

# St. John's Lutheran Church

1107 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Clarkston, WA 10:30 am Summer Worship Service <u>www.ClarkstonLutheran.org</u> Watch the Service on YouTube (Search: St. John's Lutheran Church, Clarkston, WA)

## **Peace Lutheran Church**

13946 1st Ave, Orofino, ID 8:30 am Summer Worship Service <u>orofino.clclutheran.org</u>

Members of the Church of the Lutheran Confession – CLC

Organists: Jessica Buck and Sue Martin

# Valley Bible Academy (K-8)

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## 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**SEPTEMBER 6, 2020** 

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 19 (front of the hymnal p. 126) The Hymns: 244, 514, 743, 54

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

### Opening Prayer Opening Hymn 244

#### 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

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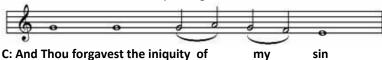
We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness. **Pastor** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

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.



(congregation is seated)

#### <u>The Introit</u>

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 Collect for the Day

The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer.



#### 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.

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- 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!



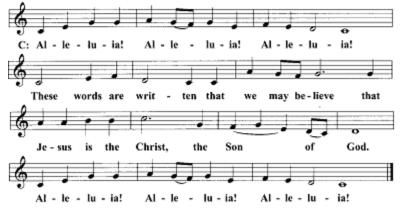
**Pastor:** The Gospel Reading is Matthew 16 beginning in the 13<sup>th</sup> verse.



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



Congregation stands for:

#### <u>The Apostles' Creed</u>

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.

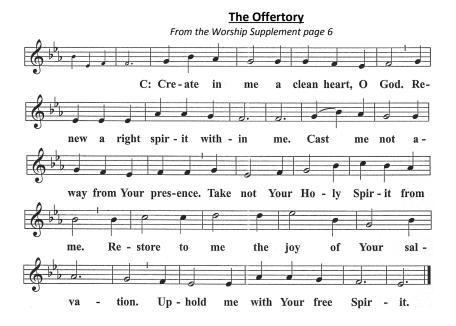
I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

#### Hymn 514

#### The Sermon

<sup>NKJ</sup> Romans 11:33-36, Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable *are* His judgments and His ways past finding out! <sup>34</sup> "For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor?" <sup>35</sup> "Or who has first given to Him And it shall be repaid to him?" <sup>36</sup> For of Him and through Him and to Him *are* all things, to whom *be* glory forever. Amen.

Theme: GOD'S ETERNAL RESERVES (33) I. Stop questioning Him (34-35) II. Keep admiring Him (36)



#### **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 he 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.

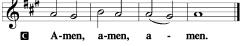
#### Hymn 743

 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 54

# <u>Announcements</u>

"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.

**IN OUR PRAYERS** *(written by Matthew Kranz)* On Saturday, August 29th, the Lord saw fit to allow a significant trial to enter Dave & Desirae Naumann's life, as well as their family's. Desirae suffered a seizure, and, upon further examination, it was revealed that she had developed a golf ball-sized tumor in her brain. A surgery was quickly scheduled to take place on Tuesday, September 1st. By God's grace in guiding skilled hands, her surgery was successful, and the tumor was removed. However, biopsy results showed the cancer to be a high-grade, fast-growing cancer which will require further treatment. The entire family has already expressed their thankfulness to the Lord in preserving Desirae through her surgery and have reiterated their trust in God's promise to work all things together for the good of His children. Both in this life, and especially in the next.

(The following was sent yesterday by email to our congregations) Yesterday (Friday) afternoon Desirae was discharged from St. Joseph's hospital and came home. We praise the LORD for this joyful homecoming! God answered many prayers with the gracious gift of successful surgery, great care, and awesome support from all involved, including you all. We thank you all so much! Before we left the hospital,

our Dr. informed us that the brain tumor that was removed was a "glioblastoma" of the fast-growing variety. I suggest you Google the word for more info. God has and can do miracles, and so we're praying for one. According to what I've read on-line, there's a medium life expectancy of 15-17 months. The important thing is that stats don't matter to our power and loving Great Physician, and we walk by faith, not by sight. I know that Desirae would like to see you as much as you would like to see her, but at the present time we are keeping her sheltered at home because of her condition. Many have offered meals and food (and we love you for it), but we really can't take any right now. The most you can truly do for our family is continue offering up prayers to our gracious triune God. We appreciate all your loving support and acts of kindness! Because it is already out there on social media (and perhaps some of you have seen it), I should tell you that a teacher from Immanuel Lutheran Church & School in Mankato, MN started a "go-fund-me" site entitled "Love has not limits - bring Desi's family home." Most of you know our children and grandchildren are spread out across the US, and this fund was started with the idea of getting them back home for a visit as soon as possible. If you like to read more about it, please click here (if you're reading this online). Again, my family would like to thank all of you for being so incredibly supportive and "right at our side" in this most difficult time with your love and prayers. The fellowship we share in Christ means everything to us! The LORD be with you all, Pastor Dave Naumann

THE FALL SCHEDULE BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Peace: 7:30 am Bible Class followed by Service at 8:00 am St. John's: 10:15 am Sunday School & Bible Class, 11:00 am Service

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFERINGS LAST WEEK** From thankful hearts... Needed: \$2,215. Received: \$1,796 (- \$419). YTD: -\$1,596. Teacherage Fund – Received: \$125. Total to-date: \$13,795.

**CLC NEWS** <> Pastor Ben Libby, Ascension Lutheran Church, Tacoma, WA has **returned** the call to Redeemer Lutheran Church, Bowdle and Zion Lutheran Church, Ipswich, SD. <> Pastor Chad Sebyt, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Cheyenne, WY has **received** the calls to a tri-parish of Morningstar, Fairchild; Trinity, Millston; and Peace with God, Onalaska, WI. Meanwhile Pastor Emeritus John Schierenbeck has accepted the vacancy call. <> Pastor Tom Schuetze, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Lakewood, CO. has **received** the call to Bethel Lutheran Church, Morris, MN.

# WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

Romans 8:18

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Silent Prayer \*\*\*

## The Old Testament Reading for the 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Though we sometimes complain and question Him, with loving reassurance God teaches us in His Word that He has redeemed us with mighty acts. As slaves in Egypt, Moses and the children of Israel complained and questioned, but God reassures with His promises. We read...

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