

The Holy Spirit Helps Us In Our Prayers



St. John's Lutheran Church

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

13946 1st Ave, Orofino, ID
8:30 am Summer Worship Service
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Organist: Sue Martin

Members of the Church of the Lutheran Confession – CLC

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9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 2, 2020

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 85 (front of the hymnal p. 140)

The Hymns: 15, 446, 224, 46

Pre-service 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 righteousness. In all things needful for body and soul, provide Your ever-present help; through Jesus Christ, Amen.

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn 15

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: We have thought of Your lovingkindness, O God:

C: **In the midst of Your temple.**

P: According to Your name, O God, so is Your praise to the ends of the earth:

C: **Your right hand is full of righteousness.**

P: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised:

C: **In the city of our God, in the mountain of His holiness.**

The Gloria Patri



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



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.



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The Old Testament Reading:

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PASTOR Here ends the Old Testament Reading.

The Gradual

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

P: Be for me a Strong Rock, O God:

C: **For a house of defense to save me.**

P: In You, O Lord, do I put my trust:

C: **Let me never be ashamed. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

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C: **Incline your ears to the words of My mouth. Hallelujah!**



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Pastor: The Gospel Reading is Matthew 13 beginning in the 24th verse.

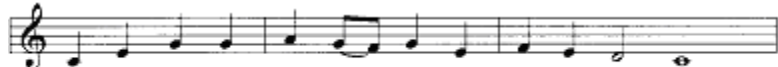


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Congregation stands for:

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 446

The Sermon

Romans 8:26-27 Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. 27 Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

Theme: "THE HOLY SPIRIT IS YOUR HELPER"

- I. With your weaknesses
- II. With your heart

The Offertory

From the Worship Supplement page 6



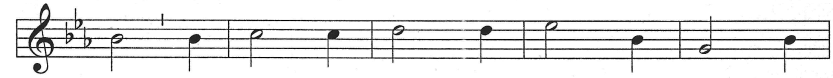
C: Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God. Re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Your pres - ence. Take not Your Ho - ly Spir - it from



me. Re - store to me the joy of Your sal -



va - tion. Up - hold me with Your free Spir - it.

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 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)

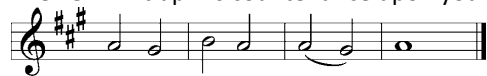
The Lord's Prayer - (All)

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 224

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 46

*** Silent Prayer ***

Announcements

"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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - a one-day VBS was held last Wednesday at St. John's with the theme: "The Almighty Power of our God!" Teacher Nathan Buck, Jessica Buck, Teacher Desirae Naumann, and Pastor Naumann taught 8 invited students.

At-home VBS Options from other CLC Congregations

Immanuel Lutheran Church of Mankato, MN, is offering a free virtual VBS entitled "*Christ Over Viruses, Infections, and Disease*" (COVID). The series features video presentations of Bible stories, discussion questions, music, craft time, and a daily scavenger hunt. You can find an online resource page with instructions and all the links at tinyurl.com/vbs20resource.

Mt. Zion Lutheran Church of Detroit, MI, has produced a video VBS series in lieu of in-person Vacation Bible School this summer. Join us as we embark on a three-day video journey that explores some of Jesus' most powerful miracles. Each short video contains a bible story, craft, and memory verse. Please visit Mt. Zion's YouTube channel to watch: <https://bit.ly/3jOfTYu>

Choose an upcoming week for "at-home" VBS, and make use of these excellent materials!

ADS FOR OUR SCHOOL We are advertising for Valley Bible Academy's upcoming 6th year of operation. LM Tribune (today's), Facebook, and Instagram are some of the venues but word-of-mouth is still the best. Please tell your family and friends! The first day of school is Wednesday, August 26 (half-day). We start at 8:30 am with an opening worship service. All are invited and encouraged to attend!

SCHOOL DEEP CLEANING In preparation for the coming school year, a list of cleaning suggestions has been posted on the bulletin board. We hope to have them done by Monday, August 17th. Many thanks to those who have been able to help!

NEXT SUNDAY'S BIBLE LESSONS Read ahead to help prepare:

Jeremiah 28:5-9 – False prophets mislead the people
Romans 6:1b-11 – Live as those who died to sin but are alive in Christ
Matthew 10:34-42 – Following Christ will bring choices and opportunities

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFERINGS LAST SUNDAY

From thankful hearts...

Needed: \$2,215. Received: \$1,350 (- \$865). YTD: -\$1,631.

Teacherage Fund – Received: \$10. Total to-date: \$13,640.

"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." Luke 6:38

CLC NEWS <> Pastor Stefan Sonnenfeld of Faith Lutheran Church of St. Louis, MO has **returned** the call to the dual parish of Redeemer Lutheran Church of Bowdle and Zion Lutheran Church of Ipswich, SD. <> Prof. Steve Sippert of Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire, WI has **received** the call to Bethel Lutheran Church, Morris, MN.

ILC Building Fund Paid Off--and Then Some: A substantial gift was recently given to the CLC, designated for the ILC Building Fund. This special gift completely paid off the entire Academic Center Fund balance, and provided approximately one million dollars for a future building project. CLC President Mike Eichstadt has appointed a Planning Committee to move this forward. Since every building project has to be approved by a convention, the Committee's mandate is to present a plan and cost estimate to the 2021 convention. The Committee is using the 2006 ILC Long-Range Planning Committee's 134 page report as its starting point. In recent years some have wondered what the next ILC building project will be. An updated and expanded gym? A dedicated Chapel? The 2006 Planning Committee did some work in that area. Since the current gym's footprint could not accommodate the space requirements of the new gym, the 2006 Planning Committee recommendation was to build a new gym to the south of the Commons (in the area between the Commons, slab, and amphitheater) and to completely renovate the existing fieldhouse to house functions like morning chapel, mass choir and band practices, plays, musicals, CLC GPC and conventions, storage, etc. Look for more details to be announced in the future. Whatever the current Planning Committee may recommend to the 2021 Convention, we recognize this as just one more example of how, "The heart of man plans his way, but the LORD establishes his steps" (**Proverbs 16:9** ESV). Thank the LORD for his bounty, and for the fruits of faith in our CLC members!

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

**"God is our refuge and strength,
A very present help in trouble."**

Psalm 46:1

The Old Testament Reading for the 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Just like the OT Children of Israel, we are surrounded by the temptations of false gods. Idolotry, in all its forms, is a constant cause of stress, doubt and worry in our lives. In these words, the LORD assures His faithful remnant that He, alone, is our King and Redeemer, the Rock in which deliverance and refuge can be found. We read...

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As we go through our lives as Christians we witness the great wickedness around us because of sin and unbelief. Sometimes we wonder why God doesn't just end it all? In this parable of the weeds among the wheat, Jesus assures us that judgment will come for evil doers, but not prematurely. We read...

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