call to Mt. Zion Lutheran, Madison Heights MI. <> The Rev. Paul D. Nolting, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has accepted the call to the Tri-parish: Grace Lutheran Valentine NE, Peace Lutheran, Mission SD, and St. Paul's Lutheran, White River SD. <> The Rev. John Schierenbeck, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven FL, has indicated his intention to retire from the public ministry in June. The congregation has called the Rev. Nathan Pfeiffer, pastor of Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA.

# Weekly Memory Yerse

"For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ." *2 Corinthians 4:6* 

### <u>The Epistle Reading for Transfiguration Sunday – 8<sup>th</sup> after Epiphany</u>

When we preach Jesus Christ as LORD, the light of the Gospel shines into peoples hearts and gives knowledge of the glory of God. It's a miracle every time, for the same powerful Savior God who called light into existence at creation has shone in our hearts through the Gospel. We read...

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The Transfiguration of Jesus in these verses gives us a glimpse of the glory that will some day be ours. Peter wanted to preserve that special moment and never have it end. The future glory in Christ will far excel all of life's greatest moments, and, it will last forever. We read...

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