

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

1107 14th Street, Clarkston, WA
 10:30 am Summer Worship Service
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Peace Lutheran Church

13946 1st Ave, Orofino, ID
 8:00 am Summer Worship Service
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**14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
 2015**

AUGUST 30,

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 124 (front of the hymnal p. 153)
 The Hymns: 344, 289, 158, 391

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

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn 344

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: Have respect, O Lord, to Your covenant:

C: Oh, do not let the oppressed return ashamed!

P: Arise, O God, plead Your own cause;

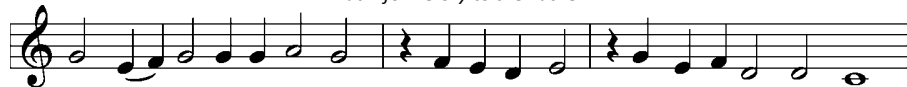
C: Do not forget the voice of Your enemies;

P: O God, why have You cast us off forever?

C: Why does Your anger smoke against the sheep of Your pasture?

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father"



G 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.



G 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.



G 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.



G A - men.

THE BIBLE READINGS

God speaks to us.

The Old Testament Reading:

Exodus 19:9-13, 16-20 And the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I come to you in the thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and believe you forever." So Moses told the words of the people to the LORD. 10 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothes. 11 "And let them be ready for the

third day. For on the third day the LORD will come down upon Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people. 12 "You shall set bounds for the people all around, saying, 'Take heed to yourselves that you do not go up to the mountain or touch its base. Whoever touches the mountain shall surely be put to death. 13 'Not a hand shall touch him, but he shall surely be stoned or shot with an arrow; whether man or beast, he shall not live.' When the trumpet sounds long, they shall come near the mountain." 16 Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled. 17 And Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain. 18 Now Mount Sinai was completely in smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly. 19 And when the blast of the trumpet sounded long and became louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by voice. 20 Then the LORD came down upon Mount Sinai, on the top of the mountain. And the LORD called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

PASTOR Here ends the Old Testament 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: Have respect, O Lord, to Your covenant:

C: Oh, do not let the oppressed return ashamed!

P: Arise, O God, plead Your own cause;

C: Do not forget the voice of Your enemies; Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: O LORD, God of my salvation,

C: I have cried out day and night before You. Hallelujah!



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PASTOR: Here ends the Gospel Reading.

P: 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 289

THE SERMON

Hebrews 12:18-24 For you have not come to the mountain that may be touched and that burned with fire, and to blackness and darkness and tempest, 19 and the sound of a trumpet and the voice of words, so that those who heard it begged that the word should not be spoken to them anymore. 20 (For they could not endure what was commanded: "And if so much as a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned or shot with an arrow." 21 And so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I am exceedingly afraid and trembling.") 22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, 23 to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, 24 to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.

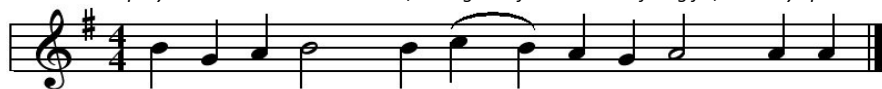
Theme: "OUR POINT OF VIEW FROM TWO MOUNTAINS"

I. Mt. Sinai

II. Mt. Zion

THE OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.



Cre - ate in me a clean heart O God, and re-



new a right spir - it with - in me



Cast me not a - way from Thy pre - sence, and



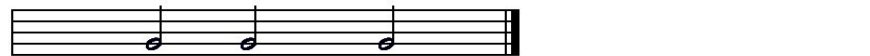
take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me,



Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion; and up -



hold me with Thy free spir -



it. A - - men.

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 158

Peace Lutheran Church continues with Communion

Congregation stands for:

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for the blessing of 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.



The Closing Hymn 391

*** *Silent Prayer* ***

Announcements

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

Welcome to all! If you are a visitor, we appreciate your joining our worship family this morning, and we invite you to sign our guest book. If you would like to hear more about our church, please contact the pastor with the information listed on the front of this bulletin.

VALLEY BIBLE ACADEMY

The LORD blessed our first week of school! We opened the doors with a special service on Tuesday, and God has given us an enrollment of five students.

Please continue to let your family and friends know about this opportunity to give their children a Christ-centered education. Enrollment for this year is still possible.

If anyone would like to volunteer at the school, please fill out the forms in your mailboxes at St. John's and return to Teacher Desirae Naumann.

IN OUR PRAYERS Wyona Fox is recovering at home from hip replacement surgery this past week. May God continue to bless recovery.

Josh Weber was admitted to St. Joseph's last Wednesday with pneumonia, congestive heart failure, and other health problems. He has been stabilized and is on the road to recovery. Oh Lord, save!

"The LORD God is my strength; He makes my feet like the feet of a deer, He enables me to go on the heights." Habakkuk 3:19

We continue to pray for all those who have been and are being affected by the wild fires and heavy smoke in our area.

Prayer: "OH LORD, Creator and Ruler of the elements, if it be your will send down a strong rain to end the many wild fires raging in our area. Comfort those who have suffered loss, strengthen those who battle the fires, calm the anxious with Your presence. Through Your powerful Word, give us hope in Your steadfast love and mercy and confidence in Your certain deliverance. By faith we trust that all is in Your hand, and therefore all is well. In Jesus name we pray, Amen."

ST. JOHN'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY Time change! 10:30 – 11:30am. Hope to see you there!

THE FALL SCHEDULE BEGINS IN TWO WEEKS ON SEPTEMBER 13

Peace: 7:30 am Bible Class followed by Service at 8:00 am

St. John's 10:00 am Sunday School, 10:15 Bible Class, 11:00 am Service

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS we continue our studies in the Old Testament. May the LORD bless us and feed our souls with the Bread of Life, Jesus Christ!

SUNDAY SCHOOL If anyone would like to volunteer to teach Sunday School, or could offer to be a substitute teacher, please speak to the Pastor.

VICAR FUND Ben Libby is with us for two more Sundays before he goes back to his home in Wisconsin. Donations to this fund are encouraged to help cover travel expenses, and also help soften the loss of regular employment while interning with us. Ben has a wife, Krissy, and they live in an apartment in Eau Claire, WI. Ben will graduate from Seminary next May. **"A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed." Proverbs 11:25**

Christian Women's Seminar - September 25-27, 2015 in Savannah, Georgia. Cost: \$150 - \$350. Contacts: Amy Osborne - 651-329-3662 - newyorker13@hotmail.com or Pastor Mayhew ndmayhew@juno.com

IMMANUEL BEGINS This past Monday the academic year began at Immanuel Lutheran in Eau Claire, WI. During the opening service, President Sippert reminded the student body of our Savior's growth plan through the Word of God. High school enrollment begins with 111 total students (24 freshmen, 25 sophomores, 29 juniors, and 33 seniors). This is a drop of 13 students from last year, mostly because the incoming freshman class is a little smaller than last year's graduating class. In the college there are 23 total students, a nice increase from last year's enrollment of 15. At this time six of these students are pursuing the teaching ministry and ten are preparing for seminary training. While seminary will begin later, six students are expected for the year. We thank the Lord for all those blood-bought souls that will be immersed in His Word during their Immanuel experience.

CLC NEWS <> The CLC Board of Missions has called the Rev. Peter Evensen, pastor of Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids MI, to be a Resident CLC Foreign Missionary to India. <> Leah Ude has returned the call to serve as preschool teacher at Redeemer Lutheran school, Cheyenne WY.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

“He holds victory in store for the upright, He is a shield to those whose walk is blameless, for He guards the course of the just and protects the way of His faithful ones.” Proverbs 2:7-8

The OT Reading for this 14th Sunday after Pentecost comes from:

There are two great teachings in the Bible – the Law and the Gospel. God’s Law always accuses us, and never excuses us. In these verses the giving of the Law on Mt. Sinai is a frightening event for sinful people like us. We read...

Exodus 19:9-13, 16-20 And the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I come to you in the thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with you, and believe you forever." So Moses told the words of the people to the LORD. 10 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothes. 11 "And let them be ready for the third day. For on the third day the LORD will come down upon Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people. 12 "You shall set bounds for the people all around, saying, 'Take heed to yourselves that you do not go up to the mountain or touch its base. Whoever touches the mountain shall surely be put to death. 13 'Not a hand shall touch him, but he shall surely be stoned or shot with an arrow; whether man or beast, he shall not live.' When the trumpet sounds long, they shall come near the mountain." 16 Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled. 17 And Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain. 18 Now Mount Sinai was completely in smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly. 19 And when the blast of the trumpet sounded long and became louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by voice. 20 Then the LORD came down upon Mount Sinai, on the top of the mountain. And the LORD called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

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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!