



“HE IS LORD OF ALL.”

ACTS 10:36

Welcome to our Mission Festival!

Peace Lutheran Church of Orofino ID

13946 1st Ave

8:00 am Worship Service; 7:30 am Bible Study

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Clarkston WA

1107 14th Street

11:00 am Service; 10:00 am Sunday School; 10:15 am Bible Class

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MISSION FESTIVAL SUNDAY

OCTOBER 23, 2011

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 19, front of hymnal p 126

The Hymns: 495, 770:1-3, 496, 502

Prayer: O almighty God, You who made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on the face of the earth, use us as instruments of Your holy Word, and let the light of your salvation shine to all the ends of the earth. Accomplish this great work first with our family, friends, and close neighbors, then, as you have commanded, to all the world. Ever keep Christ and Him crucified the center of every message we bring, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. In His saving name, Amen.

Opening Prayer

Congregation sings the First Hymn 507

THE INVOCATION

*We invoke (“call upon”) the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
(Hymnal, page 15 – Congregation Stands)*

PASTOR In the name of the Father and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

CONGR. (sing) **Amen.**

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.

CONGR. (sing) **Who made heaven and earth**

PASTOR I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.

CONGR. (sing) **And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.**

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

PASTOR: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called servant of God's Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

CONGR. (sing) Amen. *(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, most often drawn from the Psalms.

P: All the earth shall worship You:

C: And shall sing to You, O God.

P: They shall sing to Your name:

C: You who are the Most High.

P: Make a joyful noise to God, all you lands:

C: Sing forth the honor of His name; make His praise glorious

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 16)

CONGR. (sing) 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.

THE KYRIE

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life. (Hymnal page 17 - sing)

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA

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

God, we praise You! God, we bless You!

God, we name You sovereign Lord!

Mighty King whom angels worship,

Father by Your Church adored:

All creation shows Your glory;

Heav'n and earth draw near Your throne

Singing "Holy, holy, holy, Lord of hosts and God alone!"

THE SALUTATION *(Greeting)*

PASTOR The Lord be with you.

CONGR. (sing) And with thy spirit.

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

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

PASTOR Let us pray.

CONGR. (sing) Amen.

THE BIBLE LESSONS

God speaks to us.

The Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 52:7-15 How beautiful upon the mountains Are the feet of him who brings good news, Who proclaims peace, Who brings glad tidings of good things, Who proclaims salvation, Who says to Zion, "Your God reigns!" 8 Your watchmen shall lift up their voices, With their voices they shall sing together; For they shall see eye to eye When the LORD brings back Zion. 9 Break forth into joy, sing together, You waste places of Jerusalem! For the LORD has comforted His people, He has redeemed Jerusalem. 10 The LORD has made bare His holy arm In the eyes of all the nations; And all the ends of the earth shall see The salvation of our God. 11 Depart! Depart! Go out from there, Touch no unclean thing; Go out from the midst of her, Be clean, You who bear the vessels of the LORD. 12 For you shall not go out with haste, Nor go by flight; For the LORD will go before you, And the God of Israel will be your rear guard. 13 Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently; He shall be exalted and extolled and be very high. 14 Just as many were astonished at you, So His visage was marred more than any man, And His form more than the sons of men; 15 So shall He sprinkle many nations. Kings shall shut their mouths at Him; For what had not been told them they shall see, And what they had not heard they shall consider.

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: The heathen shall fear the name of the Lord:

C: And all the kings of the earth Your glory.

P: When the Lord shall build up Zion:

C: He shall appear in His glory. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice:

C: Let the multitude of the isles be glad of it. Hallelujah!

CONGR. (sing) **Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

PASTOR The New Testament Reading is from Romans chapter 10 beginning there in the 12th verse.

CONGR. (sing) **Glory be to Thee, O Lord!**

New Testament Reading:

Romans 10:12-17 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. 13 For "whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved." 14 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? 15 And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!" 16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?" 17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

PASTOR Here ends the New Testament Reading.

CONGR. (sing) ***Praise be to Thee, O Christ!***

THE NICENE CREED

We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 22)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

At St. John's – The Choir sings hymn 507

Congregation sings Hymn **770:1-3**

THE SERMON

John 1:35-46 Again, the next day, John stood with two of his disciples. 36 And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God!" 37 The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. 38 Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, "What do you seek?" They said to Him, "Rabbi" (which is to say, when translated, Teacher), "where are You staying?" 39 He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where He was staying, and remained with Him that day (now it was about the tenth hour). 40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus. Now when Jesus looked at him, He said, "You are Simon the son of Jonah. You shall be called Cephas" (which is translated, A Stone). 43 The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote; Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."

Theme: **Examples in Evangelism**

- **Directing** (*Congregation sings 770:4*)
- **Bringing** (*Congregation sings 770:5*)
- **Inviting**

THE OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit. (Hymnal, pages 22-23) (sing)

***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

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 441:1-2:

**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive
And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!**

PRAYERS - (Pastor)

Congregation sings Hymn **496**

The Communion Liturgy continues with

THE PREFACE/ PROPER PREFACE

Now we approach the second high point of the liturgy, the Sacrament, in which the Lord comes to bless us with His very body and blood. We move toward the Sacrament with prayers of thanksgiving and songs of adoration. (Hymnal p. 24-25) Please stand.

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

CONGR: (sing) **And with thy spirit.**

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

CONGR: (sing) **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

PASTOR: Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

CONGR: (sing) **It is meet and right so to do.**

PASTOR: It is truly meet, right, and spiritually beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS

Latin: "Holy." We join our voices to the angels who sing, "Holy, Holy, Holy" round about His throne and we welcome Him with the Palm Sunday multitude who sang, "Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest!" (Hymnal, page 26)

CONG: (sing) **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory;
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest.
Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He
that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PASTOR: 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;
CONG: (sing) **For Thine is the Kingdom and the power, and the glory forever and ever, Amen.**

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(The words spoken by Jesus the night He instituted the Lord's Supper by which our Lord assured to His Church the real presence of His sacramental body and blood for all time)

PASTOR: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always

CONGR: (sing) **Amen.**

THE AGNUS DEI

Latin: "Lamb of God." As we approach the Table of Forgiveness, we want to think only of that Lamb of God who was sacrificed for us on Calvary's cross. (Hymnal, page 28)

CONGR: (sing)

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION

[To our visitors seeking an altar at which to commune: Our congregations practice "Close Communion." You have to be a member in order to come up for Communion. Since the Lord's Supper is an expression of outward unity in the faith as well as a union with Christ, we ask that those who are not communicant members of our fellowship to please schedule a meeting with the pastor before coming to the Lord's Table. We ask this in loving obedience to the Scriptures and not in judgment of anyone's personal faith, sincerity, or standing before God.]

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Latin: "Now Dismiss." Simeon's words after seeing the Christ Child. (Luke 2:29-32)
(Hymnal, page 29)

CONGR: (sing) **Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word, For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel. 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.**

PASTOR: Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.

CONGR: (sing) **And His mercy endureth forever.**

PASTOR: (Prayer)

CONGR: (sing) **Amen.**

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for 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.

CONGR: (sing) **Amen. Amen. Amen.**

Congregation sings the Closing Hymn 502

*** *Silent Prayer* ***



A CONFESSING CHRISTIAN IS NOT A STRICT CHRISTIAN

If God says that He is triune, and we insist on confessing that to the exclusion of identifying with those who deny the Trinity, are we too strict?

If the Bible is the Word of God, and we believe the Bible are we too strict if we will not identify with those who do not know what the Bible is, or even worse, who reject its claim for itself?

If we believe that the Word is eternal and is therefore timely in every age, are we too strict when we reject the idea that God's word changes with the times?

If we believe that going beyond Scripture is as wicked as denying any part of Scripture, is that being too strict?

If the Bible says that God created the world in 6 days, are we being too strict when we deny evolution?

If God calls a certain thought, word, or deed, sin are we too strict to call sin what God calls sin?

If we believe from Scripture that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, miraculously conceived by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, are we being too strict when we insist on believing and teaching what Scripture teaches?

If we believe that all people are born in sin and are under the wrath of God unless delivered from death by the merits and substitutionary atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ, are we too strict?

If we believe that we are saved by grace alone through faith in Christ without works as Scripture teaches, are we too strict in calling the teaching of salvation by grace through faith plus works contrary to Scripture?

If we believe that he who believes and is baptized shall be saved and he who does not believe shall be damned, are we beyond Scripture?

If we believe what Scripture teaches when we believe that there will be one judgment at the end at which time God will separate the believers in Christ from the unbelievers, are we too strict?

If we believe that we are to live as people transformed by the Gospel rather than being conformed to the world are we too strict?

If we believe that we are not to sit at the feet of false teachers, or that we are not to join in worship with, study with, or prayer with those who teach contrary to Scripture whether in the church or outside of it, in other words if we believe that we are to "avoid" false teachers and that we are not to lend credence or support to those who teach falsely, are we too strict?

If we believe that we cannot be neutral in what we believe as compared to those who believe that compromise of faith is an acceptable way of life, are we too strict?

Enough! Finally, we will not be dissuaded by what people think. Rather, let those who think we are too strict prove their assertion from Scripture! We maintain and shall continue to do so that as Christ believers it is our duty, yea, our privilege to speak up in defense of what we believe. With the exception of those who know nothing for sure, no one is to be pitied more than those who once knowing the truth have lost it, and who in their loss equate faithfulness to the Word with being too strict!

FAITH ALONE! GRACE ALONE! SCRIPTURE ALONE!

Announcements

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

FALL MISSION FESTIVAL Today our focus is missions. We thank our LORD for His mission work in us and through us. We also thank Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer of Trinity Lutheran Church, Spokane, for bringing us the Gospel message this morning. We hope you were able to attend Bible Class this morning where we watched a video presentation of the CLC's mission helper trip to Nepal this past summer. If you weren't able to attend, copies of the DVD are available from the pastor. Let us join together in this celebration of God's Mission Work throughout the world, in our congregations and in our synod. After all, Mission Work is the main reason each one of us is here on this earth – to tell others of the saving Gospel of the forgiveness of sins in Jesus Christ.

At Peace – coffee and goodies following service!

At St. John's – Mission Festival meal following service!

SHARE THE PROMISE! We hope you can join us in our Sunday morning Bible Study. "SHARE THE PROMISE WITH YOUR CHILDREN" is a study from God's Word on "How to Lay the Foundation for a Strong Christian Home."

NEXT SUNDAY – QUARTERLY MEETINGS at both congregations.

CLC NEWS David Rodebaugh, member of Messiah, Hales Corners WI, has accepted the call to the faculty of Immanuel Lutheran College, filling the vacancy that will have existed at the end of the current school year, due to the retirement of Prof. Michael Buck. <- Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids MI, has called the Rev. Vance Fossum, West Columbia SC.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"Whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved." Romans 10:13

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The Old Testament Reading for Mission Festival Sunday
Isaiah 52:7-15

"The salvation of our God" is the subject of our mission work. Here in these verses we hear of the good things the LORD through His Servant – Jesus – has done, and continues to do, for His Church (Zion, Jerusalem). We read...

New Testament Reading:
Romans 10:12-17

The gift of faith, given by the Holy Spirit through God's Word is how God accomplishes His Mission Work in any soul. One way God gets this done is to send faithful preachers of the Gospel of peace. "Preachers who know that "faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God." We read...