THANKSGIVING SERVICE

NOVEMBER 22, 2020



WELCOME!

Especially our guests and visitors! It is the prayer of the congregation that today's Thanksgiving worship leaves you with the blessings of our Lord's pure Word.

St. John's Lutheran Church

1107 14th Street, Clarkston, WA 10:15 am Sunday School and Bible Class – 11:00 am Worship Service <u>www.ClarkstonLutheran.org</u> Watch the Service on YouTube (Search: St. John's Lutheran Church, Clarkston, WA) Organists: Jessica Buck and Sue Martin

Peace Lutheran Church

13946 1st Ave, Orofino, ID 7:30 am Bible Class – 8:00 am Worship Service <u>orofino.clclutheran.org</u> Members of the Church of the Lutheran Confession – CLC

Valley Bible Academy (K-8)

1107 14th Street, Clarkston, WA Teacher/Principal Mr. Nathan Buck School Board: *Gary Luft (509) 657-3306; Ken Martin (509) 758-2374; Bruce Stebnitz (253) 973-1365* Church and School: (509) 758-8261 Pastor Dave Naumann Call or text (920) 266-5384; pastordavenaumann@gmail.com Personal Prayer: Almighty God, Our heavenly Father, Whose mercies are without number and the treasure of Whose goodness is infinite, we give You thanks for all the gifts that You have bestowed upon us, evermore beseeching Your compassion, that, as You grant the petitions of those that faithfully ask You, You wilt never forsake them, but prepare them for the reward to come in Your everlasting kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Personal Preparation for Worship: Psalm 118 p. 148

The Hymns: 36 -- 39 -- 568 -- 574 -- 54

Order of Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn: 36

PASTOR: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

CONG. Sing: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

PASTOR: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

CONG. Sing: Make haste to help me, O Lord. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Hallelujah!

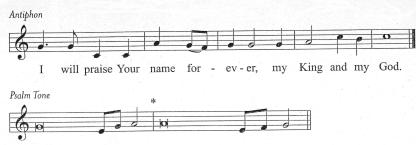
Confession and Absolution

P: Beloved of God: Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

C: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.

P: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. THANKSGIVING PSALM 146:2-4; 5-7

WHILE I LIVE



While I live I will praise the LORD;* I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Do not put your trust in princes, nor in a son of man,* In whom there is no help.

His spirit departs, he returns to his earth;* In that very day his plans perish.

Antiphon

Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help,* Whose hope is in the LORD his God,

Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them;* Who keeps truth forever,

Who executes justice for the oppressed,* Who gives food to the hungry, The LORD gives freedom to the prisoners.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son* and to the Holy Špirit, as it was in the beginning,* is now, and will be forever. Ámen.

Antiphon

Congregation is seated

The Old Testament Reading

NKJ Deuteronomy 28:1-10, "Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today, that the LORD your God will set you high above all nations of the earth.² "And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, because you obey the voice of the LORD your God: ³ "Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the country. ⁴ "Blessed shall be the fruit of your body, the produce of your ground and the increase of your herds, the increase of your cattle and the offspring of your flocks. ⁵ "Blessed *shall be* your basket and your kneading bowl.⁶ "Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed *shall* you be when you go out. ⁷ "The LORD will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before your face; they shall come out against you one way and flee before you seven ways.⁸ "The LORD will command the blessing on you in your storehouses and in all to which you set your hand, and He will bless you in the land which the LORD your God is giving you.⁹ "The LORD will establish you as a holy people to Himself, just as He has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the LORD your God and walk in His ways. ¹⁰ "Then all peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the LORD, and they shall be afraid of you.

The Gospel Reading

^{NKJ} John 6:22-27, On the following day, when the people who were standing on the other side of the sea saw that there was no other boat there, except that one which His disciples had entered, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with His disciples, but His disciples had gone away alone--²³ however, other boats came from Tiberias, near the place where they ate bread after the Lord had given thanks--²⁴ when the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there, nor His disciples, they also got into boats and came to Capernaum, seeking Jesus. ²⁵ And when they found Him on the other side of the sea, they said to Him, "Rabbi, when did You come here?" ²⁶ Jesus answered them and said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, you seek Me, not because you saw the signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled. ²⁷ "Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to everlasting life, which the Son of Man will give you, because God the Father has set His seal on Him."

A Confession of Faith

Hymn 39 and Martin Luther's Explanation to <u>The First Article of the Apostle's Creed</u>

"I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth. (all sing)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for He is Thy Health and Salvation! Join the full throng: Wake, harp and psalter and song; Sound forth in glad adoration!

"I believe that God has created me and all creatures. He has given me my body and life, eyes, ears, and all my bodily members, my mind, and all my senses and still keeps them for me."

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,

Who, as on wings of an eagle, uplifteth, sustaineth.

Hast thou not seen How thy desires all have been

Granted in what He ordaineth?

"God also preserves me by richly and daily providing clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land and animals, and all my property and all I need to support this body and life. He protects me from all danger. He guards and defends me from every evil. God does this because He is my good and gracious Father in heaven, not because of anything I have done to earn or deserve it."

> Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee, Who from the heavens the streams of His mercy doth send thee. Ponder anew What the Almighty can do,

Who with His love doth befriend thee.

"For all of this it is my duty to thank, praise, serve, and obey Him. This is most certainly true."

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore Him!

All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him! Let the Amen Sound from His people again;

Gladly for aye we adore Him.

THE SERMON - Pastor Tom Naumann

NIV Acts 27:20-25,33-38, When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days and the storm continued raging, we finally gave up all hope of being saved. 21 After they had gone a long time without food, Paul stood up before them and said: "Men, you should have taken my advice not to sail from Crete; then you would have spared yourselves this damage and loss. 22 But now I urge you to keep up your courage, because not one of you will be lost; only the ship will be destroyed. 23 Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me 24 and said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul. You must stand trial before Caesar; and God has graciously given you the lives of all who sail with you.' 25 So keep up your courage, men, for I have faith in God that it will happen just as he told me.

33 Just before dawn Paul urged them all to eat. "For the last fourteen days," he said, "you have been in constant suspense and have gone without food--you haven't eaten anything. 34 Now I urge you to take some food. You need it to survive. Not one of you will lose a single hair from his head." 35 After he said this, he took some bread and gave thanks to God in front of them all. Then he broke it and began to eat. 36 They were all encouraged and ate some food themselves. 37 Altogether there were 276 of us on board. 38 When they had eaten as much as they wanted, they lightened the ship by throwing the grain into the sea.

Theme: "THANKSGIVING DINNER ON A SINKING SHIP"

The Offering Hymn 568 (seated)

Prayer - The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 574

The Blessing

(Congregation sings) "Amen, Amen, Amen!"

Closing Hymn 54

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

A Blessed Thanksgiving To You All!

<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.

THANK YOU! We thank Pastor Tom Naumann for bringing us the Gospel message this morning. Tom is a son of Pastor Dave and Desirae Naumann. Tom serves Zion Lutheran Church in Detroit, MI and is here with his wife Ashley and their two young children, Aurora and Jeddidiah.

UPDATE ON DESIRAE NAUMANN Desirae is now on hospice with the emphasis on comfort as she awaits her heavenly home. While our hearts are heavy knowing that our time on earth is drawing to a close, we are comforted knowing that she is going to be with her Savior. We ask for continued prayers that any pain and discomfort may be managed. We thank you all for your continued prayers, kind thoughts and sympathies. We await the LORD's good and gracious will and His merciful plans for Desirae. Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. John 11:25-26

ALSO IN OUR PRAYERS After the recent disappointment of a "false alarm," we pray that the LORD would comfort and assure Bob Jensen of the good plans He has in store for him, and that he might receive a heart and kidney transplant as soon as possible.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION NEXT SUNDAY AT ST. JOHN'S

Please join us following the morning service as we decorate the tree and the inside of the church for the celebration of the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ. The more hands, the better! **ON HOLD** Due to Pastor Naumann's responsibilities at home, Sunday morning Bible Class and Sunday School are in suspended at both congregations. The upcoming midweek Advent worship services are also suspended. Regular Sunday morning worship services continue as usual.

CHURCH & SCHOOL CLEANING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT ST. JOHN'S.

Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFERINGS LAST SUNDAY

Needed: \$2,215. Received: \$2,486 (+ \$271). To-date: -\$2,749. Teacherage Fund – Received: \$0. Total to-date: \$14,025

CLC NEWS SD. <> Pastor Aaron Ude, Good Shepherd, Rapid City, SD has **returned** the call to Redeemer, Cheyenne, WY. <> Pastor Michael Gurath, Holy Cross, Phoenix, AZ has **received** the call from Redeemer, Cheyenne, WY. <> Teacher Matt Thurow, Berea, Inver Grove Heights, MN has **received** the call to teach grades 4-8 and serve as principal for Holy Trinity Lutheran School, West Columbia, SC. <> Teacher Quinn Sprengeler, Redemption, WA has **received** the call to Faith Lutheran School, Markesan, WI to be their upper grade teacher/principal. <> Pastor Chad Seybt, having accepted the call to a tri-parish, will be installed as pastor of Peace with God Lutheran Church, Onalaska, WI at the 9:30a service December 5. He will be installed as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Fairchild, WI at the 8:30a service December 6. And he will be installed as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Millston, WI at the 11:00a service Dece. 6.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

LORD, the eyes of all look to You, and You give them their food in due season. You open Your hand; You satisfy the desire of every living thing. ESV Psalm 145:15