

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

1107 14th Street, Clarkston, WA
 10:15 am Sunday School and Bible Class, 11:00 am Service
www.ClarkstonLutheran.org
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 Nursery Room with Service Monitor

Peace Lutheran Church

13946 1st Ave, Orofino, ID
 7:30 am Bible Class, 8:00 am Worship Service
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22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 5, 2017

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 85 (front of the hymnal p. 140)
 The Hymns: 784, 424, 427, 785

Personal Prayer: Dear Lord Jesus, grant us grace to recognize that we are helpless to earn our eternal salvation. Fix our eyes of faith on You at all times as our only Savior. Send us Your Holy Spirit through Your Word that we may abound more and more in the desires and thoughts, the words and deeds, which are fruit and evidence of our faith in You. In Jesus name, Amen.

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn 784

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: A - 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.



C: And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin

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.



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: The whole world is in Your power, O Lord, King Almighty:

C: **There is no man who can question You.**

P: For You have made heaven and earth and all the wondrous things under the heavens:

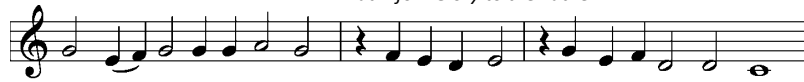
C: **You are Lord of all.**

P: Blessed are the undefiled in the way:

C: **Who walk in the Law of the Lord.**

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father"



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life.



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

THE GLORIA

A hymn glorifying and praising our God (Hymn 798:1 – all sing)



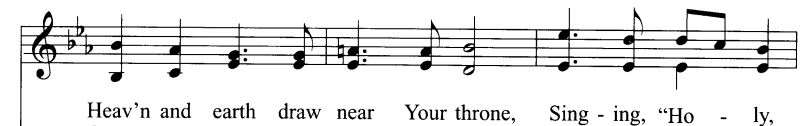
I God, we praise You! God, we bless You! God, we name You



sov - reign Lord! Might - y King whom an - gels wor - ship, Fa - ther,



by Your Church a - dored: All cre - a - tion shows Your glo - ry;



Heav'n and earth draw near Your throne, Sing - ing, "Ho - ly,



ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord of hosts and God a - lone!"

THE SALUTATION (Greeting)

PASTOR The Lord be with you.



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.



A - men.

The Epistle Reading:

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 But as for you, continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned *them*,¹⁵ and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.¹⁶ All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work. 4:1 I charge *you* therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: ² Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. ³ For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, *because* they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; ⁴ and they will turn *their* ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.

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: Lord, You have been our Dwelling Place in all generations.

C: **Before the mountains were brought forth**

P: Or ever You formed the earth and the world:

C: **Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P: Those who trust in the Lord shall be as Mt. Zion:

C: **Which cannot be removed, but abides forever. Hallelujah!**



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

PASTOR The Gospel reading is from Luke 18 beginning with the 1st verse.



Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

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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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These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that



Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.



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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 424

THE SERMON

Genesis 32:22 And he arose that night and took his two wives, his two female servants, and his eleven sons, and crossed over the ford of Jabbok. ²³ He took them, sent them over the brook, and sent over what he had. ²⁴ Then Jacob was left alone; and a Man wrestled with him until the breaking of day. ²⁵ Now when He saw that He did not prevail against him, He touched the socket of his hip; and the socket of Jacob's hip was out of joint as He wrestled with him. ²⁶ And He said, "Let Me go, for the day breaks." But he said, "I will not let You go unless You bless me!" ²⁷ So He said to him, "What is your name?" He said, "Jacob." ²⁸ And He said, "Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel; for you have struggled with God and with men, and have prevailed." ²⁹ Then Jacob asked, saying, "Tell *me* Your name, I pray." And He said, "Why *is it that* you ask about My name?" And He blessed him there. ³⁰ And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: "For I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved."

Theme: "GOING TO THE MAT WITH GOD"

I: Jacob's struggle was painful

II: But he insisted on a blessing

III: And the blessing was granted!

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

Following your gifts, 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)

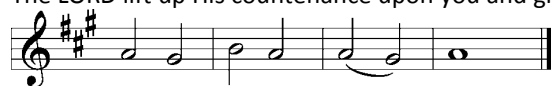
Our Father Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever, Amen.

Hymn 427

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.



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

The Closing Hymn 785

***** Silent Prayer *****

Announcements

"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.

IN OUR PRAYERS We continue to keep Barb and Everet Martin in our prayers. Everet was in ICU for several days last week with complications from his fall. However he is doing better now, and we ask the LORD to keep them both in His care.

QUARTERLY MEETING St. John's meets following the potluck meal this morning.

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY this week at 10:30. All are invited!

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFERINGS LAST SUNDAY

From thankful hearts: Received: \$1,253. Needed: \$2,215 (- \$962). YTD: -\$1,749

"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. " 2 Corinthians 8:9

VALLEY BIBLE ACADEMY NEWS Once again this year we are planning a float for the Clarkston lighted Christmas parade on Saturday December 2nd. This year's theme is "Backcountry Christmas." If you'd like to get involved with the assembling of the float or participate in the parade, please speak with President Jerry Coleman. Below is a picture of what we'd like to do. Does anyone has a pre-built shed we could borrow?



NEXT SUNDAY'S BIBLE LESSONS Read ahead to help prepare your heart:
Deuteronomy 10:12-22 – Fear the Lord your God and serve Him (sermon)
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 – I have fought the good fight
Luke 18:9-14 – The Pharisee and the tax collector

ST. JOHN'S REMINDERS:

Church Cleaning: There is a list for you to sign if you are able to serve your LORD by cleaning the church and school. Especially with our **school**, there is an **increased need** for the regular cleaning of our facilities!

Altar Flowers: There is a list for those who wish to bring flowers for the altar on any given Sunday.

Pre-service Goodies: If you are able to bring goodies of some kind for people to eat while they are visiting before or after service, please sign on the sheet in kitchen.

CLC NEWS <> Rev. Andrew Schaller of Calvary Lutheran Church, Marquette, MI, has the call as the second pastor to Immanuel Lutheran Church of Mankato, MN.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16-17

The Epistle Reading:

The Apostle Paul here charges young Pastor Timothy and us to CONTINUE in the Word of God, by faith using it in every aspect of our lives, for our benefit as well as the benefit of those around us. We read; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 But as for you, continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned *them*,¹⁵ and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.¹⁶ All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,¹⁷ that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work. 4:1 I charge *you* therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: ² Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. ³ For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, *because* they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; ⁴ and they will turn *their* ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.

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If an unjust judge will do the right thing simply because of persistence, how much more won't God take action when you, His dear child by faith, are persistent in prayer? We read...

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