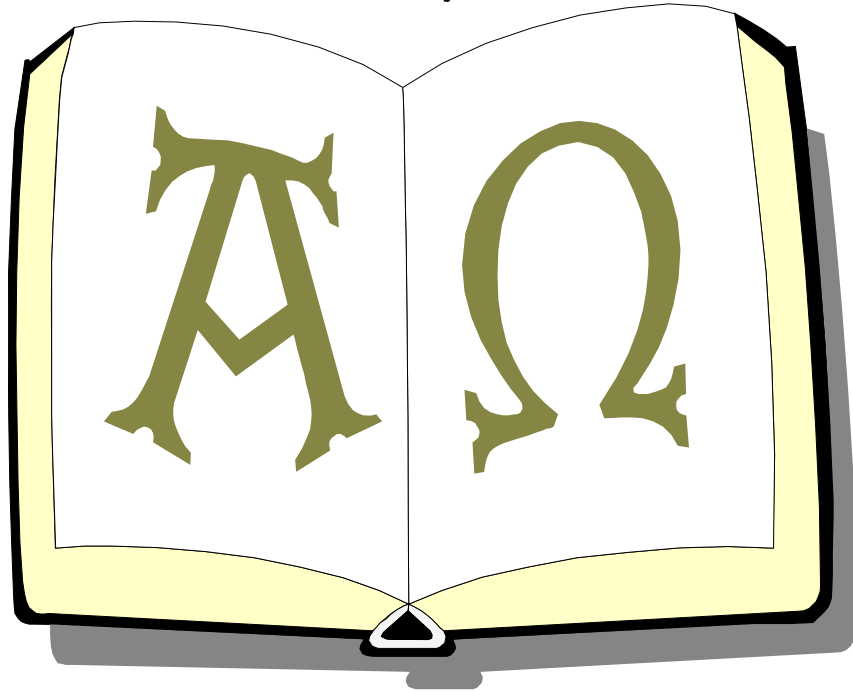


# Guard My Word



## Peace Lutheran Church of Orofino ID

13946 1st Ave

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

[www.oroфинolutheran.org](http://www.oroфинolutheran.org)

## St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Clarkston WA

1107 14<sup>th</sup> Street

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

[www.ClarkstonLutheran.org](http://www.ClarkstonLutheran.org)

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5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

MAY 13, 2012

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 96 (front of the hymnal p. 104)

The Hymns: 296, 284, 307, 283

Prayer: *O God the Holy Spirit, Who art One with the Father and the Son, we thank Thee that Thou hast begun in us Thy work of sanctification. Cause our faith to increase, and make us ever more zealous in good works. Clothed in our Savior's righteousness, exalt us and all believers to eternal life on the Last Day. We ask Thee to hear us for Jesus sake. Amen.*

### Opening Prayer

### Opening Hymn 296

### 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

*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.



Who made heaven and earth.

**Pastor** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.



And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.



Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on-ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A-men.

**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.

A-men.

**THE BIBLE LESSONS**

*God speaks to us.*

**The First Bible Reading:**

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 And certain men came down from Judea and taught the brethren, "Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved." 2 Therefore, when Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and dispute with them, they determined that Paul and Barnabas and certain others

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PASTOR Here ends the First Bible 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: Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Christ, who has redeemed us with His blood:

C: **Is risen and has appeared to us. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

P: I came forth from the Father and am come into the world:

C: **Again, I leave the world and go to the Father. Hallelujah!**

Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

PASTOR The Second Bible Reading comes from Revelation chapter 21, beginning there in the 10<sup>th</sup> verse.

Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

**The Second Bible Reading**

Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, 11 having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal. 12 Also she had a great and high wall with

twelve gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: 13 three gates on the east, three gates on the north, three gates on the south, and three gates on the west. 14 Now the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. 22 But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. 23 The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.

**PASTOR:** Here ends the Second Bible Reading.



**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.

### **Hymn 284**

#### **THE SERMON**

John 14:23-29 Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. 24 "He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent

Me. 25 "These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. 26 "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you. 27 "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. 28 "You have heard Me say to you, 'I am going away and coming back to you.' If you loved Me, you would rejoice because I said, 'I am going to the Father,' for My Father is greater than I. 29 "And now I have told you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe.

Theme: "GOD'S WORD: USE IT OR LOSE IT"

I: Love guards it. (23-24)

II: The Holy Spirit teaches it. (25-26)

III: The peace of Christ is found in it. (27)

IV: Your joy will be complete in it. (28-29)

### **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 pres - ence, 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**

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 307

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. Please stand.

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And with thy spir - it.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.

**C** 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!"

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;

heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,

ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,

bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.

Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

### 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;

**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the

glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## 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



☐ A - men.

### 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.*



☐ O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



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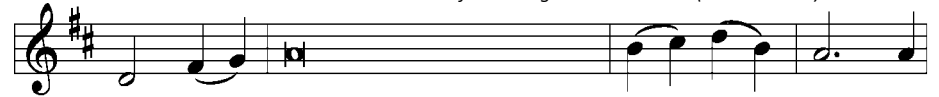
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## THE DISTRIBUTION

**A NOTE TO OUR GUESTS ABOUT COMMUNION:** All CLC churches practice "Close Communion." **We ask that only those who are members of our church or another congregation in the CLC come forward to receive the Sacrament.** This is NOT a judgment on your faith! Rather, it is an expression of our own faith and unity. If you would like more information, or are interested in becoming a member, please speak to the pastor.

## THE NUNC DIMITTIS

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



☐ Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord-ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo-ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and

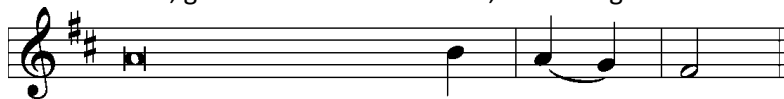


to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

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



and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**PASTOR:** We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we beseech You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.



A - men.

### **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.



A-men, a-men, a - men.

**Closing Hymn 283**

\*\*\* Silent Prayer \*\*\*

# **Announcements**

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

**WELCOME** ...to all our guests who are sharing the Good News of the Gospel with us this morning. Please sign our guest register before leaving, and we invite you to join us regularly for worship services. Every Sunday you will find words of life and peace through Jesus Christ - and a warm welcome from fellow believers - here in God's house. We're saving a place for you!

**100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY T-SHIRTS** are available at St. John's in the entryway. Sizes S-XXL. Cost is \$8. Make checks payable to St. John's.

**A WEDDING VOW RENEWAL SERVICE** for Phil and Bonnie Greer's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary is this Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 pm at St. John's. All are invited!

**TWO WEEKS FROM TODAY!** St. John's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary service is Sunday May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012 beginning at 2:00 pm. Please help us get the word out!  
***1 Peter 2:5 You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.***

**HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY!**

Thank God for mothers, young and old,  
Who live today within Christ's fold;  
Who pattern, as in days of yore,  
The godly mothers, gone before,  
Whose hands repose - complete their task.  
Thank God for these! Then Lord, we ask,  
Bless mothers who for us still pray.  
Thank God for them this Mother's Day.

## A MOTHER'S PRAYER

I wash the dirt from little feet;  
And as I wash, I pray,  
"Lord, keep them ever pure and true  
to walk the narrow way.

I wash the dirt from little hands,  
and earnestly I ask,  
"Lord, may they ever yielded be  
to do the humblest task."

I wash the dirt from little knees,  
and pray, "Lord, may they be  
The place where victories are won  
and orders sought from Thee."

I scrub the clothes that soil so soon,  
and pray, "Lord, may their dress  
Throughout eternal ages be  
Thy robe of righteousness."

Ere many hours shall pass, I know,  
I'll wash these hands again,  
And there'll be dirt upon their clothes  
before the day shall end;

But as they journey on through life  
and learn of want and pain,  
"Lord, keep their precious little hearts  
cleansed from sin and stain;

For soap and water cannot reach  
where Thou alone canst see.  
Their hands and feet—these I can wash.  
I trust their hearts to Thee."  
(Unknown)

**Pacific NW Youth Camp July 29 through August 3, 2012.** Grade 6 through College. \$75. Departing from Lynnwood, WA, and Vernon, British Columbia. We'll camp near Ross Lake, WA. Besides Bible study and devotion time, outdoor activities may include boating, fishing, swimming, hiking, rock climbing, photo scavenger hunting and an obstacle course relay race. Passport or enhanced driver's license needed for those 19 and older coming from Canada. Register by July 15. Bring a friend. **Contact Pastor Caleb Schaller at 425-775-2145 or [calebjohn.schaller@gmail.com](mailto:calebjohn.schaller@gmail.com)**

### MAKE YOU THINK...

God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.

God grades on the cross, not the curve.

God promises a safe landing, not a calm passage.

The task ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us.

If the church wants a better pastor it only needs to pray for the one it has.

Some minds are like concrete - thoroughly mixed up and permanently set

Quit griping about your church; if it was perfect, you couldn't belong.

Don't put a question mark where God put a period.

Don't wait for 6 strong men to take you to church.

We don't change the message, the message changes us.

The best mathematical equation ever:

1 cross + 3 nails = 4 given.

**CLC NEWS** <> Seminary graduate Mark Tiefel has accepted the call to Bethel Lutheran, Morris MN. The Rev. Elton Hallauer of Morris plans to retire from the holy ministry by the end of August. <> Educational graduate Megan Rehm has accepted the call to teach the lower grades at Immanuel Lutheran School, Winter Haven, FL. <> The Rev. Mark Bernthal, Middleton WI, has returned the call to Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids MI.

## WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Hebrews 4:12



### First Bible Reading for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Easter

*Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Here in the book of acts we read of the first synod at Jerusalem using God's Word to answer a question in the church. In the NT Church should non-Jewish Christians be subject to the ceremonial laws of Moses as written in the OT? The answer, aided by the Holy Spirit, was NO, but be encouraged to use common sense and love in your daily walk and talk as Christians. We read...*

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### Second Bible Reading:

Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

*In these verses the church in heaven is symbolically pictured as the New Jerusalem, where the brilliant glory of the victorious Lamb of God, Jesus Christ, gives light to all. We read...*

And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, 11 having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal. 12 Also she had a great and high wall with twelve gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: 13 three gates on the east, three gates on the north, three gates on the south, and three gates on the west. 14 Now the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. 22 But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. 23 The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light.